

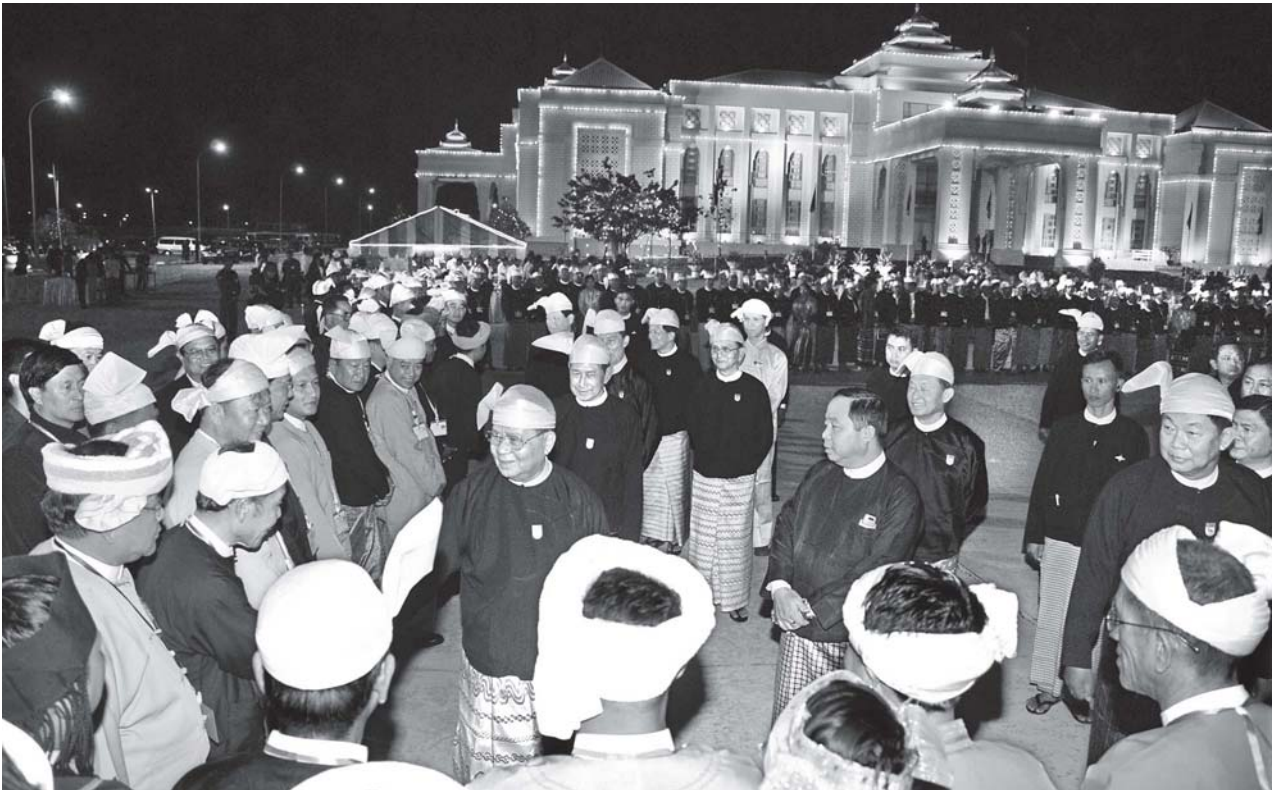
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Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing host Union Day reception and dinner



Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and party greet Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives attending the reception and dinner at the square of City Hall.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb — Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing hosted a reception and dinner to mark the 64th Anniversary Union Day for 2011 at the square of the City Hall here this evening.

At 6.30 pm, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe arrived at the 64th Anniversary Union Day commemorative reception and dinner at the City Hall where he was welcomed by Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the State Peace and Development Council Thura U Shwe Mann, Prime Minister U Thein Sein, Chairman of

the Central Committee for Organizing the 64th Anniversary Union Day Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Member of the State Peace and Development Council U Tin Aye, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Dr. Sai Mauk Khan, Chairman of the Management Committee for Organizing the 64th Anniversary Union Day Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye and officials.

At the 64th Anniversary Union Day commemorative dinner, Senior General Than Shwe and party cordially greeted Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives and guests.

The Senior General hosted the dinner to the guests. Also present at the reception and

dinner were Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San, Member of the SPDC Thura U Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, Prime Minister U Thein Sein and wife Daw Khin Khin Win, Chairman of the Central Committee for Organizing the 64th Anniversary Union Day Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin, Member of the State Peace and Development Council U Tin Aye and wife Daw Kyi Kyi Ohn, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, (See page 7)

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

PERSPECTIVES

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March towards the desired goal

The Union of Myanmar has already possessed rich land and water resources for many years. Tapping from such invaluable resources, all the national people in the Union have been working hard together for socioeconomic growth.

In order to ensure balanced development of all parts of the Union and strengthen the friendship between the national brethren, priority has been given to improving the transport sector of border areas, which fell behind others in progress. However, thanks to the construction of networks of roads, railroads and bridges the length and breadth of the country, all regions have gained easy access to each other and amity and friendship developed among the national people.

National unity is a foundation for national sovereignty. Only with consolidated national unity, can the Union be strong and national sovereignty can reign forever. All the national people must always safeguard Our Three Main National Causes, the national policy of the country.

Today is the time when the State is enjoying fruits of peace and progress due to the forged national unity, which had never been achieved before. Border and hilly regions have progressed in all aspects enjoying improved socioeconomy.

All in all, the national people living in the Union are urged to march towards the desired goal for ensuring the perpetuation of a peaceful and developed Union.

Stake driven for Aleinmar Library in Bilin Township

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—A ceremony to drive stake for construction of Aleinmar library in Thabyeni Village of Thebyu Chaung Village-tract in Bilin Township, Thaton District, was held at the venue on 3 February morning.

Secretary of Township Peace and Development Council U Maung Maung Nyunt drove stake for construction of the library.

Also present on the occasion were township level departmental personnel of Myanmar Agriculture Service, Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department and Information and Public Relations Department, members of the library committee and townsmen.—MNA

Multiplier course on farmland census collection opened in Bilin

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—The multiplier course on farmland census collection being conducted by Settlement and Land Records Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation was opened at the office of Bilin Township Peace and

Principles

- * 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

Commander attends opening of new roads

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than attended opening of new roads in Hmawby and Taikkyi townships on 10 February.

The commander oversaw roadworks on Taikkyi-Oto-Chaungthongwa-Apyauk Road and attended opening of Apyauk Township Library.

The commander and personnel furnished the library with a colour TV set and publications.

The commander inspected renovation of embankment along the bank of Apyauk River. He went to the township's station hospital and provided cash assistance and refreshments to patients. The commander formally opened special sales festival in Bahan Township.—MNA

Special Refresher Course No. 40 for Basic Education Teachers concludes at CICS (Upper Myanmar)

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—The Special Refresher Course No. 40 for Basic Education Teachers concluded at Yadana Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) in Pyin Oo Lwin Township yesterday morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Member of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Nyi Tun, on behalf of Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, said the government is building a democratic nation as national goal while making endeavours for ensuring modern and developed nation. With a view to developing all regions of the Union in equal terms, the government is undertaking Border Areas and National Races Development Plan, Rural Development Tasks and 24-special development region plan.

Each special development region has been facilitated with one 200-bed specialist hospital, one arts and science university, technological university and university of computer studies for uplifting education and health standards of the local people. In addition, the 30-year long-term national education promotion plan has been adopted, and the education tasks to be interrelated with higher and basic education sectors are being undertaken under the five-year short-term plans.

In implementing the 30-year long-term national education promotion plan with nine-point aim in the basic education sector, utmost efforts are being made for flourishing the basic education system in conformity with political, economic and social sectors of the State to be on a par with international education standard; for emerging human resources that can build a peaceful, modern and developed nation by applying advancement of science and technology; for turning out the qualified persons with innovative and creative capability in social-economic sector; for emerging the capable sons of the State who can preserve traditional culture with Union Spirit; for nurturing healthy and fit well-versed persons; for



CSSTB Member U Nyi Tun presents model trainee award to JAT Daw Myint Myint Naing of Hsimeekhon Village BEHS in Myingyan Township.—MNA

emerging the outstanding persons who can bring about peaceful co-existence in the human society; for shaping the constant learning society to uplift the standards of the State and themselves by accepting Lifelong Learning and Continuing Education; for creating learning opportunity for vocational education in urban and rural areas in equal term; and for shaping basic education schools as supporting centres for regional development.

In conclusion, he urged all to effectively utilize the education sound foundations and good opportunity created by the government, to add life of educational staff and participate in ensuring perpetuity of a peaceful, modern and developed new nation with Union Spirit through strength of national education promotion.

Later, he presented prizes to outstanding trainees and trainee companies and completion certificates to the trainees.

The training course was attended by 1515 trainees.—MNA

Development Council on 2 February.

Secretary of Township PDC U Maung Maung Nyunt spoke on the occasion.

Head of Township SLRD U Htay Win explained collection of farmland census.

It was also attended by township departmental officials and members of Village PDCs.—MNA



Sri Lankan soldiers help displaced people cross flooded road in the eastern district of Batticaloa, Sri Lanka, on 10 Feb, 2011. At least 21 people have died and over 1.2 million affected by heavy monsoon showers that flooded most parts of the island's north, north central and eastern regions. Flooding in the same areas last month left 43 dead and drove over a million people from their homes.—XINHUA

China calls on UN to pay more attention to Africa

UNITED NATIONS, 12 Feb—China Friday urged the United Nations and Security Council to give more attention to Africa and called on the international community to provide greater support to the region in order to maintain peace and security.

Addressing an open debate of the UN Security Council on the interdependence between security and development, Li Baodong, China's

permanent representative to the UN said the interlinkages between peace and development are most pronounced in Africa.

There will be no world prosperity and stability without peace and development in the region. He called on the international community to provide greater support and more assistance to regional countries, AU and other regional and subregional organizations to maintain African

peace and security.

Li stressed that security and development are mutually linked and reinforcing. To safeguard peace and promote development, the international community should increase development input and eradicate root causes of conflicts. "Poverty and underdevelopment are the major causes for triggering conflicts and breeding terrorism.

Xinhua

Three dead in Taliban attack on Afghan police HQ

KANDAHAR, 12 Feb—Three people including two policemen were killed and 26 wounded Saturday in an attack claimed by the Taliban on police headquarters in the volatile Afghan city of Kandahar.

A hit squad stormed a wedding hall across the road at around midday (0730 GMT) and opened fire on the police building amid reports of a total of up to six explosions in Kandahar.

An AFP reporter at the chaotic scene saw attackers firing rocket-propelled grenades, AK-47 assault rifles and machine guns from the sixth floor of the wedding hall at the police headquarters.

He later said that police had entered the building and there had been two loud explosions.

Zalmai Ayubi, a spokesman for the governor of Kandahar, said three people, including two policemen, had been killed in the violence and 26 injured. The wounded included nine children, he added.

"Zarnegar hall, which is located on the other side of the road, 50 metres (160 feet) away from Kandahar police HQ, has been the source of the shootings on the police HQ," Ayubi said.

Internet



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Security forces, emergency responders and civilians stand near a destroyed building after a car bomb attack in Kirkuk, 290 kilometres (180 miles) north of Baghdad, Iraq, on 9 Feb, 2011.

INTERNET

US trade deficit rises to 40.6 billion dollars in December

WASHINGTON, 12 Feb—The US trade deficit rose to 40.6 billion dollars in December, an increase of about 6 percent from the previous month, as the value of imports grew faster than exports, the US Commerce Department said on Friday.

The Commerce Department said that total December exports of 163.0 billion dollars and imports of 203.5 billion resulted in a goods and services deficit of 40.6 billion, up from a revised 38.3 billion dollars in November.

The rising exports in December, the best reading since July 2008, were led by sales of industrial machinery, civilian aircraft and autos and auto parts.—Xinhua

Snow slows traffic, air travel in Stockholm

STOCKHOLM, 12 Feb—Heavy snow in Stockholm has caused serious delays in train and subway traffic throughout the city since early Friday.

Police said about 25 traffic accidents have been reported since midnight and as many as five people were injured in the mishaps.

"No road was closed, but the whole traffic net became slower," said Ulf Lingren, who is in charge of Stockholm communications.

On Thursday, weather forecasters issued a warning for heavy snow and advised people not to go out if possible because the traffic was in a difficult situation.

In particular, Stockholm train and subway lines above ground faced the greatest difficulty. Almost all bus service was canceled as well.—Xinhua

Magnitude-7.0 earthquake hits Chile

SANTIAGO, 12 Feb—A strong earthquake measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale rocked the Bio-Bio region of Chile on Friday, the US Geological Survey (USGS) said.

The earthquake was felt in Concepcion and Santiago, causing panic among local residents, especially along the coast, where people quickly moved to higher ground.

"The Hydrographic and Oceanographic Service of the Chilean Army (SHOA) rejected the possibility of a tsunami after the earthquake," director of National Office of Emergencies (Onemi) Vicente Nunez told reporters. Nunez said Chileans could now return home. "For the moment there are no reports of any damage or injuries after the earthquake," he said.—Xinhua

Plane makes emergency landing at Moscow airport

MOSCOW, 12 Feb—A plane flying from Warsaw to Moscow made an emergency landing at Moscow's Vnukovo Airport as its landing gear failed to open, local media reported on Friday.

Nobody was hurt during the hard landing, the reports said, citing a spokeswoman for the airport.

The spokeswoman said Vnukovo's CEO Vasili Yegorov directed the emergency landing from the airport's control tower after the crew of the Hawker-125 plane detected a technical malfunction while attempting to land.—Xinhua



Civil defence personnel inspect a damaged building after a bomb attack in Kirkuk, some 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad recently.

INTERNET



People gather in a square in Concepcion, capital city of Bio Bio, Chile, on 11 Feb, 2011.

XINHUA

Science

Australia's floods, cyclone stress barrier reef



Bleached corals on coral reef on southern Great Barrier Reef in January 2002.—INTERNET

CAIRNS, 12 Feb—Murky freshwater runoff from Australia's worst flooding in decades is adding to stresses from pollution and warming seas on the Great Barrier Reef, one of the world's most fragile ecosystems.

Researchers say it is too early to know exactly how much of the reef has been affected by the flooding, which carved a wide path of destruction

on land before draining into the sea off the country's northeast coast.

So far, the signs are that damage will be isolated to relatively small portions of the reef, a popular dive site and network of coral structures rich in marine life that stretches more than 3,000 kilometres along the coast. A narrow band of the reef was battered by a massive cyclone that passed overhead earlier this month and struck the coast with winds of up to 280 kilometres per hour, though the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority that manages the area said damage such as coral breakage was probably limited.

More worrying than the cyclone are the effects of the recent floods, which sent huge plumes of muddy fresh water over coastal portions of the reef, said Ove Hoegh-Guldberg, a reef expert from the University of Queensland.

Internet



People visit the exhibition of sciences and curiosities at the Palace of Versailles, west of Paris, France, on 11 Feb, 2011.

This exhibition reveals a new, unexpected face of Versailles as a place of scientific inquiry and brings together works and instruments from the old royal collections, spectacular achievements of beauty and intelligence. The exhibition runs until on 3 April, 2011.

INTERNET



Astronaut Catherine Coleman, crew member of the mission to the International Space Station, ISS, gestures prior the launch of Soyuz-FG rocket at the Russian leased Baikonur cosmodrome, Kazakhstan, on 15 Dec, 2010.—INTERNET

Australian scientists restore hearing in mice using nasal stem cells

CANBERRA, 12 Feb—Australian scientists on Friday said they have been able to restore hearing in mice using nasal stem cells.

The research conducted by University of New South Wales Hearing Research Group has found mucosa-derived nasal stem cells can help preserve hearing function in early-onset hearing loss, which is most commonly due to genetic causes and is caused by the loss of sensory cells or neurons in the cochlea.

To investigate the effects of this treatment, nasal stem cells were injected into the cochlea of mice with symptoms of hearing loss.

Mice were chosen for this treatment as they display a similar decline in hearing function following infancy. Hearing levels were then examined, and the scientists found those mice with the stem cells scored significantly better in hearing tests compared to mice without the cells.

Xinhua

Technology

iBuyPower unleashes chimera XLC gaming desktop

WASHINGTON, 12 Feb—Fire and ice may seem like violently opposing concepts, but iBuyPower has a lot of faith in them when it comes to desktops. To prove it again, the company is releasing the third gaming desktop PC in its Chimera line, the Chimera XLC, which is outfitted with an Extreme Liquid Cooling (XLC) system to temper the fiery nature of its mythical namesake.

The chimera, a fantastic fire-breathing mix of a lion, a snake, and a goat, is painted on the side and front panels of the Chimera Inferno 3 case that houses the Chimera XLC. Inside, the "no-maintenance" cooling system aims to keep temperatures down during long and intense gaming

sessions using a 240mm radiator, a 200mm fan, and five 120mm fans to keep the air moving (and chilling) at all times.

In addition, iBuyPower also provides its Level 3 Power Drive service for performing factory overclocking that the company claims can increase system speed by up to 30 percent.

The Chimera XLC offers you a choice of Intel Core i7 CPUs and AMD or Nvidia video cards. Pricing starts at \$1,599 for a system powered by a Core i7-870 CPU and the new Nvidia GeForce GTX 560 Ti, 8GB of DDR3 RAM, a 1.5TB hard drive, a Blu-ray reader, and a 700-watt power supply.—Internet

Wireless advances could mean no more cell towers

NEW YORK, 12 Feb—As cell phones have spread, so have large cell towers—those unsightly stalks of steel topped by transmitters and other electronics that sprouted across the country over the last decade.

Some big names in the wireless world are set to demonstrate "small cell" technologies at the Mobile World Congress, the world's largest cell phone trade show, which starts Monday in Barcelona, Spain.

Alcatel-Lucent will be at the show to demonstrate its "lightRadio cube," a cellular antenna about the size and shape of a Rubik's cube, vastly smaller than the ironing-board-sized antennas that now decorate cell towers. The cube was developed at the famous



In this file photo made on 6 Oct, 2009, a mountain-top wireless Internet transmitter tower that serves the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation and surrounding communities, is shown near Plummer, Idaho.—INTERNET

Bell Labs in New Jersey, birthplace of many other inventions when it was AT&T's research centre.

In Alcatel-Lucent's vision, these little cubes could soon begin replacing conventional cell towers.—Internet



Jeopardy!™ contestants, a TV executive and an IBM senior researcher discuss the upcoming Man Vs Machine competition in Yorktown Heights, New York. Watson, a supercomputer named for IBM founder Thomas Watson, is to take on two human champions of the long-running Jeopardy! television quiz show in two games over three days next week.—INTERNET

Dvorak keyboard now available for PC and the Mac

NEW YORK, 12 Feb—No matter how fast you think your computer is, time will eventually bring it down to the slow crawl of a hill-climbing Datsun. At least you may be able to speed up your typing, thanks to Matias's Dvorak Keyboard.

Yes, now Mac users can join the revolution with their own hardware Dvorak keyboard. If you're not familiar with the Dvorak keyboard—no relation to either the noted tech

pundit or the Czech composer—it's a specially designed keyboard layout that supposedly provides faster typing speeds than the standard QWERTY design. Of course, Mac users have been able to switch to a Dvorak layout via software for years, but if you're just learning the layout or you're the hunt-and-peck sort, the hardware keyboard has its benefits.

Internet



Early treatment saves stroke victims

LOS ANGELES, 12 Feb— Early treatment is key to effectively treating stroke and lowering mortality for the majority of patients, a new study suggests. Every 15-minute reduction in administration of intravenous tissue plasminogen activator — tPA — was associated with a five percent lower risk of death, according to the study conducted by researchers at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

The faster a clot-reducing drug is administered, the greater the risk of death from stroke diminishes, the researchers said in a news release on Thursday.

“Once the patient arrives at the hospital, it is critical for the facility to perform rapid diagnostic evaluation and imaging, and in eligible patients promptly initiate tPA,” said study author Dr Jeffrey L Saver, a professor of neurology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and director of the UCLA Stroke Centre.

The more time that elapses before a patient receives the drug to help break up the clot that is blocking a blood vessel in the brain, the slimmer the chances of a good outcome, the release said.—*Xinhua*



In this photo taken by AP Images for Crest and Oral-B, a visitor at the “Crest and Oral-B 4X Cleaner Crusade” talks to dentist Dr Robert Gerlach, left, about her plaque image, 10 Feb, 2011 at The Shops at Liberty Place Mall in Philadelphia.—INTERNET

UT Southwestern testing radiation treatment for breast cancer

DALLAS, 12 Feb—A North Texas woman with breast cancer is one of the first to try a cutting-edge radiation treatment.

Kristin Wiginton, 45, of The Colony, is the first patient in a clinical trial at UT Southwestern Medical Centre in Dallas that uses the Accuray CyberKnife System for breast cancer.

CyberKnife has

been used in past on brain tumours. It delivers a highly precise, targeted dose of radiation, leaving surrounding tissue untouched.

Dr Dan Garwood, an associate professor of radiation oncology at UT Southwestern, said he is hopeful that the laser can successfully treat breast cancers.

“That’s the goal with treatments like this, is if

you can put the dose of radiation where you need to put it, you are much more effective in killing the cancer cells, but keeping the radiation away from other things like lung and heart, or the skin,” he said.

Wiginton said she didn’t realize she would be a pioneer when she first signed up for the trial.

Internet

Health Tip: losing your sense of taste

A food’s flavour is produced by a combination of your senses of taste and smell. If you begin to lose the ability to distinguish foods that are sweet, salty, sour or bitter, a number of factors could be at fault.

The University of Maryland Medical Centre offers these possible causes for impaired taste:

- * Getting older.
- * Having Bell’s palsy.
- * Having the gum disease gingivitis.
- * Having a cold or the flu, a nasal or salivary gland infection, sinusitis or nasal polyps.
- * Being a heavy smoker.
- * Having dry mouth.
- * Having an injury to the head, nose or mouth.
- * Having pharyngitis, an inflammation of the pharynx.
- * Having a side effect of certain medications.
- * Having a vitamin deficiency.—*Internet*



Nancy Dunham, 79, using her cane while walking her dog, Isabella, near her home in Hayden, Idaho on 7 Oct, 2010. Nancy suffers from congestive heart failure, neuropathy and glaucoma. Nancy Dunham and her husband, Paul, manage to hold on to something deeply important to them, and to millions of other older Americans.—INTERNET



Business



Chinese company to build luxury helicopters

WENZHOU, 12 Feb—A Chinese motor home manufacturer has acquired licenses from regulatory authorities to build luxury helicopters using technologies from Eurocopter, sources told *Xinhua* on Friday.

The State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) had approved Zhong-Ou International Group, which is based in east China’s Zhejiang Province, for assembling helicopters, company chairman Wu Guolin said.

A sample helicopter is expected to run off the assembly line by the end of this year, according to Wu.

Wu said that luxury helicopters would be powered by advanced turbo-charged engines

instead of piston engines that are normally seen on private helicopters made by other Chinese companies.

He noted that the new helicopters would be delivered in June next year, with a price tag between 30 million yuan (4.55 million US dollars) to 60 million yuan.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 10 Feb, 2011 shows the construction site of the new airport of Kunming, capital of south China’s Yunnan Province. The investment of the new airport of Kunming has reached 14.26 billion RMB yuan, 75 percent of the project’s total budget.

XINHUA

Regulators shut banks in Fla, Mich, Wis, Calif

WASHINGTON, 12 Feb—Regulators on Friday shut down small banks in Florida, Michigan, Wisconsin and California, lifting to 18 the number of bank failures this year. The weak economy and bad debt brought down 157 banks nationwide in 2010. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp seized the banks: Sunshine State Community Bank of Port Orange, Fla, with \$125.5 million in assets; Peoples State Bank, based in Hamtramck, Mich, with \$390.5 million

in assets; Badger State Bank of Cassville, Wis., with \$83.8 million in assets; and Canyon National Bank, based in Palm Springs, Calif, with \$210.9 million in assets.

Miami-based Premier American Bank agreed to assume the assets and deposits of Sunshine State Community Bank. First Michigan Bank, based in Troy, Mich, is acquiring the assets and deposits of Peoples State Bank.

Internet

AirAsia delays delivery of ten Airbus A320s

KUALA LUMPUR, 12 Feb—Malaysian budget carrier AirAsia has delayed the scheduled delivery of ten of its aircraft by three years to 2015, in a bid to switch its order to more fuel-efficient planes, the company said.

AirAsia agreed to order 175 Airbus A320 aircraft in 2005, with a delivery schedule running from December 2005 to October 2014, but earlier deliveries have been put back several times due to its overcrowded budget terminal.

“A key commercial reason for the (present) deferral is to afford the company some flexibility to switch from its current order of the classic A320 to a new



This file photo shows an AirAsia A320 Airbus aircraft approaching for landing at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport in Sepang.

INTERNET

generation A320 aircraft which is more fuel efficient when such aircraft come into production in the near future,” it said in a filing with the local bourse Friday.

“Despite the deferral, AirAsia will nevertheless be taking delivery of 14 aircraft in 2012,” it added.

Internet

Sanctions, Daw Suu Kyi and NLD

Yan Gyi Aung

National League for Democracy issued a statement on economic sanctions against Myanmar imposed by the West Bloc on 8 February. The English version statement has four pages and the Myanmar version six pages. Seemingly, the statement was translated English into Myanmar. Because it is found that the syntactic structures of the Myanmar version statement are confused and difficult to understand. But the English version statement is fluent as it was written by an Oxford-trained person like a native speaker. Besides, it is found that some sentences in the English version statement were not included in the Myanmar version statement. (For example, the sentence, "The participation of a broad spectrum of political forces is essential to the achievement of national reconciliation in Burma", shown in the sixth paragraph of the page-3 of the English version statement was not included in the Myanmar version.)

Although the statement targeted the Myanmar government, it is also aimed at catching the attention of English-speaking countries or organizations. Moreover, it is apparent that the statement was issued in sync with the US statement saying that the US government will maintain sanctions against Myanmar.

Nevertheless, the NLD's statement is far more interesting. As soon as Daw Suu Kyi had been freed, Myanmar people were willingly waiting to see whether the economic sanctions imposed against them would be lifted as it was reported that there would be a review on the economic sanctions against Myanmar.

When neighbouring ASEAN countries of Myanmar and political parties within the country called for lifting of economic sanctions of West Bloc, Myanmar people have high hopes of lifting sanctions in the transitional period of Myanmar politics.

But, like being kicked in the chest after running hard on the plain in the sun, those hopes are fading as they were hit by the one-sided statements of the US Administration and NLD.

The essence of the NLD statement is "The hardships of the vast majority of the people of Myanmar are not related to sanctions; sanctions do not hurt the public; calls for the removal of sanctions by some political parties, organizations, individuals and nations have been motivated by political considerations; financial sanction have also prevented, albeit imperfectly, the laundering of black money and the siphoning off of revenue from the sale of gas and other natural resources; the major causes of sanctions are violations of human rights and lack of democratic practices thus the government is to take the necessary steps; and NLD calls for discussion with the United States and the western countries with a view to reaching agreement on when, how and under what circumstances sanctions must be modified."

What I have understood the overall picture of the whole statement is "the sanctions were imposed by the West Bloc. It has nothing to do with the NLD or Daw Suu Kyi. Make reforms and changes as ordered by western countries if wanting sanctions be lifted. The western countries need consultation with the NLD in relaxing or extending sanctions." These points are extracted from the NLD statement.

As to the statement, some foreign observers reviewed that the NLD and Daw Suu Kyi who are staying outside the framework of the constitution are politicizing the economic sanctions as a political trump card.

Anyhow, it is necessary to analyze the NLD's statement in detail as it is referring to the facts and data of international organizations.

In this article, I would like to present sanctions and changes in the stances of Daw Suu Kyi and NLD regarding the fact "Sanctions are not the outcome of demands by political parties, organizations or individuals in Myanmar." Only then can one understand all the points that have been updated till the current statement.

Firstly, Daw Suu Kyi made strong demands for sanctions against Myanmar from 1989 through 2002. But in 2002, she changed her voice that she has never ever demanded for sanctions to any nation.

Yet, in the article titled "Handling Relation with Myanmar in a Chinese Way" by Mr Cheng Ruisheng, who is fluent in Myanmar and performed his diplomatic duties as Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the Union of Myanmar from 1987 to 1991, it is stated that the author met Daw Aung San Suu Kyi on 6 October 1988, that at the meeting, she said she had demanded she wanted to meet General Saw Maung but the approval had not been obtained, that this was why she would like the ambassador to urge the General to meet her and that she also wanted China to cease border trade activities with Myanmar.

What's more, Daw Suu Kyi demanded foreign governments to impose trade embargo, and the 4-6-1989-issued *Bangkok Post* carried a news report under the headline "Aung San Suu Kyi calls for trade boycott".

The news highlighted Daw Suu Kyi's reprimanding of Australia and Japan for establishing relations with the Myanmar government. At that time, regarding the Australian assistance to a dairy project in Mandalay, Daw Suu Kyi also made negative remarks saying Australian government was "in a great hurry to establish good relations" with Rangoon. She also said that industrialized countries which established economic relations with Burma would show they were taking sides against democracy.

Japan has also come under her attack. "I have always said that it's a great pity that the Japanese should put economic considerations above human rights. A nation as wealthy as Japan does not need the petty profits that it can make out of a few months in Burma," said Daw Suu Kyi.

As a consequence of her negative remarks, I still remember that at the time, all assistance of Japan, including a project for construction of primary schools in Myanmar, was withdrawn from the country. At the press conference held on 11 July 1995, which underscored Daw Suu Kyi's comments blatantly challenging "a dialogue or utter devastation", she dissuaded foreign businesses from investing in Myanmar until it achieved democracy.

In 2001, Daw Suu Kyi dared to make demands not only for economic sanctions such as trade and

investment but also for withdrawal of humanitarian assistance from Myanmar. An article of *Prospect* magazine issued on July 2001 features as follows:

"Suu Kyi made more demands for sanctions even to cover NGOs based in Myanmar. She accused those organizations of prolonging the military government. The words 'Don't render assistance. Don't trade. Don't make any investment' became a new slogan." An international philanthropist told me that some of his Myanmar staff members went and met Daw Suu Kyi amid fears for being arrested, and that the tears welled up in their eyes as she accused them of being stooges of the governments. Another INGO once told me that while an HIV project was being launched in the north of Myanmar, Daw Suu Kyi strongly criticized them before foreign diplomats to cause humiliation. A year later, at a conference on rendering assistance held in Amsterdam, a representative of a prominent organization made a sad comment that it was more convenient for INGOs to operate while Daw Suu Kyi was in detention.

However, at the conference held the day after Daw Suu Kyi's detention was lifted on 5 May 2002, she said they had never asked any country to impose sanctions against Myanmar. It was indeed a different move regarding her comment.

Later on, the policy of Daw Suu Kyi regarding sanctions is "They have never demand sanctions. But they will not stop supporting sanctions".

On 4 October 2007, the government issued Notification (1/2007) announcing that Daw Suu Kyi would be permitted to meet the Head of State if she declared that she would give up the policy of confrontation, utter devastation and all restrictions including economic sanctions.

As to the statement, U Nyan Win, spokesman of NLD, disclosed foreign broadcasting stations on 6 October that the military was forcing Daw Suu Kyi to be held accountable for what she had never done.

It is true that Daw Suu Kyi does not have the ability to order foreign governments to impose sanctions against Myanmar. Nonetheless, it is undeniable that there were demands she had made earnestly for sanctions.

But, for governments of some western nations recognizing Daw Suu Kyi as an icon of Myanmar's democracy, her stance on sanctions has become the policy of theirs.

It cannot be said that those governments' policy of sanctions do not stem from the instigation of Daw Suu Kyi and her NLD. How big-headed the NLD is to stick to the weapon of sanctions until it gains power by demanding that any changes and modifications should be made in consultation with the party let alone lifting the sanctions!

If Daw Suu Kyi and the NLD keep going to the wrong way ignoring the fact that today's Myanmar is marching to a new era, new system and new political platforms paving the way for democracy, they will meet their tragic ends. Pointing out that, I would like to invite them to cooperate with the people in building a democratic nation in the interests of the nation and the people.

Translation:YM+ST



Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and party greet Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives attending the reception and dinner at the square of City Hall in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing host Union Day ...

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senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence and their wives, the ministers, the Chief-Justice, the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General and their wives, members of the central committee and the management committee, deputy ministers, chief of Myanmar Police Force, directors-general of the

SPDC Office and Government Office, departmental heads, Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives and guests.

Before and during the dinner, national races and vocalists entertained the guests with songs to the accompaniment of Myanmar Athan modern music band.

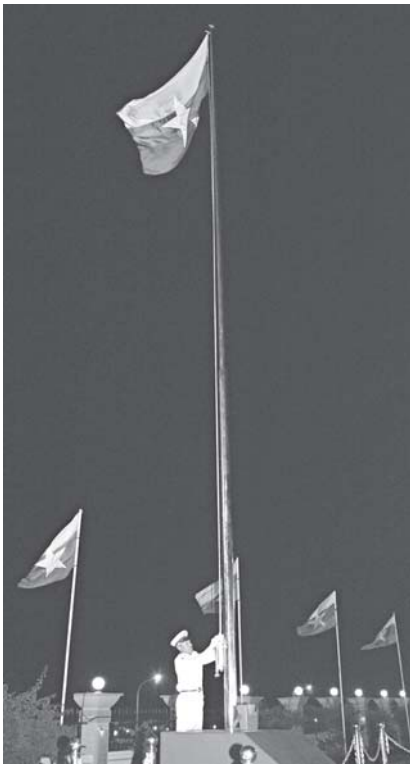
After the dinner, artistes of the Fine Arts Department of the Ministry of Culture entertained the guests with dances at the open theatre at the square. — MNA

Colourful lights illuminated at government offices, city hall, roundabouts, schools and staff quarters in Nay Pyi Taw at night on Union Day.

MNA



Colourful lights illuminated at government offices, city hall, roundabouts, schools and staff quarters in Nay Pyi Taw at night on Union Day.—MNA



State Flag hoisting and saluting ceremony held in Nay Pyi Taw to mark...

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Departmental personnel, social organization members and people took the designated places in the square of City Hall.

At 5.30 am, the Flag Hoisting Platoon hoisted

Union Day State Flag Hoisting and Saluting Ceremony in progress. —MNA

the Flag of the Union of Myanmar.

The State Flag saluting ceremony for the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011 took place at 7 am. The Defence Services (Army, Navy and Air) Guard of Honour took the designated place at the square of the City Hall.

Chairman of the Central Committee for Organ-



izing the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011 Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo took the position on the dais.

After the Secretary-1 had taken the salute of the Guard of Honour, all the attendees together with the Secretary-1 and the Guard of Honour saluted the state Flag of the Union of Myanmar. Meanwhile, the National Anthem was played.

Next, the Secretary-1 read the message sent by Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe on the occasion of the 64th Anniversary Union Day.

As a gesture of honouring the 64th Anniversary Union Day, government offices and buildings, the City Hall, roundabouts, schools and staff quarters were illuminated.—MNA

Dignitaries seen at Union Day State Flag Hoisting and Saluting Ceremony.

MNA

Patients with eyesight complaints in Sittway District receive free treatment

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—Under the aegis of Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, eye specialists from Yangon, in collaboration with Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Health, social organizations and wellwishers, provided treatment to patients with eyesight complaint in Sittway District of Rakhine State from 8 to 11 February.

In cooperation with Rakhine State Eye Specialist Dr Moe Kyaw, doctors, nurses and health staff from Sittway, a mobile medical team comprising eye specialist Professor/Dean of Department U Tin Win, Eye Specialist Dr Nilar Thein, 14 assistant doctors, one senior nurse and 12 nurses, technician U Win Naing Tun from Alcon Co Ltd, and optician U Win Naing Tun provided treatment to 1445 outpatients and surgical treatment to patients with glaucoma in Sittway, Yathetaung, Ponnagyun, MraukU, Minbya, Pauktaw and Myebon townships in Sittway District.

The team also donated sun glasses, cash assistance and medicines for the patients. A ceremony to mark the

success of the free medical care was held at Rakhine State's General Hospital yesterday. U Hla Maung Tin of Rakhine State Union Solidarity and Development Party spoke on the occasion and Leader of the mobile team Dr U Tin Win recounted treatment works. Then, the ceremony came to an end with an eye patient words of thanks.

On behalf of the Transport Minister, Managing Director U Soe Tint of Inland Water Transport, officers and staff of Rakhine State IWT in Sittway, Rakhine State level departmental heads, members of social organizations, the head of Rakhine State Health Department assisted the mobile team and Dr Maung Maung Aye (Moehet Kaba Co Ltd), U Aung Myat (Mother Trading Co Ltd), U Win Lwin (Kyawtha Co Ltd), U Aung Moe Kyaw (Pyae Phyo Aung Co Ltd), U Htin Lin Aung-Daw Htet Htet Aung (Myanmar Prodigy Co Ltd) donated necessary medicines and operation costs for the treatment.—MNA

Essay contest held to mark Union Day

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb—Hailing the 64th Anniversary Union Day, YaungkyiU Library Committee of Akyiban Village in Htilin Township, Magway Region organized an essay-writing contest and presented prizes to winners on 9 February.

The topic of the essay was "Our Library". The township Peace

and Development Council Chairman, the chairperson of the township Maternal and Child Welfare Association, and the head of Gangaw District Information and Public Relations Department awarded four prize winners from the village Basic Education High School.

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*Dignitaries seen at
Union Day State
Flag Hoisting and
Saluting Ceremony.*
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*Attendees at Union
Day State Flag
Hoisting and Saluting
Ceremony.*
(News on page 16)

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**State Flag
hoisting and
saluting ceremony
held in Nay Pyi
Taw to mark 64th
Anniversary
Union Day 2011**

Botany graduates pay respects to old teachers

YANGON, 12 Feb — The third respect-paying ceremony of Botany graduates of Yangon University was held at Universities' Dhammayon in Kamaryut Township here this morning.

First, old students paid respects and presented gifts to teachers aged 70 and above.

Next, Professor and Head of Department Dr Thet Thet May, chairperson of organizing the respect-paying ceremony, gave accounts of holding the ceremony. On behalf of the old teachers, a teacher spoke words of encouragement. Then Professor U Aye Pe presented gifts to lab staff aged 64 and above.

The ceremony came to an end with words of thanks by Lecturer Dr Soe Soe Aung.

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Attendees at Union Day State Flag Hoisting and Saluting Ceremony.
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SPDC Member U Tin Aye addresses Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) opening ceremony



SPDC member U Tin Aye unveils archway of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb — The opening ceremony of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw), built by the Ministry of Forestry, took place at entrance plaza of the park here this morning, with an opening address by Member of the State Peace and

staff of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) and guests.

Songsters opened the ceremony with the commemorative song of opening ceremony.

In his speech, SPDC Member U Tin Aye said the State is upgrading the nation into a modern and developed one

departmental staff and MRT Company which built the park for completing the construction of park only in five months.

As the park lies by Yangon-Mandalay motor road next to Zoological Garden (Nay Pyi Taw) and

Nay Pyi Taw Safari Park was constructed as a recreation centre for the people and to witness wild-life animals' culture, to conserve endangered species and to realize ecology system.



SPDC member U Tin Aye plants hilly toddy palm plant at entrance to plaza of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).
MNA

Planetarium (Nay Pyi Taw), it is a good place for recreation and knowledge.

He continued to say that Uppatasanti Pagoda, Gems Museum, National Landmark Garden, Water Fountain Garden, Zoological Garden (Nay Pyi Taw) and Planetarium (Nay Pyi Taw) have been opened in Nay Pyi Taw as the State Peace and

Development Council built the clean, scenic and international-standard capital of the nation since 2006 and world-class stadium, National Library, Cultural Museum, Defence Services Museum and Gems Emporium will also be opened soon.

In implementing the park, it was is designated near the already-built

Zoological Garden (Nay Pyi Taw), Planetarium (Nay Pyi Taw) and National Landmark Garden for public convenience.

He also stated that the country is rich in natural resources and biodiversities, with around 50 per cent forest coverage and over 20,000 biodiversities. (See page 11)

Development Council U Tin Aye.

It was also attended by Maj-Gen Yar Pyae, Maj-Gen Kyaw Phyo and senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, ministers, auditor-general, deputy ministers, departmental heads, officials from the Ministry of Forestry,

through all sectors in the time of the SPDC.

The newly-opened Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) will become a significant symbol reflecting the country's development in all sectors in broadening horizons of the people and helping them able to take nation-building measures effectively.

He expressed thanks to the Minister of Forestry,



The opening ceremony of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) in progress.—MNA

SPDC Member U Tin Aye addresses...

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Now the government has established 43 natural forests including wild-life sanctuaries and Hukaung valley, world largest tiger reserve.

to the nation.
The ecosystem has an influential role in survival of living things. He quoted Head of State Senior-General Than Shwe as saying that the

happen; so it is needed to preserve forests.

The world is now suffering from natural disasters as implications of global warming and climate change. It is because the human beings have less knowledge on ecosystem. It is

development of the park with the help of the public.

The Forestry Minister said in his address that the Forestry Ministry is carrying out tasks for development of Yangon Zoological Garden, and Mandalay Yadanapon Zoological Garden and Nay Pyi Taw

Nay Pyi Taw Safari Park was constructed as a recreation centre for the people and to study the nature of wildlife, to conserve endangered species and to realize ecology system.

He continued that the Nay Pyi Taw Safari Park is a kind of day

Maung of Forest Department presented certificate of honour to the chief engineer of MRT Co Ltd.

After that, Commander Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo, Minister for Progress of



SPDC member U Tin Aye delivers an address at opening ceremony of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA



Acting Director-General U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department accepts educative videos donated by Toseva Timber Private Ltd of Singapore.—MNA

Myanmar's six wild-life sanctuaries and national gardens have been recognized as heritages of ASEAN.

This brings honour

basic resources of the State are land, water and climate; if forests were spoiled, land and water will be ruined and climate change will

necessary to reduce harming to nature while boosting economy of the State, he said. He urged officials to make arrangements for

Zoological Garden that emerged in the time of the Tatmadaw government on 26 March 2008.

safari that stands on 291.52 acres, consisting of three parts—Asian, Australian and African safaris. There are 202

Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs and Nay Pyi Taw Mayor U Thein Nyunt and



Acting Director-General U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department presents certificate of honour and gift to a responsible person of Thai Sawat Import & Export Co Ltd of Thailand.—MNA



Vocalists sing a song of honour to mark opening ceremony of Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA

animals (16 species) in the park. Before long, another 58 animals (10 species) worth US\$ two million will be added.

Next, Thai Sawat Import & Export Co Ltd donated a pair of giraffes to Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw), and Toseva Timber Private Ltd of Singapore, educative videos to Planetarium (Nay Pyi Taw).

Acting Director-General U Aye Myint

Forestry Minister U Thein Aung opened Nay Pyi Taw Safari Park.

SPDC Member U Tin Aye unveiled archway of the park, sprinkled scented water on inscription plaque and then together with the attendees posed for documentary photo.

SPDC Member U Tin Aye and party symbiotically planted hilly toddy palm plant in front (See page 12)

SPDC Member U Tin Aye addresses...

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of entrance plaza of Nay Pyi Taw Safari Park.

Minister U Thein Aung and officials also planted Gangaw, teak and hilly toddy palm plants.

SPDC Member U Tin Aye and party later looked around Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw), Planetarium (Nay Pyi Taw), Aquarium and

**Commander
Brig-Gen Maung
Maung Aye,
Minister U Htay Oo,
Minister U Thein
Nyunt and Minister
U Thein Aung
formally open Safari
Park
(Nay Pyi Taw).**
MNA



Photo shows Zebras at Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA

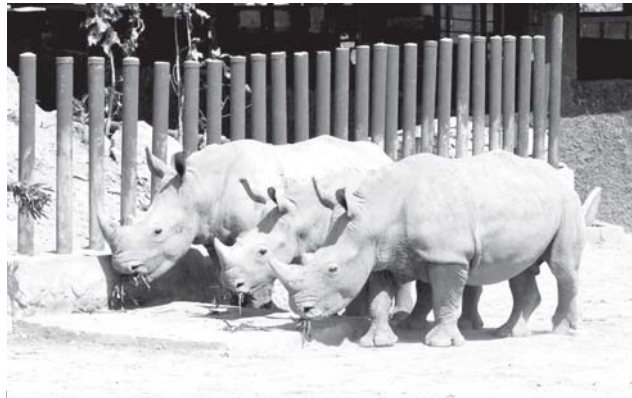


Photo shows rhinoceros at Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA



Photo shows giraffes at Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA



Photo shows tigers at Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA



Photo shows goats
at Safari Park
(Nay Pyi Taw).

MNA

Zoological Garden (Nay Pyi Taw).

Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) lies on 291.52 acres on Yangon-Mandalay Road near milepost No. 257/0.

Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) is composed with three parts—Asian Safari, Australian Safari and African Safari.

Unlike other zoological gardens, the people can observe Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) naturally alive with various kinds of rare animals across the world.

Safari Park (Nay Pyi Taw) is thrown open to public from 8 am to 4 pm daily.—MNA

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (371)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (371) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 13.2.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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A Swarovski store is decorated with Valentine's day ornament in New York, on 9 Feb, 2011. — XINHUA

Small calf muscles are bigger PAD risk

CHICAGO, 12 Feb — Smaller calf muscles may be a clue to why women with peripheral artery disease develop problems walking sooner than men, US researchers say. Peripheral artery disease — blockages of the leg arteries — also puts patients at greater risk of heart attack or stroke. Study leader Dr Mary McDermott of Northwestern University observed 380 men and women with the disease for four years.

The study, published in the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology*, found the women were more likely than the men to become less able to walk continuously for 6 minutes and more likely to develop a mobility disability. "When we took into account that the

women had less calf muscle than men at the beginning of the study, that seemed to explain at least some of the gender difference," McDermott said in a statement.

McDermott noted the men experienced greater calf muscle loss each year than the women, but the men's greater lower extremity muscle reserve protected them against the women's rapid loss of function. "We know that supervised treadmill exercise can prevent decline, so it's especially important for women with PAD to get the diagnosis and engage in walking exercise to try and protect against decline," McDermott advised. — *Internet*

In this film publicity image released by Touchstone Pictures, Gnomeo, voiced by James McAvoy, left, and Juliet, voiced by Emily Blunt are shown in a scene from 'Gnomeo and Juliet.' — *INTERNET*



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North Carolina police shoot teenage bank robber dead

CARY, 12 Feb — An American teenager who took hostages in a botched bank robbery has been shot dead by police. Police in Cary, North Carolina, said no hostages or officers were injured in the incident on Thursday, which unfolded live on television. Devon Mitchell, 19, held seven people in the bank at gun point at the height of the encounter, police said.

"This is absolutely not how we wanted this to end," said police chief Pat Bazemore, who called it "very sad". But Mr Bazemore added: "I stand behind our officers and what they did." Police arrived within minutes of the reported robbery attempt at a Wachovia bank

branch, at about 1500 local time (2000 GMT). In the course of the stand-off Mitchell released four hostages, after negotiations with police.

About three hours later, Mitchell slowly walked out of the bank with a gun held to a female hostage's head. Police snipers fired a volley of shots and killed him.

Internet



A witness said police snipers fired a volley of shots, killing the would-be robber. — *INTERNET*

Doctors' long lab coat sleeves no problem

DENVER, 12 Feb — Long-sleeved white lab coats worn by physicians are no more heavily contaminated with bacteria than short-sleeved uniforms, US researchers say. Researchers from the University of Colorado in

Denver tested doctors wearing either long-sleeved white lab coats or short-sleeved uniforms for contamination with Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* and other bacteria.

The study, published in the *Journal of Hospital Medicine*, found no difference in contamination or on the skin of the wearer's wrists.

"By the end of an 8-hour work day, we found no data supporting the contention that long-sleeved white coats were more heavily contaminated than short-sleeved uniforms," Dr Marisha



Residents take a walk in Shuimogou Park in downtown Urumqi, capital of northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, on 9 Feb, 2011. — *XINHUA*

Couple charged in cancer hoax, elder abuse

GREENWOOD COUNTY, 12 Feb — A South Carolina couple face multiple charges for allegedly neglecting the woman's father and running a scam in which they said their daughter had cancer. Alicia Kelly, 38, and Steven Kelly, 39, of Greenwood County allegedly convinced their 15-year-old daughter she had cancer, gave her blood pressure medication they told her was "chemo medicine," and told the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life and other groups she was

sick, *ABC News* reported on Thursday.

"A few months into it, the daughter figured out she didn't have cancer," said Maj John Murray of the Greenwood County Sheriff's Office, who added authorities got a tip and arrested the couple on a warrant for phony checks on Feb 4. Police asked the state Department of Health and Environmental Health Control for the girl's medical records and discovered she was not on any cancer drug treatment.

Internet

Manager charged in Wis worker shooting

RIVER FALLS, 12 Feb — Police in Wisconsin said a manager at a cookie factory is facing charges after a shot he took at birds in the rafters missed and hit an employee. River Falls police said the 29-year-old manager at the Best Maid factory was firing birdshot at the birds in the rafters of the factory on 14 Dec and a poorly aimed shot struck a 28-year-old employee in the back of the head, the *River Falls Journal* reported on Thursday.

Investigators said the victim felt a sensation like a bee sting and removed a small piece of lead from above his ear. The manager is believed not to have realized the shot struck the employee. The manager, whose name was not released, is now facing a charge of injury by negligent handling of a dangerous weapon, police said. — *Internet*

Internet



In this undated artist impression released on Thursday, by West Ham United soccer club, the Olympic stadium site is depicted as a soccer stadium after the 2012 London Games.

INTERNET

West Ham wins bid for London's Olympic Stadium

LONDON, 12 Feb — West Ham was selected over Premier League rival Tottenham on Friday to take over the Olympic Stadium after the 2012 London Games.

The Olympic Park Legacy Company picked West Ham as its preferred tenant for the \$867 million stadium, which will stage the opening and closing ceremonies and track and

field competition in 2012.

OPLC chairwoman Baroness Margaret Ford said the decision by the 14-member board was unanimous.

The decision, which followed months of fierce debate and rancor between the two clubs, still requires ratification by two government departments and the London Mayor's office.

Internet

Man Utd beat derby rivals to keep top spot

MANCHESTER, 12 Feb—A sensational Wayne Rooney volley moved Manchester United four points clear at the top of the Premier League table as they beat rivals Manchester City 2-1.

Nani collected a pass from Ryan Giggs before slotting home from 15 yards to put United ahead just before the break.

David Silva, who side-footed wide from an acute angle in the first half, was oblivious as Edin Dzeko's shot cannoned off his backside to level for City.

But Rooney won it with an overhead kick that flew into the top corner.—Internet



Rooney's overhead volley secured victory for Manchester United. INTERNET

Arsenal down Wolves to go second

LONDON, 12 Feb—Arsenal secured a comfortable win to send Wolverhampton Wanderers back to the foot of the Barclays Premier League.

Arsenal took the lead on 16 minutes when Cesc Fabregas floated a cross in from the right channel and Robin van Persie executed a wonderful volley from a horizontal position.

With 56 minutes on the clock, Van Persie made it 2-0. Fabregas was the creator with a perfectly weighted

Match preview - Sun 13th Feb

A look ahead to Sunday's fixture in the Barclays Premier League.

Bolton Wanderers and Everton meet in Sunday's only fixture.

A win for Everton will see them go level on points with the Trotters.



Bolton Vs Everton



Owen Coyle's side have lost five and drawn one of their last seven Barclays Premier League matches.

Despite that poor form, they have been buoyed by the signing of Daniel Sturridge on loan from Chelsea, and the young striker has scored in each of his first two matches, including the winner against Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Everton's dramatic 5-3 win over Blackpool last weekend was their first in four matches. The Toffees lost this fixture 3-2 last season but that was their first defeat in five visits to the Reebok Stadium.—Internet



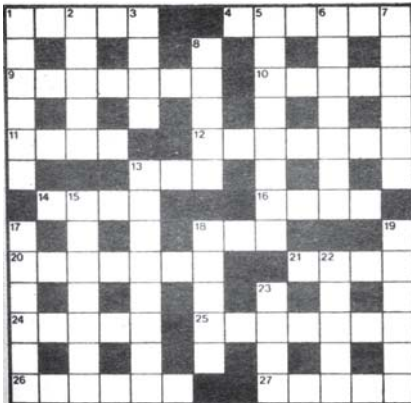
Van Persie fires Arsenal ahead with a brilliantly executed volley. INTERNET

pass from the deep leaving Theo Walcott and Van Persie with a two-on-one against Christophe Berra.

The England winger did his job, rolling the ball to his team-mate who slotted home his 10th Barclays Premier League goal of the season.—Internet

SPORTS

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Garden herb
- 4 Tennis player
- 9 Fruit farm
- 10 Airman
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- 7 Navyman
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BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE

Saturday 12th February 2011.

Man Utd	2-1	Man City
Arsenal	2-0	Wolves
Birmingham	1-0	Stoke City
Blackburn	0-0	Newcastle
Blackpool	1-1	Aston Villa
Liverpool	1-1	Wigan Athletic
WBA	3-3	West Ham Utd
Sunderland	1-2	Tottenham

Lyon feel pressure ahead of Ligue 1 derby

PARIS, 12 Feb — Fallen French league giants Lyon will face a potential backlash on Saturday when their title-winning credentials face the acid test against derby rivals Saint Etienne. The last time the sides met, in September, a dominant Lyon succumbed 1-0 to 'Les Verts'. Since then, Claude Puel's men have crashed out of the French Cup, are seven points behind league leaders Lille and finding the goals hard to come by.

Lyon's star striker, Argentinian Lisandro Lopez, helped steer his side to the Champions League

semi-finals last season, but this campaign it's a different story. Lisandro's last offering came in a 1-1 draw with Marseille last December, while Lyon's last win, a 3-0 home drubbing of Lorient, was nearly a month ago. For Lisandro's fellow strike partner Bafetimbi Gomis, the turnaround can't come soon enough.—Internet



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Wigan fight back to earn a point at Anfield

LIVERPOOL, 12 Feb—Liverpool's resurgence under Kenny Dalglish was dealt a setback as struggling Wigan battled to a deserved draw at Anfield.

The home side led at the break thanks to Raul Meireles' volley - his fourth goal in his last five matches.

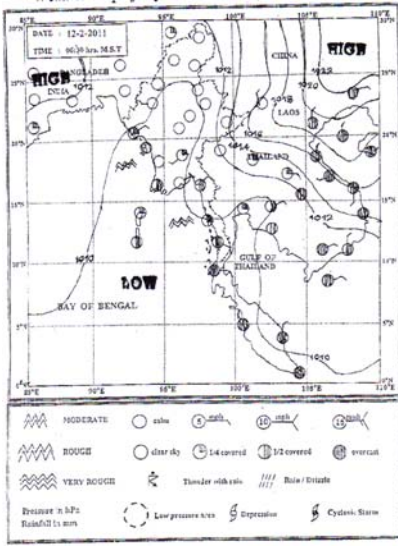
But Wigan fought back and equalised when Steve Gohouri prodded in Antolin Alcaraz's flick on at the far post. Liverpool striker Luis Suarez was twice denied a goal by the woodwork on his first start for the club.—Internet

Ivanovic extends deal at Chelsea to 2016

LONDON, 12 Feb — Chelsea defender Branislav Ivanovic has signed a contract extension with the London's side through to 2016. The 26-year-old Serbia international joined the London club in January 2008 for a reported four million pounds.

After agreeing to the five and half year deal, Ivanovic said on Thursday: "My first vision was always to stay with Chelsea, there were not a lot of problems because I wanted to stay." Ivanovic has won two FA Cups and a Premier League title with Chelsea. — Xinhua

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Saturday, 12th February, 2011

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Upper Sagaing, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Rakhine and Mon States, generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below February average temperature in Taninthayi Region and Shan State, (5°C) below February average temperature in Upper Sagaing and Mandalay Regions, Chin State and about February average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperatures were Haka (1°C), Lashio (2°C), Pinlaung, and Heho (3°C) each, Namhsan and PyinOoLwin (4°C) each.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 11-2-2011 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 12-2-2011 was 59°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 12-2-2011 was (73%). Rainfall on 12-2-2011 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 11-2-2011 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 12-2-2011 was 66°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 12-2-2011 was (62%).

Total sunshine hours on 11-2-2011 was (9.8) hours (Approx).

Rainfall on 12-2-2011 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (1.97) inches at Mingaladon, (1.89) inches at Kaba-Aye and (3.54) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Northeast at (9:30) hours MST on 11-2-2011.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Southwest Bay and partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 13th February

2011: Light rain are likely to be isolated in Taninthayi Region and Kachin State, weather will be partly cloudy in Upper Sagaing, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Shan, Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated light rain in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 13-2-2011: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 13-2-2011: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 13-2-2011: Generally fair weather.

Supermum Clijsters regains world top spot

PARIS, 12 Feb — Kim Clijsters became the first mother to be crowned world number one on Friday when she battled back from 3-0 down to defeat Australia's Jelena Dokic 6-3, 6-0 in the Paris Open quarter-finals.

The 27-year-old reigning US and Australian Open champion has now reached the top spot for the fourth time in her career.

The Belgian first hit the heights in 2003, when she was number one for 12 weeks over two separate spells, and then again in 2006, spending seven weeks at the head of the rankings.

Clijsters, who was also US Open champion in 2005 and 2009, will officially knock Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki, who has yet to win a Grand Slam title, from the number one slot when the new WTA rankings are released on Monday.



Belgian tennis player Kim Clijsters reacts after winning a point during her quarter-final tie against Jelena Dokic of Australia, in the WTA Paris Open tournament.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (13-2-2011) (Sunday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am-11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(13-2-11 09:30 am - 14-2-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * The 3rd Grand Art Stream
- * News
- * Glimpse at the Architecture (The Dhammayangyi)
- * Easily Cooked & Tasty Dishes "Chicken Curry with Gourd"
- * News
- * Today's Efficient Youths
- * Record Album
- * News
- * MI People's Celebrities
- * Travel & Description (Yangon to Thanlyin-Kyauk Tan)

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- * News
- * Exceptional Monywa & Excellent Resort
- * News
- * Myanmar Movie Impact
- * News
- * Safari In Style
- * Myanmar National Races Cultural Dances (U Shwe Yoe & Daw Moe)
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * Myanmar Movie "Pure Love"
- * Amazing Hotel in Myanmar (Kandawgyi Palace Hotel)



Sunday, 13 February View on today

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| <p>7:00 am
1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw</p> <p>7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song</p> <p>7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise</p> <p>7:30 am
4. Morning News</p> <p>7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song</p> | <p>7:50 am
6. Health Programme</p> <p>8:00 am
7. (38) Phyar Mingalars</p> <p>8:15 am
8. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions</p> <p>8:25 am
9. Teleplay (Health)</p> <p>8:40 am
10. International News</p> <p>8:45 am
11. Musical Programme</p> <p>11:00 am
1. Martial Song</p> <p>11:10 am
2. Musical Programme</p> <p>11:20 am
3. Round Up Of The Week's International News</p> <p>11:30 am
4. TV Drama Series</p> |
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| <p>12:25 pm
5. Golf Magazine (TV)</p> <p>12:50 pm
6. Myanmar Movies</p> <p>2:45 pm
7. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions</p> <p>2:50 pm
8. International News</p> <p>4:00 pm
1. Martial Song</p> <p>4:05 pm
2. Dances Of National Races</p> <p>4:10 pm
3. Musical Programme</p> <p>4:20 pm
4. 2011 University Entrance Examination (Mathematics)</p> <p>4:45 pm
5. Songs For Upholding National Spirit</p> | <p>5:10 pm
6. Sing & Enjoy</p> <p>6:00 pm
7. Evening News</p> <p>6:15 pm
8. Weather Report</p> <p>6:20 pm
9. Cartoon Series</p> <p>6:40 pm
10. Tamyethnar Takwetsar</p> <p>7:00 pm
11. TV Drama Series</p> <p>8:00 pm
12. News</p> <p>13. International News</p> <p>14. Weather Report</p> <p>15. Cartoon Series</p> <p>16. TV Drama Series</p> <p>17. Yinhlainkhatthan Taythihan (Song Competition)</p> |
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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

State Flag hoisting and saluting ceremony held in Nay Pyi Taw to mark 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Feb— The State Flag hoisting and saluting ceremony to mark the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011 took place in front of the City Hall, here, this morning, attended by Chairman of the Central Committee for Organ-

the occasion were senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, the chairman of the Management Committee for Organizing the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011 Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, ministers, the Auditor-General, the Chairman

departmental heads, Pyithu Hluttaw representatives, Amyotha Hluttaw representatives,

service personnel, members of station and guests totalling over 1400. (See page 8)

SPDC Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo reads out the message sent by Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe on the occasion of the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011.—MNA



izing the 64th Anniversary Union Day 2011 Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo.

Also present on

of Civil Service Selection and Training Board, the Mayor of Nay Pyi Taw, deputy ministers, senior military officers, members of the central committee and the management committee,

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