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A4 • MARINES SENT TO LIBYAN COAST: The U.S. military has ordered the amphibious assault ship Bataan, with 1,000 Marines on board, to move toward the Libyan coast, a day after American officials urged citizens to leave the country.

THE NATION

A4 • PRESIDENT OUTLINES APPROACH TO FOREIGN POLICY: President Barack Obama declares that the U.S. remains the only nation with the capacity to lead on the world stage but argued it would be a mistake to channel that power into unrestrained military adventures.

THE STATE

A2 • CAMPAIGN FOR CALIF. SCHOOLS CHIEF: The nonpartisan race for superintendent has become a referendum on whether change is coming quickly enough in a state where the traditional might of labor unions is being challenged by restive education reformers.

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VA PROBLEMS CALLED 'SYSTEMIC'

115
DAYS
Average wait for a first appointment for those on the waiting list at the facility in Phoenix

Watchdog issues scathing report

MATTHEW DALY & DONNA CASSATA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON
About 1,700 veterans in need of care were "at risk of being lost or forgotten" after being kept off the official waiting list at the troubled

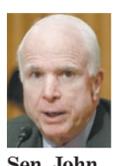
IN DEPTH A3

Phoenix veterans hospital, the Veterans Affairs watchdog said Wednesday. The scathing report increased the pressure on Secretary Eric Shinseki to resign.

The investigation, initially focused on the Phoenix hospital, found systemic problems in the VA's sprawling nationwide system, which provides



Secretary Eric Shinseki



Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

medical care to about 6.5 million veterans each year. The interim report confirmed

allegations of excessive waiting time for care in Phoenix, with an average 115-day wait for a first appointment for those on the waiting list — 91 days longer than the 24-day average the hospital had reported.

"While our work is not complete, we have substantiated that significant delays in access to care negatively impacted the quality of care at
SEE VA • A3



MAYA ANGELOU
1928-2014

Tall and regal, with a deep, majestic voice, Maya Angelou was unforgettable whether encountered in person, through audio recordings or the printed word. ASSOCIATED PRESS

Poet, author, activist

Memoirs chronicled strength overcoming struggle

EMMA BROWN
THE WASHINGTON POST

Maya Angelou, a child of the Jim Crow South who rose to international prominence as a writer known for her frank chronicles of personal history and a performer instantly identified by her regal presence and rich, honeyed voice,

died Wednesday at her home in Winston-Salem, N.C. She was 86. Angelou had heart ailments and had been in declining health for years.

She established her literary reputation in 1969 with "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," a memoir detailing the racism and abuse she endured during her harrow-
SEE ANGELOU • A11

CHECK IT OUT: 'LIBRARY TO GO' DISPENSES BOOKS AND DVDS

GARY WARTH • U-T

People stopping by a couple of new vending machines in the county might be surprised to find no snacks behind the glass, but plenty of food for thought.

The San Diego County Library system opened its second 24/7 "Library to Go" on Wednesday in Bonsall, where users can stop by any time of the day

or night to check out books and DVDs for free.

The first automated kiosk was installed six months ago at the County Operations Center in Kearny Mesa, where library staff could keep a close eye on its use. The new one offers Bonsall residents an alternative to the Fallbrook Library about 15 minutes away.

"Whenever you can bring more

books to kids, it's a good thing," Bonsall Unified School District Superintendent Justin Cunningham said about the Library to Go, which sits outside the Community Center at 31505 Old River Road, on school district property.

The small rectangular building — about 8 feet tall and 13 feet wide — is stocked with 340 books and DVDs on
SEE LIBRARY • A10

SENATE APPROVES MEDICAL MARIJUANA MEASURE

Bill would tighten industry regulation

MICHAEL GARDNER • U-T

SACRAMENTO
Under mounting pressure, California lawmakers appear to be moving closer toward approving compromise legislation to regulate medical marijuana after years of stalemate.

The Senate took the first step Wednesday, unanimously passing a measure pushed by cities and law enforcement that would impose tighter controls on the industry that would cover planting to prescriptions.

The Assembly is expected to take up a competing bill today with the expectation that the two sides can reconcile their differences and place a measure on Gov. Jerry Brown's desk by summer.

"This bill is not legalizing marijuana for recreational use," said Sen. Lou Correa, D-Anaheim, who is carrying the measure.

"The voters spoke in 1996 when they approved medical marijuana — bring it on. Now what we want to do is regulate it. Police
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VET HELD IN MEXICO DROPS HIS ATTORNEY

JEANETTE STEELE & MORGAN LEE • U-T

TIJUANA
Andrew Tahmooressi, a 25-year-old former active-duty Marine, will wait a lit-



Andrew Tahmooressi

tle longer to make his case against weapons-possession charges after dropping his defense attorney during a brief hearing Wednesday in a Tijuana courthouse.

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