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Police seek fugitive in Elmira

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ELMIRA | Dozens of police officers were involved in a manhunt Saturday evening in Elmira.

Armed state troopers were stationed along the side of Interstate Highway 86, and Elmira city police and Chemung County sheriff's deputies were searching in the area of Sullivan Street on Elmira's

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A state trooper stands alongside Interstate Highway 86 in Elmira during Saturday's manhunt.

Pa. gas a national test case

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STATE COLLEGE, PA. | When it comes to natural gas drilling, all eyes are on Pennsylvania.

From controversy over methane-tainted water in the small northeastern Pennsylvania town of Dimock, to the legislative tussle over an extraction tax, to a close watch on regulatory moves in Harrisburg, how the state proceeds on many fronts related to the Marcellus

Shale formation has the potential to affect the industry's future elsewhere.

"The eyes of the world are back on Pennsylvania as part of a transformation, I believe, in energy policy," Scott Perry, director of the state's Bureau of Oil and Gas Management, said this week at Penn State University's Marcellus Summit conference.

The state's link to the oil and gas business goes back 150 years ago to a boom

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No one hurt in Corning blaze



A fire destroyed a home on Brown Hollow Road in the town of Corning Saturday afternoon.

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Fire strikes Brown Hollow Road home

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CORNING | A fire destroyed a home on Brown Hollow Road in the town of Corning on Saturday afternoon.

No one was injured in the blaze.

According to authorities at the scene, the fire was discovered by one of the homeowners. She saved the family's two dogs by letting them out of a kennel next to the house

before heading down Brown Hollow Road in order to get cell phone reception and call 911.

The dogs ran away and were missing for about an hour, but were eventually located.

It was a breezy day and the home was built mostly out of wood, and the

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The home's roof collapses during the fire.



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Decisions in Harrisburg, Pa., on hydrofracking at gas wells like this one in Troy, Pa., will likely help to determine national policies on gas drilling.

AP report: Massa's fall set up likely GOP win in 29th

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CORNING | The stately green home sits atop a steep hill, U.S. and New York state flags framing its front door. But a fierce iron gate also wraps the property, along with signs that warn "No Trespassing" and "Violators Will Be Prosecuted." When a reporter knocks, Eric Massa – the former House Democrat who stepped down amid accusations of sexual misconduct – refuses to speak and slams the door.

Just six months after Massa's abrupt resignation, New York's sprawling 29th Congressional District is one of several across the country that Republicans are counting on as the party tries to reclaim con-

trol of the House.

Polls here show Republican Tom Reed with a double-digit lead over Democrat Matt Zeller, and the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee has not spent money to hold the seat – a sign they've all but written it off. That's left local Democrats disillusioned and deeply angry at Massa for the opportunity they say he squandered.

"I really did not care for Massa that much to begin with, but then I thought he turned into a pretty good congressman," 74-year-old Corning resident Dera Dauman said. "But when that scandal came out, I thought, my goodness. Why does it

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