#### St. Helens Earthquake

A pair of small earthquakes struck Mt. St. Helens Monday, according to the United States Geological Survey. The quakes, one registered at 4.3 and the other registered at 2.5, were centered 37 miles northeast of Longview, Wash.

#### First Lady: On Love

First Lady Michelle Obama says laughter is a key to a lasting relation-

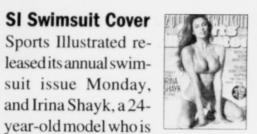


ship. She shared her advice with reporters on Valentine's Day Mon-

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day, saying she and President Obama work to keep themselves grounded through their spunky attitude, even after 19 years of marriage. "We keep each other smiling and that's good," she said.

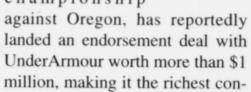
#### SI Swimsuit Cover Sports Illustrated released its annual swimsuit issue Monday,



dating soccer superstar Cristiano tract ever for an NFL rookie. Ronaldo, is the cover model. Shayk is a native of Emangelynsk, Russia, and is in the swimsuit issue for the fifth time.

#### **Newton Endorsement**

Cam Newton, the Auburn University quarterback who won the Heisman Trophy and led his team to the NCAA championship



#### Fire Sickens 14 Inmates

A fire in a small laundry room sent 14 inmates at the Washington County Community Corrections Center in Hillsboro to a hospital Sunday night. The fire forced the evacuation of more than 200 inmates, who were moved to the Washington County Jail.

#### **Landslides Delay Trains**

Landslides along a section of Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad track just north of Vancouver. caused Amtrak to charter buses to move travelers between Portland and Seattle on Monday.

## Obama to Visit Friday

The White House announced plans for President Obama to visit Oregon on Friday to discuss the Importance of out-educating U.S. competitors on the world stage in order to win the future.

Obama will stop at the Intel Corporation campus in Hillsboro to tour the world's most advanced semiconductor manufacturing facility with Intel Chief Executive Officer Paul Otellini.

The president will also learn more about Intel's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education programs and Intel's efforts to better prepare the next generation to compete for high-tech jobs and be the minds behind the next great inventions.

In his State of the Union, President Obama outlined a plan for winning the future by preparing our children to be competitive in the global economy.

### Obama: Egypt Power Shift Holds **Promise**

(AP) -- The peaceful departure of Hosni Mubarak as Egypt's president marked "a beginning" holding the promise of greater democracy for the world's most populous Arab nation, President Obama declared Friday. But he added soberly, "There will be difficult days ahead."

Indeed, while Obama and other U.S. officials voiced optimism, they were also concerned over who will end up in control of the Egypt and whether the United States will emerge with the kind of stable partner it badly needs in the volatile Middle East.

Also at issue: whether the unrest that brought down Mubarak will spread to other nations in the Middle East, including oil-rich autocratic neighbors, and whether the Egyptian military will make good on its pledge of promoting free and fair elections.

At the White House, Obama's words were alternately celebratory and cautious after Mubarak ended three decades of iron rule and turned over his authority to the military.

"Today belongs to the people of Egypt," Obama declared at the White House. In Cairo, Egyptians celebrated into the night.

Obama's only mention of Mubarak, a longtime strong U.S. ally, was at the beginning of his remarks: "By stepping down, President Mubarak responded to the Egyptian people's hunger for change," he said.



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