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Gadhafi dead

Libyan leader was captured alive; how he died is in dispute

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SIRTE, Libya — Former Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi asked his captors twice, "What do you want from me?" as they swarmed around him

Thursday, according to video shot at the scene by a Libyan journalist. By early afternoon, he was dead, but how he died remained in dispute.

In one version, recounted by a reporter for the

Arabic-language satellite channel Al Arabiya, Gadhafi was shot moments after his capture by an 18-year-old revolutionary fighter who was hailed as a hero by his comrades.

In the other, told by offi-

cials of Libya's interim government in Tripoli, Gadhafi died on the way to a hospital for treatment of wounds he suffered when the convoy he was riding in was hit by a NATO airstrike.

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Recovery plan for suckers revised

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service this week issued a revised recovery plan for Lost River and shortnose sucker. The plan is non-binding; the agency describes it as a blueprint for recovery actions that stakeholders voluntarily perform. See page A2.

NATION

Exotic animal owner was bitten

The backyard zookeeper in Ohio who released his exotic animals earlier this week was bitten in the head around the same time he committed suicide, authorities said, raising questions about whether one of the lions or tigers turned on him or tried to eat him. See page A8.

Weekender

Best bets for this weekend with Doug Higgs



For those who enjoy hearing train whistles and being on the right track, the fourth annual Model Railroad Show and Sales will be this weekend at the Klamath County Fairgrounds.

Times are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for senior citizens. The first two children with an adult will be admitted free and each additional child for \$1.

"Night at the Cemetery," a program on local history, will be today and Saturday with tours between 4 and 6:15 p.m. both days at the Linkville Cemetery.

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'Tis the season. Got your flu vaccine yet?

First confirmed influenza case reported in Oregon

By SHELBY KING H&N Staff Reporter

If you're reading this, you probably should get a flu shot.

Oregon Public Health officials recommend everyone over 6 months old get an influenza vaccination and say there are plenty of vaccines to go around this year. Officials say it's best to get inoculated as early as possible to avoid getting sick.

Even though flu season isn't in full swing, the first confirmed case of influenza in Oregon was reported in early October in Lincoln County. The patient, a 61-year-old woman, has since recovered.

"The peak season in Oregon is a little later than elsewhere in the country," said David Waber, a nurse with the Klamath County Health Department. "Ours usually peaks in February, although that doesn't always happen."

Waber said a harsh winter — predicted for the Klamath Basin this year — doesn't necessarily indicate flu season will be more intense. He said the flu is unpredictable.

Statistically, flu season gets going after Jan. 1, but officials at Oregon Public Health say it can start as early as October and can attack anyone.

"Even healthy children and adults can get very sick from the flu and spread it to others," said Dr. Paul Cieslak of Oregon Public Health. "The best way to prevent the flu is by getting vaccinated every year."

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Father stabbed, son faces charges

Victim stabbed in the back with a knife

By ELON GLUCKLICH H&N Staff Reporter

DAIRY — A man is facing attempted murder charges after he allegedly stabbed his father in the back at their Dairy-area home early Thursday.

Donald Gale Boltz Jr., 50, reportedly used a knife to stab his father, David Boltz Sr., 71, at about 5:30 a.m., said Lt. Jeanette Davidson with the Klamath County Sheriff's Office.

Davidson said Thursday afternoon a motive for the stabbing hadn't been determined, but detectives were investigating.

"I'm not familiar with what may have caused ... this problem," Davidson said.

After he was stabbed, Boltz Sr. left the residence and his son share and drove himself to Sky Lakes Medical Center. He spent Thursday morning undergoing treatment for the stab wound, and was listed in good condition.

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Boltz Jr.

Object lessons

CAPTAIN JACK'S SIGNATURE

Modoc Indian chief signs his mark night before execution

By SARA HOTTMAN H&N Staff Reporter

By 1873, Captain Jack's campaign against United States' forces was global news, making headlines across the country, England and Germany.

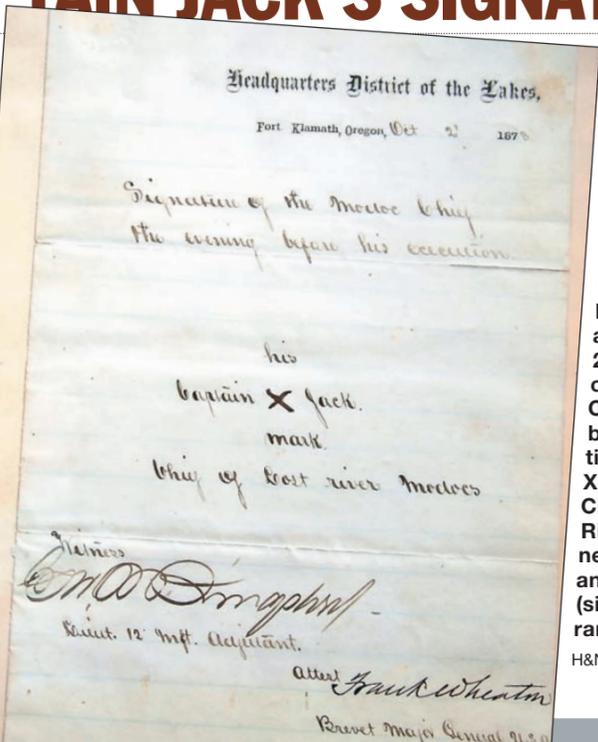
The Modoc chief started the war in 1872, after the U.S. government forced three Native American tribes to live together on one reservation.

Captain Jack, the Army's name for him, led his tribe

off the reservation; the Fort Klamath cavalry was ordered to bring them back, resulting in the Modoc War.

"Captain Jack had become a pretty notorious figure in the national media, and the world," said Todd Kepple, manager of the Klamath County museums. "Any relic that had any connection to Captain Jack was valuable."

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The letter reads: "Headquarters District of the Lakes, Fort Klamath, Oregon, Oct 2 1873. Signature of the Modoc Chief the evening before his execution/ his/ Captain X Jack/ mark/ Chief of the Lost River Modocs/ witness/ (signature and rank)/ (signature and rank)"

H&N photo by Sara Hottman

Editor's note: 'Object Lessons' is an ongoing H&N series that examines historic items from the Klamath Basin.

