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Today's news in partly cloudy skies on hot, high 95. **Temps**, mostly clear, low 75. **Tomorrow**, mostly sunny, hot and humid, high 95. Weather map appears on Page D1.

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Oil Backed Up, Iranians Put It On Idled Ships

*Subterfuge at Tankers
as Embargo Tightens*

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BAHRAIN, Islamic Iran — The fueling tanker *Shaykh* was floating surreptitiously this week in the warm waters of the Persian Gulf, a fresh coat of black paint barely concealing its true identity as an Iranian ship loaded with hundreds of thousands of barrels of oil that no one is willing to buy.

The ship's real name was *Iran Karam*, and it was part of a fleet of about 100 Iranian tankers serving as floating storage facilities for Iranian oil, each one given a neutral nickname to conceal its origin and make it easier to trade in the global market. In fact, the *Shaykh* had been fueling them for a month, and local fishermen said there were five even larger tankers anchored

ROMNEY NOW SAYS HEALTH MANDATE BY OBAMA IS A TAX

SHIFT REVEALS CRITICISM

Move Aligns Him With
Conservative Values
Within His Party

By JENNIFER W. HARRIS

WILPOESDAM, N.J. — Mitt Romney declared on Wednesday that President Obama's health care mandate was in fact a tax, shilling his campaign's characterization of the law and aligning himself with the conservative values in his party.

Mr. Romney's remarks, made in a loosely arranged interview with CNN News on a national holiday, prompted a prompt acknowledgment that he was willing to adjust his stance for political expediency.

Physicists Find Elusive Particle Seen as Key to Universe



Schmidt is General on Wednesday, together with the discovery of a subatomic particle that looks like the Higgs boson.