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## Two bullets hit man in standoff at the same time

**BY EMILY MIBACH**  
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The man killed in a standoff with police in Redwood City was struck “nearly simultaneously” by a bullet from his own gun and a round fired by a police officer, a prosecutor said yesterday.

While it’s impossible to say whether the two shots hit 43-year-old Robert Lee Eichen at the exact same time, District Attorney Steve Wag- [See BULLETS, page 54]

# Growth rate starting to slow

**BY JEN NOWELL**  
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The rate of growth in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties is slowing, and a former Palo Alto planning commissioner said it is all part of a pattern — as the population numbers stabilize, area rents stabilize.

Former planning Commissioner Arthur Keller said the census estimates

## Cost of living is driving people away

released yesterday explain a lot of the data he has already seen. Rents are leveling off and the tech market is slowing down, so it makes sense that population growth would stabilize, he said.

He pointed to the Post’s article in February that rents in Mountain View

and San Mateo were leveling off, when comparing last year’s rent increases with the year before. This data came from Apartment List, an on-line site that tracks rents. Palo Alto’s rents, however, continue to rise.

Palo Alto Mayor Greg Scharff said

he has heard from people that things are slowing down. The area had a really strong run, but now companies aren’t expanding at the same rate as before, he said.

New census estimates released yesterday show that Santa Clara County’s population increased only 0.5% between 2015 and 2016, but during the [See GROWTH, page 54]

## THE UPDATE

<b>Dow</b> <b>-4.72</b> 20,656.58	<b>Nasdaq</b> <b>-3.95</b> 5,817.69	<b>Oil</b> <b>-0.34</b> 47.70
<b>Gold</b> 1,246.90 <b>-2.40</b> NY COMEX close courtesy of Mish Int’l (650) 324-9110		

**RAIN LIKELY:** The National Weather Service says showers are expected at around noon today, tapering off by evening. Another storm will arrive Sunday night, with showers continuing into Monday morning.

**ISIS** claimed responsibility yesterday for the London terror attack that killed four people and injured at least 30 — while eight people were arrested for their possible involvement in the attack. ISIS called Khalid Masood, 52, a “soldier” of the terrorist group, a day after he was shot dead by police officers following a killing spree during which he plowed an SUV through pedestrians on a bridge and fatally stabbed a cop.

**IPHONE BUGGING:** WikiLeaks said it will release today documents showing that the CIA has been bugging “factory fresh” iPhones since 2008. WikiLeaks said the CIA has embedded code in the phone’s firmware that cannot be removed even if the operating system is re-installed.

**RUSSIAN ASSASSINATION?** Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko [See THE UPDATE, page 4]



## NFL COACHES VISIT STANFORD

San Francisco 49ers head coach Kyle Shanahan, left, and Chicago Bears defensive coordinator Vic Fangio were at Stanford yesterday to watch players who will be in the NFL draft. They both had their eye on defensive end Solomon Thomas, who could be drafted higher than any defensive player in Stanford history. AP photo.

# No fine for Fine

**BY JEN NOWELL**  
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Palo Alto Councilman Adrian Fine won’t be fined by the state’s Fair Political Practices Commission following an anonymous complaint accusing him of not putting his campaign’s identification number on the envelope of a mailer he sent to residents.

Galena West, of the FPPC’s enforcement division, sent Fine a warning letter yesterday, stating that he was in violation of not including his FPPC identification number on the envelope. But because this is the first case against Fine and he included his number on the [See FINE, page 54]

# Dramatic move over health care bill

Abandoning negotiations, President Trump demanded a make-or-break vote on health care legislation in the House, threatening to leave “Obamacare” in place and move on to other issues if today’s vote fails.

The risky move, part gamble and part threat, was presented to GOP lawmakers behind closed doors last night after a long and intense day that saw

## In a gamble, Trump gives the House an ultimatum

a planned vote on the health care bill scrapped as the legislation remained short of votes amid cascading negotiations among conservative lawmakers, moderates and others.

At the end of it the president had

had enough and was ready to vote and move on, whatever the result, Trump’s budget director Mick Mulvaney told lawmakers.

“Negotiations are over, we’d like to vote tomorrow and let’s get this done for the American people.’ That was it,” Rep. Duncan Hunter of California said as he left the meeting, summarizing [See HOUSE, page 54]

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