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New York: Today, limited sun, risk of a shower, high 75. Tonight, clearing, patchy fog, low 65. Tomorrow, sunny, warmer, high 82. Yesterday, high 67, low 65. Weather map is on Page C10.

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ONE DOLLAR

Already Reeling, Detroit Flails In Latest Effort to Reinvent Itself

Ford Concedes It Will Lose No. 2 Spot to Toyota

By MICHELINE MAYNARD

DETROIT, Sept. 15 — Detroit is building a subcompact car profitably in North America, forcing it to turn in

Possible Source of Bad Spinach Is Named as Outbreak Widens

By JULIA PRESTON and MONICA DAVEY

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, Calif., Sept. 15 — As the number of cases of a virulent strain of E. coli linked to fresh prepackaged spinach grew to at least 94 in 20 states on Friday, federal health authorities identified an organic produce company here in California as a possible source of some of the tainted spinach.

By late Friday, 14 of the sickened people had grown gravely ill, the federal authorities said, and one had died, a 77-year-old woman in Wisconsin. Health officials said they were unable to determine if the outbreak was likely to spread further.

The company, Natural Selection Foods of San Juan Bautista, announced a voluntary nationwide recall of its Earthbound brands of prepackaged spinach and salad mixes as well as prepackaged spinach it processes for numerous other companies, including Dole. Prepackaged spinach has been processed, washed and sanitized and placed in airtight bags or plastic trays.

In a statement, the company said it had stopped shipping spinach products, had removed spinach from all of its salads and was cooperating with state and federal authorities by allowing them access to company facilities and products.

Speaking to reporters at the company's operation here, a spokeswoman said there was no conclusive evidence that its spinach was contaminated.

"We're obviously very, very upset," said the spokeswoman, Samantha Cabaluna. "This is a tragedy for us."

Dr. David Acheson of the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition at the Food and Drug Administration said at a news conference that the F.D.A. did not have definitive evidence that Natural Selection Foods was to blame for the outbreak of illness. But people who have been sickened apparently ate its spinach.

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On New Jersey Ballot, Like Father (And His Father, and His Father)

By DAVID W. CHEN

TRENTON, Sept. 15 — One of Thomas H. Kean Jr.'s earliest political memories is watching his father, Gov. Thomas H. Kean Sr., deliver the keynote address at the Republican National Convention in 1988, when George H. W. Bush was nominated for president.

Now, Mr. Bush is one of many of the former governor's powerful friends helping support the younger Mr. Kean's bid to unseat Senator Robert Menendez, as patrimony has helped propel a relatively inexperienced state legislator into one of the

tightest races in the country. Some Democrats here even complain that Republicans are trying to confuse voters into thinking that the popular former governor and chairman of the 9/11 Commission is running, not his 38-year-old son.

After all, Keans have been on the ballot here almost as long as there have been ballots.

"When my dad ran for Congress — and he had been the Assembly speaker — the headline said, 'Kean's son to run for Congress,'" said Mr. Kean, now a state senator. "When my grandfather ran for Congress in 1938, there was a headline that said, 'Kean's son to run for Congress.' When my great-grandfather ran for Senate, I think there was a headline that said, 'Kean's brother to run for Senate,' because his older brother had served in the United States Senate.

"So I personally set very high standards for my own experience in public office, and I think the public has set very high standards for me."

As they did with the current President Bush in 2000, Democrats say

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ministration plan for the interrogations and trials of terrorism suspects, the Pentagon general counsel, William J. Haynes II, summoned the senior uniformed lawyers from each military service to a meeting.

The lawyers, known as judge advocates general, had been pivotal players in years of debate over detention, interrogation and prosecution.

They had repeatedly sparred behind the scenes with Mr. Haynes, the top civilian lawyer in the Defense

suspects in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

But at the meeting on Wednesday, Mr. Haynes sought to enlist the lawyers on the administration's side by asking whether any would object to signing a letter lending their support to aspects of the White House proposal over which they had voiced little concern.

The lawyers agreed, but only after hours of negotiating over specific words, so that they would not appear to be wholly endorsing the plan.

found themselves privately at odds.

Early Thursday morning, White House allies distributed the letter that the lawyers had signed, as evidence that the group, known as Jags, now supported the administration plan.

That prompted loud protests from Republican senators opposed to the plan. They dismissed the letter on grounds that the lawyers would have

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IRAQIS PLANNING TRENCH NETWORK AROUND BAGHDAD

BIG NEW SECURITY EFFORT

but still much higher than virtually all other months.

American military officials have disputed the morgue's numbers, saying military data shows that what they refer to as the murder rate dropped by 52 percent from July to August. But American officials have acknowledged that that count does not include deaths from bombings and rocket or mortar attacks.

American commanders have made securing Baghdad their top priority. They have shifted troops to Baghdad to try to contain the sectarian conflict raging in the capital, which threatens to plunge Iraq into all-out civil war. A security plan promoted in June by American officials and Prime Minister Nuri Kamal al-Maliki involved setting up traffic checkpoints throughout Baghdad.

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Paying Top Dollar For Punishment, 26 Miles' Worth

By JENNIFER BLECHER

The notion of paying hundreds of dollars for the opportunity to run 26.2 miles may not appeal to most people, but some runners are doing just that because demand for marathons has outstripped the number of spots available in the fields.

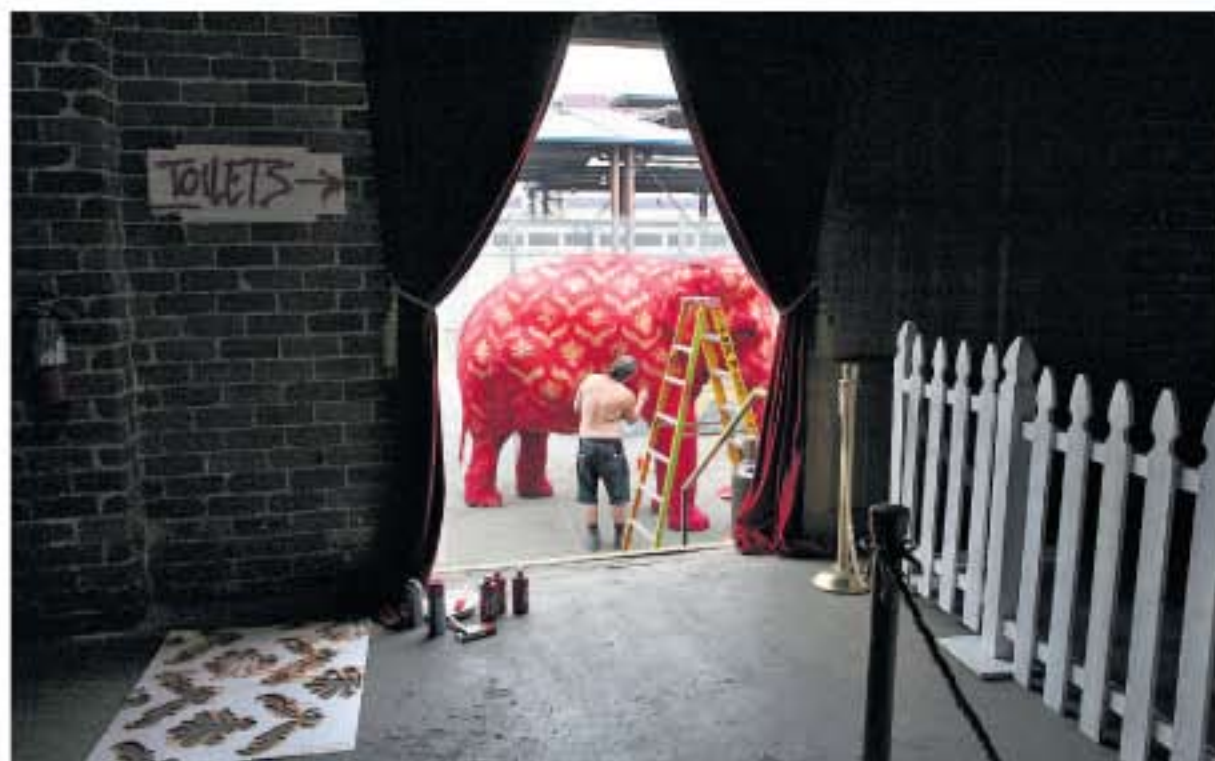
More than 100,000 runners are training now for the three major fall marathons — Berlin, Chicago and New York City — and many thousands more are preparing for smaller races throughout the country. But many runners were unable to gain entry into the race of their choice, and some of them will turn to prohibited means of getting into the field, like using counterfeit bibs — the paper numbers runners wear on their shirts — or buying bibs at a premium online.

Race organizers say they are frustrated by this unintended consequence of staging popular events, but there is little they can do. Photocopied or otherwise fabricated bibs are needles in a haystack of tens of thousands of runners.

More than 90,000 people entered a lottery for the 50,000 spots awarded for the New York City Marathon, which will be Nov. 5. Considering that thousands of runners do not

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The Elephant in the Room

The British art provocateur-prankster Banksy had a splashy opening for "Barely Legal," his show in a Los Angeles warehouse, complete with painted elephant. But one question remained unanswered: Just who is Banksy? PAGE B9

Papers Document a Congressman's Play for Power

From documents a clearer picture emerges of the relationship between Representative William J. Jefferson, Democrat of Louisiana, and Vernon L. Jackson, the owner of a small company that Mr. Jefferson went from helping to trying to take it over for his family's benefit. PAGE A11

Oriana Fallaci Is Dead

The iconoclastic Italian journalist known for her war coverage and for aggressive, revealing interviews with the powerful was 77. PAGE B8



ANSA/European Pressphoto Agency, 1983

Congressman Faces Prison

Representative Bob Ney, Republican of Ohio, admitted in a plea agreement that he had effectively put his office up for sale to Washington lobbyists and a businessman. Federal prosecutors said they would recommend a 27-month sentence. PAGE A14

Apology Demanded of Pope

Anger by Muslim leaders at Pope Benedict XVI's remarks about Islam continued to grow, and many demanded an apology. Leaders in Britain, Gaza, Iraq, Syria, Indonesia and Pakistan registered their protests. A planned papal visit to Turkey may be jeopardized. PAGE A4



Battle for Guantánamo Bay

There has been a long struggle between Guantánamo's prisoners and guards for influence and control. One colonel tried to end it. MAGAZINE

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The Fight Over a Suitcase and the Memories It Carries

By ALAN RIDING

PARIS, Sept. 15 — Old suitcases gathering dust in the homes of many second- or third-generation immigrants around the world are mementoes of journeys that changed the lives of parents or grandparents. No longer used or even useable, perhaps with yellowing stickers recalling the names of long-deceased forebears, they survive as family relics.

Yet still more powerful symbols, not least for European Jews, are suitcases separated from their owners.

Jews rounded up in France during World War II, for instance, were frequently encouraged to pack a suit-

case, presumably to deceive them into believing that they were headed for internment or labor camps, not death. Many photographs taken at the time show them waiting patiently to board trains, suitcases in hand.

The French artist Christian Boltanski once evoked the one-way journeys of these deportees in a touching installation of battered and antiquated suitcases. But with the suitcases displayed at the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum in Poland — masses of them piled high — there is no ambiguity: all once belonged to Holocaust victims.

This is the story of one such suitcase — and the memory it still carries.

After much hesitation, the Ausch-



Courtesy of Michel Lévi Lévi

Pierre Lévi's suitcase, on display at the Holocaust memorial in Paris.

witz museum agreed early last year to lend a suitcase from its collection for a permanent exhibition called "The Fate of Jews From France During World War II" at the Founda-

tion for the Remembrance of the Shoah in Paris. At the time the foundation pledged in writing to return it to the museum at the death camp by June 30, 2005.

Then, in February 2005, while visiting the Paris exhibition, Michel Lévi-Leleu, a 66-year-old retired engineer, discovered that his father's name — Pierre Lévi — was on the suitcase. Its lid had disappeared, and its handle was broken, but it still carried the address of the family's last home in Paris on the Boulevard de la Villette, as well as Mr. Lévi's prisoner reference, "48 Gruppe 10."

After the German occupation of France in 1940 set in motion a witch-hunt for Jews, Mr. Lévi, a former diamond trader, found work as a farmhand near Avignon, while he hid his wife and their two sons, Michel and Étienne, in Haute-Savoie and told

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4 Returned Klimt Works Heading To Auction

By CAROL VOGEL

Four of five paintings by Gustav Klimt that were relinquished by Austria this year after a long legal battle are to be auctioned on Nov. 8 at Christie's, officials said yesterday, instead of sold privately.

The paintings, on view through Oct. 9 at the Neue Galerie in Manhattan, will be offered at an evening sale of Impressionist and Modern art, Christie's officials said.

The works were originally purchased for the collection of the Jewish sugar industrialist Ferdinand Bloch-Bauer and his wife, Adele, whose turn-of-the-century salon attracted prominent artists, writers, musicians and politicians in Vienna.

An arbitration court ruled in January that the paintings were improperly seized when the Nazis annexed Austria in 1938. All five were then handed over to a niece of Mrs. Bloch-Bauer, Maria Altmann of Los Angeles, and other family members.



Neue Galerie, New York

"Birch Forest" (1903), one of four Klimts to be offered by Christie's.

In June the cosmetics executive Ronald S. Lauder bought the best-known of the five, a gold-flecked portrait of Mrs. Bloch-Bauer from 1907, for the Neue Galerie for \$135 million. It is the highest price known to have been paid for a painting. Since then there has been much speculation about the future of the other Klimts.

The four works, which are together valued at nearly \$100 million, include "Adele Bloch-Bauer II," a 1912 portrait of Mrs. Bloch-Bauer in fashionable street clothes and a wide-brimmed hat. Christie's estimates that it could fetch \$40 million to \$60 million.

The other three are landscapes. "Birch Forest" (1903), one of Klimt's few wood scenes, is expected to fetch \$20 million to \$30 million, Christie's said. Another landscape, "Apple Tree I" from around 1912, depicting a blooming tree, is estimated at \$15 million to \$25 million. "Houses in Unterach on the Attersee" (1916), a view of a resort town in the Austrian countryside, is estimated at \$18 million to \$25 million.

Marc Porter, president of Christie's, said that museums in the United States and Europe had contacted the auction house to express interest in the Klimts, but he declined to be more specific. "Some of them may well end up in museums," he said.



Marissa Roth for The New York Times

"Bullit Proof Vest," by the British art provocateur-prankster Banksy, who has an exhibition, "Barely Legal," at an industrial warehouse in downtown Los Angeles.

In the Land of Beautiful People, an Artist Without a Face

By EDWARD WYATT

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 15 — As a metaphor for problems that people are uncomfortable talking about, "the elephant in the room" is not the most original.

But then, few people actually put the elephant in the room, paint it red and adorn it with gold fleurs-de-lis to match the brocade wallpaper, and then dare viewers not to talk about it.

Banksy, perhaps Britain's most notorious graffiti

artist and public prankster, has done just that with "Barely Legal," a new show at an industrial warehouse in Los Angeles, as part of what his spokesman says is his first large-scale exhibition in the United States.

Such a show — complete with advance publicity, an opening party with valet parking and Hollywood glitterati, including Jude Law and his posse, and sales of numbered prints at \$500 each — would seem to go against Banksy's rebel image.

"Yes, there probably is some contradiction," Banksy's spokesman, Simon Munnery, said on Thursday in an interview at the warehouse in a commercial district east

of downtown. (Details on the exhibition site can be found at www.banksy.co.uk.)

"It depends on what he does with the money, right?" Mr. Munnery added. "Maybe he makes more art. Maybe he's getting more ambitious."

Banksy makes a habit of not revealing himself in public, a practice that is part survival technique and part publicity ploy, but he has shown projects in the United States. Most notoriously, he carried his own artworks into four New York institutions last year — the Museum

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