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ballistic missile that may be able to reach the United States.

• Five people are killed, and about 80 injured, when an Israeli train travelling between Tel Aviv and Haifa collides with a truck on a level crossing near Netanya. The first anniversary of a similar accident on Israel Railways near Revadim on the Beersheba line is in nine days time.

• A Palestinian sniper opens fire on highway 443 near Jerusalem, killing one person and wounding four. All victims are Palestinians living in Jerusalem.

• A blackout hits Auckland, New Zealand, lasting for several hours after a severe storm lashed the country. Many media outlets compared it to the 1998 Auckland power crisis.

5 killed, 35 injured in train crash in Israel

A train carrying 200 people has crashed into a pick-up truck in Netanya, Israel. At least 75 people are injured and at least five have died. Police say that the truck was pushed onto the tracks by another car when the train smashed into it. The driver was not injured.

"A train travelling from Tel Aviv to Haifa struck a truck at ... a junction. As a result of the impact, the first three carriages of the train were derailed. We are dealing with a large number of casualties," said a spokesman for the Israeli Police.

Witnesses say that the driver of the truck managed to escape before the train hit the vehicle "crushing" it in the process.

"I'm not sure why (the truck) got stuck, but its two front wheels got caught. The driver got out before the crossing gate came down. ... The train just continued steaming ahead with the truck, and the truck was crushed," said Miri, a witness on the scene.

The train was traveling from Tel Aviv to Haifa.

Judge shot at courthouse in Nevada

Today in Reno, Nevada a judge has been shot in a courthouse while he stood near a third floor window. The police and a SWAT team have been searching the nearby parking garages for the shooter. Judge Chuck Weller was hit in the chest with the bullet at the Mills B. Lane Justice Center around 11:15 a.m. PDT.

He was rushed to the Washoe medical center said police spokesperson Steve Frady. Police have closed off many blocks in the downtown casino district around the courthouse to look for the shooter.

The police have found one suspect. His name is Darren Roy Mack.

Czech Republic coast to 3-0 win over USA in Group E

Tomas Rosicky's lethal finishing ensured an easy 3-0 win for the Czech Republic against the United

States in Group E, Gelsenkirchen, Monday.

The immaculate surface of the Veltins Arena, a pitch that can be covered and uncovered by a retractable roof over the stadium, saw the Czech Republic give USA a lesson in football efficiency.

The United States had 55 per cent ball possession but scored no goals; the team lacked aggression and creativity near the Czech Republic goal. Passes did not reach the forward players in goal scoring positions.

In the air long balls into the box were picked like apples from a tree by Czech Republic goalkeeper Petr Cech. On the ground, the USA short passing game faced resolute blocking and tackling from the Czech Republic defence.

For the Czech Republic, Rosicky and Pavel Nedved were a problem for the USA defence whenever they got the ball.

On 76 minutes the two combined for Rosicky's second goal of the match, Nedved sending his team mate through three USA defenders. With the outside of his right foot, the younger protege of Czech football clipped the ball over Kasey Keller's left arm.

The first goal had come on 5 minutes; it equaled the third goal in directness and the clean finish. A long ball down the left flank of the USA defence led to a first-time cross into the box. Jan Koller headed powerfully past Kasey Keller.

The pick of the three, on 35 minutes Tomas Rosicky picked the ball up 35 yards out from goal; a few seconds later the Teamgeist football had glided beautifully into

the net, swerving left of a diving goal keeper.

For the 7th successive time an American side has failed to beat European opposition in a World Cup match and with Italy in the same group USA coach Bruce Arena will need his players to produce something special to get past the group stage of the tournament.

Jan Koller had to go off with a muscle injury on 41 minutes. This is unfortunate for the Czech Republic coach Karel Bruckner as he was the Czech's highest goalscorer in World Cup qualification. As a tall well built man Koller provided a different means of attack to the small, sprightly - and today deadly - Rosicky.

Rice University baseball team beats Oklahoma, will play in College World Series

The Rice University baseball team (55-11) beat the University of Oklahoma (45-22) in the NCAA Super Regional 9-5. Rice won the series between the two schools 2-1 and will now play in the College World Series.

Rice rallied in the 6th inning and turned a 4-3 deficit into an 8-4 lead. Rodriguez put Rice up 5-4 with a bases-loaded single, then Joe Savery helped bring the score to 8-4 after a hit toward center field that was just right of the 400-foot sign.

Other schools that have already advanced to the College World Series are Cal State Fullerton, Oregon State, Clemson, and Georgia Tech. South Carolina and Georgia will play later today to determine which school advances to the College World Series.

Italy shut out Ghana for 2-0 win in Group E

Italy won their first World Cup match of the 2006 tournament after they beat Ghana 2-0 in Hanover, Monday.

The match was notable for being the first time Ghana had played in the World Cup. At 25 years and two months they also had the youngest team at the tournament. In the end their inexperience showed in the result.

Italy responded to early Ghanaian pressure with forceful passing and aggressive attacks through Luca Toni. At first this effected to keep the fearless Africans, always looking to attack themselves, on the back foot.

With Luca Toni Italy always looked dangerous going forward. On 25 minutes he evaded a defender and rasped a shot onto the underside of the crossbar. It missed going over the goaline by just a yard.

Ratomir Dujkovic's side had the best chance to shock the Azzuri after half an hour. Emmanuel Pappoe had space in the box - but skied his attempt over the bar. For some time it seemed goals might go in at both ends, as action was at one end, then another. But with tiredness Ghana lost some discipline in defence and ran out of ideas in attack.

The challenge of the two superb Italian defenders, Fabio Cannavaro and Alessandro Nesta, proved too tough. The Italian penalty area was almost impermeable to the white shirts for long stretches.

Ghana found no good opportunities to test Italian goal keeper Gianluigi Buffon partly because they were unable to deliver crosses to target inside the

box. Efforts on goal were restricted to shots from outside the box from Michael Essien.

Only four out of Ghana's 14 shots were on target. In contrast Italy had 18 shots; 13 were on target. This tells the story of a game in which two teams attacked a lot but which was won by a vastly superior defence.

Andrea Pirlo scored the game-winner. On 39 minutes, he received a pass from a corner at the top of the area; in plenty of space, he curled it low and hard into bottom left corner of the net.

Richard Kingston made a number of good saves to keep the Italians ahead by just the one goal but could not do anything about Samuel Kaffour's error on 83 minutes. Kaffour's back pass was too short and Vincenzo Iaquinta rounded Kingston to score.

Earlier, as Ghana got desperate, Asamoah Gyan had tried something to unlock the Italian defence: a solo run; powering past blue shirts he got as far as the penalty area. Then he appeared to be fouled by Danielle De Rossi; the referee did not blow his whistle.

Marcelo Lippi, the Italian coach, might feel this game, the second in Group E, was a good work out for the Italians who were just a bit too wise for Ghana on this occasion.

London terrorist suspects released without charge

Two brothers who were arrested in London last week on suspicion of being involved in terrorist activities were released without any charges by the UK police on Friday.

Twenty year old Abul Koyair and

twenty three year old Mohammed Abdul Kahar were arrested during a police raid on June 2 at a house at Lansdown Road, Forest Gate, during which Mohammed Kahar was shot in the shoulder. They were detained under the Terrorism Act 2000 on suspicion of being involved in terrorist activities. Both the men denied any such involvement.

Police sources had earlier said that they had information that a chemical device might be found there, the Assistant Commissioner Andy Hayman had earlier said the police had received "specific intelligence" regarding the location. Police found no such device.

The Police Complaints Commission is investigating the circumstances of the shooting of Mohammed Kahar.

Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Roethlisberger hospitalized after motorcycle accident

Ben Roethlisberger, starting quarterback for the National Football League's Pittsburgh Steelers, has been seriously injured in a motorcycle accident Monday at roughly 11:30 a.m. EDT. Early reports indicate he has broken his nose and jaw, but the full extent of his injuries remain unknown. Roethlisberger has already undergone surgery for his nose and mouth. He was riding without a helmet on Second Avenue near the intersection of 10th Street in downtown Pittsburgh when he collided with a silver Chrysler New Yorker, reportedly striking the windshield with his head.

Backup quarterback Charlie Batch was at the emergency room at Mercy Hospital today, but was

unavailable for comment. Steelers head coach Bill Cowher has talked to Ben in the past about riding without a helmet, and retired Steelers quarterback Terry Bradshaw has spoken out strongly against the habit of riding without a helmet in the past.

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Scientists say the explosive force of the meteorite could have been "compared to the Hiroshima bomb." Truls Lynne Hansen of the Northern Lights Observatory, however, called this description "an exaggeration."

"This is simply exceptional. I cannot imagine that we have had such a powerful meteorite impact in Norway in modern times. If the meteorite was as large as it seems to have been, we can compare it to the Hiroshima bomb. There were ground tremors, a house shook and a curtain was blown into the house," said Norwegian astronomer, Knut J rger R ed  degaard.

"Of course the meteorite is not radioactive, but in explosive force we may be able to compare it to the bomb," added  degaard.

The last record for a meteorite impact in Norway was Alta, weighing over 198 pounds. It struck in 1904.

"The record was the Alta meteorite that landed in 1904. That one was 90 kilos (198 lbs) but we think the meteorite that landed Wednesday was considerably larger," said  degaard. He also said that area

residents could find remnants of the meteor.

Tamil Nadu cuts diesel prices by 0.45 rupees

The Tamil Nadu Government on Sunday said it would forego sales tax on the incremental component of the recent diesel price and yet maintain bus fares of State Transport Undertakings (STUs) at existing levels. Announcing this, Chief Minister M. Karunanidhi said following the decision, the incremental retail price, inclusive of the sales tax component, would come down from Rs. 2.23 a litre to Rs. 1.78. As a result, the price of diesel, that increased from Rs.33.72 a litre to Rs.35.95 on Tuesday, would come down to Rs. 35.50. But, by foregoing the sales tax of 45 paise a litre, the State Government would lose Rs.180 crore annually. The decision not to increase the fares would result in Rs.100-crore additional burden on the STUs, Mr. Karunanidhi said in a statement.

His announcement came after a similar initiative by Maharashtra and a day after Union Petroleum Minister Murli Deora met him in Chennai. A couple of days ago, the Chief Minister had said that any reduction in the sales tax could result in the bus fares going up. In the statement, Mr. Karunanidhi said the rising crude oil prices globally necessitated an increase in fuel prices. It had become routine for the ruling party to explain the circumstances leading to the increase and the Opposition to protest. The upward revision in petrol and diesel prices was being talked about by the Centre for some months now, but was put on hold. The Centre, he said, had little option but to increase the price despite some of the coalition partners opposing the move and even the President of the Indian

National Congress (Congress Party) Sonia Gandhi not favouring it.

While a reduction in levies on petroleum products by the Centre and the State Government was a temporary solution, the long-term solution was to reduce consumption of petroleum products and promote research on their alternatives. In a statement, AIADMK General Secretary Jayalalitha said the State Government could reduce the price burden by reducing the sales tax on petrol and diesel. Noting that it was not her suggestion but what Mr. Karunanidhi had given when she was Chief Minister, she said the Centre had recently said that such a move could reduce the impact of petrol and diesel price increase.

10 killed in shootout in Kashmir

At least nine people were killed in a series of attacks in Kashmir on Monday, including one close to a camp housing Hindu pilgrims, while a boy died in police firing. Suspected Islamist militants threw three grenades at a crowded bus station in Jammu city, police said, killing one person and wounding 22. The station is close to a camp where hundreds of pilgrims are staying before embarking on a long journey to Amarnath, a Hindu shrine deep in the Himalayas.

"I was about to board a bus when something exploded between some buses," said Manoj Kumar, who sustained glass splinter injuries and was admitted to a local hospital. Islamist militants fighting against Indian rule in the disputed region have attacked the annual pilgrimage several times in the past but the last three years have been peaceful. There was no immediate claim of responsibility

for the attack.

In a violent day in the troubled Himalayan region, a teenage boy was killed in Kupwara district when police fired to disperse Muslim demonstrators protesting against what they believed had been the desecration of a Koran and a mosque, witnesses and police said. Twenty others, including 10 policemen, were injured in the clash 85 km northwest of Srinagar. On Saturday, villagers told journalists that soldiers had entered a mosque wearing shoes and then desecrated a copy of the Islamic holy book.

A policeman was killed and another wounded as suspected militants fired on a police patrol in Sopore town, north of Srinagar, police said. And unidentified gunmen shot dead seven labourers -- said to be from the Indian state of Bihar -- in Anantnag district in south Kashmir. No group claimed responsibility and the army said it was investigating.

According to Wikipedia, the conflict between Islamist separatists and the military in Jammu and Kashmir has claimed thousands since the early 1990s. The region has long been a source of conflict between India and Pakistan, with both nations claiming sovereignty over it.

Australian late scores down Japan 3-1 in Group F

Australia's much awaited first match of the 2006 tournament ended in a 3-1 win over Japan in the opening game of Group F, Monday.

In what amounted to a dramatic last 10 minutes Guus Hiddink's side overturned Japan's single goal lead as the searing heat of the

Fritz Walter Stadium, Kaiserslauten, made Australia's all-out-attack brand of football too hot to handle.

Australia had faced disciplined and organised Japanese defending for 84 minutes of the game. Captain Tsuneyasu Miyamoto looked impressive while goalkeeper Yoshikatsu Kawaguchi made key saves against Australian captain Mark Viduka - including a double one in the first half.

The Socceroos might consider themselves unfortunate for the goal they conceded. It was disputed with questions of goalkeeper interference. In any event, on 25 minutes Mark Schwarzer failed to reach a cross looped in from the right; the ball sailed over his head and into the net.

The match had good passing, inventive plays; both sides played with three defenders and encouraged attacking football, with much of the play in and around the penalty areas. After second half substitutions, Australia ended the match with three forwards over six feet in height and this may have made the difference.

But had Japan scored from a number of good opportunities they made the Australian come back may not have been enough.

The equaliser on 84 minutes owed to similar element of luck or goalkeeping error as the first goal. The Japan keeper missed a throw from the left. The ball fell loose to midfielder Tim Cahill, close to the penalty spot. The substitute drove the ball low through the legs of players to score.

Then the Japanese may feel

unfortunate - a minute later Tim Cahill appeared to up-end a Japanese player in his penalty box. No penalty was given; the score remained 1-1.

Zico, the Brazilian manager of the Japanese team who had been minutes from successfully guiding his team to a first game win, then watched as Tim Cahill on 89 minutes scored his second from the top of the semi-circle; with much deftness, he curled the ball in off the right post. Kawaguchi had no chance.

At this point the Japanese, in the 30-plus Celsius heat, seemed to be exhausted while the Australian substitutes were just warming up. Substitute John Aloisi used his pace to beat Yuichi Komano and put the ball in the bottom left corner for the third goal.

There were seven cautions in the game and a total of 33 fouls. However; it was Australia, who had more cautions and committed twice as many fouls as their opponents, whose extra aggression paid in the end.

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"I thought they were going to kill me. I was thinking 'Is this the way I'm going to die?'" said Aviance.

Police call the assault a hate crime and say that four boys ages 16-20 are responsible for the attack. Police also say the boys were

calling Aviance "faggot." Jarell Sears and Akino George, 20, Gregory Archie, 18 and Gerard Johnson, 16 are being charged with first-degree assault and hate crimes.

However; According to Aviance's publicist, Len Evans, people walking by refused to help. Evans also said that Aviance was not in drag at the time of the attack saying that he was "dressed like a boy." Evans also says that at least "six or seven" people were involved in the attack.

"They kicked me in my back, they kicked in my knees. They just kept kicking," said Aviance. "I've been doing this for 15 years and I've never been harassed. If anything people approach me with warmth."

Aviance was scheduled to perform at several gay pride events in Manhattan, before the pride parade on June 25. Evans says that he will not be performing at those events.

"I'm supposed to be doing all this stuff. With my jaw wired shut, what can I do?" added Aviance.

Aviance has had several number one dance hits including "Din Da Da" in 1997, "Alive" in 2003 and "Give It Up" in 2004.

10-year-old child takes grandmother's car for 85 Km drive

Police in the Australian state of New South Wales have reported that they pulled over a 10 year-old child driving his grandmother's car along the Newell Highway in North-Western NSW on Sunday.

According to police, they received numerous calls around 12:30 p.m. AEST on Sunday from truck

drivers who were concerned that two children appeared to be alone in a red Holden Commodore station wagon, one of which was driving along the busy highway. The Newell Highway is the primary road transport route between Melbourne and Brisbane.

Moree police dispatched a highway patrol unit that located the vehicle 35 Km North of Moree.

When signalled by police, the 10-year-old driver pulled over and got out of the vehicle with his six-year-old brother to speak to police. They told police that they were with their grandmother in Boggabilla when they decided to visit their grandfather in Moree, 120 Km South. The children said they had taken their grandmother's car to make the trip. When pulled over by police, they had travelled around 85 Km.

Sergeant Matt Clifford said "They appeared to be driving normally â certainly better than probably some other people on that road".

Police drove the vehicle to the children's grandparents' home in Moree where the children were returned to their grandparents.

Australian healthcare workers don't wash hands often enough

Researchers at the University of New South Wales have discovered that Australian healthcare workers do not wash their hands often enough in the course of their work. Researchers claim the practice places patients at risk of contracting infections.

The study, which looked into hygiene practices in Australian hospitals, found that some healthcare workers only washed their hands 15 percent of the time.

Mary-Louise McLaws, a researcher at the University of NSW, said that the research found that most staff only washed their hands after using the toilet or when they felt dirty.

Professor McLaws said healthcare workers should wash their hands after coming into contact with each and every patient. Even after simple tasks such as taking a patient's temperature and making a bed, healthcare workers should wash their hands according to the study.

Researchers explained that despite more sinks being placed in hospitals, infection rates were still high. They concluded that behaviour modification was also required.

The study also found that hand washing after coughing or sneezing was beneficial for preventing the spread of influenza. Professor McLaws said, "We really need to get the message into the community that we wash our hands to protect others too".

Argentina defeat Wales 27 to 25 in rugby

Argentina has defeated Wales in rugby at Raul Conti Stadium in Puerto Madryn on Sunday. Both nations scored three tries each, but it was the kicking of Federico Todeschini that got Argentina home in the 27 to 25 win. It was Welsh head coach Gareth Jenkins's first game in charge.

After opening pressure applied by the Welsh, Mark Jones scored the opening try of the game, dashing over in the corner to give the Welsh a five to nil lead after five minutes. The try was not converted. However Argentina was quick to reply as Juan Manuel Leguizamon scores a try for the

Pumas one minute later to level the scores at five-all. With Federico Todeschini being successful with his conversion, Argentina takes the lead seven to five. Ian Evans intercepts a pass and runs 60m to score Wales' second try. With Nicky Robinson's conversion, Wales is back in front with a 12 to seven lead. Gavin Thomas is yellow-carded at the ruck which results in a penalty for Argentina which Todeschini kicks to bring the score to 12 to 10 to Wales. One man down, Wales avoids conceding another try as Ignacio Fernandez Lobbe penalised for a double-movement. One minute from half-time Wales has second played yellow-carded in Alix Popham. Argentina scores a late try with Jose Maria Nunez Piossek running in the right corner. Todeschin adds the conversion, subsequent penalty shots are taken by both nations, though Wales' missed and Argentina goes into the break leading 20 to 12.

Six minutes into the second half, Robinson misses a long range penalty goal and the scores remain at 20 to 12 for Argentina. However, in the 62nd minute he gets another shot at goal and is successful to get Wales to 15 to 20. Minutes later Rodrigo Roncero is sent to the sin bin for Argentina, and Robison kicks a penalty goal to narrow the gap to 20 to 18. With just two points separating the nations, with three minutes remaining, Francisco Leonelli scores a try for Argentina and Todeschini's conversion takes their lead to 27 to 18. However, in the third minute of extra play, James Hook scores a try for Wales and Robinson adds the conversion. However, after Wales is penalised for holding on in a tackle, the referee signals the end of the match and Argentina wins 27 to

25.

German tax authority migrating 12,000 desktops to SuSE Linux and KDE

The Lower Saxony, Germany tax authority is migrating 12,000 desktops to use SuSE Linux with KDE as the desktop environment. The systems are being migrated from Sun's Solaris x86 version 8, which has been in use at the organization since 2002.

According to Eva Brucherseifer, president of the KDE community in Germany and managing director of basysKom, the migration process in its "peak phase" and is porting 300 systems every day. The company basysKom is configuring the desktops.

Brucherseifer said "The decision made by the Regional Tax Office in Lower Saxony represents an important step towards increased flexibility, enhanced usability and -- last but not least -- reduced training and support costs."

German cities using or planning to use open source software include Schwäbisch Hall, Mannheim, Treuchtlingen, Leonberg and Isernhagen. Mannheim is planning to deploy Linux on 110 servers and 3,700 desktops.

Blair asked to intervene as British artist faces jail in Turkey for collage

Tony Blair has been asked to speak out on behalf of a British artist, Michael Dickinson, who has been charged in Turkey with "insulting the (Turkish) prime minister's dignity". This carries a sentence of up to 3 years in jail. The case was brought after Dickinson displayed a collage showing Tayyip Erdogan, the Turkish Prime Minister, as a dog, being awarded a rosette by

President Bush in a pet show.

Oklahoma baseball team defeats Rice, evens series in NCAA Super Regional

The University of Oklahoma baseball team defeated Rice University 11-5 in the second game of the NCAA Super Regional Sunday. Oklahoma's (45-21) win over Rice (54-11) evened the series to 1-1.

Ryan Rohlinger led the Sooners hitting 3-for-4, which including two RBI at the plate. Offensively, every one of Oklahoma's starters had at least one hit.

Oklahoma and Rice will meet again at Monday at Rice's Reckling Park. The winner of this game will go on to play in the College World Series. The game can be seen in Oklahoma live at noon on ESPN.

Snow hits New Zealand

A huge snowstorm has hit New Zealand.

Some parts of South Canterbury have had as much as 30 cm.

Some bus services in Christchurch have closed down, including the Rangiora line.

Christchurch Airport has closed.

The MetService reports that there is a good chance of getting up to a half a metre of snow.

Further north in Auckland, the bad weather also caused power outages when an earth-wire at the Otahuhu substation snapped. The substation is the main supplier of power going into Auckland.

Internet Service Provider (ISP) Xtra reports that some people will experience Internet failure, especially where the power

outages are, Auckland and the rest of the upper North Island.

The power is expected to be back by at least nightfall NZST, however some places are reporting to have had power back.

Mexico score three against Iran in Group D

Two half-time substitutions by Ricardo La Volpe helped Mexico to a 3-1 win over Iran in Nuremburg, Germany, Sunday.

The first half of this Group D tie ended 1-1 and it appeared to be a close contest between two hard-working teams. Then the Mexican coach Ricardo La Volpe, who was observed smoking a cigarette during the game, made two substitutions at half time. This seemed to change the game.

Shifting from three to two forwards, in the second half the central Americans won the ball more often in midfield; they then piled pressure on the Iranian goal with an effective short passing game. Iran failed to adequately adapt to this tactical change.

With 15 minutes remaining an Iranian defensive error led to the game-winning goal. And a great flowing move 4 minutes later made the result look convincing for Mexico.

The Mexican team did lose experienced striker Jared Borgetti to what seemed to be a leg muscle injury on 46 minutes. This will be a concern to the coach. But the majestic performance of captain Rafael Marquez, who seemed to be nearly everywhere, ensured onfield leadership was unaffected.

His team had to wait a while for the go-ahead goal. On 75 minutes Ebrahim Mirzapour's clearance fell

short; his centre back then failed to control the ball and Omar Bravo was put through to slide the ball in for his second goal. In the first half Bravo had deflected a Guillermo Franco header into the net for his first.

Iran, in all red kit, had a good first period but was out-played in the second. Iran equalised from a goalkeeper error on 36 minutes. Centre back Yahya Golmohammadi poked into the top of an empty net after Mexico keeper Oswaldo Sanchez had leaped and missed at a ball crossed in from a corner kick.

Branko Ivankovic's Iran side conceded the third goal on 79 minutes, Mexico's familiar green and white shirts now swarming all over the Iranian defence. Zinha passed the ball wide to the right of the penalty area. Zinha, surging forward, rose unmarked on the penalty spot to greet the cross and guided the ball into the bottom right corner of Mirzapour's net.

Today in History

1898 - Yukon Territory was formed, with Dawson chosen as its capital.

1935 - In one of the biggest upsets in championship boxing, underdog James J. Braddock defeated Max Baer to become the heavyweight champion of the world.

1966 - The Miranda v. Arizona ruling established the Miranda warning.

1971 - Vietnam War: The New York Times began to publish the Pentagon Papers.

1983 - Pioneer 10 became the first man-made object to pass the orbit of Pluto.

Quote of the Day

"If one is but secure at the foundation, he will not be pained by departure from minor details or affairs that are contrary to expectation. But in the end, the details of a matter are important. The right and wrong of one's way of doing things are found in trivial matters."

~ Yamamoto Tsunetomo

Word of the Day

paradigm; n

1. A model or example.
2. (grammar) The inflections of a word, often displayed as a table.
3. A way of thinking, perceiving, or approaching work in some context.

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