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New firing range to be built at Ontario prison

1 ONTARIO — Plans for a new firing range at the Snake River Correctional Institution are getting a cold reception from neighbors.

Prison Superintendent Dan Johnson said the range would be used to train officers of the Ontario Police Department and Malheur County Sheriff's Department.

A firing range was not included when the prison was built five years ago because an alternate facility served the prison's needs, Johnson said.

Slaughter of goat prompts protest

2 COTTAGE GROVE — Protesters staged a 12-hour demonstration outside a local restaurant after learning that the owners had slaughtered a goat in their kitchen.

But the protest wasn't about animal rights, it was about hygiene.

Lily Quan, owner of China Gardens, admits the goat was killed in the kitchen after closing Thursday night for a private barbecue.

She said she did not know slaughtering a goat in the restaurant was a violation of health rules.



Company pleads guilty to price fixing

3 DECATUR, Ill. — Archer Daniels Midland Co., whose products go into everything from shampoo to soft drinks, said Monday it will plead guilty to two charges and pay \$100 million to settle a federal price-fixing case.

The fines are the largest ever for a criminal antitrust case,

but shouldn't harm the bottom line of the \$6 billion company, analysts said.

The agreement announced by ADM, which calls itself "supermarket to the world," is a significant step to end a scandal that has rocked the agricultural products industry worldwide.

However, several clouds still hang over the giant grain- and soybean-processing conglomerate, including the fate of two executives targeted in the investiga-

tion and scores of civil lawsuits.

In addition, fireworks are expected from disgruntled shareholders coming to Decatur for the company's annual meeting Thursday.

The company agreed to pay fines of \$70 million and \$30 million, although a judge still must decide whether to accept the proposed settlement, ADM's statement said.

Mexico moves toward multiparty system

4 MEXICO CITY — Mexico's ruling party will retain control of the Guerrero state legislature, but a growing leftist party has chipped away at its majority, according to final election results released Monday.

The ballot in the southwestern state is further evidence of the country's transformation from one-party rule to a multiparty democracy.

The trend began in 1988, when the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, which has governed Mexico for seven decades, introduced electoral reforms.

According to the final results, released by the Guerrero State Electoral Council, the breakdown in the new legislature will be: Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, 30 seats; Democratic Revolutionary Party, 12 seats; National Action Party, two seats; Workers Party, one seat; and Cardenist Party, one seat.

Before the vote, the PRI had 32 the seats to the Democratic Revolutionary Party's eight.

Election officials calculated voter turnout at around 50 percent.

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