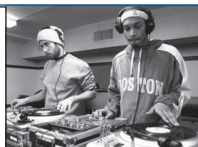




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## Congressman resigns amid Craigslist scandal

Gawker says Rep. Lee of New York sent shirtless image in response to dating ad

By Michael Barthel  
News Staff Writer

A married congressman from upstate New York resigned suddenly Wednesday after a scandal erupted over emails and a shirtless photo supposedly sent to a woman in response to a Craigslist dating ad.



Congressman Christopher Lee

Republican Christopher Lee had just begun his second term representing New York's 26th District. Just hours after the scandal broke on Gawker.com, Lee announced that he was quitting Congress, and a clerk read his letter of resignation on the House floor.

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## Mubarak Steps Down



Crowds of protesters celebrate the presidents resignation

Taken by BBC News

By David D. Kirkpatrick  
Chief Editor

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt turned over all power to the military and left the Egyptian capital for his resort home in Sharm el-Sheik, Vice President Omar Suleiman announced on state television on Friday.

The announcement, delivered during evening prayers in Cairo, set off a frenzy of celebration, with protesters shouting "Egypt is free!"

The Egyptian military issued a communiqué pledging to carry out a variety of constitutional reforms in a statement notable for its commanding tone. The military's statement alluded to the delegation of power to



Protesters gather propaganda surrounding President Mubarak

Mr. Suleiman and it suggested that the military would supervise implementation of the reforms. Mr. Mubarak "has charged the high council of the armed forces to administer the affairs of the country," he said in his statement.

Word had circulated in the afternoon that President Hosni Mubarak and his family had left the capital. The

news sent a frisson through the protests until it was clarified that he had simply flown to Sharm El Sheikh, the Egyptian resort town in the southern Sinai where he spends much of the year.

People shrugged and thousands of angry protester continued marching towards the presidential palace following Friday's mid-day prayer. And then,

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## Board to Review Port Proposals

By Chad Calder  
News Staff Writer

The Port of Greater Baton Rouge is reviewing proposals from Cargill Inc. and Louis Dreyfus Global to determine which company will operate the grain elevator at the port's main facility in Port Allen.

While the port had earlier indicated a meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday would not occur if an economic impact study requested by the Jindal administration isn't ready, commission Chairman Larry Johnson said Thursday the meeting would convene regardless.

He said the commission will discuss the proposals but not vote on them if the study is not ready.

A direct comparison between the two leases is difficult at this point, Port Director Jay Hardman said. The terms are very different, and Hardman said he and his staff will have to further crunch the numbers to account for certain price and tonnage estimates.

"We have two very good proposals," he said.

Hardman said, however, that in the short term of 10 years, Cargill provides the port with more money — \$51.5 million — than Louis Dreyfus — at \$42 million. But he also noted that at

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## Baton Rouge Area to Add Senate District

By Marsha Shuler  
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Three Baton Rouge-area Louisiana Senate districts have so many more people than the law allows that the region should get another senator, lawmakers said Thursday.

"The numbers dictate that we should have more representation in the region. Exactly where it falls will be a skirmish within the region," state Sen. Dan Claitor, R-Baton Rouge, said.

"I would suggest it be more skewed to East Baton Rouge because of the population," he said.

Three senators represent East Baton Rouge Parish voters exclusively.

Two others, whose districts are based in suburban parishes, also have portions of EBR parish.

Claitor's district covers the southeastern portion of East Baton Rouge Parish and has 132,442 people, which is 13.9 percent more than the 116,240 people considered ideal for a state Senate seat, according to the figures gathered by the U.S. Census Bureau.

The Senate released its reports Thursday that applied the 2010 census to each of the 39 Senate districts.

Each senator must represent roughly the same number of constituents.