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# Fire displaces Dorchester residents

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Residents were displaced after a Dorchester house caught fire Sunday night. The one-alarm blaze ignited the second-floor ceiling and attic of the 2½-story house at 54 Dracut St., Boston Fire Department spokesman Steve MacDonald said. Firefighters arrived at about 10:40 p.m.; most of the fire had been put out within an hour, he said. No injuries were reported. MacDonald said he did not know how many people were displaced by the fire. He said investigators will try to determine the cause and how much damage the fire caused.

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## Mayor Menino orders review of taxi oversight

The review comes a day after the Globe Spotlight Team documented a lopsided system of enforcement in Boston's cab industry.

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## For cab drivers, risk and reward are a mismatch

A Globe reporter returns to the wheel after many years and finds much has changed. Cabbies are often cheated, and danger lurks at every turn.

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## More signs of disarray in closed state drug lab

The findings raise questions about the integrity of testing throughout the Jamaica Plain lab where indicted chemist Annie Dookhan worked.

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## 2 life trajectories intersect tragically in Lakeville

There was no reason Monica DeMello and Kathleen Allen should have met. But when they did, it was fatal.

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## Long-sought rapist is returned to Mass.

Gary Alan Irving, who was brought back to Mass. from Maine Monday, allegedly raped three women in 1978.

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## Ads on T include men as victims

The MBTA will launch its third public awareness campaign in recent years with posters, which feature both men and women.

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## Ashland police chief put on leave

More than a year after the Ashland Police Department became mired in internecine allegations, the embattled police chief was placed on paid administrative leave.

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## Mass. teenage birth rate hits record low

Fewer Massachusetts teenagers are having children, pushing the state's teen birth rate to its lowest level since 1986.

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## Mother, with baby, stabbed in Savin Hill

The 21-year-old woman was taken to the hospital with injuries to her chest, back, and leg, authorities said.

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## Hospital in Vt. wants single-bed rooms

Fletcher Allen Health Care is beginning a process that could end up doing away with most shared patient rooms.

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## Police on hunt for Sasquatch sculpture

Vermont State Police are on the hunt for Bigfoot. State Police are trying to find a Sasquatch sculpture stolen from a driveway in Westford.

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## Early Monet painting is on display

An early Claude Monet painting that has been on public view only once is now on display at the Currier Museum of Art in Manchester, N.H.

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## Ship strike closes N.H.-Maine bridge

The US Coast Guard says two tugboats have pulled an oil tanker away from the bridge that links Maine to New Hampshire after the tanker broke loose from the pier and hit the bridge.

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## Canoeist dies in mishap; 2d man safe

Police said an Alford man has died in a canoeing accident on the Housatonic River in Stockbridge. Rupert Norris Vonbockbrader of Alford was in a canoe that tipped over at about 2 a.m. Saturday.

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## Driver charged with striking 2, fleeing

## A Plymouth man pleaded not guilty to charges that he struck two pedestrians in Wareham with his vehicle and then fled the scene.

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