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## South Korean welcome for premier

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Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (left) and South Korean President Lee Myung-bak review the honor guard yesterday during a welcoming ceremony at the presidential Blue House in Seoul. Wen began a two-day visit to South Korea, the first stop on a tour of East Asian trading partners. Wen's trip will also take him to Japan, Mongolia and Myanmar. — Reuters

# 71 die as rebels cause trains to crash in India

Rebels derailed an overnight passenger train yesterday in eastern India, triggering a crash with an oncoming cargo train that killed at least 71 people and injured about 200 more, officials said.

Survivors described a night of screaming and chaos after the derailment and said it took rescuers more than three hours to reach the scene.

Officials disagreed on the cause of the

derailment, with some saying it was caused by an explosion but others blaming sabotaged rail lines.

A top police official said posters from the People's Committee Against Police Atrocities, a rebel group, had been found at the scene taking responsibility for the attack. However, a spokesman for the group denied any role.

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# Ballooning across the English Channel

IN a goofy yet mesmerizing stunt, an American adventurer crossed the English Channel yesterday carried by a bundle of helium balloons, ending a quiet and serene flight by touching down in a French cabbage patch.

Jonathan Trappe, 36, of Raleigh, North Carolina, was strapped in a specially-equipped chair below a bright cluster of balloons when he lifted off early yesterday from Kent in southeast England.

About five hours later, Trappe lowered himself into a French field by cutting some of the balloons away.

"It was just an exceptional, quiet, peaceful experience," he told Sky News television.

Asked why he went, Trappe replied: "Didn't you have this dream, grabbing on to a bunch of toy balloons and floating off? I think it's something that's shared across cultures and across borders — just this wonderful fantasy of grabbing on to toy balloons and floating into open space."

However, the channel crossing wasn't a matter of just grabbing a few balloons. Trappe says on his Website that he made a scouting trip in March and gained clearance from French and British aviation authorities and from



**American balloonist Jonathan Trappe holds onto his balloons after landing on farmland in Moeres in France yesterday. Trappe took off from Challock, England, to become the first person to cross the English Channel in a chair attached to a helium balloon. He had been planning the flight for several months. — AP**

customs and immigration offices on both sides.

His equipment list also included an aircraft transponder, oxygen system, aircraft radios, emergency locator beacon, in-flight satellite tracking and a radio tracker.

"He had all the correct authorization and I believe he even gave something to the owner of the land where he came down by way of

damages," said a spokesman for French police.

Last month, Trappe claimed the record for the longest free-floating balloon flight after spending 14 hours blowing in the wind over North Carolina and traveling 109 miles. On another flight, his Website says he ascended to 17,930 feet (5,465 meters), just below controlled airspace.

"There are risks and we

work to methodically reduce the risk so we can have a safe and fun flight," said Trappe, who is certified for balloon flight by the United States Federal Aviation Administration. "Because really it's only about dreams and enjoying an adventure, and that's only enjoyable when it is safe."

His crossing was much less eventful than the first balloon crossing of the

English Channel in 1785.

The pioneering French balloonist Jean-Pierre Francois Blanchard and John Jeffries, a US doctor who paid for the flight, set off in a hydrogen balloon which started leaking in flight. The pair dumped all their ballast and most of their clothes into the water and just managed to stay airborne and land in Calais.

(AP)