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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Associated Press: SC governor to make announcement about flood relief

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Gov. Nikki Haley will make an announcement about flood relief at the Governor's Mansion Complex. Haley's office said the governor will make the announcement Monday morning. Rain fell Oct. 2-5, dumping up to two feet in some parts of the state. Nineteen people died in the South Carolina floods, 12 from drowning and seven in wrecks.

Post and Courier: Environmentalists, S.C. coastal Republicans agree on Atlantic drilling - don't

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151115/PC1603/151119649>

Maya T. Prabhu

Proposals to allow testing for oil and gas off the Eastern Seaboard and possibly open the Atlantic to offshore drilling have made for unlikely allies among environmentalists and conservative Republicans. U.S. Reps. Mark Sanford and Tom Rice, Republicans who represent the South Carolina coast from North Carolina to the Georgia state line, have come out publicly against exploration off the state's shores.

Note: Republican Gov. Nikki Haley is part of a coalition of governors working largely behind the scenes with industry lobbyists to urge the Obama administration to open the Southeast coast to energy development.

S.C. General Assembly News:

Post and Courier: Palmetto Sunrise: House Ways and Means talks flood assessment, Haley calls flood press conference

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151116/PC1603/151119475>

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The South Carolina House Ways and Means Committee will meet this afternoon with several state agencies to discuss flood recovery and assessment. The departments of Health and Human Services, Mental Health, Health & Environmental Control, Disabilities and Special Needs and Social Services will meet with the Ways and Means Healthcare Subcommittee.

Note: The meeting will be held after a press conference from Gov. Nikki Haley where she is expected to make a "flood relief announcement," according to a press release sent Sunday afternoon.

Post and Courier: Meet Charleston airports chief, lawmaker Paul Campbell

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151116/PC05/151119687>

Paul Campbell juggles two public jobs - as a Republican state lawmaker representing Goose Creek in the S. C. Senate and as the top manager at the state's busiest airport. The former Alcoa executive was named executive director of the Charleston County Aviation Authority in July 2013. The agency owns three airports, including Charleston International, which is nearing the end of a nearly \$200 million renovation and expansion project.

S.C. Political News:

Florence Morning News: Presidential candidate Ted Cruz talks religious freedom at Florence Baptist Temple

http://www.scnow.com/living/faith_and_values/article_c129ae7c-8bdb-11e5-abc6-8b639f658f57.html

Justin Johnson

Texas Sen. Ted Cruz, a 2016 Republican Party presidential candidate, touched on a number of topics but focused mainly on the issue of religious freedom in the United States when he spoke Sunday morning to a packed church at Florence Baptist Temple.

Sun News: Cruz tells crowd he has big plans for the first day as president

<http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/news/politics-government/article45021693.html#storylink=cpy>

Emily Weaver

A crowd of more than 400 spectators – several waving Ted Cruz signs – packed the gymnasium inside Ocean Bay Middle School on Sunday to hear the freshman Republican senator from Texas share his goals for the nation's highest seat in office.

S.C. Federal Delegation News:

CNN: Lindsey Graham: 'There's a 9/11 coming'

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/11/15/politics/lindsey-graham-u-s-troops-9-11/index.html>

Eric Bradner

GOP presidential candidate Sen. Lindsey Graham warned Sunday that "there is a 9/11 coming" if the United States does not play a leading role in a ground war against ISIS. In an interview with CNN's Jake Tapper on "State of the Union" Graham said he hopes France will invoke a NATO provision that would draw its allies into a war against ISIS.

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Post and Courier: Putting ISIS 'on the run'

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151116/PC1002/151119532>

Editorial

The Islamic State's boasts of responsibility for the savage terror attacks in Paris on Friday should not bolster an alarming notion that its rise is inevitable - and not only in the Middle East. Instead, it should serve as a renewed call to decisive action against the fanatics who carry out ISIS' warped aims.

The State: Fixing education in South Carolina requires fresh ideas

<http://www.thestate.com/opinion/op-ed/article45001470.html>

Chanda Jefferson

I stated my career as a biology teacher at C.A. Johnson High School, determined to leave a lasting impact on my students. Although I was prepared to work hard, I wasn't ready for the vast obstacles to teaching students in an inner city school.

South Carolina News:

New York Times: A champion of progress, and tradition, bows out

<http://www.thestate.com/latest-news/article45026988.html>

Richard Fausset

Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr. sat behind the big desk in his formal and stately City Hall office here, with a photo of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. on one wall and a portrait of Gen. Robert E. Lee staring down from another. It was one of the last days before Riley planned to retire after 40 years in office, a remarkable tenure that has made his narrow, bespectacled face and professorial mien as much a fixture of this Southern city as any of its storied church steeples.

Greenville News: Wofford student reported dead on campus

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2015/11/15/wofford-student-reported-dead-campus/75843438/>

Romando Dixon

Authorities are investigating a death Sunday at Wofford College, the Spartanburg County Coroner's Office said. The State Law Enforcement Division was notified Sunday afternoon about a death on campus, SLED spokesman Thom Berry said. SLED investigates all deaths on college and university campuses.

Post and Courier: Study: Mount Pleasant posts highest home prices in state

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151116/PC05/151119651>

Warren L. Wise

It's no secret real estate prices are high in the Charleston area. A recent study by Coldwell Banker Real Estate added more proof. The firm, in its 2015 Home Listing Report, showed Mount Pleasant as having the highest home prices in South Carolina for a four-bedroom, two-bathroom property. Price: \$475,966. Charleston came in third at \$336,138.

Aiken Standard: State could impose MOX fines for upcoming missed milestone at SRS

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20151115/AIK0101/151119571/state-could-impose-mox-fines-for-upcoming-missed-milestone-at-srs>

Derrek Asberry

The state of South Carolina may soon have to decide if it will fine the Department of Energy \$1 million a day for missing milestones at the Savannah River Site's MOX facility. Jan. 1, 2016, was the agreed upon date set by the Department of Energy and former S.C. Gov. Jim Hodges in 2002 for either 1 metric ton of weapons-grade plutonium to be processed through the SRS Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility, or for 1 ton to be removed from South Carolina.

Associated Press: Charleston authorities remain vigilant after Paris attacks

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=s5S8d72w

Charleston authorities are re-evaluating security procedures to reassure and protect the community after the terrorist attacks in Paris. Charleston Police Department spokesman Charles Francis told local media Sunday that said daily vigilance in the city would be heightened after Friday's attacks. Maj. Eric Watson says Charleston County Sheriff's officials are also reminding deputies to be vigilant in the wake of the attacks.

Local News:

Post and Courier: Road improvements in the works for Johns Island

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20151116/PC16/151119605>

Diane Knich

Island resident Rich Thomas said that while the projects are great news for an area struggling with traffic congestion, they also will cause some disruption. So local, grass-roots groups decided to organize a meeting to get information on the projects from the state Department of Transportation and Charleston County, and to learn from public safety officials how they will handle traffic delays and detours caused by construction.

The State: 'You can't run from problems:' North Columbia community nips crime in the bud

<http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article45014886.html#storylink=cpy>

Glen Luke Flanagan

Willie Fuller is a 67-year-old Vietnam veteran. He's also a block captain in a cozy neighborhood in north Columbia, where the skills he learned in the Marine Corps have come in handy in keeping his community free of the crime rates that have troubled that side of the city.

National News:

Aiken Standard: Paris attacks deepen GOP opposition to Syrian refugee influx

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20151116/AIK0104/151119568/paris-attacks-deepen-gop-opposition-to-syrian-refugee-influx>

Laurie Kellman

The deadly Paris attacks have intensified Republican opposition to letting thousands of Syrian refugees come to the United States. Republican presidential contender Marco Rubio on Sunday said the United States cannot do so because it's impossible to know whether people fleeing Syria have links to Islamic militants -- an apparent shift from earlier statements in which he left open the prospect of migrants being admitted with proper vetting.

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