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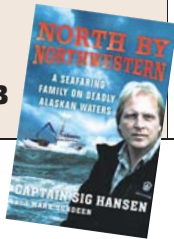
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Boeing still struggling with 787

SKEPTICISM GROWS OVER MEETING 2011 DELIVERY GOALS

Extensive rework, computer glitches slow production

BY DOMINIC GATES
Seattle Times
aerospace reporter

As Boeing's 787 Dreamliner program creeps toward first delivery this year, managers are intensi-

fying efforts to smooth production. But people working on the airplanes and others familiar with the state of the program say progress is painfully slow. While Boeing may meet

its deadline to deliver the first 787 to All Nippon Airways of Japan before Sept. 30, the production pace projected for 2011 appears out of reach. Boeing executives told

Wall Street analysts in January the company would deliver somewhere between a dozen and 20 Dreamliners this year.

"It isn't going to happen," said one mechanic working on the airplanes. "There are too many jobs to be done."

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Two 787 Dreamliners pass each other at Boeing Field on Monday. Boeing officials have said the company would deliver a dozen to 20 planes in 2011.

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New president: UW can be a 'world leader' of education



STEVE GRIFFIN / THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Outgoing University of Utah President Michael Young is seen Monday during an interview in his office in Salt Lake City.

Regents say Utah's Michael Young, who was named from an elite field of finalists, has right mix of academic and real-world experience.

BY LINDA SHAW AND BOB YOUNG
Seattle Times staff reporters

Before they offered the presidency of the University of Washington to Michael Young on Monday, the Board of Regents considered three finalists, all of whom are sitting university presidents, according to the firm hired to help with the search.

Bill Funk, president of consulting firm R. William Funk & Associates, said that demonstrates the candidate

pool for UW's top job was a strong one.

"That's just usually not the case," he said. "It only happens about 10 to 15 percent of the time."

Young had been rumored to be a candidate for weeks, and sources said Friday that he would be the regents' pick. But it wasn't official until Monday, when the regents voted unanimously to offer the job to Young, who has been president of

the University of Utah since 2004.

The UW and Young still need to negotiate an employment contract, but that's largely viewed as a formality. His start date is scheduled for July 1, and he is to appear at a news conference at the university Wednesday morning.

In an interview in Utah on Monday, Young, 61, spoke of his excitement about coming to the UW, which he said is "poised to be a world leader" in public education.

He said he would have been happy to stay at Utah but couldn't resist the "extraordinary opportunity" to go to Washington.

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TUNNEL LED OUT: An Afghan policeman looks at escape route used by more than 480 inmates in Kandahar prison.

TALIBAN JAILBREAK LATEST BREACH FOR AFGHAN JUSTICE SYSTEM

BY JOSHUA PARTLOW AND JAVED HAMDARD
The Washington Post

KABUL, Afghanistan — So much had changed in the three years since the Taliban blew up the barrier wall at Sariposa prison and sprung 1,000 inmates: imposing rows of concrete blast walls backed by razor wire, floodlights, video cameras, sandbags and 40 well-armed U.S. soldiers watching from perimeter guard towers with the Afghan police.

Kandahar's largest detention facility had become so secure, said an American military officer giving a tour of the prison this year, that the only way to break through was to "put a nuke on a motorcycle."

Or to dig 1,050 feet of underground tunnel and pop up into the middle of the prison, as the Taliban did early Monday, freeing more than 480 inmates and collapsing months of effort to improve security at the jail.

The audacious prison break showed again the vulnerabilities in Afghanistan's justice system, despite rigorous American oversight and a growing sense that authorities had the problematic prison under control.

The Taliban this month have penetrated some of Afghanistan's most aggressively defended facilities. Attackers have killed Kandahar's police chief inside his headquarters, exploded on a crowded Afghan army base in Laghman province, and shot up the hallways of the Ministry of Defense in Kabul.

The security breaches have raised concerns about the Afghan government's ability to protect itself from insurgents as U.S. and NATO forces begin to withdraw.

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Rep. Gabrielle Giffords can fly safely, doctors say.

Giffords' Florida trip rekindles talk of political future

BY JAMES OLIPHANT
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WASHINGTON — Rep. Gabrielle Giffords plans to attend the launch of the space shuttle Endeavour on Friday — a re-entry into the public arena likely to fuel a fresh round of speculation about the Arizona Democrat's political future.

Doctors say there is little risk in Giffords flying to Florida to witness the shuttle launch, even though a piece of her skull remains missing. The 14-day shuttle mission will be commanded by her husband, Cmdr. Mark Kelly, and President Obama and his family are expected to attend.

Giffords can speak in short sentences — longer ones frustrate her — and now writes left-handed. In an interview with CBS News, Kelly said walking and talking are difficult for the congresswoman, who was shot in the left side of the brain Jan. 8 in an attack at a meeting with constituents outside a suburban

Tucson, Ariz., supermarket. Six people were killed and 13, including Giffords, were injured. Jared Lee Loughner, 22, is charged in the attack.

Giffords' doctors at TIRR Memorial Hermann in Houston, where she has been recovering, said the congresswoman has made "remarkable progress" in

her rehabilitation. "Medically, there is no reason she could not travel safely to Florida to participate in this incredible event with her husband," said Dr. Dong Kim, one of the congresswoman's physicians in Houston.

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