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Kaiser strike ends with no deal

Nurses and others heading back to work with ‘final negotiations’ still underway

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The nearly five-week strike by 31,000 registered nurses and other workers at Kaiser Permanente is over, with union members set to return to work today.

In a statement, the union said

its members are going back to work while “final negotiations are completed.”

The likely end of the protracted walkout comes after last week saw more than 40% of union workers cross picket lines and go back to work.

With town hall and video

conferencing meetings scheduled Monday, the union posted a message via Facebook directing its workers with Kaiser to return to work at 7 a.m. today, according to a Los Angeles affiliate of the United Nurses Association of California/Union of Health Care Professionals.

“Our bargaining teams will continue working to wrap up outstanding issues and work to

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More than 3,000 workers with the UFCW union locals join the 31,000 registered nurses and health care workers striking against Kaiser Permanente in Downey on Feb. 9. Union leaders say workers plan to return to work unconditionally today.

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MEXICO

25 Mexican troops dead after drug lord’s killing



Vehicles pass a burned car in Guadalajara, Mexico, on Monday, a day after the Mexican army killed Jalisco New Generation Cartel leader Nemesio Oseguera Cervantes, known as “El Mencho.” MARCO UGARTE — THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Country sees retaliatory violence after death of ‘El Mencho’

By Megan Janetsky
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GUADALAJARA, Mexico — Twenty-five members of the Mexican National Guard died in six separate attacks after special forces killed the notorious leader of the Jalisco New Generation Cartel, the country’s security secretary said Monday as much of Mexico feared more violence.

Nemesio Oseguera Cervantes, called “El Mencho,” was the boss of one of the fastest-growing criminal networks in Mexico, known for trafficking fentanyl, methamphetamine and cocaine to the United States and staging brazen attacks against government officials who challenged the cartel. The organization responded to his death by blocking roads and setting fire to vehicles.

Oseguera Cervantes died after a shootout in his home state of Jalisco

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National Guard troops patrol outside the general prosecutor’s headquarters in Mexico City on Sunday after authorities reported that the Mexican Army killed the Jalisco New Generation Cartel leader in an operation intended to capture him. GINETTERIQUELME — AP

LOS ANGELES

Rob Reiner’s son enters not guilty plea

Hearing marks first time he’s denied killing parents

By Andrew Dalton
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Nick Reiner, the 32-year-old son of Hollywood luminary Rob Reiner and Michele Singer Reiner, pleaded not guilty Monday to two counts of first-degree murder more than two months after their deaths,

denying for the first time that he fatally stabbed his parents.

Reiner’s attorney, Deputy Public Defender Kimberly Greene, entered the plea on his behalf as he stood behind glass in an enclosed custody area of the packed Los Angeles courtroom.

The third of Rob Reiner’s four children, Nick Reiner has been held without bail since his arrest hours after beloved actor-director Reiner and photographer and producer Singer were found dead on Dec. 14 at their home in the upscale

Brentwood section of Los Angeles.

Reiner appeared in court with a shaved head and light facial hair, wearing brown jail clothes. He talked to his lawyer briefly through the glass before the judge began the hearing. At one point a low door in the enclosure was opened and they crouched down and spoke face-to-face. During the hearing, he spoke only to answer yes when the judge asked if he waived his right

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Nick Reiner is seen in court Monday in Los Angeles, where he entered a not guilty plea to two counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of his parents, Rob Reiner and Michele Singer Reiner. CHRIS TORRES — POOL PHOTO VIA AP

MORENO VALLEY

Mall says closure is only for short time

Shopping center found to be in violation of several fire, health safety rules, city attorney says

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Problems with exit doors, including “piles of storage” that could be obstacles, are among the violations found by fire inspectors at the temporarily shuttered Moreno Valley Mall, according to Moreno Valley’s city attorney.

The list of problems provided by Steve Quintanilla sheds more light on the city’s decision on Thursday to close most of the mall until repairs are made, idling hundreds of workers and frustrating business owners.

Meanwhile, mall management took to social media to ask for patience and sympathize with those affected by the shutdown.

“We want to be clear: this is a temporary situation,” according to a post on the mall’s Instagram account. “We are committed to full compliance and

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SOUTHLAND

Some lawmakers plan to boycott Trump’s address

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It’s an old tradition, the president’s State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress, but it’s one that at least a few Southern California lawmakers plan to skip this year.

Most of the nearly 30 House members who represent districts in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties said they will attend President Donald Trump’s speech today.

They plan to bring family or their community members; others will be accompanied by guests

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