

## World and Nation Datelines

### ■ Maryland Government looks at breast implants

GAITHERSBURG, Md. (AP) — Federal regulators opened scientific hearings Wednesday to determine if saline-filled breast implants are safe enough for thousands of women to continue getting.

Some 9.2 percent of saline-filled implants given to breast cancer patients ruptured and deflated within three years of implantation, a spokesman from manufacturer Mentor Corp. told a Food and Drug Administration meeting.

That risk was three times greater for breast cancer patients than for women who had their breasts enlarged cosmetically, the study of 1,680 implant recipients found.

In addition, 40 percent of cancer patients who received saline implants needed some repeat surgery within three years, and 24 percent suffered breast hardening from scar tissue, a complication that can be very painful.

### ■ Washington House sends Social Security bill to Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — In uncommon election-year bipartisanship, House Republicans and Democrats united Wednesday behind legislation allowing 800,000 senior citizens between ages 65 and 69 to work without fear of losing Social Security benefits. President Clinton pledged his support.

The House voted 422-0 to send the Senate a bill repealing the Social Security earnings limit, which amounts to a penalty of \$1 in benefits for every \$3 a recipient earns more than \$17,000 this year.

### ■ North Carolina UNC student in trouble for arranging meeting

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — School officials say a University of North Carolina student stepped over the line between free speech and its abuse by arranging a meeting between protesters and recruiters for a subsidiary of tobacco giant Philip Morris.

Chiara D'Amore said she thought she and an INFAC member would talk with a Kraft Foods Inc. representative alone. Instead, they were joined by demonstrators, including one dressed as a box of macaroni and cheese decorated with cigarettes.

D'Amore, 20, faces punishment ranging from censure to expulsion. A hearing before the student-run Honor Court was set for Thursday.

Student Attorney General Drew Haywood said Wednesday that the school may not pursue charges.

### ■ Yugoslavia Clashes send refugees fleeing from Serbia

GNJILANE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Ethnic Albanian guerrillas are again battling Serb police, but this time not in Kosovo. Now the clashes are in Serbia proper and have sparked a new flight of Albanian refugees.

The newly formed rebel group calls itself the Liberation Army of Presevo, Medvedja and Bujanovac, after three predominantly ethnic Albanian towns just outside Kosovo in southern Serbia.

Known by its Albanian acronym UCPMB, its fighters say they are trying to protect villagers in the region from brutal attacks by Serb forces.

Nearly 1,300 Albanians have fled Serbia, and that number could double in the next few days.

## Man kills two in shooting rampage

### ■ Hostages held in building housing day care, senior citizens' center.

WILKINSBURG, Pa. (AP) — A man set his apartment on fire Wednesday, then shot lunchtime customers at two fast-food restaurants and holed up in an office building before surrendering. Two people were killed and three critically wounded, police said.

The suspect, who held four or five hostages, surrendered in a hallway, said Thomas Sturgeon, superintendent of Allegheny County police.

Two people were killed before the suspect, identified as Ronald Taylor, went to the office building, said Sturgeon and Gerald Brewer, the Wilkesburg police chief. The office housed day care and senior citizens'

centers.

The hostages were safely released when the suspect surrendered, State Police Trooper Jim Algeo said.

The rampage began at about 11 a.m. in Wilkesburg, about nine miles east of Pittsburgh.

John DeWitt, a 63-year-old maintenance worker in the suspect's apartment building, said he and two other workers went to replace the man's front door, which had been broken several days earlier because the man had lost his keys.

DeWitt told The Associated Press he left to work on another apartment and later saw one of the other maintenance workers carrying the other worker, who had been shot. DeWitt said he then saw the tenant walk toward the restaurants, about a mile away.

Police did not immediately comment about DeWitt's account.

The one-bedroom apartment on the

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Candy Zambo  
witness

top floor of a five-story building was charred and its windows blown out.

One person was shot at a Burger King and three at a nearby McDonald's restaurant, Brewer said. The fifth victim was a maintenance man at Taylor's apartment building.

Taylor, 39, of Wilkesburg, was awaiting arraignment at the Allegheny County Coroner's office.

Police did not release further information about the victims, but a woman at the scene said her stepfather, Richard

Clinger, was shot while sitting in his van in the McDonald's parking lot.

"Me and my stepfather were sitting in the truck, and this guy just walked up and started shooting," said Candy Zambo, who was unhurt. "I thought maybe he was going to ask for directions or something. He just turned and walked into McDonald's."

Tony Elhaja, manager of a Dunkin' Donuts next to the McDonald's, said the daughter of the man shot in the parking lot came into his store to wait for police.

## Boy found loaded gun in bedroom

### ■ First-grader, 8-year-old brother lived in house with drugs, stolen gun.

MOUNT MORRIS TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) — The 6-year-old boy who killed a first-grade classmate used a stolen gun he apparently discovered loaded and lying around in a bedroom at the "flop house" where he was living, investigators said Wednesday.

Authorities focused on possible criminal charges against any adults who gave the boy access to the .32-caliber pistol he used to shoot 6-year-old Kayla Rolland on Tuesday morning, a day after the two apparently had scuffled on the playground at Buell Elementary School.

The boy is too young to understand what he was doing and probably won't be charged, the prosecutor said.

After the shooting, the boy put the gun in his desk and went to the school office, Superintendent Ira Rutherford said. After police questioned him, Police Chief Eric King said, he "sat there drawing pictures."

"He is a victim in many ways," Genesee County Prosecutor Arthur Busch said. "It is very sad. We need to put our arms around him and love him."

Busch said the house where the boy and his 8-year-old brother were staying with an uncle was frequented by strangers, and the boy's father — who is in jail for a parole violation — told the sheriff that people at the house traded crack cocaine for guns.

The father was let out of jail Wednesday to attend a court hearing in Flint with the boy's mother. The father apologized for the shooting and asked for custody of the children, but the judge ordered the boy, his brother and his sister into a maternal aunt's custody for now.

"I feel bad for the other family. I wish it would've never have happened," the father said. "I will do anything to get my kids back."

The boy and his brother had been staying for about two weeks with the uncle — their mother's brother — after the mother had been evicted from her home, Busch said.

The ramshackle house is surrounded by mud-caked trash, and the front yard is cluttered with an empty vodka bottle and a rusting black Camaro. The home has tattered and stained curtains and fluttering plastic garbage bags taped over broken windows. No one answered the door Wednesday.

The uncle, Sirmarcus B. Winfrey, was arrested Tuesday night on an outstanding warrant on charges of receiving stolen property and was to be questioned, police said. A second man, who authorities believe once had the gun used in the shooting, turned himself in Wednesday for questioning and was jailed on outstanding warrants and



RUBY HAYWOOD and her daughter Porsha visit Buell Elementary School on March 1, 2000, to bring a small stuffed animal in remembrance of shooting victim Kayla Rolland. Porsha was a former classmate of Rolland.

"miscellaneous charges," Busch said.

"It's our understanding from the police investigation that this gun was obtained from a bedroom under some blankets, which had been left laying, apparently loaded, in this bedroom," Busch said at a news conference.

Investigators also found a stolen 12-gauge shotgun and drugs in the house, the prosecutor said.

The boy's father served two years in prison on a burglary conviction and is now serving time in the county jail for an alleged parole violation. He told the sheriff that his son had been suspended from school for fighting and for stabbing a girl with a pencil.

The 29-year-old father heard about Tuesday's shooting from a cellmate and "a cold, sinking feeling came over him because he knew it was his son," Sheriff Robert J. Pickell said. "He said (his son) liked to watch the violent movies, the television shows."

And Pickell said that although the father told him "he'd never seen the .32-caliber weapon the boy used," people in the house would "trade crack for weapons or any kind of merchandise."

Chris De Witt, spokesman for Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, said under previous court decisions, a 6-year-old cannot be tried for murder in Michigan. He said the law allows murder charges against a 7-year-old.

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