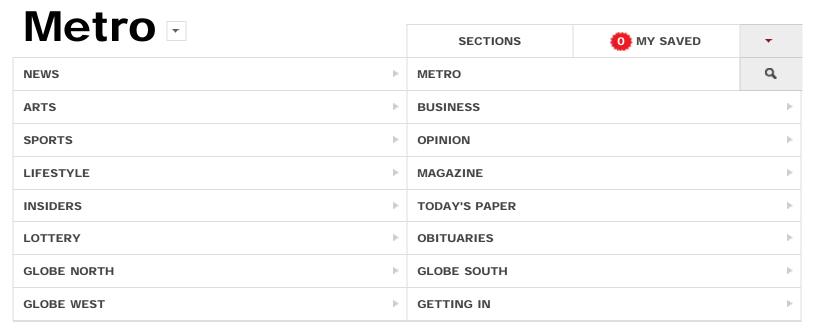
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Boston police identify man, 21, shot to death in Dorchester Friday

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A man shot to death near Southern Avenue in Dorchester early Friday was identified as Deandre Townsend, 21, of Boston, police said in a statement. Officers found Townsend suffering from an apparent gunshot wound shortly after 1 a.m. Friday, according to Boston police. He was pronounced dead at Boston Medical Center. Police ask anyone with information to call the Homicide Unit at 617-343-4470. Anonymous callers can reach the CrimeStoppers Tip Line at 1-800-494-TIPS or text 'TIP' to CRIME (27463).

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The brine is applied to bridges and roads to deter ice and snow from sticking, and the new machine will make the solution more cheaply.

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Suspect in Fla. killing arrested in Vt.

A Florida sheriff said a suspect in a 2001 killing in that state has been arrested in Vermont. Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Cameron said Philip Barr was arrested at about 10 a.m. Wednesday in Hardwick, Vt.

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The work to make the South Boston home of eight-year-old Sydni Pecevich more handicap accessible will be done for free, thanks to an unlikely chain of events.

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Comedy club coming to the Seaport District

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A special Town Meeting voted Tuesday night to ban the use of Styrofoam in the town for takeout food containers and beverages.

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A former teacher's aide at Maynard High School pleaded not guilty in Concord District Court on Tuesday to charges of providing alcohol and marijuana to minors.

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Man freed in lab scandal is rearrested

A Dorchester man who was recently released from a three-year prison sentence because of the state drug lab scandal, was arraigned Tuesday on a new drug distribution case, the office of Suffolk District Attorney Daniel F. Conley said.

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