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Agreement signed for scholarship programme on development of human resources

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept—A ceremony to sign the agreement on assistance for scholarship programme on development of human resources provided by Japanese Government to Myanmar Government was held at the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development, here, this evening.

Present on the occasion were Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Deputy Minister U Thurein Zaw, Deputy Minister for Education U Aung Myo Min, Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Thein Swe, Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin, departmental heads, Ambassador of Japan to the Union of Myanmar Mr Yasuaki Nogawa and embassy officials.

Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, on behalf of the Government of the Union of Myanmar, and Ambassador of Japan to the Union of Myanmar Mr Yasuaki Nogawa, on behalf of the Government of Japan, signed the agreement and exchanged notes.

Later, the minister and the ambassador spoke words of thanks.

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Four political objectives

* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, 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

Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha speaks words of thanks at signing ceremony for scholarship programme on development of human resources.

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Pathein-Monywa Asphalt Road under construction to help develop west bank regions of Ayeyawady and Chindwin rivers

Article: *Kayan Soe Myint;* Photos: *Moe Myint Hlaing*

I made a trip to Monywa from Yangon by flight on 10 August 2010 to write bylines on progress of Kazunma-Monywa section, the third one of Pathein-Monywa Road, being constructed by Public Works under the Ministry of Construction passing Ayeyawady, Bago, Magway and Sagaing Regions.

In parallel with Ayeyawady and Chindwin rivers, three sections of the 450 miles and five furlongs long motor road are under construction. Under the supervision of Deputy Minister for Construction U Myint Thein, Deputy Chief Engineer U Win Maung, special groups of Public Works and companies are taking responsibility for construction of 179/6 miles long Pathein-Okshitpin section. The 183/2 miles long Okshitpin-Kazunma section is being built by Chief Engineer U Thein Zaw and special groups of Public Works and companies under the leadership of Officer on Special Duty U Sein Thaung.

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Workers at construction site of Pathein-Monywa Asphalt Road.

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 3 September, 2010

Government, people and Tatmadaw join hands to overcome difficulties

Under the arrangements of the National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee, a ceremony to honour those who constructed Cyclone Shelters took place at the hall of Ministry of Construction in Nay Pyi Taw on 31 August, with an address by Chairman of the NDPCC Prime Minister U Thein Sein.

Today, the world encounters various natural disasters. In early May 2008, Myanmar was hit by the cyclone Nargis, which is the strongest in the course of Myanmar history. Due to the storm, the total loss of State-owned and private-owned property amounted to K 11.7 trillion.

The government carried out emergency rescue and relief works expeditiously. In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, the government systematically carried out emergency rescue work and provided temporary accommodation during the first phase, rehabilitation during the second phase and regional development and long-term preparedness and prevention against natural disaster during the third phase. At present, the storm survivors have enjoyed the better living standard than in the past.

In addition to Hillocks and Cyclone Shelters, the Road Network is being constructed not only for the preventive measures against natural disasters in the long run but for production roads.

Making energetic efforts in rehabilitation and reconstruction of the storm-ravaged regions by overcoming difficulties of weather, transport and vehicle reflects genuine goodwill of the State and wellwishers towards the storm-hit people.

In times of emergency, the entire people upholding national spirit are to join hands with the government and the Tatmadaw for overcoming various difficulties and obstacles through the united strength.

Peoples' 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**

A&I Minister meets Australian, Japanese Ambassadors

YANGON, 2 Sept — Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo received Ambassador of Australian Commonwealth to Myanmar Ms. Michelle Su-Wen Chan at his office here on 31 August, and held discussions on cooperation in agriculture sector between the two countries.

Similarly, the minister met Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Yasuaki Nogawa at the same avenue yesterday and discussed matters related to ongoing and follow-up tasks for development of agriculture sector.—*MNA*

MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept—The State Peace and Development Council has confirmed the appointment of the following heads of service organizations on expiry of the one-year probationary period.

Name	*Department*
(a) U Yi Mon	Managing Director Myanma Paper and Chemical Industries Ministry of Industry-1
(b) U Tin Naing Tun	Director-General Department of Civil Aviation Ministry of Transport

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Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo receives Ambassador of Australian Commonwealth to Myanmar Ms. Michelle Su-Wen Chan. A&I

Mosquito repellent donated to Yangon Children's Hospital

YANGON, 2 Sept—A ceremony to donate Chinnaingmin mosquito repellent produced by Naga Hnakaung Traditional Medicine Industry took place at Yangon Children's Hospital, here, on 27 August afternoon.

U Kyaw Naing of Naga Hnakaung Traditional Medicine Industry explained the purpose of donation and presented mosquito repellent to Medical Superintendent Dr U Aung Kyi Win.

Today's donation of mosquito repellent amounted to K 1 million.

Those wishing to buy the repellent for donation may contact Naga Hnakaung Traditional Medicine Industry, No. 776, Bogyoke Aung San Street (near Wardan Street), Lanmadaw Township, Tel: 01-223960, 225761, 211357 and Tatkon of Nay Pyi Taw District, Tel: 067-70266.—*MNA*

U Kyaw Naing of Naga Hnakaung Traditional Medicine Industry presents mosquito repellent to Medical Superintendent Dr U Aung Kyi Win of Yangon Children's Hospital.—MNA

Chance for GIS enthusiasts

Ocean Gate Training Centre

YANGON, 2 Sept—Ocean Gate training centre will open the basic and intermediate level GIS courses soon.

The courses will include introduction to Geographic Information System, setting up a GIS Database, Spatial Data Analysis, Data Interoperability in GIS and Data Presentation and Map Production.

The training courses will start in mid-September. The basic level will last two weeks and the intermediate level, four weeks.

Ocean Gate plans to conduct Remote Sensing course, Project Oriented Geospatial Technology course and Geospatial Technology Advanced Course for Geography, Geology, Business and Biology.

More information is available at Ocean Gate Training Centre at No. 355 at Room 206 on Theinbyu Street in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon, Tel: 381130.

MNA

Typhoon suspends S Korean flights, subway, kills three

SEOUL, 2 Sept—Typhoon Kompasu slammed into South Korea on Thursday, killing three people in what was called the strongest tropical storm to hit the Seoul area in 15 years.

Powerful gusts knocked over trees, power lines and streetlights, cutting off power to tens of thousands of homes and forcing airports to cancel or delay dozens of international flights, the *National Emergency Management* Agency said.

More than 60 international flights were delayed or canceled, mostly to and from China, officials at Incheon and Gimpo airports said. Service on two Seoul subway lines and five railway routes was suspended, officials said.

An 80-year-old man died after being hit by a roof tile and a 37-year-old businessman was killed on his way to work by a falling tree branch, the emergency management agency said. A 75-year-old man was electrocuted while examining a transformer, and four people were injured by broken glass, it said.

Elementary and middle schools in the capital, Seoul, were ordered to delay the start of the school day by two hours, while all public and private kindergartens were closed for the day, the Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education said.

Internet

People look at a vehicle damaged by a fallen branch after Typhoon Kompasu hit in Seoul, South Korea, on 2 Sept, 2010. The typhoon slammed into South Korea on Thursday, killing three people in what officials said was the strongest tropical storm to hit the Seoul area in 15 years. The driver of the car is safe as the person was not in the car.—INTERNET

A soldier stands guard near the scene of an attack on a fuel tanker in Ali Abad district of Kunduz Province, north of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 1 Sept, 2010. The tanker was part of a NATO supply convoy.—INTERNET

India to test-fire newly-improved medium-range ballistic missile Agni-II+

MUMBAI, 2 Sept—India will test-fire the newly improved medium-range ballistic missile Agni-II+ around the end of this month to strengthen the aerial strategic deterrent capability, local media reported on Thursday.

The Agni-II+ will be launched from an interim test range on the coast of the eastern Indian state of Orissa by the Indian Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), the Orissa government-run website Orissadiary quoted an official of the DRDO as saying.

The missile is a completely new version of the Agni-II with several advanced technologies adopted in its design. In comparison to its previous version, Agni-II+ has the extended range of 3,000 kilometres, bridging the gap between the 2000km-range Agni-II and 3500km-range Agni-III medium-range ballistic missiles, said the official.

Agni-II+ weighs about 17 tons with the length of 21 metres. It could carry a nuclear warhead of over one ton for long-range strike, according to the official.

Agni-II is the second member of the Indian most powerful surface-to surface ballistic missile family of Agni series, which include Agni-I, Agni-II, Agni-III and Agni-V.

On 27 Aug, Indian Defence Minister AK Antony said India was ready to first test-fire the newly developed inter-continental ballistic missile Agni-V. But he did not disclose the date for Agni-V's test.

Xinhua

Afghan police gather at the scene of an attack in Jalalabad, east of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 30 Aug, 2010. Police say a district government leader in eastern Afghanistan has been killed by bomb in his car as he traveled to a meeting to discuss security matters.
INTERNET

American troops killed in Afghan attacks

KABUL, 2 Sept—Two American troops died in fighting in Afghanistan on Thursday, while NATO said it had killed the leader of an insurgent cell responsible for laying roadside bombs and smuggling foreign fighters into the country.

NATO said one service member was killed in the country's east, the other in the south — regions where fighting between the coalition and Taleban insurgents has been at its most intense. No other details were given in keeping with standard NATO procedure.

The deaths bring to three the number of US service members killed in September and follows a spike in casualties during the last two weeks of August that saw the monthly total rise to 55. The August figure was still below the back-to-back monthly records of 66 in July and 60 in June.

Xinhua

The photo taken on 31 Aug, 2010 shows the bar Castillo del Mar in Cancun, Mexico. Eight people were killed in the Caribbean resort of Cancun early on Tuesday when suspected drug hitmen threw home-made explosive device into the bar.—XINHUA

Number of victims in Congo mass rape increases

UNITED NATIONS, 2 Sept—The number of reported victims of a recent mass rape in the Democratic Republic of Congo has grown by nearly a hundred over the last week, the United Nations said on Wednesday.

UN spokesman Farhan Haq told reporters in New York that the world body's MONUSCO peacekeeping force in Congo has received further reports of rapes committed over the course of several days in a town in the eastern part of the country, bringing the number well above the 154 reported last week.

"They (MONUSCO) have received by now reports of more than 240 victims of rape in the eastern Congo," Haq said.

MONUSCO has said it was only informed of the incident more than a week after it happened, even though they had a base just 20 miles from the scene in the country's violent east.

Internet

Local residents gather at the blast site in Kandahar, southern Afghanistan, on 1 Sept, 2010.
XINHUA

Science

Jordan discovers 3,000-year-old Iron Age temple

AMMAN, 2 Sept—Archaeologists in Jordan have unearthed a 3,000-year-old Iron Age temple with a trove of figurines of ancient deities and circular clay vessels used for religious rituals, officials said Wednesday.

The head of the Jordanian Antiquities Department, Ziad al-Saad, said the sanctuary dates to the eighth century BC and was discovered at Khirbat 'Ataroz near the town of Mabada, some 20 miles (32 kilometres) southwest of the capital Amman.

The Moabites, whose kingdom ran along present-day Jordan's mountainous eastern shore of the Dead Sea, were closely related to the Israelites, although the two were in frequent conflict. The Babylonians eventually conquered the Moabites in 582 BC.

Archaeologists also unearthed some 300 pots, figurines of deities and sacred vessels used for worship at the site. Al-Saad said it was rare to discover so many Iron Age items in one place.

Excavations began in Khirbat 'Ataroz in 2000 in cooperation with the California-based La Sierra University, but the majority of the items were only discovered in the past few months.

Among the items on display Wednesday, there was a four-legged animal god Hadad, as well as delicate circular clay vessels used in holy rites. Al-Saad said the objects indicate the Moabites worshipped many deities and had a highly organized ritual use of temples.

The items will be scientifically analyzed and conserved before going on display in Jordan's archaeological museum.—*Internet*

***File photo show, a Tasmanian devil searches for food in his enclosure at Taronga Zoo in Sydney, Australia. The Tasmanian devil population has plummeted by 70 percent since Devil Facial Tumor Disease was first discovered in 1996.—*INTERNET**

Famed Tasmanian devil euthanized after tumor found

SYDNEY, 2 Sept—A Tasmanian devil named Cedric, once thought to be immune to a contagious facial cancer threatening the iconic creatures with extinction, has been euthanized after succumbing to the disease, researchers said Wednesday.

The death of the devil — previously heralded as a possible key to saving the species — is another blow for scientists struggling to stop the rapid spread of the cancer, which is transmitted when the furry black marsupials bite each other.

The Tasmanian devil population has plummeted by 70 percent since Devil Facial Tumor Disease was first discovered in 1996. The snarling, fox-sized creatures — made famous by their Looney Tunes cartoon namesake Taz— don't exist in the wild outside Tasmania, an island state south of the Australian mainland.

In 2007, Menzies researchers injected Cedric and his half brother Clinky with facial cancer cells. Clinky developed the disease, but Cedric showed an immune response and grew no tumors —giving researchers hope that he could help them create a vaccine.

But in late 2008, Cedric developed two small facial tumors after being injected with a different strain of the cancer, which causes grotesque facial growths that eventually grow so large, it becomes impossible for the devils to eat. Current estimates suggest the species could be extinct within 25 years due to the prolific spread of the cancer.

Researchers removed the tumors, and Cedric appeared to be rallying. But X-rays taken two weeks ago showed the cancer had spread to the 5-year-old's lungs, Kreiss said. Tests confirmed the lung tumors were a result of facial tumor disease.—*Internet*

Technology

Apple unveils new TV set-top box

SAN FRANCISCO, 2 Sept— Apple Inc on Wednesday unveils a new version of its TV set-top box which is smaller and cheaper.

The new Apple TV is a quarter of the size of the previous version and can be easily held in people's hand, Apple CEO Steve Jobs said at a media event held in San Francisco. The device supports video streaming from Netflix Inc, a company that offers movies and TV shows rental by mail and online.

Apple TV can also stream content from websites such as YouTube, as well as music, photos and videos from users' computers to their high definition (HD) TVs. The TV show rental service gives users up to 30 days to start watching and then 48 hours to finish or watch multiple times.

Apple confirmed that *ABC, ABC Family, Fox, Disney Channel* and *BBC* America have agreed to offer shows for streaming. "We think the rest of the studios will see the light and get on board with us," Jobs said.

Apple said the new product will be available later this month and can be pre-ordered beginning Wednesday on the company's online store.—*Xinhua*

Apple CEO Steve Jobs introduces new iPod nano at Apple's fall 2010 event in San Francisco, the United States, on 1 Sept, 2010. Apple unveiled a new line of its iPod models and a new version of Apple TV on Wednesday's event.
XINHUA

PlayStation 3 will be ready for 3D by October

SAN FRANCISCO, 2 Sept— PlayStation 3 owners will finally be able to watch movies in 3D by October, Sony CEO Howard Stringer promised during his speech Wednesday at the Internationale Funkaustellung (IFA) trade show in Berlin.

The work on the 3D software upgrade is now complete, and the upgrade will be done by October, according to Stringer. Users who have a 3D-compatible TV set and PlayStation 3 will be able to watch 3D movies on Blu-ray discs, Stringer said.

Sony continues to work on Vaio laptops with 3D screens. At the show, Sony demonstrated a prototype that can produce 240 frames per second and uses the same active shutter technology,

which means users need glasses to see the 3D effect.

For users who want a bigger picture than most TV sets are capable of producing, Sony also announced its first 3D home projector. The VPL-VW90ES will be able to project 3D in 1080p, according to Sony, and will be available across Europe in November.—*Internet*

***The camera of a Google street-view car. New Zealand police said Thursday that Google did not commit a criminal offence when it collected data from wireless networks for its "Street View" mapping service.—*INTERNET**

Google data gathering was not a crime

WELLINGTON, 2 Sept—New Zealand police said Thursday that Google did not commit a criminal offence when it collected data from wireless networks for its "Street View" mapping service.

The New Zealand Privacy Commissioner called in police in June after Google admitted that its cars taking photographs of cities in more than 30 countries had inadvertently gathered personal data sent over unsecured wifi systems.

Privacy regulators in Australia, Europe, the US and Canada also launched investigations into data the web giant's camera-equipped cars collected while taking photos of streets and houses.

New Zealand police said Google's actions did not constitute a criminal offence and they had referred the matter back to the Privacy Commissioner.

Concerns in the case centre on Google's collection of so-called "payload data", unencrypted information sent on wireless networks that are not protected by passwords which can contain personal information, including the content of e-mails.

Google said in July that its "Street View" cars would resume operations in some countries but collect only photos and 3D imagery, not wifi data.—*Internet*

Health

Health Tip: Breastfeeding Toddlers

Mums have the right to breastfeed their toddlers anywhere they need to, the same as with breastfeeding babies. These rights are protected under antidiscrimination law in all states of Australia. However, if you feel less comfortable breastfeeding a toddler in public here are some tips to make it easier:

- Breastfeed with your toddler sitting in your lap, rather than lying down.
- In cafes, choose a corner or a booth and turn your back to the other customers.
- Breastfeed at home before you go out.
- Offer snacks or drinks first.
- Discuss with your toddler what you feel is acceptable for breastfeeding when out and about, including where you will feed and how long for.
- Use a parents' room at shopping centres as many have private feeding areas – and the toilets are handy!—*Internet*

Dengue fever at its peak during Commonwealth Games

NEW DELHI, 2 Sept—A viral fever that spreads through mosquito bites is likely to be at its peak during next month's Commonwealth Games in New Delhi, health officials in India said Wednesday.

Dengue fever, a painful illness that can be life-threatening, is on the rise with close to 1,000 cases reported in the Indian capital. It has led countries like Britain, Australia, Malaysia and New Zealand to issue health warnings. Dr VK Monga, the health committee chairman of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi, conceded that "mosquito breeding is likely to be at its peak during the games and dengue is a concern."

Mosquitoes that spread the fever are known to bite during the day, making athletes during the 3-14 Oct Games vulnerable at venues. Most of the 11 stadium clusters are still being worked on. Though work on the main structures is close to completion, areas around the stadiums remain dug up at several places.

Delhi Health Minister Kiran Walia conceded it was a point of concern. "The city government has ordered municipal authorities to ensure there is no mosquito breeding in and around Games venues," Walia said. But Lalit Bhanot, secretary-general of the Commonwealth Games organizing committee, said the fever was not a major concern.

"We are confident the government will take necessary steps to ensure the dengue fever does not spread," Bhanot said. "I am sure it will be controlled with proper measures."—*Internet*

Singapore's elderly at risk of malnutrition

SINGAPORE, 2 Sept—IA survey found three in 10 elderly folks here at moderate to high risk of malnutrition, local radio 938 Live reported Wednesday.

The survey conducted on 421 relatively healthy elderly folks aged 50 years and above found that the risk of malnutrition increases with age.

Doctors say Singapore's elderly population is not eating right.

According to the survey, conducted from February to March this year by Abbott, only one percent of the elderly respondents met the Health Promotion Board's diet recommendations.

They do not take enough foods which contain calcium, carbohydrates and fiber.

The elderly living in private apartments and condominiums are also found to be at risk.

And doctors are worried about the trend.

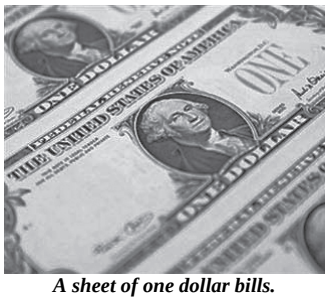
Senior Consultant Geriatrician Chan Kin Wing said that this is very significant as three in ten is about 30 percent, or almost 300,000 older people who are at risk in terms of absolute numbers.

Internet

This undated photo released by Cepheid, shows a Cepheid Xpert MTB/RIF cartridge. The cartridge is part of a test that is a major advance in diagnosing tuberculosis and can reveal in less than two hours, with very high accuracy, whether someone has the disease and if it's resistant to the main drug for treating it.—INTERNET

Business

US dollar down against euro, up against yen



A sheet of one dollar bills.
INTERNET

NEW YORK, 2 Sept—The US dollar on Wednesday weakened against the euro and rose against the yen as strong manufacturing data in the United States and China fuelled investors' risk appetite. The euro climbed to 1.2807 dollars in New York at 2100 GMT from 1.2681 dollars late Tuesday.

The dollar gained ground against the Japanese currency, fetching 84.42 yen compared to 84.22 a day earlier, after nearing its lowest level in 15 years at 83.60 yen.

"The general sense of today's numbers, with some exceptions, is that the world economy is not doing too bad," said Brown Brothers Harriman analyst Marc Chandler, citing latest data showing an improvement in the US manufacturing sector.

The Institute of Supply Management said on Wednesday that its manufacturing index rose to 56.3 points from 55.5 percent in July.

A reading above 50 percent indicates an expanding manufacturing sector.—*Internet*

Dollar trades at mid-84 yen level

TOKYO, 2 Sept—The US dollar traded in the mid-84 yen range early Thursday in Tokyo.

The dollar bought 84.50-53 yen at 9 am, compared with 84.40- 50 yen in New York and 84.17-19 yen in Tokyo at 5 pm Wednesday.

The euro was quoted at 1.2794-2796 dollars and 108.13-15 yen, against 1.2803-2813 dollars and 108.07-17 yen in New York and 1.2723-2725 dollars and 107.09-13 yen in Tokyo late Wednesday.

Internet

Ferrari recalls 1,248 sports cars after some catch fire

ROME, 2 Sept—Italian automaker Ferrari announced on Wed-nesday it had recalled all versions of its model 458 Italia sports car produced before July 2010 after four of them caught fire.

"Our dealers are going to call clients and tell them to bring back their cars so that the necessary modifications can be carried out," a spokesman said. The recall involves 1,248 vehicles worldwide, the official said.

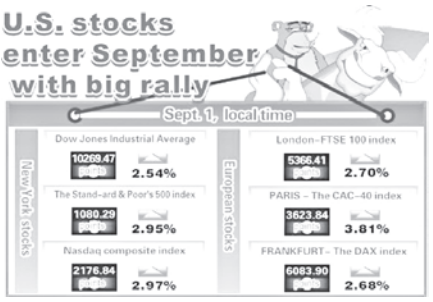
Ferrari last week opened an enquiry after four of its vehicles caught fire spontaneously in California, China, France and Switzerland.

The investigation had shown problems with the mounting, adhesive, heat shields and wheel arch assembly, the spokesman said.

"High outside temperatures and inten-sive use of the vehicle cause a distortion and the vehicle catches fire," he said, adding that the modification will include replacing the heat shields.

Internet

A model poses next to a Ferrari 458 Italia at the Beijing Auto Show in April 2010.
INTERNET



Graphics shows European-US main Stocks markets data on 1 Sept, 2010.—XINHUA

Chinese shares open 0.92% higher on overnight US stocks gains

BEIJING, 2 Sept — China's stocks rose with the benchmark Shanghai Composite Index up 0.92 percent to open at 2,646.89 Thursday, driven by Wednesday's Wall Street rallies.

The Shenzhen Component Index climbed 1.45 percent to open at 11,482.35 points.

The US stock market posted strong gains as better-than-expected manufacturing data from both China and the United States eased concerns of a global economic slump.

The Dow Jones industrial average rallied 246.65 points, or 2.46 percent, to 10,261.37. The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 29.31 points, or 2.79 percent, to 1,078.64 and the Nasdaq surged 61.24 points, or 2.90 percent, to 2,175.27.

Xinhua

Establishment of Shaolin Europe Association announced in Vienna

Photo taken on August 3, 2010 shows Shaolin monks perform at a show titled "The Wheel of Life" during the Jordan Festival at the Amman Citadel, an ancient Roman landmark, in Amman.—XINHUA

VIENNA, 2 Sept—With the establishment of Shaolin Europe Association announced in Vienna on Wednesday, Chinese Kung Fu fans and Zen Buddhism culture enthusiasts across Europe will have a new platform to exchange ideas and promote Shaolin culture.

"Since Shaolin culture was introduced into Europe 20 years ago, it has been deeply loved by European people and become part of their life," said Shi Yongxin, Abbot of Shaolin Temple, which has been announced part of humanity's cultural heritage by UNESCO.

Shi Yongxin, who is visiting Austria for an international meeting, also said at a press conference that although hundreds of thousands of European people have had access to Shaolin Kung Fu training programmes, there is still room for improvement in terms of inadequate channels to spread Chaolin culture. That is where the new association comes in to better provide Shaolin culture for European people, he said.

Headquartered in the Shaolin Culture Centre in the German capital of Berlin, the association has been joined by 10 Shaolin branch units in Europe, according to an organizer at the press conference held in Hilton Vienna Plaza Hotel.

Nestled in the Songshan Mountains of China's Henan Province, and with a history of more than 1,500 years, the Shaolin Temple has long been considered by many as the Cradle of Chinese Kung Fu and home of Zen Buddhism culture. In recent years, it has sent its Kungfu masters to perform Kungfu arts all over the world and established Shaolin culture centres to help promote cultural exchanges between China and other countries.

Xinhua

Photo taken on 1 Sept, 2010 shows giant puppets made by Yangzhou Puppet Troupe in Yangzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province. Totally 16 puppets, each 3.6-meters high, are prepared for the opening ceremony of Shanghai Tourism Festival which will be held on 18 Sept.
XINHUA

Colombia arrests Ecuadorian carrying explosives for guerrilla

BOGOTA, 2 Sept—The Colombian police have captured an Ecuadorian citizen along the Colombia-Ecuador border who was trying to deliver explosives to Colombia's guerrilla of the Army of National Liberation (ELN).

The police said Wednesday that the Ecuadorian, Antonio Pena, was carrying 25 kg of pentolita explosives when he was arrested in Tuquerres in the Narino department in southwest Colombia. The Colombian authorities have cap-tured several Ecuado-rians with explosives in the past for illegal armed groups which operate in Narino.

The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) and other paramilitary groups and drug traffickers operate in Narino as well.

Colombia and Ecuador severed diplomatic ties in March 2008 after a raid carried out by the Colombian army on a FARC camp in Ecuadorian territory. Ecuador condemned the move as a violation to its territorial sovereignty.

Xinhua

Ecuador demands investigation of migrants massacre in Mexico

QUITO, 2 Sept—The Ecuadorian National Assembly approved a resolution Wednesday calling on the Mexican government to probe the massacre of 72 Central and South American migrants and punish the perpetrators.

Last week the Mexican authorities found the corpses of 72 migrants on a ranch in Tamaulipas state, bordering the United States. One Ecuadorian citizen survived the attack and was the one who notified the Mexican authorities.

Ecuadorian legislators also call on the international community to make new efforts to protect human rights of the people in transit and combat organized crime.

They also demanded the Ecuadorian government guarantee the safety of the Ecuadorian survivor and his family.

Xinhua

China's Red Cross societies arrange more than 2 billion yuan donation for reconstruction in Yushu

BEIJING, 2 Sept— The Red Cross Society of China (RCSC) said on its website Wednesday that the country's Red Cross societies have received cash and materials donations equal to 2.32 billion yuan (about 342 million US dollars) by 17 Aug for disaster relief efforts in quake-hit Yushu of northwest China's Qinghai Province.

The RCSC said so far, donations in cash and materials equivalent to 2.12 billion yuan had been delivered for reconstruction projects in Yushu, including 18.78 million yuan in cash and material donations being spent on emergency aid and rescue efforts in the quake-hit area, according to a statement on the RCSC's website.

To carry out reconstruction plans for Yushu, the RCSC would provide 2.3 billion yuan donations as a fund for rebuilding hospitals, schools and farmers'houses there, including 200 million yuan donations received by Qinghai provincial Red Cross society, said the statement.

A 7.1-magnitude quake struck Yushu 14 April and left 2,698 people dead and 270 more missing. The quake's epicenter was Yushu Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture.

Xinhua

GM August sales drop 25 percent year on year

A GM sign is seen at a GM dealership in Miami, Florida 12 August, 2010. —XINHUA

CHICAGO, 2 Sept—General Motors Co. Wednesday announced an 11 percent drop in auto sales in August for its four core brands compared with a year-ago when sales were fueled by the government's Cash for Clunkers incentives. The automaker saw a 25 percent decrease in total sales for the month. Retail sales, excluding fleet sales, for all eight brands were down 29 percent.

"Last year's Cash for Clunkers program spiked industry sales in 2009, so results this August were not surprisingly a bit mixed," said Don Johnson, vice president of US Sales Operations.

GM's four viable brands were reported a 7 percent dropoff from July, suggesting the road to recovery continues to be a long and sputtering one.

Xinhua

Not to be swayed by killer broadcasts

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The Tatmadaw is the strongest national force that was given birth together with Myanmar's independence struggles. Only with the military prowess the Tatmadaw showed, bringing dignity to the history of the nation, did the nation regain independence and stand tall as a sovereign one in the world. Then, the entire people were freed from the yoke of colonialism and enjoyed the opportunity to hold their heads high as independent people.

It is the Tatmadaw that guards the people against various forms of dangers and saves the nation and the people in times of emergency in which the nation is on the verge of losing sovereignty, and community peace, stability and peace of the State are under severe threats. So, the Tatmadaw is worthy of high praise and recognition. Today, the Tatmadaw stands as the strongest national force for the nation and the people, and guides the nation towards the goal of democracy along the national political path. In the process, the Tatmadaw has the State's seven-step Road Map on the go to achieve the national goal of democracy in order to satisfy the people's aspiration. Simultaneously, it is striving for sustainable peace and stability of the nation for a prosperous future of the people.

As a result, the people today show their trust and reliance on the Tatmadaw. The people are well convinced of the fact that the Tatmadaw is essential for the leadership role in maintaining the already-achieved development momentum and ensuring smooth and stable transition to democracy. Only with the participation of the Tatmadaw, will it be possible to ensure the future of the nation and the people. And only when the Tatmadaw is strong, so will the nation. That is why the people place trust and reliance on the Tatmadaw and want the Tatmadaw to remain strong and powerful. The people of us are confident that the nation will be strong only when the Tatmadaw is strong.

Yet, certain elements are desperate to break up the Tatmadaw. They are none other than a handful of axe-handles inside and outside the nation. They are so power-craving that they focus all their attention to power. Their concept is that only with the downfall of the Tatmadaw, will they come to power and enjoy a brighter future. And only when the Tatmadaw is weak, can they do at will. Thus, they are resorting to all possible ways and means to break up, weaken and divert the Tatmadaw from its course of national political way. Nonetheless, they are too foolish to visualize that if the Tatmadaw splits into pieces, so will the nation. Then, the entire people including them will fall under the rule of neo-colonialists. Moreover, the nation will encounter a wide range of evil consequences beyond imagination. They are getting desperate to come to power and doing indiscriminately, which is very dangerous to the nation.

It is common knowledge that the axe-handles in complicity with certain western radio stations are airing groundless news stories constantly. They have done so on purpose since late 1988. Their intention is to destroy the nation, to incite conflicts among the national people, and to push the nation under alien subjugation. That is known to all.

Nowadays, western radio stations are airing broadcasts designed to deal a devastating blow to the Tatmadaw. In the news stories, they say that the eight regiments under the brigade in Yemon are in defiance of commands because soldiers are not allowed to withdraw the money they have saved in the regiments concerned; and that they decline Nay Pyi Taw's intervention. In addition, they aired that the regiments in Yemon were surrounded by 400 troops from Nay Pyi Taw. Later, they said that the troops were as strong as 700. Then, they aired irresponsibly that the eight commanding officers were all detained to mollify the other ranks. They have been airing such baseless stories for months in a row, thus denoting the point that they turn more attention to the drive for breaking up the Tatmadaw.

The fabrications came from BBC correspondent U Than who has little knowledge of the Tatmadaw. Earlier that, he sent distorted news about battalions in Inma and Bago with the intent to sow discord among servicemen. Then, he turned to DI factories in Htonbo and Hsinte in Bago Region. Now, the people have realized that the regions, battalions and factories remain normal without any problems.

Yemon Brigade (11) remains stable and all the officers and other ranks keep on shouldering duties as the motto "We will remain united whoever try to divide us". No soldiers were in defiance of orders, nor were any regiments surrounded by troops from other regiments. Any commanding officers were not arrested, either. The whole Yemon Station remains bustling and peaceful. Now, the brigade commander shield football tournament is in progress in Yemon Station. So, every evening, Yemon Station is reverberating with voices of fans supporting their teams. I wish correspondent U Than would know that teams representing their regiments and units are wholeheartedly contending for the championship shield.

Although knowing that internal and external axe-handles and elements under the influence of the west are sending made-up stories, certain radio stations such as BBC are happy with airing such groundless news stories with the intention of sowing disunity among servicemen as well as among the people and creating public panic. They are anxious to stimulate sedition and downfall of the Tatmadaw. Someway, they are pushing artless people relying on external elements to the streets for mass demonstrations. Therefore, it is required of the people to realize their real intention.

Foreign radio stations hand in glove with internal and external axe-handles have been airing such fabricated news stories for long to trouble the nation and the people. They have tried so many times to break up the Tatmadaw. But, their schemes have never worked.

In the 1988 disturbances, anti-government groups resorted to a variety of ways to demolish the Tatmadaw. Many leaders of the anti-government groups gave anti-government talks eloquently. Besides, many fake announcements were issued that Air Force would launch bomb attacks; that Navy would open artillery fire; and that the Tatmadaw had collapsed. Nevertheless, the Tatmadaw remained stable and managed to save the nation and the people from threats. Servicemen discharged the duties assigned to them. That is a fine tradition of the Tatmadaw.

I would like to present another event in that regard. BBC correspondent Christopher Gunness in cooperation with Nay Min, Htay Aung, Htay Kywe and Ko Ko Lat conducted a made-up interview with Red Cross member as well as university student Ma Aye Nyein Thu to make mobs wild. In the intereview, the female student made a lie that many other female students and she were raped in Insein Prison. There are so many similar evidences I can present.

Another news story is that over 20 groups of absconder axe-handles held DAB conference in a border area in the neighbouring country from 21 to 24 August. The conference laid down seven work programmes to speed up the campaign in cooperation with national race peace groups to disrupt 2010 elections. According to Internet blogs, the campaign covers boosting protests into public campaign and breaking the Tatmadaw. These points indicate that the axe-handle groups inside and outside the nation are implementing harmoniously their objective of breaking up the nation and the Tatmadaw.

Now, elections, the fifth step of the seven-step Road Map, are drawing near. The axe-handle groups and the West are found accelerating their destructive acts as they cannot stand for the process of shaping the nation into a democratic one. Therefore, the people are to remain constantly vigilant against such conspiracies in order to maintain the momentum of restoring stability and peace and we cannot miss the democracy goal that is now within the touching distance. The people have understood well that the broadcasts of the foreign radio stations are all groundless and tricky. So, the people should not place any trust in their stories. Without doubt, they keep on airing such baseless news stories. Hence, the people of us have to be aware of their broadcasts.

* 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

This public warning has been stated in daily newspapers and on TV for long in order that the people will not be caught in the snare set by those foreign radio stations. The public warning symbolizes the benevolent attitude the government shows to the people. Therefore, the people should not let themselves deceived by those killer radio stations and keep on taking strides till 2010 elections are held successfully and the democratic nation with flourishing discipline is built.

Translation: MS

Electoral process course opened in Mongyai Township

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept—The opening of electoral process course for polling station officers and deputy polling station officers in ward/village election subcommission in Mongyai Township in Lashio District, Shan State (North) took place at Mongyai Yadana Hall on 30 August. Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council U Akar Soe made a speech and Chairman of township subcommission U Sai Thein Aung explained the purpose of opening the course.

Member of township subcommission law officer U Nandar Aung, township audit officer U Aye Ko, head of township Immigration and National Registration Department U Than Myint and a member of township subcommission demonstrated duties of ward/village-tract subcommission and polling station officers and deputy polling station officers and process of casting. It was attended by a total of 375 trainees from 28 wards and village-tracts.

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NPED Minister U Soe Tha and Japanese Ambassador Mr. Yasuaki Nogawa sign agreement for scholarship programme on development of human resources. **(News on page 1)**

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Pathein-Monywa Asphalt…

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Deputy Minister U Tint Swe leads Deputy Chief Engineer U Khin Maung Thein, road special groups, district special groups and companies in construction of Kazunma-Monywa section. The total length of Pathein-Monywa Asphalt Road is 450 miles and five furlongs and 12 feet wide tarred road on 40 feet wide earthen road.

A road roller seen at construction site of Pathein-Monywa Motor Road.

Public Works constructed 130 miles and six furlongs long Pathein-Kangale-Yekyi-Ngathaingchaung-Yenatha-Betye road section in 1970. Under the Colombo Project, Snowy Mountain Engineering Corporation-SMEC constructed 31 miles and six furlongs long Betye-Okshitpin section in 1971-1972. SMEC also built 52 miles and seven furlongs long Okshitpin-Mindon section in 1976-77 under the Colombo Project, but only the Okshitpin-Kanbya section was completed. Public Works constructed 51 miles and five furlongs long Mindon-Padan section in 1982-1983. Public Works co-operated with Australian experts in construction of 82 miles and one furlong long Padan-Kazunma section in 2000-2001. In 2004-2005, Public Works constructed 105 miles and one furlong long Kazunma-Monywa section.

Together with Assistant Engineer U Aung Zaw Tun of Monywa District, we the news crew of Myanma Alin visited Monywa-Kazunma section.

Monywa District Public Works is taking responsibility for construction of 11 miles and five furlongs long section of the road, the Building Construction Special Group-3 led by Deputy Superintending Engineer U Hla Tun Oo eight miles long section, Naing Group Co six miles and three furlongs long section, Road Special Group-10 led by Deputy Superintending Engineer U Thaung Myint Tun 10 miles long section, Airport Special Group-2 led by Deputy Superintending Engineer Daw Kyi Kyi Thwe 24 miles and five furlongs long section, Building Special Group-5 led by Deputy Superintending Engineer U Myo Myint 10 miles long section, Myanmar Adipati Co four miles long section, Road Special Group-13 led by Deputy Superintending Engineer U Taing Khaing four miles long section, Pakokku District Public Works led by Deputy Senior Engineer Daw Nyein Nyein 12 miles long section and IGE Co five miles long section. We saw earth works, placing of ballot and tarmacking on some sections with the use of heavy machinery. A total of 108 conduits, 51 bridges of under 50 feet and 14 bridges of above 50 feet are under construction on the 87 miles and five furlongs long Kazunma-Monywa section, the third one of Pathein-Monywa Motor Road.

After visiting Kyartet, South Yama, Wetkhok, Lintakaw, Myaing, Kaingtawma and Yepyar section in Monywa, Yinmabin and Salingyi townships, we arrived at North Yama Creek Bridge being built by Bridge Construction Project Special Group-13 in Yinmabin Township.

To implement North Yama Bridge Construction Project, the preliminary engineering works were conducted beginning January 2008. The construction of the bridge started on 1 March 2008. So far, a total of 54 bridge pillars have been constructed. Moreover, Bridge Department of Public Works (Head Office) built 24 piers from P-10 to P-13. At present, the bridge is under construction with installation of bailey steel trusses.

From approach structure A1 to pier P7 it will be D/S Bailey and from pier P-7 to approach structure A2, S/S Bailey. We witnessed installation of bailey steel frames at the bridge spans.

In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, the Ministry of Construction is building roads and bridges for development of social and economic sectors of the State, uplift of living standard of the local people and forging unity and amity among national brethren. So far, the ministry has constructed 240 180 feet long bridges and 2915 bridges under 180 feet long and is building 22 180 feet long bridges throughout the nation. Moreover, a total of 21558 miles and one furlong long asphalt, gravel, hard and earthen roads have been constructed and 1815 miles long roads are being built. Among the roads across the nation, the Pathein-Monywa Road is under construction through concerted efforts of Public Works and private companies day in and day out.

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Earth work of Pathein-Monywa Asphalt Road being undertaken with the use of heavy machinery.

Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than being welcomed by Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the Union of Myanmar Mr Chu Cong Phung at the reception to mark 65th Anniversary National Day of SRV in Yangon on 2 September.—MNA

MCF to organize ICT exhibition, seminar

YANGON, 2 Sept — Jointly organized by Myanmar Computer Federation (MCF), Korea Trade Investment Promotion Agency (kotra) of Commercial Section of Embassy of the Republic of Korea and Moon Engineering Co., Ltd, the 1st Myanmar-Korea ICT Products & Solutions Exhibition 2010 will be held from 9 to 11 September and the 2nd Korea ICT New Technology Seminar 2010 on 10 and 11 September at Myanmar Info-Tech.

Not only MCF members ICT companies but also companies from Korea will take part in the exhibition and the seminar where ICT technology, latest electronics and IT Solutions & Services will be on display.

Businessmen, entrepreneurs, electronics companies and enthusiasts may visit the exhibition.

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Talks on RCC Dam Construction & Civil Engineering Techno-Power on 4 Sept

YANGON, 2 Sept— U Aung Swe, M.E (Civil Engineering), Tokyo University, will give talks on RCC Dam Construction & Civil Engineering Techno-Power in a seminar organized by Civil Engineering Technical Division under Myanmar Engineering Society, to be launched at Seminar Room of CETV, Hline Township here from 9 am to 11 am on 4 September.

Any interested person may attend the event and contact Myanmar Engineering Society, Ph: 519676 for details.—*MNA*

Tube-wells sunk to irrigate farmland in Meiktila, Thazi

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept — Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo went to Thazi Township on 30 August and inspected sinking tube-wells in farmland.

As part of the project for pumping underground water to irrigate farmland, out of 800 tube-well, so far 411 tube-wells have been sunk in Meiktila and Thazi.

The minister also met with local farmers during his inspection tour and fulfilled requirements for boosting agricultural production.

He also inspected the site chosen to build Natkar Dam near Maedi Village in Pyawbwe Township. The dam will be built on Natkar Creek.

On completion, the 3425-foot-long and 85-foot-height bridge would have a storage capacity of 8820 acre feet and will irrigate 1200 acres of farmland. The dam will also supply water to Yindaw Lake to help irrigation of the lake.—*MNA*

Dy Health Minister makes inspection tour of hospitals in Bago Region (West)

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept—Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo inspected the chosen places to construct patient wards, operation theatre, delivery room, medicine store, and X-ray room in Padigon People's Hospital in Bago Region (West) on 29 August.

In meeting with township health committee members, departmental heads and social organization members, the deputy minister presented anti-mosquito nets to village healthcare centres concerned.

He then proceeded to Hsinmee-hswe Station Hospital and Thegon People's Hospital where he looked around the hospitals, met responsible persons and then presented anti-mosquito nets.

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Fourth Nay Pyi Taw Inter-ministry Football Tournament goes on

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept — Jointly organized by the Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Football Federation, the third round of the fourth Nay Pyi Taw Inter-ministry Football Tournament continued today. Ministry of Labour team won over Ministry of Transport team 1-0 at Nay Pyi Taw Paunglaung Sports Ground.

As semifinal matches, Ministry of Finance and Revenue will play against Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs on 6 September and Ministry of Sports will compete with Ministry of Labour on 7 September.— *MNA*

Padaung, most developed, beautiful township in…

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Drinking water for local people is being supplied with river water pumping system. There are 716 deep tube wells, 1257 wells, 480 artisian wells, and 72 other wells in 209 villages of Padaung Township. In villages, a total of 44 lakes in which rain water is stored have been built. Two artisian wells that can pump 600 gallons of water per hour have been sunk in Kyeebin village.

Okshitpin-Binga graval road.

Photo shows Byugon Bridge.

In the township, altogether 197 rural roads have been built. For development of rural area and better transport, nine bridges have been constructed. Padaung Township is made up of a lot of rural areas. Due to development of those rural areas, Padaung is the most developed, beautiful township in Pyay District.

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Several insurgents captured in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 2 Sept—Afghan and NATO-led troops during a joint operation arrested several Taleban militants in their birthplace the southern Kandahar Province, a press release of the alliance said on Thursday.

"An Afghan and coalition security forces detained several insurgents in Kandahar Province on Wednesday including two Taleban weapons facilitators operating around Kandahar City," the press release added.

The security forces first targeted a compound in Daman District in pursuit of an insurgent known as one of the Taleban's primary facilitators for small arms, rocket-propelled grenades and improvised explosive device components, it further said.

It did not reveal the exact number of those arrested during the operation.

However, the press release emphasized there were no casualties on the troops or civilians.

Taleban militants who have intensified their attacks against Afghan and NATO-led troops have yet to make comment.—*Xinhua*

German Bundeswehr armed forces "Marder" armoured personnel carrier (APC) is seen during a military exercise in the northern German town of Bergen, some 80 km south of Hamburg, on 31 August, 2010. —XINHUA

South China landslide kills four, leaves 44 missing

BEIJING, 2 Sept—Rescuers were searching for 44 people missing Thursday after a landslide hit a village in southern China and killed at least four people.

Workers rescued 23 people buried under rubble in Wama village in the southwestern province of Yunnan after the rain-triggered landslide hit Wednesday night, the official *Xinhua News Agency* reported.

Rescue efforts could be hindered as the Central Meteorological Station expects more heavy rains through the weekend.

China regularly suffers devastating summer floods, but this year has been the worst in a decade, with towns washed away in the northeast and northwest of the country. The storms have caused tens of billions of dollars in damage and left hundreds dead.

Xinhua reported late Tuesday that the death toll from floods has risen to 3,185, with more than 1,000 people still missing across the country.

Xinhua

Rescuers try to move a block of mud and rocks at Wama Village of Longyang District in Baoshan City, southwest China's Yunnan Province, on 2 Sept, 2010. The death toll from mudslides that hit a village in Yunnan Province late Wednesday has climbed to four, and 44 people are still missing, local government said on Thursday. As of 10 am on Thursday, rescuers had saved 23 people from the rubble of homes in Wama Village of Longyang District, according to the city government of Baoshan.

XINHUA

Chinese stocks close higher Thursday on automakers' gains

BEIJING, 2 Sept—Chinese stocks rallied on Thursday, led by automakers, on news auto sales in China rebounded in August.

The benchmark Shanghai Composite Index rose 32.90 points, or 1.25 percent, to close at 2,655.78.

The Shenzhen Component Index gained 146.41 points, or 1.29 percent, to end at 11,465.15.

Combined turnover contracted slightly to 277.83 billion yuan (40.86 billion US dollars) from 280.51 billion yuan the previous trading day.

Gainers outnumbered losers 804 to 69 in Shanghai and 971 to 59 in Shenzhen.

Xinhua

Moderate quake rocks Aceh, Indonesia

JAKARTA, 2 Sept—An earthquake measuring 5.0 on the Richter scale rocked Aceh Province of Sumatra island in Indonesia on Thursday, the Meteorology and Geophysics Agency reported here.

The quake jolted at 7:57 am Jakarta time (0007 GMT) with the epicentre at 45 km northwest to Sinabang in the province and at a depth of 18 km, the agency said.—*Xinhua*

Death toll from NW China mudslides rises to 1,471; 294 still missing

ZHOUQU, 2 Sept—The death toll from the massive mudslide in Zhouqu County, in northwest China's Gansu Province, has risen to 1,471 as of Wednesday after four more bodies were retrieved, with 294 others still missing, rescue headquarters said Thursday. A devastating mudslide hit Zhouqu on 8 Aug, ripping many houses from their foundations and tearing multi-story apartment buildings in half.

Xinhua

Typhoon Lionrock makes landfall in east China's Fujian

An advertisement board totters in gale at a crossing of Jiuzhen Township of Zhangpu County, southeast China's Fujian province, on 2 Sept, 2010. Tropical storm Lionrock, the eighth of this year, made landfall on Fujian early Thursday morning. Under the impact of Lionrock, torrential rain was seen along the coast of Zhangzhou City, and the rain was the heaviest in Dongshan and Zhangpu counties.

XINHUA

FUZHOU, 2 Sept—Tropical storm Lionrock, the eighth of this year, made landfall on east China's Fujian Province early Thursday morning, local meteorologists said.

The storm landed at Gulei Town of Zhangpu County at around 6:50 am with a speed of 82.8 km per hour near its centre.

Under the impact of Lionrock, torrential rain was seen along the coast of Zhangzhou City, and the rain was the heaviest in Dongshan and Zhangpu counties.

No casualties have been reported.

Local meteorologists have warned residents of mudflows and landslides that might be triggered by the tropical storm.

The meteorologists forecast that rainfalls would be up to 100 to 200 mm in Zhangzhou, Quanzhou, Xiamen and Putian cities of Fujian from Thursday to Friday.

By 7:00 pm Wednesday, 162,200 people in the province had been evacuated to safe places, and 50,703 fishing ships had been back to harbours.

Xinhua

A file photo of heavy rain in Nigeria. Heavy rains in recent weeks have killed at least three people and displaced thousands in northern Nigeria where entire villages have been submerged and farms destroyed, officials said.

INTERNET

Qantas engine blast 'like fireworks', say passengers

SYDNEY, 2 Sept—Passengers on a Sydney-bound Qantas jet rocked by an exploding engine Thursday described how the plane felt like it had hit a "speed bump" and showered flames and sparks like fireworks.

The Qantas Boeing 747-400 had to turn back to San Francisco about half an hour into Monday's flight after an engine failed, blasting a large hole in its casing.

Passengers among the 212 on board finally arrived in Sydney on Thursday, and told of their alarm when the engine gave way with a "loud thump", sending rumbles through the aircraft.

"It was like the plane hit a speed bump," one man told a reporter at Sydney Airport.

Passengers on a Sydney-bound Qantas jet rocked by an exploding engine on Thursday described how the plane felt like it had hit a "speed bump" and showered flames and sparks like fireworks.—INTERNET

"The plane shuddered violently and passengers were quite concerned about what had happened," added another. "Basically the plane shuddered to the left and there were quite a deal of flames coming out of the engine. Somebody likened it to a roman candle (firework) that extended from the wing right down to the end of the plane."

Crew members dashed to the front of the aircraft and worried children had to be soothed, a third man said.

"We just told my son that they had to use special tools like daddy's at home to repair the plane, and that we would get to Sydney to see the kangaroos and the aquarium," he told ABC.

Qantas, Australia's national airline, said investigations were underway into the incident, which it described as "excessive vibration" in one of the plane's four Rolls-Royce engines.

Initial checks confirmed that the engine had failed, and a spokesman said there were a couple of "holes" in the casing. Transport safety officials from Australia and the United States are now looking into the matter.

No one was injured and the aircraft landed back at San Francisco without incident, with the passengers taking a later flight.

Internet

Investigators and forensic experts from Hong Kong of China work at the site of tourist bus hijacking in Manila, capital of the Philippines, on 1 Sept, 2010. The bus carrying 23 Hong Kong tourists was hijacked by a dismissed Philippine policeman on 23 Aug. The Philippine police killed the hijacker in an operation to rescue the hostages on the night of 23 Aug. But eight Hong Kong tourists were dead and seven others wounded in the operation.—XINHUA

Blasts rock Pa welding firm; five civilians injured

People watch smoke rise from a fire near Collingdale, Pa, on 1 Sept, 2010. INTERNET

COLLINGDALE, 2 Sept—A series of explosions at a welding supply company on Wednesday injured five people, forced evacuations and sent thick black smoke billowing over the area.

The explosions at Scully Welding Supply occurred around 1 pm in an industrial area about seven miles southwest of Philadelphia, Delaware County spokesman Bill Lovejoy said. Buildings in a 3,000-foot radius were evacuated, many until the six-alarm fire was brought under control shortly after 6 pm, he said.

Officials spent hours pouring water on large propane tanks to cool them, Lovejoy said. County Emergency Services Director Ed Truitt said officials also had been concerned about the danger the flames posed to a nearby oxygen supply company.

"If that building were to be breached, that could make life real interesting down there," he said.

The fire caused heavy damage to Scully Welding Supply and a neighbouring business, Kaiser Automotive, Lovejoy said. The cause of the blaze was under investigation by state and local authorities, he said. A call to Scully Welding Supply rang unanswered.

Internet

More Nepali kids being trafficked to India

KATHMANDU, 2 Sept—Trafficking of Nepali children into Indian cities as labourers is on the rise lately, local media reported on Thursday.

According to the data available with the Birgunj branch of Maiti Nepal, 64 children were rescued and handed over to their guardians in the last fiscal year.

Chief of the organization Sangita Puri was quoted by *The Kathmandu Post* as saying the office, with the help of various non- government organizations in India that work for the welfare of victims of trafficking, rescued 21 children in August alone.

"Most of the victims are from Bagariya, Rajpur, Farahadawa and adjoining Village Development Committees in Rautahat District and range from 10 to 16 years of age," she added.

Traffickers, who bring such children to another party, get 1, 400 Nepali rupees (some 18 US dollars) per victim, most of whom from Rautahat and Sarlahi Districts. Fearing security checks on the Nepal side of the border, they use the Indian route for the purpose.—*Xinhua*

Black box recovered from Nepal plane crash site

KATMANDU, 2 Sept—Nepalese investigators have found the flight data recorders from the wreckage of a small plane that crashed last week en route to the Mount Everest area, killing 14 people including six foreigners, officials said on Thursday.

Suresh Acharya, a spokesman for the government-appointed investigation team, said searchers have found both the devices and have flown them back to Katmandu. The devices will be sent abroad for analysis, Acharya said.—*Internet*

Vehicle pile-up kills seven in northeast China city

HARBIN, 2 Sept—Seven people are dead and eight are in hospital after a blowout on a truck caused a pile-up involving five vehicles in northeast China Wednesday, the local government announced on Thursday.

The accident happened at around 2:30 pm when the truck's tire burst in Jianshan District of Shuangyashan City, Heilongjiang Province, a spokesperson for the city government told a news conference on Thursday.

Three people died at the scene and 12 were injured, the spokesperson said. The injured were taken to two hospitals in Shuangyashan. Four of them died later.

The remaining eight people are still in hospital. The five vehicles were two trucks, a bus, a minivan and a motorcycle. Police are continuing to investigate the accident.—*Xinhua*

At least six residents died and two others were injured in a fire at a nursing home in Cordoba, the capital of the like-named Argentine Province in Argentina, on 2 Sept, 2010. XINHUA

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***A nurse attending to newborn infants in a maternity ward of a hospital. Contrary to international guidelines, sugar given to newborn babies does not ease pain, according to a study published on Thursday by The Lancet.*— INTERNET**

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***Women wearing summer kimonos sprinkle water on the ground during a campaign warning against the hot summer season in Tokyo on August 2010. Japan has endured its hottest summer since records began in 1898, the meteorological agency said on Wednesday, during a heatwave that saw thousands of people taken to hospital suffering heatstroke.*— INTERNET**

Four allegedly stole from Detroit school

DETROIT, 2 Sept — A former Detroit school principal and the bookkeeper at her school have been charged with using school funds to buy items for their own use.

A veteran Detroit police officer and the bookkeeper's son, a college student, were also named in an indictment handed up Tuesday, *The Detroit News* reported. The alleged embezzlement occurred at the Randolph Career and Technical Centre.

Wayne County District Attorney Kym Worthy said after the indictment was announced "stealing from children is the worst of the worst kind of theft."

Gwendolyn Miller, 58, the center's former principal, allegedly billed the school for a new furnace and had a teacher install it. She is also accused of taking items of school property, including a purse.

Miller said there was a misunderstanding, that she hired the teacher for the furnace installation and repaid the school when she realized he had billed Randolph for the unit.—*Internet*

Discovery Channel HQ hostages freed as gunman shot dead

WASHINGTON , 2 Sept — A gunman who took three hostages at the Discovery Communications headquarters in the US has been shot dead by police and his captives have been set free. The man had metallic canisters strapped to his chest and a handgun when he entered the building near Washington DC, police said.

Officers opened fire because they thought the gunman was about to detonate his explosives, they added. The police had held several hours of talks with the man. Discovery employees were evacuated from the building shortly after the incident began at about 1700 GMT.The area around the building in Silver Spring, Maryland, was sealed off as police negotiated with the man.

After several hours, police began to fear for the safety of the hostages, said Montgomery County Police Chief J Thomas Manger. —*Internet*

***Police officers approach the Discovery Channel headquarters building in Silver Spring, Maryland, on 1 Sept, 2010.*— INTERNET**

Smokers lie in order to rent a home

LONDON, 2 Sept — A third of smokers are being forced to lie about their habit to find a home to rent, a survey has indicated. Only 7% of landlords will allow tenants to smoke in their properties, with 38% saying they would evict someone who smoked indoors, according to flatshare website Easyroommate.co.uk. The group found 67% of smokers are living in non-smoking accommodation, with 34% lying about their habit in order to secure a flatshare.

Nearly a third of smokers even claim they have considered giving up the habit in order to find somewhere to live.

Smokers are also unpopular with fellow tenants, with only 19% of people saying they would be prepared to share a home with a smoker, while 37% said they would only do so if their housemate agreed to just smoke outdoors. Jonathan Moore, the director of Easyroommate.co.uk, said: "With smoking in pubs and restaurants off the cards, the last refuge for smoking — at home — is being eroded now, too.

"There's been a strong shift in attitudes towards smoking, and the tolerance levels of smokers since the smoking ban. Smoker-friendly accommodation has been squeezed as a result." The group found smoking was most prevalent among younger people, who are also more likely to be looking for a flatshare than other age groups.

Internet

A sea anemone hitches a ride on a hermit crab in one of the "rare and exciting" new pictures released last week by a joint Indonesian-US ocean expedition. Scientists using cutting-edge technology to explore waters off Indonesia were wowed by colorful and diverse images of marine life on the ocean floor — including plate-sized sea spiders and flower-like sponges that appear to be carnivorous. They predicted on 26 Aug, 2010 that as many as 40 new plant and animal species may have been discovered during the three-week expedition that ended on 14 Aug. —INTERNET

Explosives to be used to kill whale

ALBANY, 2 Sept — Australian authorities said they expected to use explosive charges to euthanize a beached whale off the south coast of Australia.

Department of Environment and Conservation spokesman Nigel Higgs said the 31-foot-long whale weighing more than 12 tons has been stranded near Albany's Princess Harbour for more than a week.

The whale became more stable during the past few days, permitting department workers to attempt to euthanize it. Explosive charges are "carefully set to cause the brain of the whale to implode," Higgs told *United Press International* on Thursday.

Internet

Cell phone left in Ala burglary leads to arrest

Police investigating a home burglary in Russellville found a surprising clue — a cell phone that got left behind. Franklin County District Attorney Joey Rushing said the phone was left near where a computer was taken in the weekend burglary. Investigators began calling some of the phone numbers and determined the phone belonged to a 19-year-old who was on probation for a previous burglary.

The prosecutor said police also got surveillance video from the Wal-Mart in Russellville that shows the suspect cashing in coins believed to have been taken during the burglary.

Philippe Delon (L), owner of "Paris Carriages, Horse Walking Service," drives a pumpkin-shaped carriage drawn by Balthazar, a 11-year-old shire horse from Sweden, the world's biggest workhorse, past the Eiffel tower in Paris, on 31 August, 2010. The wrought iron made carriage, weighing 500 kilos, and decorated with little hearts, offers rides to tourists and newly weds.

News Album

Bog saves Finnish woman from 1,000 metre jump with unopened parachute

A young woman in Finland survived a jump from 1,000 metre height thanks to landing in a bog while her parachute failed to open, *Finnish* media reported on Monday.

The 20-year-old woman was making her first solo jump over Loppi in southern Finland on Sunday afternoon after completing a ski diving course.

For some reason still to be determined, the static line that was to open her parachute did not work and the chute did not deploy. She attempted to open her emergency parachute, succeeding only by the time she had reached tree-top level. However, she landed in a soft bog and walked away from her mishap.

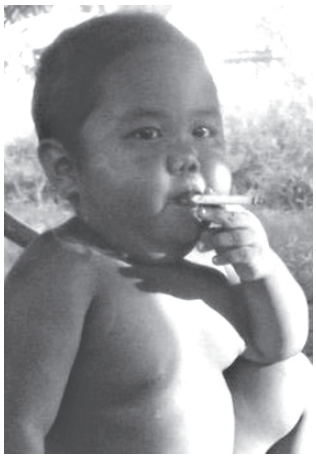
The woman was taken to hospital where she was found to be almost completely unharmed.

Cup of tea forces jet to make emergency landing

A British airplane en route to Poland was forced to make an emergency landing in Germany after a 56-year-old woman spilled a hot cup of tea on herself, German police said on Wednesday.

The Ryanair flight from Liverpool to Poznan made the unscheduled landing in the northwestern city of Bremen on Tuesday, local police said.

The British woman was treated for scalding at the airport and released but not before the plane resumed its journey without her. She later took a train to Poland, police said.



Two-year-old Indonesian boy Ardi Rizal puffs on a cigarette in the yard of his family home in Sumatra. A two-year-old Indonesian boy who smoked about 40 cigarettes a day has kicked the habit after receiving intensive specialist care, a child welfare official has said.

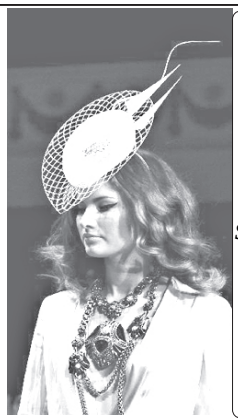
Paris Hilton banned from two Las Vegas resorts after drug arrest

BEIJING, 2 Sept— Paris Hilton was banned from two Wynn resorts in Las Vegas after her arrest for felony drug possession over the weekend, media reported on Thursday.

A rep for Wynn Resorts confirmed Wednesday that Hilton was no longer welcome in Wynn Las Vegas and Encore.

Hilton's boyfriend Cy Waits was fired earlier this week from his job with Wynn Resorts, where he worked as a top managing partner of the Tryst Nightclub at Wynn and XS The Nightclub at Encore. The news came as police revealed that when they stopped Hilton and Waits' SUV last Friday, they discovered a marijuana butt.

Hilton was arrested for investigation of felony cocaine possession after cops found 0.8 gram of cocaine in her purse. Prosecutors have not filed charges against Waits.—*Xinhua*



A model parades an outfit by Australian label "Christine" during Melbourne Spring Fashion Week (MSFW) on 1 September, 2010.

XINHUA

Miss Nepal 2010 to be organized in Kathmandu

KATHMANDU, 2 Sept—Darbur Special Hidden Treasure Miss Nepal 2010 is being organized at Tribhuwan Army Officers Club in the capital Kathmandu Wednesday afternoon.

Out of the 80 applicants, 50 were short listed and 18 have been chosen for the final, it was informed in a press meeting at the International Recreation Center here on 28 August.

The selected contestants were given six weeks training.

The theme for the beauty pageant this year is environmental change.

The winner of the title will also be a goodwill ambassador for Nepal Cancer Relief Society and World Wildlife Fund for Nature, Nepal.

Internet

Actress Jessica Alba poses for photographers during a photocall for the movie "Machete" at the 67th Venice Film Festival on 1 September, 2010.—XINHUA

67th Venice International Film Festival kicks off in glamour

ROME, 2 Sept—The 67th Venice International Film Festival officially kicked off on Wednesday with a glamorous opening ceremony featuring Italy's top authorities and several movie stars.

The festival's inauguration took place at the prestigious Palazzo del Cinema, where the traditional Red Carpet was placed.

The global event, which will run on Venice's Lido up to Sept 11 and is directed by Marco Mueller, is set to attract global attention as one of the world's most lite and socialite gatherings. For the first time in history, Italy's head of state Giorgio Napolitano was present accompanied by his wife. He was welcomed with a standing ovation by the guests.

Crowds of fans lined up to have a view of the night's queen, actress Natalie Portman, the controversial protagonist of Darren Aronofsky's Black Swan, the first film screening in competition which was launched at the ceremony. The most favoured films for the Golden Lion are Darren Aronofsky 's "Black Swan" and Sofia Coppola's "Somewhere." Italy is betting on Ascanio Celestino's "The Black Sheep" and on Saverio Costanzo's "The Solitude of Prime Numbers."—*Xinhua*

Isabella Ragonese, poses on the red carpet in Venice, Italy, on 1 Sept, 2010. This year's film festival opens on 1 Sept and closes on 11 Sept.— XINHUA

Crouch injury another blow for Capello

LONDON, 2 Sept— Fabio Capello suffered another injury blow on Wednesday as Peter Crouch was ruled out of the Euro 2012 qualifers against Bulgaria and Switzerland with a back injury. Crouch had been unable to take part in training with Fabio Capello's squad this week after suffering what he thought was a rib injury in Tottenham's defeat against Wigan on Saturday.

The former Liverpool striker has now been told he has a back problem, which is serious enough to force his withdrawal ahead of England's opening qualifer against Bulgaria at Wembley on Friday and the trip to Switzerland on Tuesday.

Internet

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Ibrahimovic labels Guardiola 'small-time coach'

STOCKHOLM, 2 Sept — Zlatan Ibrahimovic on Wednesday took another swipe at Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola, dismissing him as a "small time" coach.

"In my book, a great coach solves his problems. A small-time coach runs from them," the 28-year-old Sweden forward told a Press conference in Stockholm.

"There was only one person (on the Barcelona team) who wanted to get rid of me," he insisted, explaining why he left the team and signed for AC Milan over the weekend on an initial one-year loan with a pre-arranged 24-million-euro permanent deal arranged for the end of the season.

Internet

AC Milan's Swedish forward Zlatan Ibrahimovic

Hart plans to play for keeps with England football

LONDON, 2 Sept — Joe Hart believes he has the ability to finally end England's long search for a goalkeeper capable of earning headlines for heroics rather than howlers. Ever since Arsenal keeper David Seaman retired from international football in 2002, England have struggled to find a top-class replacement as bad luck and bad form left a string of contenders flat on their backs. Now Manchester City star Hart is being tipped to be his country's first choice for the next decade as he prepares for his competitive debut against Bulgaria on Friday after rising from third-choice during the World Cup to first-choice for the Euro 2012 qualifiers.—*Internet*

***Hungary's Vladimir Koman (R) shoots at goal in front of England's goalkeeper Joe Hart (L) during a friendly match at Wembley Stadium in London on 11 Aug, 2010.* INTERNET**

SPORTS

Hargreaves included in United squad

LONDON, 2 Sept — Manchester United midfielder Owen Hargreaves has been included in Sir Alex Ferguson's 25-man Premier League squad despite his continuing injury woes. Hargreaves has made just one substitute appearance for United in the last two years as he struggles with knee tendinitis.

There is still no date set for the former Bayern Munich star to return from injury and it had been suggested the England international would not make the cut when Ferguson selected his mandatory squad. But United confirmed on Wednesday that all of their senior players, including Hargreaves, have been registered to play in the domestic league.

Internet

Manchester United's English midfielder Owen Hargreaves

Rio ready to return after United reserves outing

LONDON, 2 Sept — Manchester United defender Rio Ferdinand is set to return from the knee injury that wrecked his World Cup after emerging unscathed from a reserve team outing on Wednesday. United reserve team boss Ole Gunnar Solskjaer declared Ferdinand ready to make a first-team return after the defender came through the second string clash with Oldham. It was the first time Ferdinand had been in action since he suffered a major knee ligament injury in a freak collision with Emile Heskey on the first day of World Cup training with England in South Africa.

Internet

***Manchester United defender Rio Ferdinand runs during a training session in Manchester.* INTERNET**

West Ham get approval for Jacobsen move

Blackburn's Danish international defender Lars Jacobsen

LONDON, 2 Sept — West Ham were given Premier League approval to sign Blackburn's Danish international defender Lars Jacobsen on a free transfer on Wednesday after making a late move for the Denmark international. Hammers boss Avram Grant agreed the deal for Jacobsen late on Tuesday, but the move wasn't ratified by the Premier League as checks were made to ensure the relevant paperwork was submitted before the transfer window closed at 1700GMT.

The transfer has now been rubber-stamped and former Everton right-back Jacobsen, 30, who has won 35 caps for Denmark and played in all three of their World Cup finals matches, is able to join up with Grant's bottom of the table side, who have conceded nine goals in their first three league matches.

Internet

No 7 not so lucky for John Elway on this day

DENVER, 2 Sept — John Elway pulled an Elway on the Elway hole. "Seven on 7," the Hall of Famer said sadly after carding an even-par 72 Wednesday in his first senior golf tournament since turning 50 in June.

Elway's blunder came about when he played the wrong ball and ended up with a triple bogey on the par-4 seventh hole at the Green Valley Ranch Golf Club, site of the HealthOne Colorado Senior Open.

Internet

Former Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway, left, and caddie Jeff Nickless check out the distance to the par-3 fifth hole during the first round of the HealthOne Colorado Senior Open in Denver, Colo, on 1 Sept, 2010.— INTERNET

Player collapses on court at US Open

NEW YORK, 2 Sept — The scene was simply scary: Victoria Azarenka, a 21-year-old on the rise in the WTA rankings, paused about a half-hour into her second-round match on Wednesday at the US Open, then staggered, stumbled and collapsed to the court. Azarenka, seeded 10th in the Grand Slam tournament, rolled over to rest her head on her arm, and a trainer rushed over. Someone covered Azarenka's legs with a white towel. She retired from the match, eventually was helped into a wheelchair, her yellow visor askew atop her head, then taken to a hospital, where tests showed she had a mild concussion.—*Internet*

Victoria Azarenka of Belarus collapses on the court while playing Gisela Dulko of Argentina at the US Open tennis tournament in New York, on 1 Sept, 2010. Azarenka was taken off the court in a wheelchair. — INTERNET

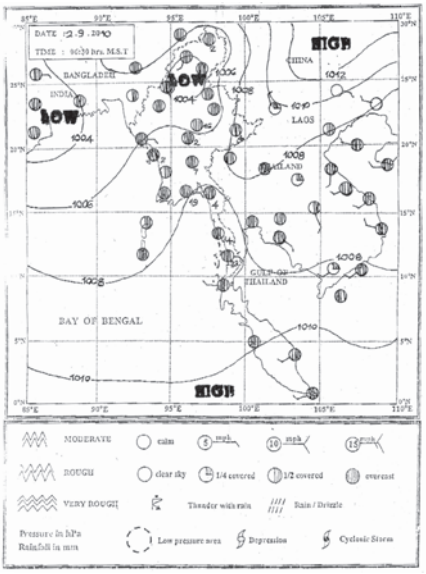
Young golfer disqualifies self, gives up medal

MILWAUKEE, 2 Sept —Zach Nash was shocked when he discovered he had one too many golf clubs in his bag a couple hours after winning a junior Wisconsin PGA tournament.

But rules are rules, and the 14-year-old from southern Wisconsin made a decision that might surprise some people: He disqualified himself and surrendered his medal. "I knew right away I couldn't live with myself if I kept this medal, so it was pretty instantaneous," Nash said during a phone interview from his home in Waterford on Wednesday, his first day of high school.

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Thursday, 2nd September, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Chin State, upper Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine and Kayah States, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Bago Regions, fairly widespread in Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with isolated heavy falls in Mon State and Mandalay Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Thaton (3.90) inches, Nyaunglebin (2.83) inches, Myingya(1.86)inches, Loilem(1.50)inches and Nawnghkio (1.46) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 1-9-2010 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 2-9-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 2-9-2010 was (77%). Rainfall on 2-9-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 1-9-2010 was 89°F. Minimum temperature on 2-9-2010 was 78°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 2-9-2010 was (89%). Total sunshine hours on 1-9-2010 was (1.9) hours.

Rainfall on 2-9-2010 was (0.08) inch at Mingaladon, (0.74) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.38) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (59.65) inches at Mingaladon, (66.57) inches at Kaba-Aye and (77.17) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (7) mph from Southwest at (14:30) hours MST on 1-9-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is generally moderate in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 3rd September 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Kachin and Chin States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Ayeyawady Regions, fairly widespread in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 3-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 3-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 3-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

China to build World War II memorial park on Sino-Russian border

HARBIN, 2 Sept—A once war-ravaged Chinese county in northeast China will build a memorial park on facilities left behind by the Japanese invaders of World War II, to commemorate the invasion and Russian assistance, county authorities said on Thursday.

Sunwu County in Heilongjiang Province, separated from Russia by the Heilongjiang River, was the base for more than 100,000 Japanese soldiers.

The invaders left behind 160 war facilities, 24 of which are government-protected cultural relics.

"The park aims to paint a picture of the war through the connection of Sanwu's scattered war sites," Zhang Weihua, deputy head of county tourism department, said.—*Xinhua*

***In this photo taken on 30 Aug, 2010 and provided by the Chicago Zoological Society, two female orphaned California sea lion pups are seen at at Brookfield Zoo, in Brookfield, Ill, where they are getting acclimated to their new surroundings.*—INTERNET**

Myanmar TV

Friday,
3 September
View on today

7:00 am
1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာ ပြုဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်
7:20 am
2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)
7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise
7:30 am
4. Morning News
7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
7:50 am
6. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies
8:00 am
7. "စေတနာထားကာကုသပေးပြည်သူများရဲ့ကျန်းမာရေး"
8:10 am
8. "မြူတိမ်ကင်းသောနေ့"
8:30 am
9. Musical Programme
8:40 am
10. International News
8:45 am
11. အကာပြိုင်ပွဲ
4:00 pm
1. Martial Song
4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme
4:20 pm
3. Song Of National Races
4:25 pm
4. မြန်မာစာ၊မြန်မာစကား
4:45 pm
5. Songs Of Yester Years
5:00 pm
6. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (ရသစာပေအရေးအသားအထူးပြု) (ရသစာပေအရေးအသား)
5:15 pm
7. Songs To Uphold National Spirit
5:20 pm
8. "ရောင်စုံရေးသီတေးပန်းခိုင်"
5:40 pm
9. "နိုးသားဖြူစင်ကလေးတို့အသွင်"
6:00 pm
10. Evening News
6:15 pm
11. Weather Report
6:20 pm
12. ရသစုံလင်အင်တာနက်ဥယျာဉ်
7:00 pm
13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဆူးလွှမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ" (ဒုတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၃၁)
8:00 pm
14. News
15. International News
16. Weather Report
17. သွေး (အောဝမ်းစိုးမြင့်အဖွဲ့၊ (တေးရေး-ကိုညွှန့်ဝေ၊မောင်ထွန်းမင်း)
18. "လျှပ်တစ်ပြက်ဟာသများ"
19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်သူနယ်နိမိတ်" (ပထမတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၁၈)
20. သီချင်းချစ်သူ (ဗိုင်းစုခိုင်သိန်း)

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(3-9-2010) (Friday)

Transmissions		Times
Local	-	(09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	-	(3-9-10 09:30 am ~ 4-9-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Aureum Palace Resort
* News
* Music Gallery
* Yangon International Products Showcase 2010
* News
* Inside Myanmar's Music World
* News
* City Mart

Oversea Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Aureum Palace Resort
* News
* Music Gallery
* Yangon International Products Showcase 2010
* News
* Inside Myanmar's Music World
* News
* City Mart
* News
* Culture Stage
* Lovely Customs and Dances of Gon Shan
* Myanmar Movies Impact ''Hundred of Relatives and Siblings''
* News
* Working & Living in Myanmar (Transportation)
* Record Album
* News
* Disaster & Development
* News
* Topic On Journal ''Myanmar will host 2013 SEA Games''
* Myanmar Movie "Puzzle Angel"

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★ 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

Padaung, most developed, beautiful township in Pyay District

Article: *Ko Tin Hlaing (Meiktila);*
Photos: *Ko Thant Zin (Meiktila)*

Padaung is located on the opposite bank to Pyay and far 14 miles away from Pyay. When people want to go to Padaung from Pyay, they have to go through Ayeyawady Nawade Bridge. Hsinde and Htonbo factories that produce heavy machinery lie between Pyay and Padaung. Although Padaung is a small town, it is beautiful, clean and pleasant. It lies on the road to Rakhine State.

Padaung is composed of five wards and 39 village-tracts including 209 villages. There are 26,223 households. It has a population of 102,373.

(See page 9)

Sinking of tube-well by Padaung Township Development Affairs Committee in Taungbogyi Village.

MPA issues High Tide Warning

YANGON, 2 Sept — The Myanma Port Authority issued a warning, informing the public that exceptionally high spring of from 20.5 feet to 21.7 feet high above the datum are expected to occur in Yangon River during the period from 7th to 13th September 2010. That it is not serious because the high tide reached up to 21.9 feet high above datum in the years 2008 and 2009, and that the warning is issued only because high tide reaches over 20 feet high above datum, MPA said in the announcement today.

MNA

Kyeintali TV Retransmission Station in Rakhine State launches MRTV programmes

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Sept—According to the extended transmission programme, Kyeintali TV Retransmission Station was built in Rakhine State. The construction of the station was completed on 29 August morning.

The station started to clearly transmit the programmes of TV Myanmar beginning 29 August afternoon through 50-watt transmission wave in UHF Channel-J 13, 470-476 MHz.

MNA