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Yemen faces humanitarian crisis amid armed conflict

SANAA, Yemen (MCT) — Even before demonstrators began demanding the resignation of President Ali Abdullah Saleh five months ago, Yemen's future looked bleak.

A third of its people couldn't be certain when they'd next eat. The oilfields that provide 70 percent of government revenues and more than 30 percent of the country's economic activity were expected to go dry in 10 years. Experts even were betting that Sanaa would be the first world capital to run out of water.

But now, with Saleh lying wounded in a hospital in Saudi Arabia after an assassination attempt, the political system paralyzed by armed conflict and disagreements about what should happen to his government, and economic activity grinding to a halt, the future may be now.

"While it may not be plainly visible yet, I would say that Yemen is on the edge of a humanitarian catastrophe," said Geert Cappelaere, the Yemen representative for UNICEF, the United Nations children's aid agency.

New Hampshire voters unsure about 2012 GOP field

DERRY, N.H. (MCT) — New Hampshire's Republican voters, who traditionally have a big voice in whom the party nominates for president since they hold the first primary, are mostly still looking for a candidate they can passionately support. Monday night's debate didn't stop their search.

While GOP loyalists and independents at restaurants and shopping centers Tuesday had warm praise for former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, and wanted to know more about Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann, they said the field remained wide open.

The widespread reticence is somewhat unusual, even at this early stage of the campaign, because better-known candidates such as Romney tend to have devoted followings that stay with them for years.

Romney governed neighboring Massachusetts from 2003 to 2007, and he has a home in Wolfeboro. He finished second to John McCain with 31.6 percent in the 2008 New Hampshire presidential primary.

New sunscreen labels will judge skin cancer prevention

LOS ANGELES (MCT) — The Food and Drug Administration on Tuesday issued new guidelines for sunscreen labeling that will give consumers better information about the products' effectiveness and that will, for the first time, allow labeling to claim that sunscreens protect against skin cancer and early skin aging.

Products that are broad spectrum and have an SPF (sun protection factor) higher than 15 may be labeled to say that they reduce the risk of skin cancer.

Decreased sunspot activity could lead to 'Little Ice Age'

LOS ANGELES (MCT) — The next 11-year cycle of increased sunspot activity, scheduled to begin around 2020, may be delayed for a couple of years and have a reduced magnitude — or it may not occur at all, researchers said Tuesday.

Three different lines of evidence suggest that the sun, which is expected to reach its maximum sunspot and magnetic activity in the current cycle sometime in 2013, might even be entering a prolonged quiet period similar to the so-called Maunder Minimum, a 70-year period from 1645 to 1715 in which virtually no sunspots were observed.

That minimum coincided with the "Little Ice Age," in which temperatures were unusually low in Europe and elsewhere around the globe.

Lawmakers challenge end of nuclear waste storage plans

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MCT) — Congressional Republicans on Tuesday challenged the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's inspector general over his finding last week that the NRC's chairman did nothing illegal in his role in ending plans for a dump for highly radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

Inspector General Hubert T. Bell said Tuesday that the chairman, Gregory Jaczko, had been wrong to mislead fellow commissioners.

The drama over Jaczko's role is the latest twist in the repeatedly delayed search for a place to store nuclear waste safely for a million years. Highly radioactive waste has been building up in temporary storage at the nation's nuclear power plants at a cost to taxpayers of more than \$15 billion.



OMAHA ABOUND

VANDERBILT

When the Tar Heels travel to Omaha, Neb. for the 2011 College World Series, they will be one of eight teams competing for a national championship.

The initial pool of 64 NCAA tournament teams has been whittled down, and UNC — along with these seven teams — are the only ones to survive.

Like the ACC tournament, the College World Series will feature two brackets of four teams each, and a team must lose twice to be eliminated.

To determine a national champion, the winner of each bracket will compete in a best-of-three series June 27-29.

No. 6-nationally seeded Vanderbilt (52-10) will play No. 3-nationally seeded North Carolina in bracket 1 in the opening game of the 2011 College World Series.

Vanderbilt is one of three Southeastern Conference teams that will compete to bring home the SEC's third straight NCAA title.

The Commodores swept Oregon State in the Nashville NCAA super regional to earn a spot in the College World Series for the first time in program history.

Vanderbilt ties Virginia for the fewest losses of any team in the College World Series.

FLORIDA

Florida will take on Texas for its first College World Series game.

The No. 2-nationally seeded Gators (50-17) average more than 10 hits and six runs per game and will count on an explosive offense to carry them in the national championship hunt.

Florida trailed Mississippi State in game three of the Gainesville NCAA super regional before Preston Tucker blasted a three-run homer in the seventh inning to take the lead.

The 2011 berth marks the first time in school history Florida will appear in back-to-back College World Series.

There were quite a few bumps in the road for Texas (49-17) on the way to its 34th College World Series berth.

The No. 7-nationally seeded Longhorns fell to Kent State 7-5 in the Austin NCAA regional before beating the Golden Flashes 5-0 in the regional championship.

Texas trailed Arizona State 2-1 after four innings in a winner-take-all third super regional game, but outfielder Mark Payton's two-out RBI single gave the Longhorns the lead in the sixth inning.

Texas is in the hunt for its sixth national championship.

TEXAS



CALIFORNIA

California (37-21) will open College World Series play Sunday against Virginia in bracket 2.

The Golden Bears, who are making their first appearance in the College World Series since 1992, swept the Santa Clara NCAA super regional with 7-0 and 6-2 wins against Dallas Baptist.

California was a No. 3 seed in the Houston NCAA regional, and topped Alcorn State, Baylor and No. 1-seeded Rice to advance.

Due to budget cuts, California's baseball program is in danger of being cut. Look for the Golden Bears to do what they can to go out with a bang in what could be their very last season.

Also in bracket 2, Texas A&M (47-20) will play defending national champion South Carolina in its first game of the College World Series.

Texas A&M was blown up Sunday in the Tallahassee super regional when the Florida State Seminoles won 23-9. But Texas A&M responded with an 11-2 win against FSU the next day to book its ticket to Omaha. The Aggies will make their first College World Series appearance since 1999.

The Aggies will likely lean on sophomore Tyler Naquin and his hot streak, as the outfielder leads the nation with 103 hits.

The Cavaliers (54-10) own the No. 1 national seed and have more wins than any team in the 2011 College World Series.

With a team ERA of 2.27, the Cavaliers average the fewest number of earned runs in the nation. And much of that is due to pitcher Danny Hultzen.

The left-hander was the No. 2 overall pick in the 2011 MLB draft, making the future Seattle Mariner the highest-ever Cavalier selected.

Hultzen's 1.49 ERA and Virginia's fifth-ranked fielding percentage makes the Cavaliers' defense nearly impenetrable.

South Carolina beat UCLA in the 2010 College World Series final to win its first national championship, and the Gamecocks (50-14) will look to defend their title in their 10th trip to Omaha.

USC swept Connecticut in the Columbia NCAA super regional, and is one of three teams in the College World Series with a perfect 5-0 record in NCAA tournament play.

Junior pitcher Michael Roth can cool off just about any hot hitter with his 1.02 ERA — the second best in the nation.

games

Level: ☐ 1 ☒ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9.

Solution to 6-9 puzzle

8	2	1	9	6	4	3	7	5
7	9	4	3	8	5	2	1	6
3	6	5	2	1	7	8	9	4
2	7	8	4	5	6	1	3	9
6	4	9	1	2	3	5	8	7
5	1	3	7	9	8	4	6	2
9	8	2	5	7	1	6	4	3
4	5	6	8	3	9	7	2	1
1	3	7	6	4	2	9	5	8

County waste

Orange County's decision to send its trash to Durham might affect residents there. See pg. 3 for story.

'Bebop boot camp'

Chancellor Holden Thorp will participate in a jazz concert Monday night. See pg. 5 for story.

Running for alderman

A Carrboro woman has announced her candidacy for alderman. See pg. 4 for story.

Art examination

Curators from the Ackland Art Museum will look at outside works today. See pg. 6 for story.

Car crash

A man crashed his car in front of Memorial Hall on Tuesday. See pg. 6 for story.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 "American Pie" actress

9 Leading, usually

15 Refinement

16 Goes without saying?

17 Subtle differences

18 "Where ignorant __ clash by night": Matthew Arnold

19 Was left out, facetiously

21 Round-topped topper

22 Ticked

23 Duchamp contemporary

26 Nursery employee

28 Milky way?

32 Rye server

34 Trifle

35 It's good to be in one

36 Something taken by a shooter

38 Some incentives

39 Non-acidic vitamin brand

40 Labor gp. that initially supported FDR

41 Jack's wife in Season 1 of "24"

42 Therapy goal

43 Bridge units

45 Case, for instance: Abbr.

46 Last straw

48 Video end?

50 Man, to Aristotle

57 Throws

58 "Sure, why not?"

DOWN

1 Keep an eye on

2 Et __

3 Like most mailed pkgs.

4 Deal maker

5 Palm prevalent in Indonesia

6 Hard to figure out

7 Frozen pop brand

8 Fortune

9 It's across the Missouri from Council Bluffs, Iowa

10 Point from which one must proceed?

11 Disappointed, slangily

12 End in __

13 Noah's eldest

14 Sinclair Oil rival

20 Subject to strain

23 Puff __

24 Eponymous candy company founder

25 "Lady Lazarus" poet

27 Henri, e.g.

29 Doctor's orders

30 All possible

31 Mastic, for one

33 Puts on a pedestal

35 Matrimonial prize

37 Judges

38 Storage unit

40 Pablo Casals, e.g.

43 Sound heard after a lot of shots?

44 Third-generation Japanese-American

47 Rapper Elliott

49 Core

50 Frontier friend

51 Shortstop Vizquel

52 Oxford fastener

53 Star seen around midnight

54 Suffragist Lucretia

55 Leeds's river

56 Astron. distance

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Sun & Mon: 4:20, 7:00
Tue-Thur: 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

SOUL SURFER (PG)
Fri & Sat: 4:30, 7:10, 9:30 Sun & Mon: 4:30, 7:10
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MIDNIGHT IN PARIS
7:10, 9:10*, SAT-SUN 1:20, 3:15, 5:15

CAVE OF DREAMS
7:20, 9:20*, SAT-SUN 2:00, 4:20

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- free consult regarding options for 3rd molar treatment

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