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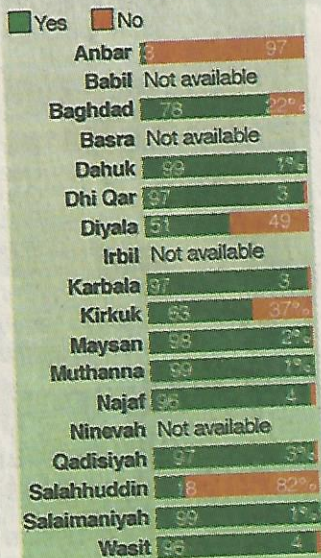
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Iraqi constitution



Turnout in vote for new Iraqi constitution was more than 9.8 million voters, officials say.

Results from provinces



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Iraq voters approve landmark constitution

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq's landmark constitution was adopted by a majority in a fair vote during the country's Oct. 15 referendum, as Sunni Arab opponents failed to muster enough support to defeat it, election officials said today. A prominent Sunni politician called the balloting "a farce."

Mentone's Bell library said No. 1

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Hennen's American Public Library Ratings 2005 lists Bell Memorial Library in Mentone as the top library of its size in the nation.

The ranking came as quite a surprise, said Bell librarian Lorna Craig, because it was the second year the library was named top in its class.

The rankings, made by Thomas J. Hennen Jr., were featured in the October issue of American Libraries magazine.

Hennen uses circulation, staffing levels, funding levels, spending, the number of public Internet terminals, library facility size and hours of operation to devise his rating.

The index starts with a theoretical minimum of 1 and maximum of 1,000. Most libraries score between 250 and 750.

Mentone's score was 940, the highest for libraries that serve populations of less than 2,500.

"Rarely, two years in row, a library like this," Craig said of the ranking, noting the Hagerstown library also is top ranked year after year.

Four other Hoosier libraries were in the top 10 for their population categories.

The Fulton County Public Library ranked in the 98th percentile, with a score of 822.

Other area library scores: Akron, 492; Kewanee, 524; Argos, 512; Pulaski County, 630.

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