Duty of all national races

The people are working together with true patriotism to shape the Union of Myanmar into a peaceful, modern and developed nation. They are all under a duty to tackle any possible attempts of colonialists to break up the Union, aiding and abetting their minions.

Senior General Than Shwe
Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council
Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services
(from the message sent on the occasion of 63rd Anniversary Union Day)

Stake driven for construction of Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium

NA My Taw, 6 Feb — A ceremony to drive stake to launch Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium Project to be implemented by Max Myanmar Group of Companies was held at the site for the stadium in Zeyathiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw District, this morning, attended by Quartermaster-General Maj-Gen Wai Lwin of the Ministry of Defence. (See page 7)

Four political objectives
- Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, prevalence of law and order
- National reconsolidation
- Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives
- Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives
- Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation
Abide by traffic rules

The nation is enjoying cumulative development in all fields and roads have to cope with growing traffic. So, the government has been building highways and inter-district, inter-township and inter-village roads for smooth transport.

Due to increasing traffic, passengers and drivers have to honour traffic rules for road safety.

Traffic accidents happen very often due to failure to honour traffic rules, which claims lives. Data show that road accidents are largely due to reckless driving, drunk driving, aggressive driving, and pedestrians’ reckless using of roads.

Drivers must avoid taking wrong traffic lanes and blocking traffic lanes. Drivers have to have their vehicles serviced regularly to avert technical problems while driving and to ensure that their vehicles meet all standards.

Now, talks, exhibitions and contests on traffic rules are being conducted for public knowledge with aim of reducing traffic accidents.

The people have to work every day for their basic needs. If they abide by traffic rules strictly, they will be free from road accidents.

8th Leprosy Elimination Day Commemoration Ceremony observed

Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe makes speech at ceremony to commemorate the 8th Leprosy Elimination Day.—MNA

Myanmar takes great pride in the country’s achievement in the leprosy elimination goal since the end of January 2003. The country achieved the goal thanks to the efforts of the national leprosy program -me along with the international collaboration, including local authorities, health committees, NGOs in Myanmar, WHO, the Nippon Foundation, Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation, International Federation of Anti-leprosy Association (ILEP), Novartis Foundation, the Leprosy Mission International (LMI) and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), National Centre for Global Health and Medicine (NCGM), under the directives of the Ministry of Health.

Minister of Health, the deputy minister said.

The leprosy was eliminated in the country as a public health problem indicated that leprosy prevalence in Myanmar became less than one per 10,000 population, he said. The declaration for achievement of leprosy elimination status in Myanmar was announced at the Third World Leprosy Elimination Day held in Yangon from 6 to 8 February, 2003. The

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence attends opening of Tawwin Centre and Cineplex

YANGON, 6 Feb — Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence attended the opening of Tawwin Centre and Cineplex on Pyay Road, Dagon Township, here this morning.

The opening ceremony was also attended by Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than and departmental officials.

First, the commander and a responsible person of Tawwin Family Co formally opened Tawwin Centre and Cineplex. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe formally unveiled the signboard of Tawwin Centre, which is installed with communication systems, elevators and escalators, fire prevention system, air-condition system and central control system. The centre has nine floors with three mini theatres, supermarket, playground, furniture showroom, fashion boutiques and shopping centre.

Singapore Education Road Show 2011 on 11 Feb

YANGON, 6 Feb — Singapore Education Road Show 2011 will be held at Summit Parkview Hotel on Athon road here on 11 February. Edu Trust certificated schools of Singapore will participate in the show.

It includes from Singaporean government primary, middle schools, degree, master programme to schools of engineering, computer, economics and statistics, media, design, motion picture, fine arts, music, medicine, hotels and tourism management schools and preparation course for US school’s enrolment.

The students may discuss school enrolments with responsible persons of the respective schools. Talks on respective subjects by the schools will be given during the show. For more information, may register in advance at Crown Education (Ph-211888, Extension:228-229, 095085185, 094029313 and 01-73040688.—MNA

People’s Desire

* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy
New START treaty enters into force as US, Russia exchange ratification papers

MUNICH, 6 Feb—A new nuclear arms treaty between the United States and Russia that limits the number of atomic warheads the two former Cold War enemies are permitted to possess took effect Saturday. US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov exchanged instruments of ratification on the sidelines of the 47th Munich Security Conference The New START treaty was approved by the US Senate in December after

Six dead, two injured in fighting against forest fire in east China

MUNICH, 6 Feb—Six dead, two injured in fighting against a forest fire in Chun’an County, east China’s Zhejiang Province, on 5 Feb, 2011.—XINHUA

Hangzhou, 6 Feb—Six fire fighters were killed, with another two injured in fighting against a forest fire in Chun’an County, east China’s Zhejiang Province as of Saturday evening. A forest fire started in Fulin Village in Chun’an County on Saturday morning. About 300 people including those from the local fire control station and villagers were involved in the firefighting. The cause of the fire was still under investigation.—Xinhua

Fires and floods hammer Australia

A beachfront home lies in ruins, on 5 February, after Cyclone Yasi devastated the coastal hamlet of Hull Heads.—INTERNET

PERTH, 6 Feb—Wildfires threatened homes and new flooding forced evacuations in embattled Australia, as officials warned that last week’s monster cyclone would compound economic woes. Hot and gusty conditions whipped up by Cyclone Yasi, a top-level tropical storm that ripped into Australia’s northeast coast Thursday, fanned an out-of-control blaze on the outskirts of Perth on Sunday, endangering about 20 homes. “The bushfire is moving fast in a northwesterly direction. It is out of control and unpredictable,” the Fire and Emergency Services Authority in western Australia said in a statement.—Internet

Afghan skirrmishes kill 16 militants, two NATO soldiers

KABUL, 6 Feb—Continued conflicts and Taleban-led militancy have claimed the lives of 16 militants and two NATO soldiers in Afghanistan since Friday. The latest Taleban-linked activities left two soldiers with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) dead on Saturday, the military alliance confirmed in a statement released here. “Two International Security Assistance Force service members died following separate improvised Explosive Device (IED) attacks in southern Afghanistan today,” the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) confirmed in the statement. However, it did not reveal the nationalities of the victims, saying it is the ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities. Troops mainly from the US, Britain, Canada and Australia have been stationed in the southern region within the framework of ISAF to fight Taleban militants.

Afghan policemen are seen at the scene of a car bomb explosion in Kandahar south of Kabul, Afghanistan on 4 Feb, 2011. Internet

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Will Apophis hit Earth in 2036? NASA rejects Russian report

New York, 6 Feb—In 2004, NASA scientists announced that there was a chance that Apophis, an asteroid larger than two football fields, could smash into Earth in 2029. A few additional observations and some number-crunching later, astronomers noted that the chance of the planet-killer hitting Earth in 2029 was nearly zilch.

Now, reports out of Russia say that scientists there estimate Apophis will collide with Earth on 13 April, 2036. These reports conflict on the probability of such a doomsday event, but the question remains: How scared should we be?

“Technically, they’re correct, there is a chance in 2036” said Donald Yeomans, NASA’s Near-Earth Object Program Office. However, that chance is just 1-in-250,000, Yeomans said.

The Russian scientists are basing their predictions on a collision of the chance that the 900-foot-long (270 meters) Apophis will travel through what’s called a gravitational keyhole as it passes by Earth in 2029. The gravitational keyhole they mention is a precise region in space that is only slightly larger than the asteroid itself, in which the effect of Earth’s gravity is such that it could tweak Apophis’ path.

In virtual space, mock Mars mission ‘arrives’ at Red Planet

MOSCOW, 6 Feb—A 520-day attempt to simulate an entire mission to Mars has hit a major milestone, “arriving” in mock orbit around a mock Red Planet after months of virtual interplanetary flight.

The Mars500 mission “spacescraft” — actually a collection of sealed habitats in Moscow — entered a simulated orbit phase around the Red Planet on Tuesday (1 Feb), according to the European Space Agency. Three of the craft’s six crew members, all of whom are volunteers, will “land” on Mars on 12 Feb to make three deployments onto simulated Martian terrain, ESA officials said.

Mars500 — a $15 million joint experiment by ESA, Russia and China — aims to study the complex psychological and technical challenges that must be solved for long spaceflights, officials have said. The project has been running for more than eight months in a mock spacecraft at the Institute of Biomedical Problems in Moscow.

Radioactivity affects bird brain size

Moscow, 6 Feb—Researchers say birds living near the site of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, which exploded in 1986, have smaller brains than normal.

Researchers discovered that birds living in the exclusion zone near the abandoned power plant have brains 5 percent smaller than those living elsewhere in the region, the BBC reported. Researchers from Norway, France and the United States made the discovery and published the findings in the journal Plos One.

They studied 550 birds from 48 species and linked the smaller brain size to background radiation near the failed reactor. Researchers also said the number of mammals within the exclusion zone is declining, as is insect diversity.

The researchers also discovered a method to predict which species are most severely damaged by radioactive contamination by determining how often they renew parts of their DNA.

Take that, Google! Microsoft restores H.264 video support in chrome

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Leisure as important as cholesterol

BUFFALO, 6 Feb—All work and no play not only makes Jack a dull boy, it makes him an unhealthy one, US researchers suggest.

Leisure expert Dr E Christine Moll of Canisius College in Buffalo, NY, says play is as important to one’s health as keeping cholesterol levels in check and getting regular exercise.

“When was the last time you did something just for fun or just for the health of it?” Moll asked in a statement. “If your answer is ‘I read a book a year ago,’ then you need to do more.”

Moll defines leisure as anything that brings personal enjoyment and allows for recharging one’s batteries, but that does not include watching a child play sports.

“That is an aspect of parenting, not leisure,” Canisius researcher Summer M Reiner says in a statement. “Parents need to develop their own leisure interests.”

Reiner examined the role leisure plays through life and the findings show that people who nurture leisure activities throughout their lives have a much healthier outlook physically, mentally, emotionally, socially and in their sense of selves.

In addition, the findings published in Counseling Today, show children who actively participate in leisure activities tend to grow into confident, active and satisfied adults.

Leisure can include anything from a crossword puzzle to a pickup game of basketball, but the activity must be freely chosen; provide satisfaction and adventure; arouse interest; require a commitment; serve as a sense of separation or escape and, most important, be pleasurable, Moll says.

Child’s heart valve implanted via leg

PORTLAND, 6 Feb—A few US hospitals can implant a pulmonary heart valve in children without open-heart surgery, instead snaking it up a leg, doctors say.

Oregon Health & Science University Doernbecher Children’s Hospital in Portland is one of a handful of US health centers qualified to implant a pulmonary heart valve through the leg.

The device — called the Medtronic Melody Transcatheter Pulmonary Valve — has recently been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for this use.

“The remarkable thing about this procedure is that the valve is placed into the beating heart through a vein in the patient’s leg,” Dr Laurie Armsby says in a statement.—Internet

Girl Scouts trim cookie menu

NEW YORK, 6 Feb—The Girl Scouts of the USA said it would trim its lineup of cookies this year, dropping Duce De Leche and Thank U Berry Munch in some key markets.

“The decision to make the fewer cookies is not based on the economy” CNN quoted a spokeswoman, Michelle Tompkins, as saying. “It was a business decision made a couple of years ago.”

Cookie sales have grown into a $714 million annual business for the Girl Scouts. They are made by ABC Bakers, which will keep the full menu, and Little Brownie Bakers, which is cutting back on the varieties offered.—Internet

Sunbeam recalls 5,700 clothes irons

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — Household appliance maker Sunbeam Products Inc of Boca Raton, Fla, is recalling 5,700 clothes irons due to a fire hazard, a federal watchdog agency said.

The convertible irons were imported from China and can overheat due to a wiring problem, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission said.

The company has received three reports of irons starting fires.

The irons were sold at Bed Bath & Beyond retail stores from June 2010 through November 2010 for about $60.

The irons involved in the recall are the Sunbeam Convertible Iron with model number GCSSBR5 – 103. It is hand held and converts from an iron to a clothes steamer.

Consumers were advised to stop using the irons and contact Sunbeam for a free replacement.—Internet

Canadian banks have until 2023 to strengthen capital cushion

TORONTO, 6 Feb—Canadian banks will have until 2023 to replace $77-billion of complex capital that will no longer count as an allowable buffer against a financial crisis, the country’s regulator said.

The Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions issued its guidelines Friday for how long Canadian banks have before certain forms of capital, such as hybrid notes, are no longer eligible under banking rules.

Such capital did not act as an effective buffer during the financial crisis in 2008, when banks in Europe and the United States were forced to seek government bailouts to stabilize their operations.

That prompted global banking regulations to be rewritten to ensure banks have a more effective capital cushion in the event of a future crisis.

From 2013 to 2023, the banks will have to reduce their non-common capital – essentially capital other than common equity – by at least 10 per cent a year, to comply with new global banking rules agreed upon last year. The banks will have to redeem the notes, or convert them to a form of capital, such as common equity, that complies with the regulations.—Internet

Bangladeshi people wait at a Dhaka hospital in September 2009. At least 15 people have died in an outbreak of Nipah virus in a remote northern Bangladesh town as the deadly disease returned to the country, an official said Saturday. —Internet

It’s important for diabetics to keep their blood sugar (glucose) levels stable. That means taking all medication as prescribed, and following a healthy lifestyle.

When blood glucose levels become too high, the medical condition is called hyperglycemia. The American Diabetes Association offers this list of potential causes:

- If you’re a type 1 diabetic, getting insufficient insulin.
- If you’re a type 2 diabetic, the insulin your body produces may not be processed effectively.
- Overeating, or lack of exercise.
- Having an illness or infection.
- Being under emotional stress.—Internet

Photo illustration of a brain scan. Human brains have shrunk over the past 30,000 years, puzzling scientists who argue it is not a sign we are growing dumber but that evolution is making the key motor leaner and more efficient.—browsor

People pass a stall selling chilli peppers at a market in Jakarta on 4 Feb, 2011. In Indonesia, where even the price of chilis has soared, the government suspended import duties on key food items after inflation hit an annual rate of seven percent in January.—Internet

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TRADERS work in the Goldman Sachs stall on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on 16 July, 2010. —INTERNET

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Singapore, China witness strong bilateral trade growth

SINGAPORE, 6 Feb—Bilateral economic relations between Singapore and China are strong, and as the world continues to recover from the global economic crisis, the bilateral trade has risen more than 25 percent to 95.3 billion Singapore dollars (about 74.5 billion US dollars) in 2010, Singapore Minister for Trade and Industry Lim Hng Kiang said here on Saturday.

China is currently Singapore’s third largest trading partner, second largest source of tourist arrivals and top investment destination.

Delivering a speech at a Chinese New Year reception, Lim said: “looking ahead, we expect both the China-Singapore Free Trade Agreement and the ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement to continue to spur even stronger economic cooperation in this region.”

Despite the recent global economic downturn, China remains one of the world’s fastest growing economies. Its GDP grew 8.7 percent in 2009. Last month, China announced GDP growth of 10.3 percent for 2010.

“Many Singapore firms are well aware of China’s immense potential as the world’s largest consumer market.

Over the years, many have made inroads into the Chinese market. Our early invest-ments were mainly in the coastal cities, such as those in Jiangsu, Shandong and Guangdong,” Lim said.

A test flight on Friday at Edwards Air Force Base, according to the Navy.

A prototype of the X-47B Navy unmanned jet. The robotic, bat-winged bomber designed to take off from a US aircraft carrier has passed its first test in a debut flight in California, the US Navy said.

The X-47B jet, which looks like a smaller version of the B-2 stealth bomber, stayed in the air for 29 minutes and climbed to 5,000 feet in a test flight on Friday at Edwards Air Force Base, according to the Navy and defence contractor Northrop Grumman.

Military leaders see the plane as part of a new generation of drones that would be able to evade radar and fly at much faster speeds than the current fleet of propeller-driven Predators and Reapers used in the war in Afghanistan.

“We got a glimpse towards the future as the Navy’s first-ever tailless, jet-powered unmanned aircraft took to the skies,” Captain Jaime Engdahl, a programme manager for the warplane, said in a statement.

Northrop is building the navy bomber under a $636 million contract awarded in 2007.

With no pilot on board, the experimental aircraft was operated by a joint Navy and Northrop team on the ground.

Kentucky tourist killed by car in Jamaica

KINGSTON, 6 Feb—Authorities in Jamaica say a car has hit and killed a tourist from Lexington, Kentucky, and injured his girlfriend as they were walking in the resort area of Negril.

Jamaican police say 57-year-old Roy Anthony Stout was pronounced dead at a hospital Friday night. The woman, who hasn’t been identified, was reported in critical condition Saturday.

Police on the Caribbean island say the driver has been detained and is being questioned.

Family members told the Lexington Herald Leader that the dead man was co-owner and designer for a well-known Lexington business, Stout Printing.

His brother, Jerry Stout, said Stout and his girlfriend had arrived in Jamaica on Saturday night.

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18 killed in bus-truck accident in Pakistan

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Yingge dance to celebrate the Spring Festival in Shantou, south China’s Guangdong Province, 4 Feb, 2011. The masculine Chaoyang-style Yingge, which combines the artistic features of opera, dance and martial arts, is a folk dance popular in Guangdong’s Chaoshan (Chaozhou and Shantou) region.

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Next, Maj-Gen Wai Lwin drove a stake and sprinkled scented water on it.

Afterwards, the commander, senior military officers, the chairman of the company and officials drove the stakes.

Advanced Zeyathiri Stadium will have 525,287 square feet of area. It will comprise one 5000-seat basketball and volleyball ground on 188,275 square feet of area, one 3000-seat table tennis gym on 91,809 square feet and one 3000-seat badminton court on 91,809 square feet.

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Ayeyawady Bank (Monywa Branch), Zigon-Karlo rural tarred road open

YANGON, 6 Feb—Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Brig-Gen Soe Lwin attended the opening of Ayeyawady Bank Ltd (Monywa Branch) in Monywa on 2 February.

First, responsible officials formally opened Ayeyawady Bank Ltd (Monywa Branch) and the commander formally unveiled the bank signboard.

Next, the commander attended the opening of Zigon-Karlo rural tarred road in Karbo Model Village in Kanbalu Township and cordially greeted the local people.

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Energy Minister inspects Thakayta offshore logistic base

YANGON, 6 Feb—Minister for Energy U Lwin, the commander formally opened TMW Enterprise Ltd held an introduction ceremony for Sony’s 3D World at Tawwin Centre on Pyay Road in Dagon Township here today. At the ceremony, 3D technology was introduced for Sony lovers and it is a one-stop place to observe 3D materials. The ceremony will continue from 10 am to 10 pm until 8 February.—MNA

Crown to explain engineering subjects, job opportunities

YANGON, 6 Feb—A ceremony to clarify electrical and electronic engineering subjects, computer network and communication technology subjects, MBA subjects and job opportunities will be held at Singapore Education Road Show 2011, Summit Parkview Hotel, here, on 11 February.

The trainees may join Aiston Institute of Management to take the courses conferred by Coventry University.

For more information, contact Crown Education at Room No. 228-229, Summit Parkview Hotel (Ph: 211888, ext: 228 or 229) and (09-5085185).—MNA

HR Course at Wise International School

YANGON, 6 Feb—WISE International School for Executives will conduct certificate course in Human Resources Management on 11 February.

The curriculum is designed for entrepreneurs, HR managers and those interested in human resource management. The fee of the twenty-hour course is K 5000, but members may enjoy 40% discount and those wishing to join member program may contact Member Department of the school.

Applicants may enroll at Room No. 1009, 10th Floor, Yuzana Tower, at the junction of Kaba Aye Pagoda Road and Shweponding Road, Bahan Township, here, Tel: 01-556183, 09-5157032.—MNA

IELTS for entrance to international universities

YANGON, 6 Feb—Responsble persons from the exam services of British Council will explain preparations for International English Language Testing Systemexam and entrance to international universities at Singapore Education Road Show on 11 February at Summit Parkview Hotel.

Anyone interested may attend the Education Road Show and are contact Crown Education, Ph: 211888, Ext: 228 and 09-5085185 for further information.—MNA

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR Monday, 7 February, 2011
Little knowledge is dangerous

Maung Deh Doe

They can demand some amendments to the bills if necessary. If they meet a quorum, they can impeach the President, Vice-Presidents and ministers. They can submit a case to amend the constitution. They can speak and hold discussions freely in the hluttaws in accordance with the constitution. Regarding the submitting, discussing and performing at hluttaws, no action can be taken against hluttaw representatives. These principles are prescribed in the 2008 constitution approved with the votes of the majority of the people. There may be no other constitutions that work as well as that does. In democracy, the minority has to comply with the stances of the majority, and the stances of the minority are to be taken into consideration. That is a noble process. Only now, is the process introduced in our country.
HAILING THE 64th ANNIVERSARY UNION DAY:

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Objectives of 64th Anniversary Union Day (2011)

1. For all national races to safeguard the national policy—Non-disintegration of the Union, Non-disintegration of national solidarity, and Perpetuation of sovereignty

2. For all national races to keep Union Spirit ever alive and dynamic among national people

3. For all national races to wipe out, through national solidarity, disruptions caused to peace, stability and development of the nation by internal and external subversives

4. For all national races to make efforts with might and main to build a modern, developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation in accordance with the State Constitution approved by the great majority of the people

5. For all national races to work in concert with national unity for perpetuation of the Union that has existed for thousands of years

Patriotism

Sovereignty faces encroachment every time national unity and Union Spirit are in a state of decline.

So, a sovereign state can be established only if national unity and Union Spirit flourish.

And we will see development in political, economic and social sectors of the state.

Absolutely right dear ones.

Strength of unity

Patriotism

Socio-economy

Peace

National unity

Khaing Hsu

Maung Deh Doe: Another man says that parties of national races won only 44 of 435 seats in Pyithu Hluttaw and only 28 of 168 seats in Amyotha Hluttaw, and so, what they can decide on is nothing.

Bagyi Phyoe: That is according to the election results. In Singapore, for instance, there is only one parliament. Of 94 seats for members of parliament, 10 seats are for appointed members. Ruling PAP Party wins 82 seats and there are only two seats for the opposition party. In that case, the two seats are set aside for the opposition party because the opposition is necessary for democracy system. Singaporean citizens voted for PAP in their favour. So, no one can complain about that. That is according to the democracy practice. However, that is going smooth in Singapore. In Malaysia, of the 222 seats in the House of Representatives, ruling UMNO wins 137 seats, and the opposition party wins 85 seats. There are many things parties that do not win the majority of the seats can do. They can join hluttaw committees. They can submit bills. They can participate in discussions and give advice for the bills that are initiated by the other hluttaw. They can demand some amendments to the bills if necessary. If they meet a quorum, they can impeach the President, Vice-Presidents and ministers. They can submit a case to amend the constitution. They can speak and hold discussions freely in the hluttaw, in accordance with the constitution. Regarding the submitting, discussing and performing at hluttaw, no action can be taken against hluttaw representatives. These principles are prescribed in the 2008 constitution approved with the votes of the majority of the people. There may be no other constitutions that work as well as that does. In democracy, the minority has to comply with the stances of the majority, and the stances of the minority are to be taken into consideration. That is a noble process. Only now, is the process introduced in our country.

Maung Deh Doe: The last point is that what the minority of hluttaw representatives can do in the hluttaws are to raise their hands, nod their heads and clap. They can do nothing more than that. Hluttaw sessions are held behind closed doors. So, the people cannot be informed about what hluttaw members discuss at hluttaws. They also say that any media are not invited to hluttaw sessions.

Bagyi Phyoe: I have presented what the minority can do at hluttaws. According to Article 89, Article 132 and Article 155, the proceedings and records of hluttaw shall be published for public information. However, the proceedings and records prohibited by any law shall not be published. That is practised in every country. Subjects talked about at closed-door meetings are not published for public knowledge. I notice that hluttaw sessions have the coverage of State media. I think when hluttaw sessions become settled, private media will have the rights to cover the sessions. I do not think it is wise to give all the media indiscriminate access to hluttaw sessions. As you know, it had to stop media indiscriminate access to hluttaw sessions. As you know, it had to stop media indiscriminate access to hluttaw sessions. I do not think it is wise to give all the media indiscriminate access to hluttaw sessions.

Maung Deh Doe: Well, I would say that if they keep making malicious remarks irresponsibly with the wrong concept that democracy means “anyone can do everything at will, as you have said that little knowledge is dangerous”.

Translation: MS
Kayah State gaining development momentum in the time of State Peace and Development Council

Progress of Kayah State

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Kayah State lying in hilly region and is adjacent to Shan plateau. As the majority of the rivers that flow from north to south flows through the hilly region, the current of the rivers is strong. Thanks to Belu Creek that originates in Inlay Lake, Loikaw sees Lawpita (1), (2) and (3) Power Plants that generate electricity for the country. In addition, fertile farmlands have emerged in the Loikaw plain.

Stability and peace is a foundation for development. Tatmadaw government has extended a warm welcome to the armed groups to return to legal fold by surrendering the armed struggle line since its assumption of the state’s duties in 1988. Now, the country has gained harmonious development due to the state’s benevolent attitude and strenuous efforts.

Like other States and Regions, Kayah State is now enjoying the fruit of the peace and development. As a result, hydropower plants, communication facilities, schools, hospitals, universities, colleges, University of Computer Studies and Technological University have emerged one after another. Nowadays, Kayah State sees much more progress and development than that in 1988.

(See page 11)

Loikaw University in Kayah State turning out educated youths.
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Auto-exchange and communication tower seen in Loikaw of Kayah State for better communication in the nation.

Photo shows magnificent Loikaw Railway Station.

Projects to be implemented for progress of Kayah State

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Water being stored at Loinanpha Dam near Loinanpha Village of Dimawhso Township to irrigate farmlands in Kayah State.
UK sailors missing off coast of Portugal

LISBON, 6 Feb — Two British yachtsmen are missing after their boat was hit by a large wave off the coast of Portugal. Their yacht WaterWave got into trouble in rough seas as they sailed towards a marina north of Porto. The Portuguese authorities have sent a helicopter to search for the missing men, aged 23 and 52.

A 24-year-old crew member managed to swim to safety at Povoa de Varzim. Foreign Office officials said they had offered consular assistance. The yacht had been sailing from the north-western Spanish port of Vigo when it hit a storm at around 0330 GMT on Saturday morning.—INTERNET

California firm recalls 3,000 lbs of beef

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — About 3,170 pounds of fresh ground beef patties and other beef products distributed to Southern California restaurants is being recalled, federal officials say.

The US Agriculture Department said in a release Saturday the beef fro American Food Service in Pico Rivera may be contaminated with E. coli O157:H7.

The USDA said the projects were produced 31 Jan and bear the establishment number “EST. 1913” inside the USDA mark of inspection. The departments said there is a concern some product may be frozen and in restaurant freezers. E. coli O157:H7 is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea, dehydration and in the most severe cases, kidney failure.

Ground beef must be cooked to a temperature of 160 degrees Fahrenheit to kill E. coli bacteria.—INTERNET

Police hunt missing six-year-old Swiss twins

GENEVA, 6 Feb — Police from three countries are hunting for a pair of six-year-old Swiss twins whose father killed himself after abducting them. Matthias Schepp had snatched Alesia and Livia from the Swiss home of his wife, from whom he was separated, on 30 January. He then travelled to France and then Italy, where he threw himself under a train on Friday.

Helicopters, trackers dogs and scores of volunteers are helping the search. Canadian-born Mr Schepp had sent his estranged wife a letter from Marseille in France, saying he was desperate and could not live without her, Italy’s ANSA news agency reports. The agency quoted Swiss police as saying he had withdrawn large amounts of money from cashpoints in the city.—INTERNET

New approach brings US homeless in from the cold

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — In the dead of winter last year, after 13 years of wandering the streets and homeless shelters of the US capital, Maureen Brosnanah was given a tiny apartment with no strings attached.

She would no longer have to endure icy nights lying on cardboard and wrapped in blankets and plastic, or huddle with others for protection against the thieves and psychotics who prey on the homeless after dark.

“You always think that something better is going to happen. And for me, this happened.”

The 16-room dorm-style building run by Open Arms Housing, a local non-profit that houses homeless women.

“It doesn’t hit you until you’re in for a year or so, and then it’s like, ‘Barn! I’m inside’ You don’t have to go to a church to take a shower.”

World War II bomb forces thousands evacuate near Paris

PARIS, 6 Feb — A bomb dated back to the World War II was defused on Sunday morning in a community in the western suburbs of Paris, making thousands of local residents evacuated for safety, local press reported. In Boulogne-Billancourt, 8.2 km west from the centre of Paris, around 6,000 residents were evacuated early Sunday as security forces spent two hours to neutralize the dud bomb, which was discovered on 27 Jan, according to the report.

The 500-kilogram bomb surfaced at a construction site used to be a factory of automaker Renault where had been air raided several times by the Allies between 1942 and 1943 when it was controlled by the Nazi Germany, the same source said.—INTERNET

Photographer captures Northern Lights phenomenon

COPENHAGEN, 6 Feb — A photographer has managed to capture the Northern Lights phenomenon in Northern Norway, after he decided to place his camera on top of a mountain to shoot a time lapse scene of the sky.

Eirik Evjen who lives in Lofoten, took the picture on Sunday morning in a commune in the western region.—INTERNET

Belgian Stefana Engels completes record 365th marathon

BRUSSELS, 6 Feb — A Belgian runner has set a new world record by completing 365 marathon races in a year. Stefana Engels, dubbed “Marathon Man”, began his challenge in Belgium a year ago and has since run a marathon every day across seven countries.

She averaged about four hours to complete a marathon. He said his best time was 2 hours and 56 minutes. Engels suffered from asthma as a child and had been told by doctors to avoid sport. Before Engels, the record marathon man was Akinori Kusuda of Japan —who ran 52 races in a row at the age of 65 in 2009.—INTERNET

WiFi can be open door to Internet theft

WASHINGTON, 6 Feb — The use of open WiFi Internet services can give hackers an easy way to steal passwords and other private information, a British company says. The theft of such information is made easy through the use of a free pro-grame called Fire-sheep, which has been downloaded more than a million times in the past year, USA Today reported.

“People who don’t understand technology simply have faith,” their accounts won’t be hacked, said Chet Wisniewski, senior security adviser at Sophos, a network secu-rity firm based in Abingdon England, which has its North American headquarters in Burlington, Mass. “With Firesheep, almost anyone can effectively hack into your Facebook, Twitter and other accounts,” said Randy Abrams, with the anti-virus firm ESET.

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Man survives burial under six feet of snow

A Vermont man was rescued from a 6-foot snowdrift that buried all of him but his head, state police said. Jean Butler, 52, of Newfane was raking snow off his garage roof Friday afternoon when all the snow collapsed on him at once, a police report obtained by the Burlington Free Press said.

A neighbour heard Butler’s calls for help, and Trooper Geneva Cushman began digging him out, joined by members of the Williamsville and New Brook fire departments.

He was rescued after 2 hours, and an ambulance team found no need to take him to a hospital. “Butler never lost consciousness, and although very cold, was in good spirits after being rescued,” police said.

Italian maestro Muti broke jaw at Chicago rehearsal

CHICAGO, 6 Feb—Italian maestro Riccardo Muti broke his jaw after he fainted during a rehearsal with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, officials said Friday.

Muti, 69, will undergo surgery to repair “the multiple facial and jaw fractures sustained when he fell during rehearsal on Thursday,” the orchestra said in a statement. “Maestro Muti also continues to undergo tests to assess the underlying cause of the fall.”

He remains at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and will undergo surgery on Monday.

It was the second time the conductor became so ill he had to cancel a performance since he took over as music director of the CSO last year.

Writers Guild honours “Social Network,” “Inception”

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Facebook film “The Social Network” and thriller “Inception” won top honours from the Writers Guild of America on Saturday in one of the last major Hollywood award shows before the Oscars later this month.

“Social Network” writer Aaron Sorkin took the award for best adapted screenplay from the group that represents US film and television writers and “Inception” creator Christopher Nolan was named best writer of an original script.

Awards from Hollywood’s professio-nal guilds often provide hints about which films and filmmakers will compete for Oscars, the world’s top film awards, given out by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences on 27 February, because many members of the guilds also belong to the academy.

While that is certainly true in the category for best adapted screenplay, where Sorkin and “Social Network” are tipped to win, the other Oscar front-runner, royals drama “The King’s Speech,” was not nominated for the Writers Guild award for best original screenplay.

Lindsay Lohan

Lohan’s attorney denies actress stole necklace

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Lindsay Lohan’s attorney said Saturday that her client did not steal a $3,200 necklace and would fight any charges if they are filed.

The statement from attorney Shawn Chapman Holley was the first official word from the actress’ camp since police revealed they were investigating the troubled starlet for grand theft. “We vehemently deny these allegations and, if charges are filed, we will fight them in court, not in the press,” Holley said. Kamotie & Co, a Venice custom jewelry store, reported the necklace stolen on 22 Jan, roughly three weeks after the actress was released from three months of court-ordered rehab at the Betty Ford Centre.

Police obtained a search warrant Tuesday to try to retrieve the necklace from Lohan’s house, but the item was turned in to detectives before the warrant could be executed.

Amanda Knox lawyers seek to stop Lifetime film

ROME, 6 Feb—Lawyers for US student Amanda Knox and her ex-boyfriend, who were found guilty of killing Knox’s British roommate in Italy, have formally demanded that US television channel Lifetime scrap a planned film about their trial.

Attorneys Carlo Dalla Vedova and Luca Maori said Saturday they had sent letters to Lifetime formally demanding that US television channel Lifetime scrap a planned film about their trial.

Lifetime told the family of Meredith Kercher, the student whose body was found in the garage of her apartment in Perugia, that it intended to film a movie about the slaying. The decision was taken after Knox, 24, and Raffaele Sollecito, both American, were found guilty in November of slaying 21-year-old Kercher.

Amanda Knox: Murder on Trial in Italy,” the film, was described as “dangerous and manipulative,” of which the family had been made aware by an anonymous source.

After the letters were sent, the families were informed that Lifetime had decided to cancel the film.

But fans who had been in contact with Lifetime in an attempt to persuade the network to change its mind said they had been told the film was still scheduled to begin filming in April.

But the families, in a joint statement, described the possibility of a film about the case as “outrageously distasteful.”

They also condemned the actress’ lawyers for seeking to stop the project.

Tootsie Bandit’ busted in SoCal dragnet

An alleged cross-dressing bank robber who was dubbed the “Tootsie Bandit” was in jail Saturday, authorities in San Diego said.

Robert Tyndall, 56, of San Diego, was picked up without incident at his home by the FBI and police officers from San Diego and neighbouring El Cajon.

Tyndall allegedly took a cue from the classic 1982 Dustin Hoffman comedy ‘Tootsie’ by donning a blond wig, scoop-neck blouse and what the Los Angeles Times described as “fashionable boots” while knocking over three banks since July.

Dead cow washes up on Seattle shore

Authorities in Seattle say bovine met the shoreline when beachfront residents found the body of a 400-pound cow washed up by the surf.

Seattle Animal Shelter enforcement supervisor Ann Graves says animal control officers received a report Thursday that the carcass of an adult cow had beached in West Seattle. The tide later moved it in front of a home.

A Seattle Police Department Harbour Patrol vessel towed the cow to a boat ramp Saturday, where it was loaded onto a rendering truck. Graves says it had no ear tag or other identification. It’s not clear how it got in the water.

The beached bovine was first reported by West Seattle Blog.

Butter on sale in a French supermarket

A Sicilian couple thought they had the perfect weapon to get rid of her ex-husband — a slab of butter which would melt after they asphyxiated him, the Corriere della Sera newspaper reported Saturday.

But a post-mortem found remains of the butter in the airways of Calogero Lo Cocco and the pair were unmasked, the paper said.

On Wednesday Lo Cocco, 40, had gone back to the marital home he had not visited since his divorce, where his ex-wife lived with her new boyfriend at Campobello di Lacata near Agrigente in southern Sicily.

They had set upon him and suffocated him with the butter, before declaring he had arrived drunk and attacked them, forcing them to tie him up, when he had suddenly collapsed and died.

Sicily couple murdered man with butter

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News Album

Internet
Defeated Man United targets derby recovery

WOLVERHAMPTON, 6 Feb—Sir Alex Ferguson believes next weekend’s high-octane derby will give Manchester United the perfect incentive to bounce back from losing their 29-match unbeaten run. United slumped to a shock 2-1 defeat at rock-bottom Wolves on Saturday as their lead at the top of the Premier League was reduced to four points over Arsenal.

And despite the midweek international break, which Ferguson believes is ill-timed, the Scot insists Saturday’s game against Manchester City at Old Trafford could not have come at a better time. —Internet

Mickelson in contention in Phoenix Open

SCOTTSDALE, 6 Feb—Phil Mickelson thrilled the huge crowd on the par-3 16th with a 30-foot birdie putt Saturday and closed within four strokes of leader Tommy Gainey at Old Trafford could not have come at a better time. —Internet

Sharapova slumps on Fed Cup return

PARIS, 6 Feb—Maria Sharapova’s first Fed Cup appearance in three years ended in tame defeat on Saturday as four-time champions Russia went 2-0 down to France in their World Group quarter-final clash in Moscow.

Sharapova, desperate trying to rebuild her career after a long struggle with shoulder trouble, lost 6-3, 6-4 to Virginie Razzano, the world number 83. Alize Cornet had earlier given the injury-hit visitors a 1-0 lead, producing a surprise win of her own, a 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 triumph over Svetlana Kuznetsova.

"I was giving her far too many free points, I wasn’t serving well, and I wasn’t really being aggressive on the court and I was giving her the opportunity to hit the first ball, and then headed wide." —Internet

Juve’s Matri returns to haunt Cagliari

ROME, 6 Feb—Alessandro Matri returned to haunt his former club Cagliari on Saturday when he scored twice in Juventus’s 3-1 win. The victory ended a run of three straight defeats and eased the pressure on Juve coach Luigi Delneri.

Matri’s goals sandwiched a strike from Cagliari’s Robert Acquafresca before Luca Toni scored a late clinker. It was a vital win for Juve as well with champions Inter Milan the visitors to Turin next week.

“Can be more difficult to play against Cagliari than against Inter,” said Delneri. —Internet

Answers to yesterday’s Crosswords Puzzle

Barcelona’s forward Lionel Messi scores a goal during their Spanish League football match against Atletico Madrid. —Internet

Barcelona scored all the goals in the 3-0 win over Atletico Madrid at Camp Nou as the defending champions opened up a 10-point lead over Real Madrid who face Real Sociedad on Sunday. Argentine magician Messi waltzed through the Atletico defence to give Barcelona the lead in the 17th minute and, after wasting a further chance, he pounced again in the 28th minute.

Atletico came out of their shell at the start of the second half but it was Barcelona who had the cutting edge with Messi scoring again from close range 11 minutes from time. “We wouldn’t be were we are if it wasn’t for Leo in our team,” said Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola of his Argentine superstar. —Internet
Mexico’s Rojas defends WBC super fly title

Mexican champion Tomas Rojas, right, lands a punch on Japanese challenger Nobuo Nashiro during the World Boxing Council super fly title fight at the Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium on Sunday.

WEATHER

Sunday, 6th February, 2011

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST.

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Upper Sagan and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Shan, Rakhine and Mon States, generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) below February average temperature in Upper Sagan, Mandalay, Magway and Bago Regions, Kachin, Shan and Kayin States and (7°C) below February average temperatures in Chin State, (4°C) above February average temperatures in Mon State and about February average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperature was Haka (1°C), Lashio (3°C) and Nambesan, Pinyaung, Heho and Mogok (4°C) each.

Max. temperature on 5-2-2011 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 6-2-2011 was 58°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-2-2011 was (65%). Rainfall on 6-2-2011 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kabay Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (1.97) inches at Mingaladon, (1.89) inches at Kabay Aye and (3.54) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kabay Aye) was (6) mph from Southeast at (15:30) hours MST on 5-2-2011.

Bay Influence: According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay and adjoining Sri Lanka Coast still persist. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 7th February 2011: Light rain is possible to be isolated in Taninthayi Region and Kachin State, weather will be partly cloudy in Ayeyawady Region. Shan, Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (40%).

State of the sea: Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Generally fair weather in the Whole country.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-2-2011: Generally fair weather.
★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People’s Desire
- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

★ VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
★ Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

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Colourful Kayah State

Kayah State is located at the eastern part of Myanmar, with a total area of 4529.56 square miles. In Kayah State, national races such as Kayah, Kayan, Mono, Kayaw, Yintale, Gaykho and Gaybar have long been living in unity and amity along with national races namely Kachin, Kayin, Chin, Pa-O, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine, Shan and Inn. (See page 10)

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Weather report

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Feb—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology issued an announcement today that according to the observations at 17.30 hrs MST today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay and adjoining Sri Lanka Coast has become unimportant.—MNA