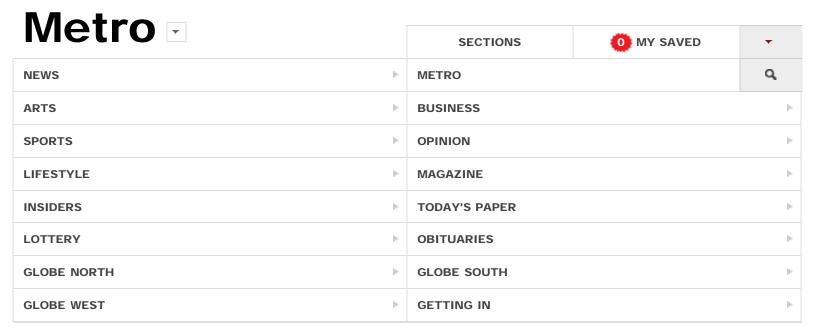
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BB gun suspected in MBTA bus shootings

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Authorities in Boston said they are investigating two apparent BB gun shootings that shattered windows on an MBTA bus on Saturday night and hit a female victim in the face on Sunday afternoon. Both incidents took place in the same area of Roslindale, but police said in a statement that they have not determined whether the reported shootings are related. On Saturday at about 9:35 p.m., two front passenger windows on a T bus were shattered after being shot by what Transit Police said they believe was an air-powered BB gun. No injuries were reported. The driver of the Route 35 bus told officers the windows shattered as the bus traveled inbound on Washington Street near Archdale Road, police said. The driver said he had seen two people standing in a driveway holding what looked like a gun. On Sunday at about 1:45 p.m., a female victim in that same area told Transit Police she was struck in the face by a projectile, possibly a BB pellet. Boston Police are also investigating that incident, the statement said.

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Parts of the 2003 case that made Mass. the first state to recognize gay marriage are common readings at same-sex and heterosexual weddings in Mass. and beyond.

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Donald Berwick considers run for governor

Berwick, a former Obama administration official whose nomination to a powerful health care post was derailed by Republicans, said he is strongly considering a run for governor in 2014.

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55-foot fishing boat sinks off Fish Pier in Boston

Officials are unsure how or why a 55-foot fishing vessel named Miss Biddle sank off the Fish Pier in Boston Harbor early Monday morning, the US Coast Guard said. The Coast Guard received a report at 5 a.m. Monday of a sunken fishing vessel in the harbor.

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An appeals court has upheld a voluntary manslaughter conviction in the 2007 death of a woman caught in a crossfire between rival gangs in Dorchester.

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Mayor Thomas Menino has been living at city-owned Parkman House since he left Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital last month.

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Smoke from a battery in the plane's underbelly filled the cabin after passengers had disembarked at Logan Airport.

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City Council reelects Stephen Murphy as leader

Murphy will be first in the line of succession if Mayor Thomas M. Menino, 70, leaves office before his term expires at the end of the 2013.

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Court Administrator Lewis H. "Harry" Spence, appointed last spring, sent a letter weighing in on the discipline case of Robert E. Powers.

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A federal appeals court refused to overturn the decades-old conviction of a marijuana dealer who claimed FBI agents lied in his case to protect James "Whitey" Bulger.

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Judging the judge in the Whitey Bulger case

At a hearing today, Bulger's lawyers are seeking the ouster of US District Court Judge Richard G. Stearns from the case due to a conflict of interest.

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Jose L. Santiago of Lawrence, a former state representative and former Methuen police officer, is accused of violating a restraining order from an ex-girlfriend.

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Driver with an 11-page record held after ninth OUI

William Doten, 65, was arrested last Thursday when police found his red pickup truck stopped in the middle of West Main Street in Avon.

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Bogus officer hits woman in Wareham

Wareham police are searching for a man who impersonated a police officer and hit a woman in the face with a flashlight after pulling her over in her car.

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Man is accused of killing his mother

A Springfield man is being held without bail after pleading not guilty to killing his mother and later stealing and crashing a taxicab.

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