UNITED KINGDOM

PROTESTER DISRUPTS SPEECH BY UK OPPOSITION LEADER

Keir Starmer promised a decade of national renewal after 13 years of Conservative government, urging his Labour Party to be "disciplined" and "ready to fight back" against Rishi Sunak's Tories ahead of a general election expected next year.

"This isn't over — in fact, it's barely begun," Starmer told a packed hall at Labour's annual conference on Tuesday, potentially the last such gathering before a national vote in which Labour could return to power.

There was drama at the start of his keynote speech, as a protester came on stage behind him to pour glitter over his head. "Protest or power," Starmer said after taking off his jacket. "That's why we changed our party."

STEFAN ROUSSEAU / PA via Associated Press

A protester throws glitter and disrupts Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer making his keynote speech Tuesday during the Labour Party conference in Liverpool, England.

GEORGIA

OFFICER FIRED AFTER TRAFFIC STOP LED TO BLACK DEACON'S DEATH

Police Chief Darin Schierbaum said Officer Kiran Kimbrough didn't follow department procedures Aug. 10 when he didn't wait until a supervisor arrived to arrest Johnny Hollman Sr. The chief said he decided to fire Kimbrough after an internal investigation concluded Monday.

"Part of my job is to assess, evaluate, and adjust how this police department is carrying out its sworn mission to serve and protect the citizens of this city," Schierbaum said in a statement. "I do not arrive at these decisions lightly."

Schierbaum's decision comes days before video that Kimbrough's body camera recorded of his interactions with Hollman could be released. Mawuli Davis, a lawyer for the Hollman family, said Monday that Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis told him and relatives during a meeting that the video would be publicly released as soon as Willis concludes that all witnesses have been interviewed. That could be as soon as Thursday.

Kimbrough had been on administrative leave. His attorney, Lance LoHasso, said in a statement Tuesday that Kimbrough "vehemently denies any wrongdoing or policy violations" and plans to appeal his firing.

TEXAS

HOT AIR BALLOON CRASHES INTO POWER LINE, INJURING 2 PILOTS

A hot air balloon racing across the country in an international competition exploded Monday night after it crashed into a power line in Kaufman County.

Two pilots from Poland, Krzysztof Zapart and Piotr Halas, were injured in the blaze and taken to Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, where they are expected to recover, race officials said.

The gas-powered balloon was sailing over Crandall — roughly 25 miles southeast of Dallas — at 7:25 p.m. Monday when it crashed into high-powered transmission lines, causing gas to ignite.

The Polish pair were among 17 teams racing in the 60th annual Gordon Bennett gas balloon race, in which competitors try to travel the farthest with the same amount of hydrogen gas.

TEXAS

PRIVATE JET TOOK EVASIVE ACTION TO AVOID A FIGHTER PLANE IN AUSTIN

The pilot of a private jet took evasive action to avoid a fighter plane last month as both tried to land at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

The aircraft came within 200 feet of one another, according to a preliminary FAA account seen by The Washington Post. The FAA said in a statement that it is investigating the incident, in which the fighter plane also flew near a runway that a small propeller-powered aircraft was using to take off.

The Sept. 23 incident occurred as the FAA is working toward eliminating near misses after a spate of incidents earlier this year, including another close call at the Austin airport that investigators have highlighted as particularly serious.

Archived radio traffic indicates an air traffic controller in Austin was not clear about what the military jet's pilot intended to do.

CALIFORNIA

FORMER DODGERS STAR STEVE GARVEY ENTERS US SENATE RACE

Former Major League Baseball player Steve Garvey announced Tuesday he is running for U.S. Senate in 2024 to fill the seat formerly held by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, who died earlier this month.

Garvey, a Republican, has no political background and faces long odds in a state where Joe Biden defeated Donald Trump by nearly 30 points in the 2020 presidential election. But the former baseball star, who played for the Los Angeles Dodgers and the San Diego Padres, is hoping his name recognition will give him a boost.

"I played in front of millions of fans. I never played for Democrats or Republicans or independents - I played for all of you," Garvey said in his campaign launch video that featured several images from his baseball career. "Now I'm running for U.S. Senate in California, a state that I believe at one time was the heartbeat of America and now is just a murmur."

RUSSIA

WALL STREET JOURNAL REPORTER LOSES APPEAL, WILL STAY IN RUSSIAN JAIL

MOSCOW — Wall Street Journal reporter Evan Gershkovich, who has been detained in Russia on espionage charges, has lost an appeal to be released from jail, meaning he will stay behind bars at least until Nov. 30.

Gershkovich was arrested in the city of Yekaterinburg while on a reporting trip in late March. The 31-year-old U.S. citizen and his employer deny the allegations, and the U.S. government declared him to be wrongfully detained.

Russian authorities have not provided any evidence to support the espionage charges. Gershkovich is the first American reporter to face espionage charges in Russia since 1986, when Nicholas Daniloff, a Moscow correspondent for U.S. News and World Report, was arrested by the KGB.

— Daily News wire reports

FYI

TATAN SYUFLANA / Associated Press

Youths wear protective glasses to watch a hybrid solar eclipse on Aug. 20 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

'Ring of fire' solar eclipse will slice across Americas on Saturday

Tens of millions in the Americas will have front-row seats for Saturday's rare "ring of fire" eclipse of the sun.

What's called an annular solar eclipse — better known as a ring of fire — will briefly dim the skies over parts of the western U.S. and Central and South America. As the moon lines up precisely between Earth and the sun, it will blot out all but the sun's outer rim. A bright, blazing border will appear around the moon for as much as five minutes, wowing skygazers along a narrow path stretching from Oregon to Brazil.

The celestial showstopper will yield a partial eclipse across the rest of the Western Hemisphere.

It's a prelude to the total solar eclipse that will sweep across Mexico, the eastern half of the U.S. and Canada, in six months. Unlike Saturday, when the moon is too far from Earth to completely cover the sun from our perspective, the moon will be at the perfect distance on April 8, 2024.

The eclipse will carve out a swath about 130 miles wide, starting in the North Pacific and entering the U.S. over Oregon around 7 a.m. PDT Saturday. It will culminate in the ring of fire a little over an hour later. From Oregon, the eclipse will head downward across Nevada, Utah, New Mexico and Texas, encompassing slivers of Idaho, California, Arizona and Colorado, before exiting into the Gulf of Mexico at Corpus Christi. It will take less than an hour for the flaming halo to traverse the U.S.

From there, the ring of fire will cross Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula, Belize, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia and, finally, Brazil before its grand finale over the Atlantic.

The entire eclipse — from the moment the moon starts to obscure the sun until it's back to normal — will last about three hours at any given spot. The ring of fire portion lasts from three to five minutes, depending on location.

In the U.S. alone, more than 6.5 million people live along the so-called path of annularity, with another 68 million within 200 miles, according to NASA's Alex Lockwood, a planetary scientist. "So a few hours' short drive and you can have over 70 million witness this incredible celestial alignment," she said.

At the same time, a crescent-shaped partial eclipse will be visible in every U.S. state, although just barely in Hawaii, provided the skies are clear.

It will be 2039 before another ring of fire is visible in the U.S., and Alaska will be the only state then in the path of totality. NASA and others plan a slew of observations during both eclipses, with rockets and hundreds of balloons soaring.

"It's going to be absolutely breathtaking for science," said NASA astrophysicist Madhulika Guhathakurta.

— Associated Press

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leadership aide, adding the political optics of the feud look "terrible" to American voters.

Some have proposed a rules change that Rep. Patrick McHenry, R-N.C., the interim speaker pro tempore, is considering ahead of a party meeting early Wednesday to ensure a majority vote behind closed doors before the nominee is presented for a full floor vote in the House.

McCarthy himself appeared to agree with a consensus approach. "They shouldn't come out of there until they decide that they have enough votes for whoever they bring to the floor," McCarthy said.

But short of a rules change, Republican lawmakers would be expected to agree to a majority-wins process — whichever candidate wins in the internal private vote would be given the full backing of the Republicans on the House.

It's no guarantee — with trust low among House Republicans and tensions high, those normal protocols could be challenged.

"The party will have to soul- and vote-search," Heye said.

While both are conservatives from the right flank, neither Scalise nor Jordan is the heir apparent to McCarthy.

Scalise as the second-ranking Republican would be next in line for the gavel and is seen as a hero among colleagues for having survived severe injuries from a mass shooting during a congressional baseball practice in 2017. Now battling blood cancer, the Louisianan is not a clear lock.

Jordan is a high-profile political firebrand known for his close alliance with Donald Trump, particularly when the then-president was working to overturn the results of the 2020 election, leading to the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol. Trump has backed Jordan's bid for the gavel.

Several lawmakers, including Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Fla., who engineered McCarthy's ouster said they would be willing to support either Scalise or Jordan.

"I think it's a competitive race for speaker because we've got two greats," said Rep. Andy Barr, R-Ky.

Barr said he was working to help secure votes for Scalise, but would be comfortable with either candidate.

Others though, particularly more centrist conservative Republicans from districts that are narrowly split between the parties, are holding out for another choice.

"Personally, I'm still with McCarthy," said Rep. David Valadao, a Republican who represents a California district not far from the former speaker's district.

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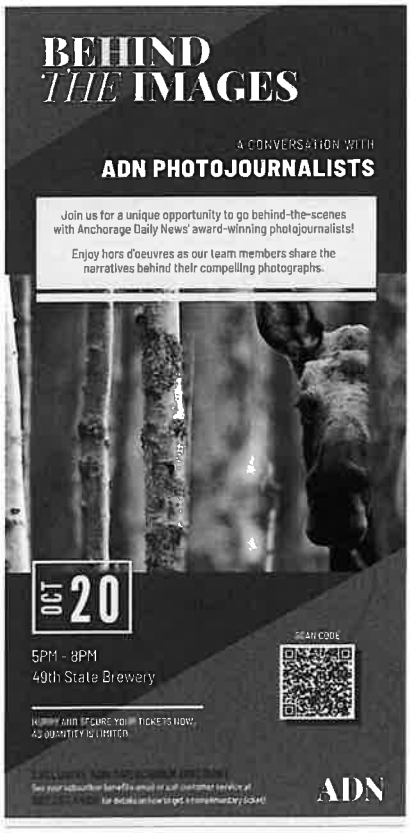

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