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Damaged USS John S. McCain arrives in Singapore; 10 missing

SINGAPORE — The USS John S. McCain guided missile destroyer docked Monday at Singapore's naval base with "significant damage" to its hull after an early morning collision with an oil tanker, as vessels from several nations searched for 10 missing U.S. sailors.

The collision east of Singapore between the destroyer and the 600-foot Alnic MC, which has recent safety violations, was the second involving a ship from the U.S. Navy's 7th Fleet in the Pacific in two months.

Vessels and aircraft from the U.S., Indonesia, Singapore and Malaysia are searching for the missing sailors. Four sailors were evacuated by a Singaporean navy helicopter to a hospital in the city-state for treatment of non-life threatening injuries, the Navy said. A fifth injured sailor did not require further medical attention.

The McCain had been heading to Singapore on a routine port visit after conducting a sensitive freedom-of-navigation operation last week by sailing near one of China's man-made islands in the South China Sea.

The Navy's 7th Fleet said damage to the McCain's hull flooded adjacent compartments including crew berths, machinery and communications rooms. A damage control response prevented further flooding, it said.

Trump to outline Afghan strategy in national TV address

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump will use a nationally televised address to outline for a war-weary nation the strategy he believes will best position the U.S. to eventually declare victory in Afghanistan after 16 years of combat and lives lost.

The speech Monday night will also give Trump a chance for a reset after one of the most difficult weeks of his short presidency.

Trump tweeted Saturday that he had reached a decision on the way forward in Afghanistan, a day after he reviewed war options with his national security team at a meeting at Camp David, Maryland. The president offered no clues about whether he would send thousands more U.S. troops into Afghanistan or exercise his authority as commander in chief to order that they be withdrawn from America's longest war.

But signs pointed in the direction of Trump continuing the U.S. commitment there.

The top U.S. commander in Afghanistan on Sunday hailed the launch of the Afghan Army's new special operations corps and declared that "we are with you and we will stay with you."

US and S. Korean troops start drills amid N. Korea standoff

SEOUL, South Korea — U.S. and South Korean troops kicked off their annual drills Monday that come after President



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Donald Trump and North Korea exchanged warlike rhetoric in the wake of the North's two intercontinental ballistic missile tests last month.

The Ulchi Freedom Guardian drills are largely computer-simulated war games held every summer and have drawn furious responses from North Korea, which views them as an invasion rehearsal. Pyongyang's state media on Sunday called this year's drills a "reckless" move that could trigger the "uncontrollable phase of a nuclear war."

Despite the threat, U.S. and South Korean militaries launched this year's 11-day training on Monday morning as scheduled. The exercise involves 17,500 American troops and 50,000 South Korean soldiers, according to the U.S. military command in South Korea and Seoul's Defense Ministry.

No field training like live-fire exercises or tank maneuvering is involved in the Ulchi drills, in which alliance officers sit at computers to practice how they engage in battles and hone their decision-making capabilities. The allies have said the drills are defensive in nature.

South Korea's President Moon Jae-in said Monday that North Korea must not use the drills as a pretext to launch fresh provocation, saying the training is held regularly because of repeated provocations by North Korea.

Trump won places drowning in despair. Can he save them?

ABERDEEN, Wash. — Across the country last Election Day, Donald Trump disproportionately won communities suffering so-called deaths of despair — from drugs, alcohol and suicide wrought by the decimation of jobs that used to bring dignity. Grays Harbor County, Washington, is one of those places. The community, once among the most reliably Democratic in the nation, swung Republican in a presidential election for the first time in 90 years. It suffers from high rates of drug and alcohol addiction, suicides and early death, and many here are looking to Trump for help.

State senator who hoped for Trump assassination in post apologizes

By JIM SUHR Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — A Missouri lawmaker who drew bipartisan outrage over her brief Facebook comment expressing hope that President Donald Trump would be assassinated apologized publicly Sunday to Trump and his family, calling the online posting "a mistake."

But state Sen. Maria Chappelle-Nadal, a black Democrat, said she has no plans to resign as numerous top Republicans and Democrats in Missouri have insisted since Thursday's post in which she wrote "I hope Trump is assassinated!" Gov. Eric Greitens and Lt. Gov. Mike Parson, both Republicans, said Friday

that state senators should oust her.

"I made a mistake, and I'm owning up to it. And I'm not ever going to make a mistake like that again. I have learned my lesson. My judge and my jury is my Lord, Jesus Christ," Chappelle-Nadal, who later deleted from post from her personal Facebook page, told reporters at a church in Ferguson.

She had asked media outlets to not publish the news conference's location beforehand because she'd received death threats since the post.

"President Trump, I apologize to you and your family," she added. She walked out and didn't take any questions after delivering her three-minute statement.

Chappelle-Nadal's post was in response to one that suggested Vice President Mike Pence would try to have Trump removed from office. She has said she made the comment out of frustration with the Republican president's response to the recent white nationalist rally and violence in Charlottesville, Virginia, for which Trump said "both sides" shared some blame.

Chappelle-Nadal was later questioned by the U.S. Secret Service as part of its investigation into her remarks. She has told The Associated Press that she let the federal law enforcement agency know she "had no intentions of hurting anyone or trying to get other people to hurt anyone at all."

And yet with all of the chaos in Washington, supporters in Grays Harbor now have differing degrees of faith that Trump will keep his promise to rescue places like this. As one says: "Has he done anything good yet? Has he?"

Jerry Lewis, Hollywood survivor, showman, dies at the age of 91

LOS ANGELES — Jerry Lewis epitomized what it meant to be a survivor in Hollywood.

Through ups and downs in popularity, health troubles and weight fluctuations and the sorts of seismic shifts that take place over decades in the entertainment industry, Lewis always figured out a way to battle back, to reinvent himself, to stay relevant. It's what enduring stars know how to do instinctively; perhaps it's that very drive that makes them stars in the first place.

Through it all, Lewis remained the consummate showman, and his distinctive comic legacy surely will continue to survive for decades to come. The manic, rubber-faced performer who jumped and hollered to fame in a stage, radio, TV and film partnership with Dean Martin, settled to become a self-conscious auteur in movies he wrote, produced and directed, and found new fame as the tireless, teary host of the annual muscular dystrophy telethons, died Sunday at home in Las Vegas surrounded by family. He was 91.

Lewis, who had battled the lung disease pulmonary fibrosis, heart issues, a debilitating back problem and addiction to pain killers, died of natural causes, according to his publicist.

His career spanned the history of show business in the 20th century, beginning in his parents' vaudeville act at the age of 5. He was just 20 when his pairing with Martin made them international stars. After their cold parting in 1956, Lewis made such favorites as "The Bellboy" and "The Nutty Professor," was featured in Martin Scorsese's "The King of Comedy" and appeared as himself in Billy Crystal's "Mr. Saturday Night." In the 1990s, he scored a stage comeback as the devil in the Broadway revival of "Damn Yankees."

With no grand prize winner, Powerball jackpot grows to \$650M

Powerball officials say there was no grand prize winner in the latest drawing, meaning one of the nation's largest lottery jackpots will continue growing.

Maura McCann of the New Hampshire Lottery says no ticket matched all six numbers following Saturday night's drawing. The winning numbers are: 17, 19, 39, 43, 68 and Powerball 13.

The new jackpot for Wednesday's drawing is \$650 million, which would be the third-largest jackpot in U.S. history.

The prize has grown so large because no one has matched all six balls in more than two months, so the jackpot has grown after every drawing.

The odds of winning the giant prize is one in 292.2 million. Powerball is played in 44 states as well as Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Advertisement for Civil War Reenactment at Fort Stevens State Park Historic Area. Includes event displays (9am-6pm Saturday and Sunday, 9am-1pm Monday) and battles (11am and 3pm Saturday and Sunday, Noon Monday). Sponsored by the Northwest Civil War Council. General admission \$12/person, 55 and older \$8/person, kids 5 and under free. Website: www.nwcwc.net/fort-stevens.html

Table with TV listings for Monday Evening, August 21. Columns include channel, time, and program name. Includes programs like Jeopardy!, Wheel of Fortune, Bachelor in Paradise, and various news and entertainment shows.