



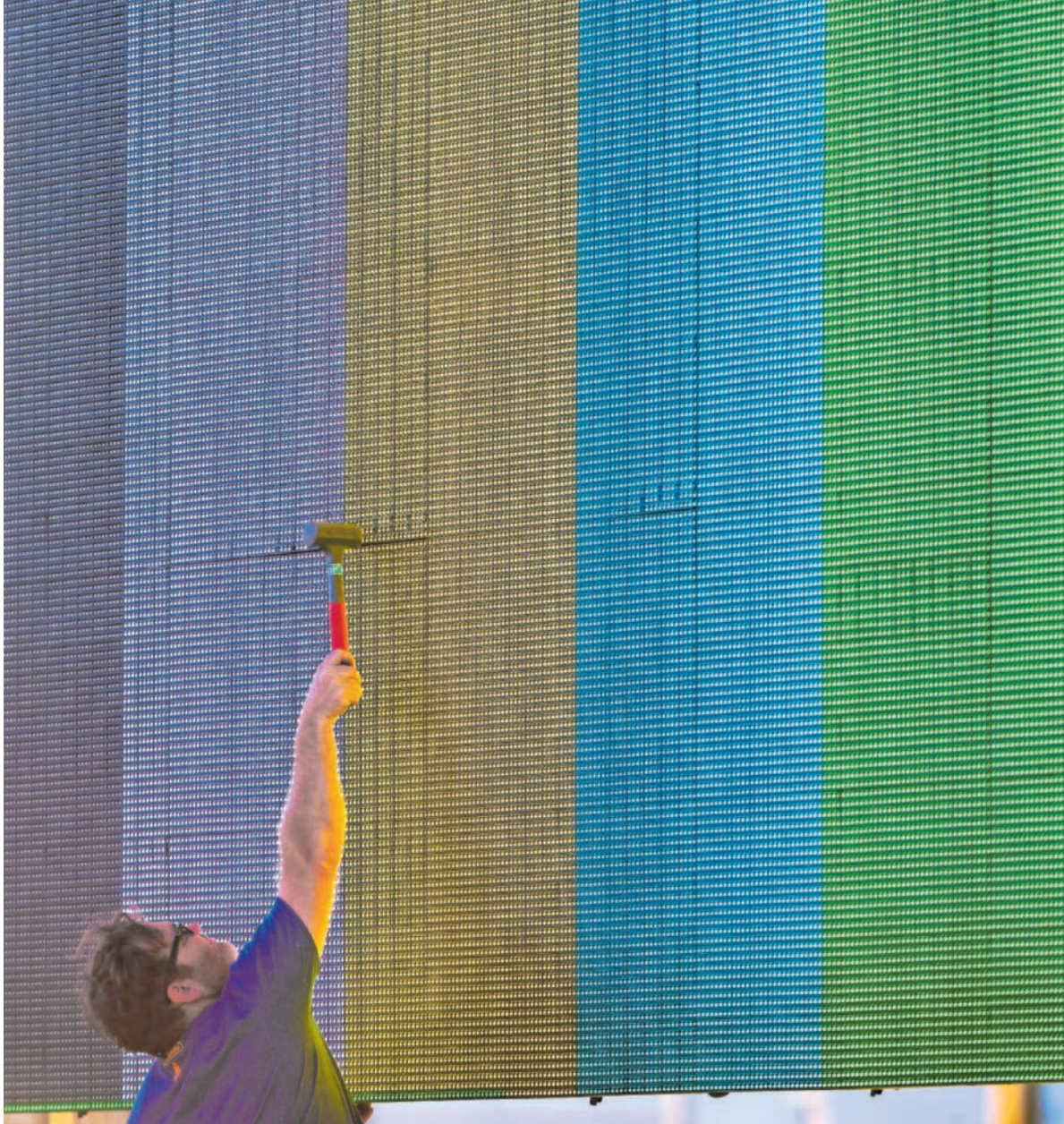
Saints trade up to take DE Marcus Davenport

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JAZZ FEST

Testing one's metal



A worker puts a video panel in place in preparation for today's opening of Jazz Fest 2018.

Workers were busy this week installing those iconic furnishings across the Fair Grounds for today's opening of the 2018 New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival. But Jazz Fest-goers will encounter one fixture with which they're not familiar. For the first time, metal detectors will be in use at the entrances to the Fair Grounds in addition to the bag searches that have been employed for years. "To expedite admission, please follow the simple instructions of security guards and NOPD during the entry process," Jazz Fest officials advised in a news release announcing the added security. Walk-through metal detectors are commonplace at concerts in the Superdome, Smoothie King Center and Champions Square. The October 2017 mass shooting at an outdoor concert in Las Vegas made security issues at music events especially acute, though the Las Vegas sniper was far beyond the reach of concert security.

For Friday and Saturday's Jazz Fest cubes, see A8



Barricades are installed to get ready for the tens of thousands of music fans who will visit the Fair Grounds. Photos by Chris Granger, cgranger@nola.com

CITY HALL TRANSITION

'We'd be moving backwards'

Brother of Danziger victim, others oppose possible Riley appointment

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Former New Orleans Police Department Superintendent Warren Riley's potential return to New Orleans in a public safety leadership role worries Dr. Romell Madison.

His brother, Ronald, was shot dead by NOPD police officers after crossing the Danziger Bridge days after Hurricane Katrina. His other brother, Lance, was arrested on false charges to bolster the officers' account of how six unarmed civilians were shot on or near the bridge. The conspiracy that followed to sweep the incident under the rug happened, in part, under Riley's watch. It eventually resulted in multiple convictions of NOPD officers and supervisors, and a federal consent decree that has so far cost the city \$50 million.

New Orleans Mayor-Elect LaToya Cantrell told WDSU on Tuesday that Riley was on a short list for the city's homeland security director. "I think it's a great choice," she said.

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CHARLES NEVILLE 1938-2018

Saxophonist of the Neville Brothers dies at 79 of cancer

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Charles Neville of the Neville Brothers band died Thursday in Massachusetts. He was 79 and had been suffering from pancreatic cancer.

Aaron Neville posted on Twitter on Thursday: "You were a great brother. You'll always be in my heart and soul, like a tattoo."

Mr. Neville was the smiling, serene saxophonist with the icicle mustache, swaying in the center of the city's favorite funk band that included his brothers Art, Cyril and Aaron. His serpentine style lent a lush, mysterious quality to hits such as "Yellow Moon." The Neville Brothers' instrumental "Healing Chant," which features Mr. Neville's sax over a gentle background rhythm, won the Grammy Award for Best Pop Instrumental Performance in 1989.

SEE NEVILLE, A7

INSIDE

Bill Cosby found guilty

In the first big celebrity trial of the #MeToo era, Bill Cosby, a comedian who broke racial barriers in Hollywood on his way to TV superstardom as America's Dad, is found guilty of drugging and sexually violating a woman. **A5**

Pelicans ready for Round 2

The New Orleans Pelicans are riding a nine-game winning streak as they move on to face the defending champion Golden State Warriors. The first game of the best-of-seven series tips off at 9:30 p.m. Saturday in Oakland. **Sports**

News group head steps down

Tim Williamson, president of NOLA Media Group, which operates The Times-Picayune and NOLA.com, announced he will step down. **A10**

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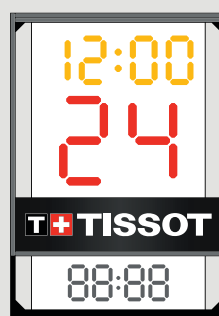
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