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THE UPDATE

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The Dow Jones industrials and Standard & Poor's 500 closed out their worst month in more than a year yesterday. The Dow also had its worst point drop ever for a May over the past month. The Dow dropped heavily yesterday as investors reacted to Fitch Ratings' downgrade of Spain's debt. Selling accelerated in Friday's final hour as traders grew more anxious, knowing that they won't be able to buy or sell until Tuesday. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 122.36, or

Video shows Moreau's remorse

'I killed people tonight, didn't I?' He says on police videotape

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Richard "Rossi" Moreau looked at a detective and summed up the charges against him:

"I'm 63 years old, I'm a Vietnam vet and I'm pretty sure I killed some people last night," Moreau was videotaped saying.

Then he signed his Miranda Rights.



MOREAU

Moreau was back in court yesterday for a day-long evidence hearing.

Prosecutors are working to convince District Judge Tom Moorhead to let everything in, including a video showing Moreau's shooting rampage through a West Vail establishment on Nov. 7, 2009.

Moreau's public defenders are working hard to keep out as much as possible.

The hearings continue June 10.

Moreau is charged with eight felonies topped by first degree murder in the shooting death of Dr. Gary Kitching. A Carbondale physician and USC grad, Kitching and his wife had stopped by the Sandbar to watch the Trojans play foot-

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VIDEO SHOWS MOREAU'S REMORSE

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ball against Oregon State.

Kitching had stepped outside to find the game on their car's satellite radio, but ran back inside when Moreau started shooting.

"Go ahead and shoot me!"

Yesterday's hearing was dominated by video of Moreau's arrest, booking and interviews with Vail police officers.

Ryan Millbern, detective with the Vail police department, said Moreau told him he felt "threatened" in the Sandbar by a large, white male with short dark hair wearing a white T-shirt. The man did not look at him, Moreau said, but was moving in his direction, and Moreau said he thought he was "coming at me."

Lt. Greg Daly with the Avon police took the gun from Moreau's hand when the SWAT team roared through the Sandbar. He was first on the stand yesterday.

As Daly commanded Moreau to drop the gun the night of the shootings, Moreau started screaming, "Go ahead and shoot me!" Daly said.

Almost immediately after police had him, Moreau started talking about post traumatic stress disorder that he says he got from his time in Vietnam. He asked how many people he'd killed, and said that he "really ***** up tonight, didn't I?"

After his arrest, Moreau signed two sets of Miranda Rights, which begin with "You have the right to remain silent."

"I told him several times to be quiet, but he wanted to talk," Millbern testified. Moreau had been drinking Jim Beam, on top of a "normal dose" of his medication,

he told officers.

"I killed people tonight, didn't I?"

When Millbern took control of Moreau from the SWAT team, by Moreau's hand he saw a single stack ammunition clip containing live rounds for the 1911 Springfield .45 Moreau used in the shootings. As Moreau thrashed on his stomach on the Sandbar floor with his arms handcuffed behind him, Moreau screamed and swore at officers, Millbern said. When he sat up, he tried to engage officers in conversation as they walked by, clearing the bar. He asked for Dr. John Scrivner, his VA doctor, saying Scrivner had changed his medication.

"I killed people tonight, didn't I?" and "How many?" Millbern said Moreau asked repeatedly.

Millbern said he did not reply, since Kitching's body was still in plain sight. Moreau kept mentioning PTSD, and said he told his VA doctors that something like this was going to happen, Millbern said.

"How many people did I kill?"

Sitting in court yesterday at the defendant's table, Moreau shifted in his chair slightly as the video showed him being led in handcuffs from the Sandbar to a Vail police vehicle.

The video captured him saying, "Guys, I really ***** up. Do you know how long I've been trying not to do this? Nobody hears. Nobody listens."

Later, as he was being booked into the Vail jail, Moreau was recorded saying, "I'm gonna go to jail and I'm probably going to die, and I don't ***** care.

You know I'm a Vietnam vet?"

Minutes later, when he was asked how he was doing, Moreau said, "I'm doing better than the dead guy."

Talking to Millbern and Vail police officer Carrie Briggs, Moreau was recorded saying, "Is this what it took to pay attention to PTSD? How many people did I kill?"

Moreau then hung his head, slumped over in his orange jail jumpsuit in the booking room and said, "This is not who I am. I live with four cats. I'm a very, very gentle man. I really ***** up tonight." Then he cried for a few seconds.

Moreau had complained of shoulder pain - it turned out to be separated, said Justin Dill, Vail police detective.

When told medics were coming to check out his shoulder, he said, "Why don't they just ***** shoot me? I spent the last 20 years helping vets and I can't even help myself. This is the culmination. I'm not making any excuses for what I've done. I've been trying to explain to people for years. Do you think I went out last night to get in trouble and kill anybody?"

Minutes later, Moreau said, "I'm not going to make it to court."

"Why?" Briggs asked, as she was working through the mountain of paperwork necessary to book a murder suspect.

"I'm going to ***** kill myself," Moreau replied. "I can't take it any more. I'm going to jail and I'm going to die on this one. There's nobody who can pull me out of this one."