

NEWS BRIEFING

A LOOK AT THIS MORNING'S HEADLINES

Delta airlines jet slides off icy Portland runway, nobody hurt

NORTHWEST
PORTLAND (AP) — A Delta Air Lines passenger jet slid off an icy taxiway early Monday at Portland International Airport, closing a runway and forcing a number of flight cancellations and delays.

Nobody was hurt when the Boeing 757, carrying 79 passengers and a crew of seven, slid into the grass adjacent to the north runway about 1:30 a.m., said Delta spokesman Todd Clay.

Flight 1718 originated in Vancouver, British Columbia, and was preparing to leave for Atlanta when the mishap occurred. Passengers rode buses back to the terminal and left for Atlanta on a 5:45 a.m. flight.

Before the accident, freezing rain showers swept through the Portland area.

Airport spokesman Darrel Buttice said a crew was en route to the north runway to de-ice it just as the mishap occurred.

It took airport crews about six hours to reopen the runway. An Alaska Airlines jet ran off the runway during bad weather about a week ago.

Brother accidentally shoots twin sister while home alone

MEDFORD (AP) — A 9-year-old boy accidentally shot and critically wounded his twin sister Monday while the children were alone in their Sams Valley home getting ready for school, authorities said.

Alicia Fuller was in critical condition at Rogue Valley Medical Center, a hospital spokesman said.

The preliminary investigation indicates Christopher Fuller was handling a .22-caliber rifle in his parents' bedroom about 6:50 a.m. when it accidentally discharged, said Sgt. Jim Anderson.

"We're still trying to piece it together," said Anderson. "The family is shook up."

Whitewater attorney says Clinton could clear his client

NATIONAL
LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — President Clinton was ordered Monday to testify at next month's Whitewater trial for James and Susan McDougal, his partners in a failed northern Arkansas land deal.

A lawyer for McDougal, whose ex-husband James ran the failed Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, said last week that only Clinton could offer testimony that would clear his client.

McDougal is accused of receiving a \$300,000 loan that a former Little Rock banker and municipal judge, David Hale, says Clinton who has not been charged, has denied the accusation, pressured him to make.

The McDougals and Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, who had other business dealings with the McDougals, face trial March 4 on conspiracy and fraud charges.

Trial opens for man charged in abortion clinic shootings

DEDHAM, Mass. (AP) — State troopers, bomb squad technicians and metal detectors greeted potential jurors Monday as John C. Salvi III went on trial for the shooting deaths of two receptionists at abortion clinics.

Salvi, 23, used previous court appearances to espouse bizarre views, such as his theory of a conspiracy against Catholics. But he has not addressed the abortion issue since his arrest, and it was evident only on signs carried by a couple of protesters outside.

Salvi's attorney asked that his client be allowed to read a statement, but the request was denied. The statement was entered as evidence but not made public.

Salvi is charged with two counts of first-degree murder and five counts of assault with intent to murder. His attorneys do not dispute his involvement and plan an insanity defense.

Pope John Paul II arrives in Guatemala; nation awaits peace

WORLD
GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II arrived Monday in Guatemala City on his first visit to

Central America in 13 years, joyfully welcomed by Guatemalans hopeful his mission may ease poverty and end the civil war.

"True peace beckons," said the pontiff, who called himself a "pilgrim of hope" for a nation awaiting the end of a "history of war and violence."

Escorted by two Guatemalan fighter jets, the pontiff's airplane circled the blue skies above Guatemala City and landed at 4:25 p.m. (5:25 p.m. EST) at the international airport.

The pontiff emerged smiling from the green and white Alitalia jet after the 13.5 hour flight and walked slowly to the tarmac where President Alvaro Arzu and his wife, Patricia, were waiting.

A military honor guard stood at stiff attention in red and gray uniforms as the pope saluted the crowd of dignitaries and church leaders. An Indian girl in native dress and a boy in blue jeans greeted him. The pope kissed each on the forehead.

China executes five for counterfeit money smuggling in 1994

BEIJING (AP) — Two people from Taiwan and three from southern Guangdong province were executed on Monday in China's biggest case of smuggling counterfeit money, the state-run news media reported.

Seven others convicted in the case were sentenced to prison, in some cases for life, the Xinhua News Agency reported.

The case involved about \$4 million in counterfeit Chinese yuan that was smuggled from Taiwan during a four-month period in 1994.

The executions were carried out in Shanwei, a city in Guangdong.

Unsuccessful rescue of cat angers local animal lovers

WINCHESTER, Va. (AP) — A cat stuck in a tree for nearly four days died after an animal control officer tried to get it down by spraying it with a fire hose in freezing weather.

The action angered animal lovers who had a bucket truck en route to rescue the cat.

Sharon Rhodes, a neighborhood resident, said she found the yellow tabby lying in the snow gasping for breath with blood oozing from its eyes and mouth Friday. She said its fur was soaked and its tail frozen stiff.

"It's hard to say if it came down on its own or if it fell out of the tree," Rhodes said.

She tried to revive the cat by blowing into its mouth, but it died in her car. She said no animal control officers were present when she found the dying animal, which had been

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stuck since Tuesday. Its owner was unknown.

Harold Whitacre, who doused the tree earlier Friday, said he resorted to the hose after fire department ladders couldn't reach the cat and he couldn't find a bucket truck to help. The temperature was in the upper teens.

Whitacre said the stream of water wasn't used to knock the cat out of the tree. "We sprayed over the cat. We sprayed around it," he said. "We never aimed directly at it."

When the cat didn't come down, Whitacre left. He said he returned twice, but the cat remained in the tree.

"We would be heroes if we had gotten it down," Whitacre said. "Now we're perceived as villains."

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devastated natural resources; wildlife to extinction

TIBET HAS MORE CHINESE THAN TIBETANS

...7.5 million Chinese compared to 6 million Tibetans

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