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Jury foreman scrutinized

Man accused of illegally discussing information about Tulare Regional Medical Center

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A dispute over comments by Tulare County Grand Jury foreman Chuck White has led to accusations that he disclosed grand jury information illegally. The issue was first raised in connection with the grand jury's investigation of the Tulare Regional Medical Center's stalled tower expansion and the hospital's response. After White issued an unusual statement June 13, TRMC replied that state law makes it a misdemeanor for a juror to discuss "proceedings and evidence."

A spokesman for the California Grand Jury Association, an organization which supports grand juries across the state, said that though reports are a matter of public record and can be discussed, "any material developed in the investigation that is not in the final report remains confidential."

In an interview with the Times-Delta and Advance-Register regarding the grand jury's March report, called "Tower of Shame," White said there is \$50 million the Tulare Local Healthcare District can't find and the grand jury is "hoping

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President Barack Obama gets a standing ovation as he makes his way onstage at the 2016 Global Entrepreneurship Summit at Stanford University on Friday.

'The world is counting on you'

President Obama encourages innovators, entrepreneurs at Stanford summit

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STANFORD UNIVERSITY - President Barack Obama told entrepreneurs and would-be innovators from 170 countries gathered here that in a fast-changing world, they'll be vital to driving future economic growth. "And it's never been more important. In today's world, where our economies have undergone dramatic shifts, where businesses don't stop at borders, where technology and automation have transformed virtually every industry and changed how people organize and work, entrepreneurship remains the engine of growth," he told the crowd of attendees Friday on the final day of the three-day 2016 Global Entrepreneurship Summit. "The ability to turn that idea into a reality -- a new venture, a small business that creates good-paying jobs -- it puts rising economies on the path to prosperity and empowers people to come together and tackle our most pressing global problems, from climate change to poverty," he said.

And on the subject of a changing world, Obama brought up Thursday's vote in Great Britain to separate from the European Union, a topic on the mind of many here and across the globe. "Just a few hours ago, I spoke with Prime Minister David Cameron. David has been an outstanding partner on the global stage, and based on our conversation, I'm confident the UK is committed to an orderly transition out of the EU," Obama said, without discussing how England's vote has hurt world financial markets overnight or the potential economic effects. He added that the U.S. will remain strong allies with both Britain and the EU. "I do believe yesterday's vote speaks to the ongoing changes and challenges raised by globalization," Obama said. He went on to say that commitment to democracy, pluralism and oppor-

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Police arrest woman after high-speed chase

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A salesman was dragged on the asphalt trying to stop a woman who stole an SUV Friday afternoon from Visalia Toyota.



Price

She then sped off, leading police on a high-speed chase from Visalia and ending in Tulare.

Leon Dudley, a salesman, was approached by April Price, 42, who asked to test drive a Toyota RAV4. Dudley started the car and turned on the air conditioner and went around to enter the passen-

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