

Nude gunman kills four in Waffle House



Law enforcement officials work the scene of a fatal shooting at a Waffle House in the Antioch neighborhood of Nashville

Nashville, Tenn.

A man wearing nothing but a coat stormed a Waffle House restaurant in Tennessee before dawn Sunday and shot four people to death, according to police, who credited a customer with saving lives by wresting a weapon away from the gunman.

The Metropolitan Nashville Police Department said via its Twitter account that authorities are searching for 29-year-old Travis Reinking of Morton, Illinois. Police said he was named as a person of interest because the pickup truck that the gunman used to drive to the restaurant was registered to Reinking.

Police spokesman Don Aaron said three people died at the scene and one person died at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Two other

people were being treated there for gunshot wounds. Medical Center spokeswoman Jennifer Wetzel said one was in critical condition and the other was in critical but stable condition.

Aaron said the gunman arrived at the restaurant, sat in the parking lot for four minutes and shot two people with an assault rifle. The gunman then went inside and continued firing.

A 29-year-old male patron inside the restaurant grabbed the rifle from the suspect and tossed it over a counter, Aaron said.

"No doubt he saved many lives by wrestling the gun away and tossing it over the counter and prompting the man to leave," Aaron said. He called the patron a "hero."

Aaron said Reinking was

known to law enforcement both in Illinois and in the federal system.

A Waffle House spokesman didn't immediately return a telephone message seeking comment.

The victims' names weren't immediately released.

The suspect, wearing only a green jacket, shed the jacket after fleeing the restaurant. Aaron said he lived at an apartment complex in the area and, based on witness reports, went to the complex and put on a pair of pants.

Aaron said witnesses saw a man in a nearby wooded area, and police were still tracking the man, more than six hours after the 3:25 a.m. shooting.

Nashville Mayor David Briley said the shooting represents "a tragic day" for the city. (AP)

World's oldest person dies

Tokyo

A 117-year-old Japanese woman, thought to be the world's oldest person, has died, a local official told AFP yesterday.

Nabi Tajima, who was born August 4, 1900, died around 8:00 pm (1100 GMT) Saturday at a hospital on her native Kikai Island in Kagoshima region, according to Susumu Yoshiyuki, a health and welfare official.

Tajima, who became the oldest woman in Japan in

September 2015, could have been the oldest person in the world since Violet Brown of Jamaica died in September 2017 at age 117, Japanese media said.

Since Brown's death, Guinness World Records has been investigating who is the oldest person in the world and was yet to recognise Tajima as such.

The oldest man in the world is 112-year-old Masazo Nonaka of Japan, the organisation announced on April 10. (AFP)



Nabi Tajima, the world's oldest person, a 117-year-old Japanese woman

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-Donald Trump
U.S. President

Rest in sight

Nicaragua journalist killed while reporting



A Nicaraguan journalist was shot dead Saturday while filming a confrontation between demonstrators and the police, amid a wave of protests against the government which have left 11 people dead.

Germany's SDP elect first female chair

Germany's centre-left Social Democrats elected Andrea Nahles, a combative and outspoken former labour minister, as the first woman leader of the 155-year-old party

French tourist site evacuated after threat

Authorities evacuated Mont Saint Michel, one of France's busiest tourist sites, and were searching for a suspect who allegedly threatened to attack local security forces.

Two killed in Pak sectarian attack

Two people from the ethnic Hazara community were shot dead in a sectarian attack in southwestern Pakistan.

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17 killed as 2 dragon boats capsize in southern China

Beijing

Seventeen people were killed after two dragon boats capsized in southern China, authorities said yesterday.

The boats were practicing Saturday for a race in the Taohua River in the city of Guilin when the accident happened, said the fire department of the city of Guilin, capital of Guangxi

region.

It was not immediately clear what caused the boats to capsize.

The fire department said on its official account on the social media site Sina Weibo that search efforts ended late Saturday and 17 people had been confirmed dead. A total of 60 people fell into the water. (AP)

Armenian police detain almost 200 in protests



Law enforcement officers disperse the protesters

Yerevan

Armenian police detained three opposition leaders yesterday and held nearly 200 protesters during the latest demonstrations against the appointment of the former President Serzh Sargsyan as prime minister.

Protesters accuse Sargsyan of clinging to power after he was appointed premier this month following 10 years as president. Tens of thousands of opponents have marched through the capital Yerevan, blocking streets in the city centre and staging sit-ins.

Under a revised constitution approved in a 2015 referendum, most state powers have shifted to the prime minister while the presidency has become a largely ceremonial post.

Police said in a statement that opposition politician Nikol Pashinyan and two other lawmakers had been "forcibly removed" from the protest. A Reuters reporter witnessed the 'red berets', as Armenian special forces are known, grab one lawmaker by his hands and feet and carry him behind the police cordon. (Reuters)

Family of whistleblowing cop evicted after testimony

Yangon

The family of a Myanmar policeman who testified in court that two Reuters reporters had been set up was evicted from their police housing a day after his evidence, his wife said.

Deputy police Major Moe Yan Naing, a prosecution witness, surprised the Yangon courtroom on Friday by describing how his colleagues were ordered by a senior officer to "get"

reporter Wa Lone by handing him sensitive documents at a meeting.

The 32-year-old Myanmar journalist and his colleague Kyaw Soe Oo, 28, have been detained since they were arrested in December and accused of possessing classified papers.

The case, which has sparked global alarm over eroding press freedom in Myanmar, could see the pair jailed for up to 14 years. (AFP)