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## Trump tells nation to condemn bigotry and white supremacy

**By John Wagner**  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - President Donald Trump urged the nation Monday to condemn bigotry and white supremacy after a pair of mass shootings and focused on combating mental illness over new gun-control measures in remarks delivered from the White House.

“In one voice, our nation must condemn racism, bigotry and white supremacy,” Trump said. “Hatred warps the mind, ravages the heart and devours the soul.”

His nationally televised com-



Trump

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ments followed a weekend of carnage in El Paso, Texas, and Dayton, Ohio, that left 31 people dead and scores more wounded. The shooter in El Paso appears to have posted an anti-immigrant screed on social media, and authorities are seriously consid-

ering charging him with federal hate crimes.

Trump condemned the “two evil attacks” and vowed to act “with urgent resolve.”

He outlined a number of possible steps, including “red-flag laws” that focus on better identifying mentally ill people who should not be allowed to purchase firearms.

“Mental illness and hatred pull the trigger. Not the gun,” said Trump, who was flanked by Vice President Mike Pence and did not take questions from reporters.

He also called for cultural changes, including stopping the “glorification of violence in our society” in video games and elsewhere.

Hours earlier, on Twitter, he called for “strong background checks” and suggested pairing gun legislation with new immigration laws, a top priority of his that he has failed to move through Congress. Trump did not elaborate on his call for stronger background checks during his televised remarks.

Trump made a similar call to strengthen background checks

after a mass shooting last year at a Florida school and has since threatened to veto bills passed by House Democrats seeking to do so.

In his tweets, Trump said: “Republicans and Democrats must come together and get strong background checks, perhaps marrying this legislation with desperately needed immigration reform. We must have something good, if not GREAT, come out of these two tragic events!”

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## Hoeven meets with local producers

**By Mikkel Pates and Sydney Mook**  
Grand Forks Herald

EMERADO — U.S. Sen. John Hoeven, R-N.D., and Farm Service Agency Administrator Richard Fordyce met with local producers for a roundtable discussion about the agricultural trade war Monday afternoon.

Hoeven and Fordyce, alongside FSA state director Brad Thykeson met with producers to discuss the second round of \$14.5 billion in federal aid slated to come to rural families in the near future.

The Market Facilitation Program is similar to payments for the 2018 crop, but uses a different formula to determine payments. Farmers in the second round of the Market Facilitation Program could be eligible for \$15 to \$150 an acre. Payments are set on a rate per county and then devised through other formulas, including the 2019 yield. Farmers can signup for the payments now through Dec. 9.

The payments are meant to offset retaliation as tariffs have increased on China and other countries. Late Monday evening the U.S. designated China as a currency manipulator.

China announced Sunday night it would devalue its currency. The country has already cut back or stopped purchases of agricultural commodities from the U.S. Late Monday evening the U.S. designated China as a currency manipulator.

In Minnesota, rates vary from \$29 to \$73 per acre; North Dakota \$15 to \$60 per acre. Payments will be heavily weighted to soybean and soybean products but will be made for most crops except sugar beets and potatoes.

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## READY FOR CHANGE



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F5 founder Adam Martin is surrounded by staff members (from left) Nick Martin, Lenard Wells, Kristy Johnson, Curtis Renner and Ricky Pallay on May 16 in the program offices in Fargo.

## Is North Dakota’s criminal safety net too thin?

Editor’s note: This series, sponsored by the North Dakota Newspaper Association and the Grand Forks Herald, aims to answer questions at the difficult intersection between budget crunches, criminal justice and the well-being of North Dakota’s communities. As rising prison populations stress the state’s corrections system, how will state leaders address what some say is a risk to public safety?

**By Sam Easter**  
North Dakota Newspaper Association  
Fargo

The first thing Adam Martin ever stole was a bouncing balloon from a drug store in Breckenridge, Minn. He says

he doesn’t know why he did it. He just did. “And I got caught. And my dad told me, ‘Today, it’s balloons. Tomorrow, it’s going to be cars,’” Martin said. “I always thought he was just full of it. That’s a big shift. But he was right.”

Martin, now 37, grew up in Moorhead, Minn., and soon graduated to more serious crimes. Almost a decade has passed since the worst of his court docket. But he still remembers small details of the things he did; in at least one instance, getting drunk before scuffling at a bar and stealing a car.

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## UND ends linguistics program after nearly 70 years

**By Pamela Knudson**  
Grand Forks Herald

The Summer Institute of Linguistics at UND, a program that has provided training in linguistics, the preservation of minority languages and related fields since 1952, has ended.

Decreasing enrollment, increasing costs and shifts in UND priorities were cited as factors that led to the decision to end the cooperative program, operated as a partnership between UND and the Summer Institute of Linguistics International organization.

UND and SIL leaders jointly agreed earlier this year to phase out the program which drew teachers from around the world, including locations in Europe, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East, said Steve Marlett, a faculty member and former director of the program.

Students, who also come from various areas of the world, represent a range of interests related to linguistics, he said.

Faculty and students “could be working any place in the world,” he said, conducting field work in places such as the Sol-

omon Islands, Indonesia, New Guinea and Africa, under the auspices of SIL International.

“SIL has very much appreciated UND’s support of the program through the years and the opportunity to participate in the academic life of this vibrant campus,” Albert Bickford, director of the program, said in a released statement. “We regret the end of this collaborative effort but are grateful for how much our students have benefited from it.”

This year about 150 students and teachers participated in the

SIL program at UND, which held its final class session on Friday, Aug. 2.

“It’s kind of an emotional time for many of us, thinking it’s the last one,” Marlett said. “But it’s good.”

Years ago, as a 22-year-old college grad, Marlett came to UND where his interest in linguistics flourished, propelling him to pursue graduate degrees in that subject area. He also met his wife-to-be, Cathy Moser, here.

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Tommy Grisafi, an ag risk management adviser at Advance Trading, Inc., Mayville, N.D., said during the Fargo meeting that his clients are “scared, concerned.”

“As markets tumble, the government gives you this money. The question going to be asked is, ‘Is it safe to assume every time times get tough they’re going to

give us a payment?’ It’s enabled people to stop marketing grains,” he says, adding later that some farmers will make money through increased yields and advanced marketing.

Last week the U.S. announced an agreement with the European Union that will increase U.S. beef exports to Europe.

Sales of U.S. beef will increase by 46% in the first year and by 90% over the next seven years, International Business Times reported. The agreement means that duty-free exports to the EU will increase

from \$150 million to \$420 million over the next seven years.

“This is a tremendous victory for American farmers, ranchers, and of course, European consumers,” Trump said. “The European Union stepped up and we appreciate it.”

Speaking to the Herald Monday, Hoeven said he was encouraged by the agreement. “That’s a really positive development,” Hoeven said. “That’s the kind of agreement that we need. We’re in negotiations with Japan hopefully the administration

can get a deal with Japan, maybe by the end of the month that would help.”

Hoeven also said he is hopeful Congress will pass a new United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement soon. The legislation has to be brought up in the House of Representatives first, but Hoeven said he believes there is enough bipartisan support to pass it through both houses.

“We need to get each one of these (Japan and the USMCA) while negotiating with China to try and get more ag sales for our producers,” he said.

SAFETY NET

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A litany of offenses turns up in both Minnesota and North Dakota court records — fleeing police, domestic assault, driving 85 in a 55 zone, writing a bad check, terrorizing, burglary, driving while impaired.

“I think the reason I overcame what I was doing is because, instead of getting sent to prison, I got sent to a long-term treatment center,” he said. That was in 2010.

In 2016, Martin went on to found F5, a Fargo-based organization that helps reintegrate criminals into North Dakota’s everyday life. Some people have the money they need to rebuild their lives. Others, Martin said, have nothing, and still more lack the skills they desperately need to break the cycle of recidivism. His organization helps them find housing, a job and a way back to normalcy. The organization’s name is a double reference to Martin’s felonies, he said, and for a computer’s screen-refreshing F5 key — a metaphor for a fresh start.

“My vision is that I wanted to build the F5 office where people just feel comfortable that they can walk in here and be like, ‘I’m ready to change,’” Martin said.

Already, the organization offers services to 60 to 100 people every month.

Martin’s work coincides with a wave of criminal justice reforms that have come to North Dakota in recent years. In the state Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, administrators are increasingly less preoccupied with exacting

punishment on prisoners and more concerned with creating good future neighbors — offering volunteer-led astronomy classes or rethinking harsh prison discipline. As many leaders there are fond of saying, most North Dakota felons will someday live next door to someone. How would they like them to behave?

But some of those reforms are also coming as the state’s prisons near capacity, and state’s attorneys worry some changes — like the Parole Board’s increasingly earlier releases, or the Legislature’s generous use of probation — are making communities less safe.

“I think it’s not just limited to pushing that capacity problem onto parole and probation,” Grand Forks County State’s Attorney Haley Wamstad said. “It’s also pushing that capacity problem on to our local jails, pushing that capacity problem onto our local treatment centers.”

Like Wamstad, advocates like Martin say that one of the best prescriptions for that problem is more resources.

“I think the argument of, ‘We’re moving the problem down the river’ — I think there’s some legitimacy to that,” he said, referencing a shift some see from crowded prisons to crowded parole and probation caseloads. “(But) I’ve always been a believer that we need to move up the river. So prevention, working with kids in the juvenile detention centers. Working with kids in the alternative schools, or ... in the foster care system.”

**‘We need more’**

One of the starkest examples of that gap is in the state’s resources for

drug offenders. Martin said he sees a wide range of offenders — violent ones, sex offenders and more — “(But) the ones that we see repetitively are drug offenders.”

“And nine out of 10 times, it’s because they start to build up their lives, but then they start dealing with stuff emotionally or mentally or not knowing how to take care of those issues,” he said.

One driver of crime — and significant drug issues — is the growing opioid crisis. The National Institute on Drug Abuse’s latest data showed 9.2 drug overdose deaths per 100,000 in North Dakota in 2017, — far lower than the national rate of 21.7, but still the second highest year on record.

According to the North Dakota addiction counselors’ state licensing board, the number of licensed counselors in North Dakota has hovered at roughly the same point since 2014, oscillating between 371 and 436 through 2018.

Kurt Snyder, executive

director of the Heartview Foundation — which has multiple addiction treatment facilities in North Dakota — pointed out that a portion of those are administrators, not practitioners.

“I think that the short answer is yes, we need more,” he said. He pointed out that state counseling resources like Free Through Recovery have helped significantly, as well — launched by the Legislature in 2017 to the tune of \$7 million and renewed and expanded in 2019. “The longer answer is that, I believe that in the last few years, we’ve seen a lot of silos, where addiction was a siloed service — we see so much more collaboration (now) ... so there is a real joint effort on the part of local and state authorities to address this issue. That helps, without a doubt.”

**‘Time is life’**

But resources don’t always reach everyone. Enget, the Mountrail County state’s attorney, said the state has failed to help rural addicts. What

little local resources there are for drug rehabilitation is mostly concentrated in nearby Minot, creating “two classes” of offenders: the urban dwellers who have a shot at help, and the rural ones who live a long drive away — if they even have a driver’s license. In his county, with a population barely surpassing 10,000, the problem is pressing.

“If we’re going to talk about this justice reinvented, we need to talk about the entire justice reinvented — not just ‘we’re going to divert them from prison,’” Enget said. “Sometimes you may not hear prosecutors say this, but these are people. These are human beings. And if we want them to be good citizens of our city, our county, our state, then let’s start treating them like human beings.”

“In the business world, they say time is money,” Enget added. “Well, time is life, in this case.”

Wamstad, the Grand Forks County State’s attorney, sees the solution in more local resources.

“If we’re going to expect our local communities to be addressing and rehabilitating and punishing these people that have committed these very serious crimes, we need to make sure that our local probation officers, parole officers, jails, treatment facilities — the list could go on and on — we need to make sure that they have adequate resources before these folks are being pushed back to their home communities,” she said.

Martin agrees. He said it’s almost as if patients in need of treatment need to check at least one of a list of boxes — insurance, or wealth, or even just a criminal background — to get treatment. That’s why he feels F5 services are so important.


“But trying to get people to see that, they’re just like — so you want to give drug addicts free services? Or you want to give felons free services?” Martin said. “No, I don’t want to give free services. I want to help people. You know what I mean?”



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