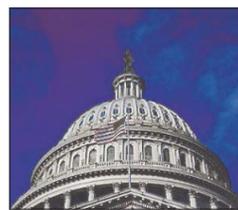


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WILL LESTER — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A firefighter calls for water to try to save some of a burning home above Glendora as the Colby Fire burns Thursday. A portion of the Singer home, of sewing machine fame, partially burned.

Arrests made: Three men are held on \$500K bail each as crews attempt to contain blaze

From staff and wire reports

Dry brush and stiff winds early Thursday combined to turn a disheveled trio's campfire into a raging 1,700-acre blaze north of Glendora that caused injuries, property damage, the evacuations of thousands and closure of several schools.

Firefighters were cautiously optimistic that the vicious Santa Ana winds that sent flames 20 feet in the air and a plume of smoke billowing across the Southland visible from outer space would abate and the fire would cooperate. By nightfall the blaze was 30 percent contained, officials said.

Three men accused of starting the blaze when they attempted to stoke their campfire were booked into the Glendora city jail and held in lieu of \$500,000 bail apiece.

Arrested were Clifford Eugene Henry, 22, of Glendora, Jonathan Carl Jarrell, 23, of Irwindale and Steven Robert Aguirre, 21, a transient, identified as "Steven Winning" on a Facebook page.

There is no evidence the men purposely started the fire, Glendora Police Chief Tim Staab said after the arrests were announced.

"It wasn't an arson," he said. "They are charged with **FIRE » PAGE 8**



JENNIFER CAPPUCCIO MAHER — STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Rainbow Canyon Ranch employee Jesse Jimenez unloads a horse at Fairplex in Pomona on Thursday. Eighty horses were evacuated from Rainbow Canyon Ranch because of the Colby Fire.

Evacuees: People hope to return home soon. **PAGE A7**
Fairplex: Many horses in the affected area were taken to Fairplex in Pomona. **PAGE A8**

Danger in air: Smoke and ash in the atmosphere prompts warning in the Southland

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A massive plume of smoke and ash, visible from space, rained down on Southern California Thursday, prompting warnings about unhealthy air quality and highlighting the danger of an unprecedented drought.

As the day wore on and temperatures in the region hovered in the mid-80s, those with respiratory or heart diseases, the elderly and children, were urged to remain indoors with their doors and windows closed and the air conditioning on to filter out the thick black smoke.

With Southern California in the grip of extreme drought, experts warned of other dangers lurking ahead.

Jet Propulsion Laboratory climatologist Bill Patzert pointed out Thursday that nearly a decade of below-normal rainfall means much of the region's landscape is parched and highly flammable.

"The calendar year, which ran from January through December 2013, was the driest in the historical record," Patzert said. "That's in 135 years of record keeping."

"There's definitely no rain lurking anywhere on the **AIR » PAGE 7**

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Vatican comes under sharp criticism at U.N.

The Holy See was interrogated for eight hours about the scale of abuse and what the church was doing to prevent it. **PAGE A9**

UPLAND

Family busy raising guide dogs

Cindy Miller and her family of Upland have raised and trained 13 puppies to serve Guide Dogs of America. **PAGE A12**

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