



HENRIETTA the chicken was living inconspicuously for 18 months among 36,000 other fowl at Brendle Farms — until a farm foreman discovered she had four legs.

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FARM OWNER Mike Brendle of Somerset, Pa., said he has never seen a chicken with four legs. He moves 36,000 chickens through his farm three times a year and has been farming for 30 years.

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Blair keeping mum on successor

POLITICS British Prime Minister Tony Blair dodged questions yesterday about who he favoured to succeed him, saying the public was angry with his Labour Party for getting bogged down in political intrigue rather than running the country.

As the party's annual conference opened in Manchester, Blair said he and his cabinet have decided the five-day event will focus on policy and avoid the political questions that have dominated the party's attention over the past weeks.

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Tornadoes pound U.S. Midwest

WEATHER High winds, heavy rain and tornadoes pounded parts of the U.S. Midwest and the South, leaving seven people dead and stranding others in trees and shelters, while forecasters warned on the weekend of more stormy weather to come. Officials were trying to rescue anyone they missed.

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Iraqi PM calls for peace

Ethnic groups reach agreement to amend laws

Iraq's feuding ethnic and sectarian groups agreed yesterday to consider amending the constitution and debate a bill establishing a federal state, even as their Shiite prime minister appealed for an end to violence during Ramadan.

But despite the plea from Nouri al-Maliki, at least 20 people were killed and 37 were wounded one day before the official start of the holy month. Two U.S. marines were also killed yesterday in fighting in Iraq's Anbar province, the U.S. military said.

Shiite, Sunni Arab and Kurdish political leaders broke a two-week deadlock and agreed that Shiite-proposed draft legislation would be submitted to parliament allowing the creation of federal regions in Iraq. The



Iraqis view a crater caused by a bomb blast in Baghdad yesterday. Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki called on Iraqi Shiites and Sunnis to use the Islamic holy month of Ramadan to put aside their differences and end sectarian violence, the day after 38 Shiites were killed in a retaliatory bombing in the capital. There were no casualties from this blast.

agreement came after a compromise was reached with Sunni Arabs on setting up a parliamentary committee to amend Iraq's constitution.

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legislation fears

► Sunni Arabs have said they fear the legislation will split Iraq apart and fuel sectarian bloodshed.

► One of the constitutional amendments they are seeking would weaken the ability to set up self-ruling cantons.

Venezuelan minister accuses U.S. of abuse

Venezuela's foreign minister said he was illegally detained for 90 minutes at a New York City airport Saturday by U.S. authorities whom he accused of treating him abusively and attempting to frisk him.

U.S. and United Nations officials called the incident at John F. Kennedy airport regrettable but said Foreign Minister Nicolas Maduro had been identified for "secondary screening," a security check that can kick in when a passenger arrives without a ticket.

"We were the object of an illegal detention by the U.S. government," Maduro said at Venezuela's mission to the UN.

"We were detained during an hour and a half, threatened by police of being beaten."

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Hamas, Fatah plan for talks

Militant group and moderates agree on coalition

The Islamic militant group Hamas said yesterday it is serious about forming a power-sharing government with the moderate Fatah movement, and the leaders of both sides planned to meet for new coalition talks this week.

Hamas sent the conciliatory signal a day after President Mahmoud Abbas, who heads the rival Fatah group, warned that his efforts to set up a government acceptable to the West were "back to zero." Abbas spoke after Hamas angrily denied Abbas's assurances to the international community that a Hamas-Fatah coalition

Hamas declares readiness

► Earlier this month, Hamas said it was ready to bring Fatah into the government in hopes of ending a crippling international aid boycott of the Palestinian Authority.

would recognize Israel.

Friday, Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh of Hamas said he would not lead a coalition that recognized Israel, offering a long-term truce with the Jewish state instead.

Haniyeh signalled a willingness to compromise yesterday.

"We are going to resume talks on the formation of a national coalition government," he said in a statement. "We have serious intentions to make it succeed, and we hope that the talks

will resume soon."

Haniyeh and Abbas were to meet today or tomorrow in Gaza.

Hamas needs Fatah to win international recognition and restore foreign aid. Abbas could fire the current government and install a new one, but would then require the approval of parliament, which is controlled by Hamas.

Early elections are seen as an unpopular option, and there are no guarantees Fatah would win.

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Clinton defends bin Laden strategy

In a combative interview on Fox News Sunday, former president Bill Clinton defended his handling of the threat posed by Osama bin Laden.

Clinton maintained he tried to have bin Laden killed and was attacked for his efforts by the same people who now criticize him for not doing enough.

"That's the difference in

me and some, including all of the right-wingers who are attacking me now," Clinton said in the interview, taped Friday.

"They ridiculed me for trying. They had eight months to try, they did not try."

Clinton accused host Chris Wallace of a "conservative hit job" and asked: "I want to know how many people in

the Bush administration you asked, 'Why didn't you do anything about the Cole?' I want to know how many people you asked, 'Why did you fire Dick Clarke?'"

The former U.S. president was referring to the USS Cole, attacked by terrorists in Yemen in 2000, and former White House anti-terrorism chief Richard Clarke.

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City Cooks Recipes

CHICKEN BAIDA ROTI

Jogi & Bikram Singh Bombay Sé



with Simi Sara

WATCH CITYCOOKS TODAY
AT 9:30AM & 12:30PM
FOR THIS RECIPE

Ingredients:

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| 1 lb ground chicken | 1/2 cup tomato puree |
| 1 cup chopped onions | 1 tsp chili powder |
| 1/2 bunch chopped cilantro | 1 tsp cumin powder |
| 2 whole eggs | 1 tsp chaat masala |
| 1 tbsp ginger garlic paste | salt to taste |
| 2 rotis | oil for cooking |

Directions:

1. In a frying pan heat 2 tbsp of oil. Add 1/2 a cup of chopped onions.
2. Add 1 tsp ginger garlic paste and sauté until onions turn translucent.
3. Add chili powder, cumin powder, and chaat masala and mix well. Add the ground chicken mince.
4. Add tomato puree to the mixture and cook on a high flame until chicken cooks and juices have dried.
5. Let the mixture cool.
6. Take the roti, spread the mixture in the centre, add chopped onions, cilantro, and sprinkle with chaat masala. Spread evenly.
7. Fold the rotis from the sides to form a square making sure that the mixture does not fall out from the sides.
8. In a heated pan add some seasoned beaten egg. Place stuffed roti on egg until the egg cooks. Add rest of egg and repeat so that egg coats both sides of roti.
9. Cook until brown. Cut into 4 pieces and serve with sliced onions and mint chutney.



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