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## Man convicted of multiple crimes

#### The World

 ${\tt COQUILLE-A\ Coos}$ County man will serve more than 17 years in prison for a series of crimes he committed, among them robbery, burglary, theft and

According to a press release from Coos County District Attorney R. Paul Frasier, on Sept. 22, Dallas Albert Bradley-Olson, 27, was sentenced by Coos County Circuit Court Judge Andrew Combs on multiple crimes.

The crimes and sentences included:

1. Aggravated theft in the first degree: 24 months in pris-

2. Unauthorized use of a vehicle: 18 months in prison, consecutive to all other sentenc-

3. Criminal mischief in the second degree: 10 days in the Coos County Jail, concurrent with all other sentences

4. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle: 18 months in prison,

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5. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle: 18 months in prison, consecutive to all other sentenc-

6. Burglary in the first degree: 56 months in prison, consecutive to all other sentences

7. Theft in the second degree: 10 days in jail, concurrent with all other sentences

8. Identity theft: 13 months in prison, consecutive to all other sentences

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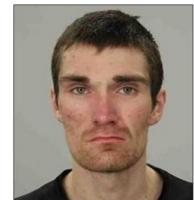
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**Dallas Bradley-Olson** 



**Photos Contributed by Mark Mattecheck** 

### The Barnes family's home is a total loss after a fire Friday.

## imily sees support after

### **ZACK DEMARS**

The World

COOS BAY - Mary and Jim Barnes had to hide in their chicken pen to stay safe last week.

By 11:15 p.m. on Friday, the pair, both 70, had gone to bed for the night. But minutes later, Mary heard a loud noise down-

When she went down to investigate, she arrived at a terrifying scene, unlike anything she'd experienced before: The living room was on fire.

By then end of the night, after a struggle with fire crews from around the region, the house would be gone. The couple, two of their pets and their friends would be all that remained the

"We lost everything. I mean everything," Mary Barnes said.

After seeing the flames that dark night, Mary went outside to try and use a hose on the flames, but it was no use. Back upstairs, she woke up her husband, helping him into his wheelchair and out of the house.

Once outside, the couple, married 53 years, discovered the wheelchair ramp had already



The Barnes' family truck was scorched in a house fire Friday.

been taken by fire, and they had to walk Jim down the stairs before finding their way to the chicken pen.

The area, in the Libby neighborhood just south of Coos Bay, is steep — which means the struggle was only beginning once out of the house.

Fire engines arrived at the house just eight minutes after Mary called 911, fire officials

But the trouble was, they couldn't get up the steep driveway. Without fire hydrants in the area, firefighters had to stretch a hose about 250 feet up the driveway, and call in water support from other agencies.

All told, seven different fire departments from North Bay to Sumner sent crews to the fire. Eventually, they'd find Mary and Jim, and help them escape the property — getting Mary to a nearby pickup and sliding Jim down the hill.

"We got out with our lives, our dogs and a kitty cat," Mary said.

She'd never been through something like that before, she said, but remained calm throughout the night — until she arrived at the hospital, where she'd stay for two days because of how much smoke she'd breathed in.

Since then, the Barnes' friends have stepped in to help. Mark Mattecheck, the owner of North Bend Lanes, helped set up a GoFundMe page (https:// gf.me/u/yzwpiq) for the family, and connected Jim with a friend who could replace his burned prosthetic leg.

"I felt terrible, and I have the ability to make these things happen," Mattecheck said.

Mattecheck has known Mary for about 15 years, he said. She's an avid bowler, and many in the bowling community have already contributed to and shared the fundraiser.

Their tragedy comes at a time of so much struggle — on top of a deadly pandemic, thousands across the west have been displaced by wildfires, with Oregon

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## 2 officers shot amid Breonna Taylor protests

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) -Hours after a Kentucky grand jury brought no charges against Louisville police for Breonna Taylor's death and protesters took to the streets, authorities said two officers were shot and wounded Wednesday night during the demonstrations expressing anger over the killings of Black people at the hands of police.

Interim Louisville Police Chief Robert Schroeder said a suspect was in custody but did not offer details about whether that person was participating in the demonstrations. He says both officers are expected to recover, and one is undergoing surgery.

He says the officers were shot after investigating reports of gunfire at an intersection where there was a large crowd.

Several shots rang out as protesters in downtown Louisville tried to avoid police blockades, moving down an alleyway as officers lobbed pepper balls, according to an Associated Press journalist. People covered their ears, ran away and frantically looked for places to hide. Police with long guns swarmed the area, then officers in riot gear and military-style vehicles blocked off roadways.

The violence comes after prosecutors said two officers who fired their weapons at Taylor, a Black woman, were justified in using force to protect themselves after they faced gunfire from her boyfriend. The only charges were three counts of wanton endangerment against fired Officer Brett Hankison for shooting into a home next to Taylor's with people inside.

The FBI is still investigating potential violations of federal law in connection with the raid at Taylor's home on March 13.

Ben Crump, a lawyer for Taylor's family, denounced the decision as "outrageous and offensive," and protesters shouting, "No justice, no peace!" immediately marched through the streets.

Scuffles broke out between police and protesters, and some were arrested. Officers fired flash bangs and a few small fires burned in a square that's been at the center of protests, but it had largely cleared out ahead of a nighttime curfew as demonstrators marched through other parts of downtown Louisville. Dozens of patrol cars blocked the city's major thoroughfare.

Demonstrators also marched in cities like New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Atlanta and Philadelphia.

Taylor, an emergency medical worker, was shot multiple times by white officers who entered her home during a narcotics investigation. State Attorney General

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### Revenue forecast shows encouragement, caution

### **JEREMY C. RUARK**

Country Media

SALEM — The latest report about how the Oregon economy is doing offers encouragement but also caution.

The Oregon Department of Administrative Services opened its summary statement for the September Oregon Revenue Forecast saying "the economy remains in a Great Recession-sized

The report, issued Sept. 23, finds lower-income households have borne the brunt of the recession.

"The combination of high-

er-income households being less impacted to date, and the large federal support means consumer spending and tax collections have held up much better than expected," the report summary states. "The strong economic growth in recent months is encouraging, as many workers on temporary layoffs are recalled. However, normally it takes a year or two for the recessionary shock to work its way through the economy."

The report also states that overall, the current state of the economy is much better than feared at the time of the previous forecast. But the economic outlook in the years ahead is only improved modestly. It takes time, even under the best of circumstances to regain lost ground due to recessions. 2020 so far is anything but the best.

Despite the sharp reduction in economic activity, the revenue summary states that Oregon's primary revenue instruments have continued to grow. Collections of personal income taxes and corporate taxes both set record highs over the post-shutdown (March-September) period But state officials also caution

that the economic pain has yet to be fully reflected in Oregon's

revenue data. "In the near-term, Oregon's economy is impacted by COVID-19 and the wildfires that destroyed our communities, the summary states. "Over the long-term, Oregon's ability to attract and retain skilled, working-age households is one of our comparative advantages. To the extent the pandemic, wildfires, drought, or protests and clashes of violence impact this advantage remains to be seen, but they all represent downside risks to the outlook. On the other hand, should telecommuting and remote work increase as a result of

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## Coos Bay District sells 7.3 million board feet of timber

The World

NORTH BEND — The Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District sold 7.3 million board feet of timber during a sealed bid auction on Friday, Sept. 18.

Scott Timber Company of Roseburg was the high bidder for the "Turn Signal" timber sale, according to a BLM press release. The 7.3 million board feet of timber sold for \$1.72 million, nearly \$500,000 above the appraised value of \$1.23 million. The sale is located on Coos Bay Wagon Road Lands in Coos County (CBWR). Three other companies submitted qualified bids.

The BLM manages 2.4 million acres of forests and woodlands in western Oregon, under three management

programs: the Oregon and California Revested (O&C) Lands, CBWR Lands, and public domain lands. Some of the most productive forests in the world, these areas contain a diversity of plant and animal species, wild and scenic rivers, wilderness areas, and cultural and historical resources, and in addition to opportunities for timber sales, host multiple uses including recreation, mining, grazing and more, according to the BLM.

A sustainable forestry program is critical to the economies in western Oregon. Local communities rely on the jobs and timber that come from BLM forests, and the BLM is committed to providing predictable and sustainable timber harvest opportunities. The 74,000 acres of CBWR



Photo by Jim Hargan

A panoramic view over meadows toward the steep mountains that ring this isolated cove on the Coos Bay Wagon Road in the Coast Range of Coos County near the community of Sitkum.

Lands lie in a checkerboard pattern between Coos Bay and Roseburg in Coos and Douglas counties. Revenue generated from timber sales on CBWR Lands are

deposited into a fund and are used to make an inlieu tax payment to Coos and Douglas counties each year.

It takes approximately 16,000 board feet

of lumber to frame a 2.000-square-foot home. One million board feet of timber is enough to build approximately 63 family sized residential homes.

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mation on the Bureau of Land Management's timber program, visit https://www.blm.gov/programs/natural-resources/ forests-and-woodlands/

### Oregon reports 193 new COVID-19 cases, 6 new deaths

The World

PORTLAND — COVID-19 has claimed six more lives in Oregon, raising the state's death toll to 537, the Oregon Health Authority reported at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday.

Oregon Health Authority also reported 193 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 on Wednesday, bringing the state total to 31,503.

The new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported Wednesday are in the following counties: Baker (1), Benton (2), Clackamas (9), Clatsop (2), Columbia (2), Coos (2), Deschutes (2), Douglas (1), Hood River (2), Jackson (22), Jefferson (3), Josephine (4), Klamath (1), Lane (36), Lincoln (1), Linn (2), Malheur (22), Marion (17), Multnomah (29),

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Polk (2), Umatilla (12), Wasco (4), Washington (14), and Yamhill (1).

Oregon's 532nd COVID-19 death is a 93-year-old woman in Marion County who tested positive on Sept. 11 and died on Sept. 15 at Samaritan Albany General Hospital. She had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 533rd COVID-19 death is a 93-year-old woman in Multnomah County who tested positive on Sept. 14 and died on Sept. 15 at Portland Adventist Medical Center. She had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 534th COVID-19 death is an 82-year-old man in Washington County who tested positive on August 17 and died on Sept. 19 at Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 535th COVID-19 death is a 75-year-old man in Lane County who tested positive on Sept. 1 and died on Sept. 22 in his residence. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 536th COVID-19 death is a 54-year-old man in Multnomah County who tested positive on Sept. 3 and died on Sept. 7 at Providence Portland Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 537th COVID-19 death is a 95-year-old woman in Multnomah County who tested positive on July 17 and died on August 31 in her residence. She had underlying conditions.

NOTE: Updated information is available for Oregon's 295th COVID-19 death, a 26-year-old man in

Yamhill County. The updated death certificate does not list COVID-19 disease or SARS-CoV-2 as a cause of death or as a significant condition that contributed to his death, and he is no longer considered a COVID-19 related death or case.

#### **OHA Releases Weekly** Report

In today's Weekly Report, OHA notes that the week of Sept. 14 through Sept. 20 reported new COVID-19 infections rose 17% from the week prior, to 1,511. The number of Oregonians newly tested rose 8%, to 18,840, and the percentage of tests that were positive rose from 5.6% to 6.2%. Eighteen Oregonians were reported to have died in association with COVID-19, compared to 29 the prior

week. One hundred and sixteen Oregonians were hospitalized, up from 83 in the previous week. The age group with the highest incidence of reported infection continues to be 20-29-year-olds. People under 30 years old have accounted for 37% of reported cases.

#### **OHA** changes child care reporting guidelines

Starting today, Sept. 23, OHA is changing the process for reporting COVID-19 outbreaks in child care facilities. The change will provide a more transparent and comprehensive reporting of these cases.

Child care providers are required to report COVID-19 cases to their local health care authority. Since July, OHA has reported on outbreaks of 5 or more cases in

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facilities that enrolled 30 or more children in the Weekly COVID-19

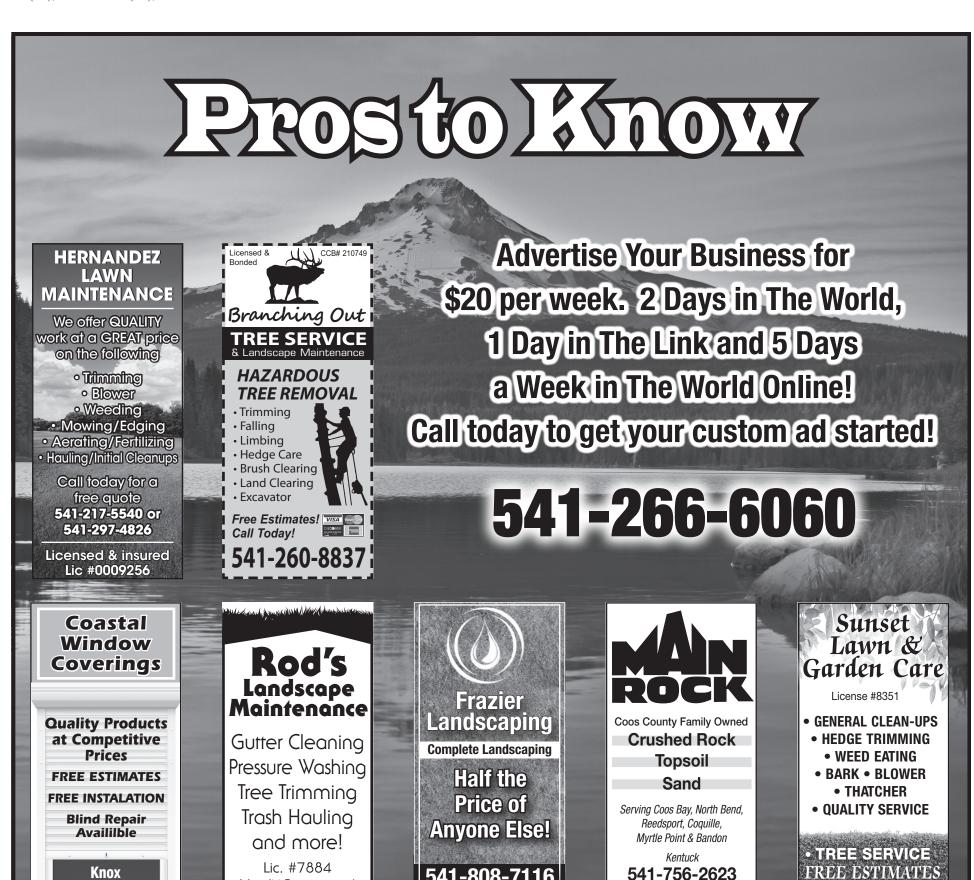
Under the new reporting threshold, outbreaks of more than two children in facilities with a capacity of more than 16 children will now be reported, provided they are not siblings in the same household.

#### Stay informed about COVID-19:

Oregon response: The Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Office of **Emergency Management** lead the state response.

United States response: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention leads the U.S. response.

Global response: The World Health Organization guides the global response.



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## Men caught setting stolen crab traps await trial

#### The World

NEWPORT — Two men caught setting stolen crab traps in Cape Falcon Marine Reserve of the north Oregon coast await trial following a joint effort of citizen reporting and solid detective work, according to a Sept. 21 press release from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

#### Here's the story

Bob Browning has fished Oregon waters all his life. He started fishing off the Garibaldi dock with his family when he was 5 years old. When he saw a strange object bobbing on the ocean surface, he pointed it out to his client, Dr. Sarah Henkel. Henkel, a researcher with the Oregon State University Marine Program, was collecting data for her latest project: The feeding ecology of Dungeness crab in a reef area. She had hired Browning and The Lady Lee on April 3, 2019 to take her out to the Cape Falcon Marine Reserve for the research project.

Henkel squinted to get a better look. It wasn't a bird. Even through binoculars, neither the researcher nor the boat captain could identify the small black thing bobbing on the water's surface. It definitely didn't look like the bright orange and white surface buoys that marked her research beacons. Browning steered The Lady Lee in for a closer look.

Browning reached down and pulled at the object. It was a black bait bag, about the size of his fist. Inside were two pieces of foam to keep it afloat. But when he tried to pick it up, there was resistance. And a long cord. Browning threaded the rope through his hydraulic lift and started the motor. When a crab pot broke the surface of the water, they knew there was trouble. The line continued. Another crab pot rose from the depths. They reached for their phones to report it.

### The Investigation

Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Sergeant Todd Thompson was on shift that day and took the call. He instructed them to pull the string of crab pots and bring them to the dock. The nearly invisible float marked a string of 19 pots, all with crabs in them. Even in areas where crabbing is legal, each pot must have a surface marker. But these were secretly placed in the center of the 12-square mile marine reserve, where commercial fishing is strictly prohib-

Trooper Jim O'Connor was surprised when he saw the string of crab pots on the dock that afternoon. And for good reason. Commercial crabbers gen-

erally paint all their pots the same color. These pots were a variety of colors.

"It looked like a rainbow of crab pots sitting on the dock," he said, "They were all different colors."

Not only were the pots different colors, but they were set with a variety of bait styles — another deviation from commercial crabbers, who set all their traps the same way. Trooper O'Connor concluded that the pots were stolen property and began investigating recent reports of stolen crab pots. One by one, commercial crabbers stopped by the OSP office to identify and claim their gear.

gear.

"All in all we had seven different commercial crabbers between Astoria and Newport who's stolen pots showed up in this string," he said, "We found eight pots that had been stolen from the same person."

Everyone thought that would be the end of it. The poacher and thief would surely never claim the pots, and likely not set gear in that area again. Still, Trooper O'Connor started tracking boats traveling in and near the marine reserve. He took notes and paid attention. Then he began an official investigation.

Marine reserves protect habitat from human influence and create a place for marine life to grow and mature, according to ODFW Marine Reserves Program Leader Cristen Don. With little fishing pressure, ecosystems have an opportunity to regenerate

"Greater populations mean greater opportunities to encounter fish and other marine life on Oregon waters," she said.

### A Break in the Case

In May of 2019, Browning received a call from a buddy on another boat.

"You won't believe what just happened," he said to Browning, "I'm going through the marine reserve, and I ran over a line attached to two strings of crab pots!" Browning asked for the location. It matched where he and Dr. Henkel had been the month before.

Browning reacted quickly. "Don't say another word," he told his friend. "I'll be right there. Don't go anywhere and don't tell anyone."

Browning immediately called the Turn In Poachers (TIP) Line. He reported what his friend found, then started his boat and headed out to the reserve. Senior Trooper Dave Herman, Trooper O'Connor and a member of the Coast Guard were close behind him aboard an OSP small boat

When they arrived, O'Connor pulled up several crab pots. He removed a few legal-sized crabs from each, discreetly marked them, then placed them back in the pots. They lowered the traps back into the water, then headed back to shore. The trooper knew he was going to have a long night at the fish processing plant, waiting for the marked crabs to show up. If they showed up.

Several hours later, his patience paid off. The marked crabs came through the processing line, and they knew which boat had dropped them off. It was one of several O'Connor had been tracking around the marine reserve area.

Troopers served several search warrants on the suspect over the following months, which solidified the case. Eventually they tracked him back to the marine reserve.

In August 2020, a Clatsop County Grand Jury indicted Scott Edward Giles, 39, and Travis Richard Westerlund, 34, both of Astoria. Giles, captain of the fishing vessel The Baranof, faces 14 criminal charges including theft, criminal mischief, unlawful take, fishing prohibited methods and fishing prohibited area. The amount of stolen gear in his possession elevates his crimes to a level constituting felony theft. Westerlund, deckhand on The Baranof, faces 12 similar criminal charges.

ODFW Director Curt Melcher describes the operation as a success in preserving fish and marine habitat

"We and our partners at OSP rely on information from non-enforcement personnel and this incident shows the important role that citizens play in our efforts to protect the resource," he said. "Moreover, illegal fishing activity negatively impacts participants who are following the rules."

O'Connor credits the OSU researcher and boat captain with solving this crime.

"We would never have found those crab pots. This is a perfect example of the public working with law enforcement to identify and report a crime," he said.

Browning is quick to credit the state trooper.

"O'Connor is good at his job," he said, "I wouldn't want to be the guy he's after!"

### **Stop Poaching Campaign**

The Stop Poaching Campaign educates the public on how to recognize and report poaching. This campaign is a collaboration among hunters, conservationists, land owners and recreationists. Our goal is to increase reporting of wildlife crimes through the TIP Line, increase detection by increasing the number of OSP Fish

# Molotov cocktails hurled at Portland police by protesters

PORTLAND (AP) — Protesters in Portland hurled Molotov cocktails at officers in Oregon's largest city during a demonstration over a Kentucky grand jury's decision to not indict officers in the fatal shooting of Breonna Taylor, police said Thursday.

Police and the protesters clashed as demonstrators in cities around the U.S. raged against a criminal justice system they say is stacked against Black people. In Taylor's hometown of Louisville, gunfire rang out and wounded two police officers.

The protesters in Portland Wednesday night also threw rocks that shattered windows at a law enforcement precinct station, targeted the station with projectiles fired from slingshots, police said in a statement. The Oregonian/Oregonian Live said they set an awning at the station on fire.

One officer was hit on the foot with a Molotov cocktail but a fire department medic managed to extinguish the flames, police said. There were no immediate reports of arrests or injuries.

Federal agents assigned to protect a U.S. courthouse in Portland fired projectiles at the protesters, the Oregonian/Oregonian Live reported.

Taylor, an emergency medical worker, was shot multiple times by white officers who entered her home during a narcotics investigation in March. The Kentucky grand jury returned three charges of wanton endangerment Wednesday against fired Louisville Officer Brett Hankison over shooting into a home next to Taylor's with people inside.

Portland has been gripped by protests for four months since the police killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

The demonstrations in the city, often violent, have targeted police buildings and federal buildings.

Some protesters have called for reductions in police budgets while the city's mayor and some in the Black community have decried the violence, saying it is counterproductive.



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Map and rules for Oregon's marine reserves.

and Wildlife Troopers and increase prosecution. This campaign helps to protect and enhance Oregon's fish and wildlife and their habitat for the enjoyment of present and future generations. Contact campaign coordinator Yvonne Shaw for more information. Yvonne.l.Shaw@state.

Rewards for information leading to a citation for

poaching incidents involving fish and wildlife:

Bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose: \$1,000 Elk, deer, antelope: \$500 Bear, cougar, wolf: \$300 Habitat destruction:

Illegally obtaining
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license or tags: \$200
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Upland birds, waterfowl,

furbearers: \$100

Preference Points: 5 Points - Bighorn Sheep, Rocky Mountain Goat, Moose, Wolf 4 Points - Elk, Deer, Antelope, Bear, Cougar

(Note: this news release was originally posted on ODFW's website on Sept. 8 but distribution to news media was delayed due to the wildfires.)

### DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

## Mom makes snide remarks about new boyfriend's weight

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a 35-year-old single mom. I've dated a few people over the last seven years, but none of them wanted to commit. Several months ago, I started seeing "Joey," a friend of a couple of years. He's sweet, respectful, hardworking, and he helps me whenever I need it.

Joey is on the heavy side, but he's clean and kempt. I introduced him to my mom, and she continues to say he is "gross." She refers to him only as "that man" and never by his name. He has always been very polite and has never said anything to her out of the way.

My son and I have lived with Mom ever since my divorce, and I have helped her out with more than my share of the bills and groceries. I'm currently trying to buy a house, but the market is competitive with the low interest rates. I work full time, take great care of my son and do lots of chores around the house.

How can I convince my mother to accept Joey, or should I ignore what she says as long as he's good to my son and me? -- FOUND A GOOD GUY IN THE SOUTH

**DEAR FOUND:** Nothing you can do will make your mother accept Joey. Most parents judge the men in their daughters' lives by how they treat their daughters, rather than a number on the scale. Has it occurred to you that she may be afraid your relationship with Joey could develop to the point you will no longer be around to do chores and help her with the bills?

From your description of him, "that man" is definitely a keeper. As long as he is good to you and your son and you care for him, please don't allow your mother to discourage you. As an adult, it's important to make your own decisions and live your own life without interference.

DEAR ABBY: My younger sister is a bipolar, narcissistic, psychotic, evil woman with bachelor's and master's degrees in psychology and counseling. She has hated me from birth. I know exactly what she is, and she can't stand that I do.

She spreads lies about me because our mother was alive for my wedding and not for hers and, according to her, it's my fault. (Mama died 10 years ago.) I made her maid of honor at my wedding and godmother to my child, but no matter what I do, she complains to anyone who will listen about what a horrible person she thinks I am. Because of her education, family members believe everything she says without question.

Our adult lives have been spent with her shutting me out and gossiping about me to extended family. How can I convince my relatives to listen to me? I have no one on my side when it comes to her because the family knows about her mental health issues and tell me to get over it. I can't! Please help me. -- CAN'T GO ON LIKE THIS

**DEAR CAN'T GO ON:** That your sister has graduate degrees in psychology and counseling does not guarantee that she isn't mentally ill. Your relatives are aware of her mental health issues and have advised you not to overreact. Perhaps you should take that to heart.

Fernaps you should take that to heart.

Find another godmother for your child, because clearly this one is unsuitable, and spend as little time around your sister as you can. If necessary, start replacing unsupportive family members with friends you can trust to be supportive. The only thing you should NOT do is continue to allow your sick sister to rule your life.

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## Portland denies Proud Boys permit for rally

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland, Oregon, has denied a permit for a Saturday rally planned by the right-wing group Proud

The city found the group's estimated crowd size of 10,000 people was too big under coronavirus safety measures, according to a statement released Wednesday by the Portland Parks & Recreation Bureau.

The bureau said it had consulted with Mayor Ted Wheeler, who is also the police commissioner, and decided that those

attending would not be able to comply with social distancing rules because of the large numbers of

"We must all do our part to fight the spread of COVID-19 in our community and keep ourselves and each other safe. Events like this are not welcome and are not allowed," Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, who oversees the city's parks department, said in the statement.

The Proud Boys have been labeled a hate group by the Southern Poverty

Law Center. Members of the group have rallied in Portland several times in recent years and draw large numbers of people who show up to oppose their presence in the liberal city.

The rally planned for Saturday was moved from downtown Portland to Delta Park in north Portland to accommodate what the Proud Boys called a "battalion of patriots" exercising their right to assemble freely.

Left-wing groups plan at least two events to oppose the Proud Boys, including one in Delta Park.

Wheeler called those who planned the attend the rally "agitators" on Twitter.

'On September 26th, agitators plan on coming to Portland to spread messages of hate and racism — values we don't welcome here in Portland," he wrote. "If you intend to come to our city, our home, to spread hate and provoke violence, don't."

Proud Boys leader Enrique Tarrio said in a statement last week that the rally would be peaceful and urged those planning violence to stay away. Tarrio has said the rally is aimed

at the city's political leadership, including Wheeler, and he has criticized the mayor for not doing more to stop protests that have occurred in the city for nearly four months following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

Wheeler also last week banned the use of tear gas by the Portland Police Bureau.

The location selected by the Proud Boys has angered some in Portland because of the history of the park. The site of the park once held a World War II-era working class

community called Vanport, which was home to about 6,000 Black Portlanders when it was destroyed in a flood in 1948.

Vanport was originally built to house workers who flocked to Portland's shipyards during World War II. After the war, it was one of the few places where Black people could own a home because of racist zoning and real estate laws.

Black families that were displaced by the flood were forced into a small area of north Portland by the same discriminatory housing

## Wildfires taint vineyards with taste of smoke

TURNER (AP) -Smoke from the West Coast wildfires has tainted grapes in some of the nation's most celebrated wine regions with an ashy flavor that could spell disaster for the 2020 vintage.

Wineries in California, Oregon and Washington have survived severe wildfires before, but the smoke from this year's blazes has been especially bad thick enough to obscure vineyards drooping with clusters of grapes almost ready for harvest. Day after day, some West Coast cities endured some of the worst air quality in the world.

No one knows the extent of the smoke damage to the crop, and growers are trying to assess the severity. If tainted grapes are made into wine without steps to minimize the harm or weed out the damaged fruit, the result could be wine so bad that it cannot be marketed.

The wildfires are likely to be "without question

the single worst disaster the wine-grape growing community has ever faced," said John Aguirre, president of the California Association of Winegrape Growers.

Winemakers around the world are already adapting to climate change, including rising temperatures and more frequent, more severe droughts. Those near fire-prone forests face the additional risk that smoke could ruin everything.

"Unfortunately, climate experts are telling us this is going to be a problem," said Anita Oberholster, a wine expert at the University of California, Davis. "And so we need to do better. We need to do loads more research.'

With this year's harvest underway, some wineries are not accepting grapes they had agreed to purchase unless they have been tested for smoke taint, Aguirre said. But laboratories are too backed up to analyze new orders in time.

ETS Laboratories, in the Napa Valley town of St. Helena, California, says test results on grape samples received now will not be ready until November. New clients will have to wait even longer for results, according to the lab's website.

In every grape he has come across, Noah Dorrance, owner of Reeve Wines in Healdsburg, California, told the San Francisco Chronicle, "you could already taste and smell this ashy, barbecued flavor, kind of like a campfire."

Aguirre recalled sampling smoke-damaged wine during a tasting. One description on a tasting card compared the flavor to "fecal plastic."

"I tasted it and I went, 'Oh, my God. Bingo,'" Aguirre said.

The issue comes down to compounds called volatile phenols, which are released when wood burns and can

be absorbed by grapes, Oberholster said.

The compounds are naturally present in grapes. But when their levels get too high, they can impart the foul tastes, "and obviously that's not a character most people want in their wine," Oberholster said.

Australian wine researchers were the first to notice the risks. In 2003, they linked smoke in the atmosphere to a taint in wine, said Mark Krstic, managing director of the Australian Wine Research Institute. From then until 2015, Australian producers lost more than \$286 million (\$400 million Australian) in grapes and wine revenue as a result of smoke.

The problems continue. Australia's most recent fire season was "horrific," Krstic said.

"Basically the eastern seaboard of Australia was pretty much on fire and extended across many wine regions," he said in a phone interview.

In the forested foothills bordering Oregon's Willamette Valley, flames smothered the region, famous for its cool-climate pinot noirs, in thick yellow-brown smoke.

"Pinot noir is a very thin-skinned grape, meaning it's very delicate in nature, and you can't mask any type of flaws in the growing condition or in the winery," said Christine Clair, winery director of Willamette Valley Vineyards in Turner, Oregon.

Jim Bernau, founder of Willamette Valley Vineyards, said of the smoke: "I've been here growing wine grapes for over 38 years, and I have never experienced or seen anything like this as a wine grower.'

By last weekend, rain and shifting winds had cleared the skies. Bernau believed many Oregon wineries would escape damage because the smoke did not linger too long.

His winery has been fermenting small samples to gauge whether smoke affects the resulting wine. In the samples for white and rosé wines, yeast is introduced into juice that was hand-squeezed from the grapes, with the skins immediately removed.

"After just about two days, you can have a pretty good idea if that juice that now became wine is viable," Clair said. The results indicated a low risk of smoke taint for the whites and rosés.

In fermenting red samples, the skin is left on. Initial results are also promising, but the winery is prepared to turn some of the grapes with heavier smoke exposure into rosé instead of red wine, Clair

The wine industry had already been hammered this year by the coronavirus and shutdown of restaurants, bars and wine tasting

### Dismay over Breonna Taylor spills onto American streets

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Anger, frustration and sadness over the decision not to charge Kentucky police officers for Breonna Taylor's death poured into America's streets as protesters lashed out at a criminal justice system they say is stacked against Black people. Violence seized the demonstrations in her hometown of Louisville as gunfire rang out and wounded two police officers.

Police said they would enforce a curfew for the next two nights in Louisville, where Mayor Greg Fischer said "violence is not the answer."

"I'm asking everyone to reject violence," Fischer said. "Our community is hurting .. the question obviously is what do we do with that pain."

Activists, celebrities and everyday Americans have been calling for charges since Taylor, an emergency medical worker, was shot multiple times by white officers after one of them

was shot while bursting into her home during a narcotics investigation in March. The officers had a no-knock warrant but the investigation showed they announced themselves before entering, said state Attorney General Daniel Cameron, a Republican and the state's first Black top prosecutor.

A grand jury returned three charges of wanton endangerment Wednesday against fired Officer Brett Hankison over shooting into a home next to Taylor's with people inside.

Hundreds of demonstrators chanted Taylor's name and marched in cities including New York, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, Las Vegas and Portland, Oregon. People gathered in downtown Chicago's Millennium Park, chanting demands for justice as drivers on Michigan Avenue honked their horns. Police in Atlanta unleashed chemical agents and made arrests after some protesters tried to climb on a SWAT vehicle. In Minnesota and Wisconsin, marchers peacefully blocked highway

In Louisville, the mayor said one of the wounded officers was treated and released with leg wound, while the other was shot in the abdomen and doing well after surgery. Larynzo D. Johnson, 26, was charged with two counts of assault on a police officer and multiple charges of wanton endangerment of police officers.

Police also said they arrested 127 people after what began as peaceful protests. Officers declared an unlawful assembly after they said fires were set in garbage cans and several vehicles were damaged. A police statement also described the "looting" of several stores.

Taylor's case has exposed the wide gulf between public opinion on justice for those who kill Black Americans and the laws under which those officers are charged, which regularly favor police and do not often result in

steep criminal accusations.

### In Taylor case, limits of law overcome calls for justice

(AP) - "Arrest the cops who killed Breonna Taylor" became a rallying cry this summer, emblazoned on T-shirts worn by celebrities and sports stars while protesters filled the streets demanding police accountability. In the end, none of the officers were charged with Taylor's killing, although one was indicted for shooting into a neighboring home that had people inside.

The outcome demonstrates the vast disconnect between widespread public expectation of justice and the limits of the law when police use deadly force.

"Criminal law is not meant to respond to every sorrow and grief," Attorney General Daniel Cameron, the first African American elected to the job in Kentucky, told reporters after the grand jury announced its decision on Wednesday. "And that is, that is true here. But my heart breaks for the loss of Miss Taylor."

Taylor, a 26-year-old Louisville emergency medical worker studying to become a nurse, was shot several times in her hallway after three plainclothes narcotics detectives busted down the door of her apartment after midnight on March 13. The officers entered the home as part of an investigation into a suspect who lived across town. No drugs were found at Taylor's home.

Taylor's boyfriend, Kenneth Walker, was with her at the apartment and fired a shot at Louisville police Sgt. Jonathan Mattingly after the door was broken down. Walker has said he fired because he feared he was being robbed or that it might be an ex-boyfriend of Taylor's trying to get in. Mattingly was struck in the leg and returned fire, along with other officers who were outside the apartment.

But the officers who opened fire on Taylor were determined by prosecutors

to be justified in using force because they acted in self defense. The officer who shot into a neighbor's apartment was the one who was charged with a felony. Brett Hankison faces up to five years in prison on each of the three wanton endangerment charges.

The grand jury's decision was swiftly condemned by activists, celebrities and others as a shocking miscarriage of justice. Minutes after the announcement, demonstrators began to march down one of the main Louisville thoroughfares, chanting "No justice, no peace."

"The rallying cries that have been echoing throughout the nation have been once again ignored by a justice system that claims to serve the people," said attorney Ben Crump, who is representing Taylor's family. "But when a justice system only acts in the best interest of the most privileged and whitest among us, it has failed."

### **Taylor**

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General Daniel Cameron said that while the officers had a no-knock warrant, the investigation showed they announced themselves before entering. The warrant used to search her home was connected to a suspect who did not live there, and no drugs were found inside.

Along with the killing of George Floyd in Minnesota, Taylor's case became a major touchstone for nationwide protests that have drawn attention to entrenched racism and demanded police reform. Taylor's image has been painted on streets, emblazoned on protest signs and silk-screened on T-shirts worn by celebrities. Several prominent African American celebrities joined those urging that the officers be charged.

The announcement drew sadness, frustration and anger that the grand jury did not go further. The wanton endangerment charges each carry a sentence of up to five years.

Morgan Julianna Lee, a high school student in Charlotte, North Carolina, watched the announcement at home.

"It's almost like a slap in the face," the 15-year-old said by phone. "If I, as a Black woman, ever need justice, I will never get it."

Gov. Andy Beshear, a Democrat, said he authorized a limited deployment of the National Guard. He also urged Cameron, the state attorney general, to post online all the evidence that could be released without affecting the

charges filed. "Those that are currently feeling frustration, feeling hurt, they deserve to know

more," he said.

The case exposed the wide gulf between public opinion on justice for those who kill Black Americans and the laws under which those officers are charged, which regularly favor police and do not often result in steep criminal accusations.

At a news conference, Cameron spoke to that disconnect: "Criminal law is not meant to respond to every sorrow and grief."

"But my heart breaks for the loss of Miss Taylor. ... My mother, if something was to happen to me, would find it very hard," he added, choking up.

But Cameron, who is the state's first Black attorney general, said the officers acted in self-defense after Taylor's boyfriend fired at them. He added that Hankison and the two other officers who entered Taylor's apartment announced

themselves before entering - and so did not execute the warrant as "no knock," according to the investigation. The city has since banned such warrants.

"According to Kentucky law, the use of force by (Officers Jonathan) Mattingly and (Myles) Cosgrove was justified to protect themselves," he said. "This justification bars us from pursuing criminal charges in Miss Breonna Taylor's death."

Cameron said an FBI crime lab determined that Cosgrove fired the bullet that killed Taylor.

Taylor's boyfriend, Kenneth Walker, opened fire when police burst in, hitting Mattingly. Walker told police he heard knocking but didn't know who was coming in and fired in self-defense.

Cameron, who is a Republican, is a protégé of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and has been tagged by some as his heir apparent. His was also one of 20 names on President Donald Trump's list to fill a future Supreme Court vacancy.

At a news conference, Trump read a statement from Cameron, saying "justice is not often easy." He later tweeted that he was "praying for the two police officers that were shot."

Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden and his running mate, Kamala Harris, are calling for policing reform.

Biden says that while a federal investigation continues, "we do not need to wait for the final judgment of that investigation to do more to deliver justice for Breonna." He said the country should start by addressing excessive force, banning chokeholds and overhauling no-knock

warrants.

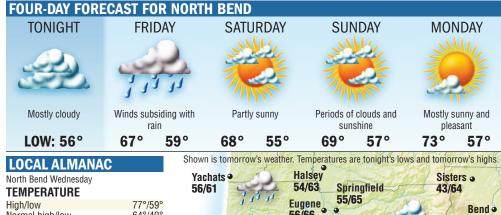
"We must never stop speaking Breonna's name as we work to reform our justice system, including overhauling no-knock warrants," Harris said on Twitter.

Hankison was fired on June 23. A termination letter sent by interim Louisville Police Chief Robert Schroeder said he had violated procedures by showing "extreme indifference to the value of human life" when he "wantonly and blindly" fired his

weapon. Mattingly, Cosgrove and the detective who sought the warrant, Joshua Jaynes, were placed administrative reassignment.

Last week, the city settled a lawsuit against the three officers brought by Taylor's mother, Tamika Palmer, agreeing to pay her \$12 million and enact police reforms.





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High/low	77°/59°
Normal high/low	64°/49°
Record high	90° in 1965
Record low	39° in 1993
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Yesterday	0.55"
Year to date	29.26"
Last year to date	44.68"
Normal year to date	38.57"

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Corvallis	77/59	0.14	63/54/r
Eugene	83/58	0.33	66/57/r
Klamath Falls	78/39	0.00	70/47/pc
La Grande	81/51	0.00	66/49/sh
Medford	85/51	0.00	74/58/c
Newport	66/57	0.85	61/56/r
Pendleton	85/57	0.00	69/52/c
Portland	66/62	0.57	63/57/r
Redmond	80/57	0.00	65/44/c
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Billings	70/52/c	67/44/pc	Honolulu	89/74/s	88/74/pc	Redding	87/61/s	95/70/s
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Des Moines	86/63/s	88/62/pc	Omaha	91/63/s	90/62/pc	Washington, DC	70/63/r	77/67/c
Detroit	79/58/s	81/65/pc	Orlando	90/74/t	91/75/t	W. Palm Beach	87/76/t	89/76/t
El Paso	97/67/s	98/68/s	Philadelphia	77/60/pc	76/64/c	Wichita	89/66/s	90/63/s
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### McConnell, Pelosi vow peaceful transfer of power

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WASHINGTON (AP)

Congressional leaders from both parties, including Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, swiftly pushed back Thursday after President Donald Trump declined to commit to a peaceful transfer of power if he loses the Nov. 3 presidential election.

Trump said during a Wednesday news conference, "We're going to have to see what happens," responding to a question about committing to the results. "You know that I've been complaining very strongly about the ballots, and the ballots are a disaster."

McConnell and other leaders of Trump's Republican Party had no hesitation in committing to an orderly transfer if Trump

loses.

"The winner of the November 3rd election will be inaugurated on January 20th," McConnell said in a tweet. "There will be an orderly transition just as there has been every four years since 1792."

Democrat Pelosi said it was "very sad" the president of the United States was even raising this question. "What would our founders think?" she asked.

"Calm down, Mr. President," Pelosi said at a news conference.

She reminded Trump the U.S. is not North Korea, Russia, Saudi Arabia or other countries with strongman leaders he openly admires.

"You are in the United States of America. It is a democracy," she said. "So why don't you just

try for a moment to honor our oath of office to the Constitution of the United States.'

Pelosi said she has confidence in American voters to cast their votes and choose the president.

Hardly any GOP lawmakers came to the president's defense.

Sen. Lindsey Graham, a Trump ally and chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, told "Fox & Friends" on Thursday, "If Republicans lose we will accept the result. If the Supreme Court rules in favor of Joe Biden, I will accept that result."

Rep. Liz Cheney of Wyoming, a member of the House GOP leadership, tweeted: "The peaceful transfer of power is enshrined in our Constitution and fundamental to the survival of our Republic.

America's leaders swear an oath to the Constitution. We will uphold that oath."

Longtime Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, chairman of the Appropriations Committee said, "Well, we've always had a peaceful transfer of power. That's one of the hallmarks. And I think this

year will be no exception." It is highly unusual that a sitting president would express less than complete confidence in the American democracy's electoral process. But Trump also declined four years ago to commit to honoring the election results if his Democratic opponent, Hillary Clinton, won.

Biden, his current Democratic challenger, was asked about Trump's comment after landing in Wilmington, Delaware, on Wednesday night.

"What country are we in?" Biden asked incredulously, adding: "I'm being facetious. Look, he says the most irrational things. I don't know what to say about it. But it doesn't surprise me."

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice, Prec.-precipitation.

Trump has been pressing a monthslong campaign against mail-in voting this November by tweeting and speaking out critically about the practice. More states are encouraging mail-in voting to keep voters safe during the coronavirus pandemic.

The president, who uses mail-in voting himself, has tried to distinguish between states that automatically send mail ballots to all registered voters and those, like Florida, that send them only to voters who request a mail ballot.

Trump has baselessly claimed widespread mail

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**Background** 

financial decisions and

increased revenue pro-

voting will lead to massive fraud. The five states that routinely send mail ballots to all voters have seen no significant fraud.

"Regardless of how divided our country is right now, when elections are over and winners are declared, we must all commit ourselves to the Constitution and accept the results," tweeted Rep. Steve Stivers, R-Ohio, a former chair of the House Republican campaign arm.

Sen. Mitt Romney, one of the lone GOP voices to cross Trump, referred to an electoral crisis in Europe, tweeting: "Fundamental to democracy is the peaceful transition of power without that, there is Belarus. Any suggestion that a president might not respect this Constitutional guarantee is both unthinkable and unacceptable."

### Revenue

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the pandemic and changing business practices, Oregon stands to take advantage.'

#### Governor Kate Brown's statement

Governor Kate Brown on Sept. 23 issued the following statement about the state's September revenue

"Today's revenue forecast is a testament to the resiliency of Oregonians and to how we — as a state — have been able to manage the COVID-19 pandemic by working together.

"Oregon workers and business owners have

risen to the challenge, by following health and safety guidelines and continuing to go to work, helping our economy to begin recovering from the impacts of this pandemic while preventing large-scale outbreaks. By working together to keep major sectors of the economy open, including construction and manufacturing, we have kept Oregonians working and businesses operating, all while keeping people safe at the same time.

"This does not, however, take away from the massive impact that this disease has had on our communities, particularly its disproportionate impact on Black, Indigenous, People of Color, and Tribal communities and those

dependent on the service economy.

"While revenue projections are up for this biennium, the revenue forecast did not balance our upcoming budget, and we must tread lightly. We still face structural inequities, as well as fluctuations in health care spending related to ongoing COVID-19 response, at the same time we face a serious budget deficit. In addition, many of our critical pandemic response efforts, from testing to personal protective equipment, have been funded with CARES Act funding, which expires at the end of the year. We urgently need congressional action to provide direct help to local governments, businesses and families so

that we can all continue to provide critical services to Oregonians during this

crisis. "Oregon has a history of being smart with our reserves and saving for a rainv day. We cannot abandon this approach in the middle of a pandemic, with cold and flu season rapidly approaching. Or while response and recovery efforts to a historic statewide fire emergency continue, and the costs of those efforts to save homes and lives continues to grow. We must prepare for the costs of continuing to provide critical services in the next biennium — from health care to affordable housing to wildfire readiness and response.

"This year, we must cel-

makers in state agencies

The total amount of

"These sentences reflect 13 different individuals or entities that were victimized by Mr. Bradley-Olson," said Frasier in a press release. "He was ordered to pay restitution to his victims in a total amount of \$22,211.16.

Olson has a past

and private organizations for use in their decision-making processes. The Oregon Revenue Forecast opens the revenue forecasting process to public review. It is the basis for much of the budgeting in state government. The forecast reports are issued four times a year: March, June, September, and

December. See the entire report at https://www.oregon.gov/ das/OEA/Documents/forecast0920.pdf.

### **Fire**

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seeing historic destruction.

"There's all these people getting devastated by fires," Mattecheck said. "Sometimes people don't realize (the impact of that).'

But the Barnes' six-yearold home wasn't burned by wildfire.

"It was just a fluke kind of a thing," Mary Barnes

The family's not sure what exactly started the fire, though investigators believe it was a faulty extension cord. It may have been connected to a refrigerator or freezer on their covered porch, Mary said, but wasn't a smoker

as some neighbors had speculated.

Regardless the cause, the impact is the same the family is devastated. Two of Jim's wheelchairs, their marriage license, their son's death certificate and Mary's truck are all gone

"We're doing OK," Mary said. "We're just kind of at a loss."

For now, the couple is staying in a motel while they work with the Department of Veterans Affairs, which provides Jim benefits because he's a veteran, to find a new place to live. Their friends and family are helping along the way, too.

"That's tremendous what they've all done for us," Mary said.

### Convicted

gree: 13 months in prison, consecutive to all other sentences.

prison time ordered by the court is 212 months.

criminal history, noted

Frasier, including a 2020 conviction for two counts of theft in the second degree and one count of criminal trespass in the second degree a 2016 conviction for assault in the fourth degree a 2012 conviction for burglary in the second degree and a 2011 conviction for unlawful entry into a motor vehicle, two counts of burglary in the first degree and one count of burglary in the second degree.

Bradley-Olson currently has pending charges in the U.S. District Court of alleged federal firearms offenses, according to

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## Heat one win from spot in NBA finals

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Tyler Herro should still be in college. He's not, but is still

He carries a red spiral-bound notebook with him at all times, jotting down notes when things pop into his head. What worked, what didn't, where he thinks he can get better and how he's feeling after a game.

"It helps me get locked in, helps me focus," Herro said.

Whatever he read Wednesday night helped him put together the game of his life — and carry the Miami Heat a win away from the NBA Finals. The 20-year-old Herro scored a Heat rookie-record 37 points and the Heat beat the Boston Celtics 112-109 on Wednesday night in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals.

"He has a great competitive humility about him," Heat coach

Erik Spoelstra said. "He has a confidence. He has a fearlessness that is uncommon. But he's humble enough to work, to be coachable, to take the mentorship from the veteran players that we have on our team, and he just continues to gain more confidence as we go.'

Jimmy Butler scored 24 points, Goran Dragic added 22 and Bam Adebayo — dealing with a bit of shoulder soreness had 20 points and 12 rebounds to help the Heat take a 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven series. They can close it out Friday night in Game 5.

Jayson Tatum scored all 28 of his points in the second half for the Celtics. They erased a double-digit deficit to take a onepoint lead in the fourth — then saw the Heat run away again. Jaylen Brown scored 21 points, Kemba Walker added 20, Gordon Hayward had 14 and Marcus Smart finished with 10 points and 11 assists.

"I didn't score in the first half. That's unacceptable," Tatum said. "I know I have to play better. That's what I tried to do."

Brown's 3-pointer with 16 seconds left cut Miami's lead to 107-104. Herro went to the line 2.1 seconds later and coolly swished a pair, stretching the lead back to five. The Celtics got within two points twice, Butler made a free throw with 1.1 seconds remaining, and Boston - out of timeouts — never got a desperation shot off.

"At the end of the day, we got to find a way," Walker said. "That's really all we can do. We can do it. It's about pride. It's about wanting to do it. Next game we got to come out and show that."

Herro made 14 of 21 shots

from the floor, 5 for 10 from 3-point range and became just the second 20-year-old in NBA playoff history to score at least 37 points in a game. The other: Magic Johnson, who had 42 in Game 6 of the 1980 NBA Finals for the Los Angeles Lakers.

"I feel good about it," Herro said. "There's a lot of work to be done still. We're up 3-1."

And the Heat rookie playoff record was 27 by Dwyane Wade in 2004; it now belongs to Herro, who scored 17 points in the fourth alone.

Daniel Theis scored with 8:44 left to put Boston up 85-84, the Celtics' first lead since 25-24 with 11:19 left in the second quarter. It was Boston's only lead in the second half and it lasted just 16 seconds. Adebayo scored to give Miami the lead, and Herro basically carried the load

"Herro's shot-making tonight was ... the difference in the game," Celtics coach Brad Stevens said. "Jimmy was great late. Adebayo was his typical self. Dragic made some big plays. But Herro was ridiculously good tonight. That rim must have looked like the ocean to him."

The Celtics shot exactly 8-for-20 in each of the first two quarters and that, combined with 11 turnovers, helped the Heat go into the break with a 50-44 lead.

But Tatum's first basket after an 0-for-7 start sparked what became a 6-for-7 finish to the third quarter for him, he had 16 of Boston's 32 points in that period and the Celtics were within 77-76 going into the fourth.

The Heat, behind their youngest player, wouldn't fold.

"Nothing Tyler does surprises me," Adebayo said.

## Rays clinch first AL east title in 10 years

NEW YORK (AP) — Confetti instead of champagne. Silly string instead of beer.

The Tampa Bay Rays, long accustomed to doing more with less, figured out a way to maximize the division-clinching celebration they were allowed to enjoy during a 2020 season shortened by the coronavirus.

Randy Arozarena homered twice and the Rays clinched their first AL East title in 10 years Wednesday night with an 8-5 victory over the New York Mets.

"I'm completely dry right now, which I'm not a huge fan of," center fielder Kevin Kiermaier, the longest-tenured Rays player, said with a grin. "But you have to adapt to what we're asked of."

With teams instructed to celebrate in a muted and socially distant style, the Rays went old school — or maybe elementary school — with their clinching party.

The team filed slowly onto the field after Nick Anderson fanned Andres Gimenez for the final out. A couple of players shot off canisters filled with confetti that eventually dotted the grass and dirt at Citi Field. Hugs and handshakes were exchanged before the Rays doused one another with silly string and lit some cigars in the visiting clubhouse.

Later, hooting and hollering could be heard from the visitors' dugout.

"We're little kids trapped in grown men's bodies," Kiermaier said.

Joey Wendle and Brandon Lowe also went deep for the Rays to back Tyler Glasnow's six solid innings. Tampa Bay will be home at quirky Tropicana Field for a best-of-three first-round playoff series beginning next Tuesday.

### Mariners keep slim playoff hopes alive

SEATTLE (AP) — In what was supposed to be a rebuilding season the Seattle Mariners will go into the final weekend with an outside shot at the postseason.

It's a very slim chance. But for a young team, it's a valuable learning opportunity.

"We're still playing for something. We still have a little bit of a chance and we know that," Seattle's Ty France said. "We're coming out with some fire and just running with it right now."

Nick Margevicius tossed six shutout innings, France drove in a pair of runs and the Mariners kept their slim postseason hopes alive with a 3-2 win over the Houston Astros on Wednesday.

Seattle closed out the home portion of its schedule taking two of three from the Astros and enter the final weekend three back of Houston with four games to play for second place in the AL

It is the third division crown for the thrifty Rays, whose payroll this season is just over \$28 million — more than only the Pittsburgh Pirates and Baltimore Orioles. Tampa Bay, which began play in 1998, also won the AL East, home of two big-spending powers in the Yankees and Red Sox, in 2008 and 2010.

"It feels great to win the division, no matter what division you're in," Kiermaier said. "But especially the American League West. Seattle closes with four games at Oakland, while the Astros go to Texas for four games.

But it's not just Seattle still nipping at the Astros. The Los Angeles Angels won again on Wednesday and are 21/2 games behind the Astros.

It was Seattle's first series win against Houston since Sept. 17-19, 2018, when the Mariners took two of three. The Mariners last series win over the Astros in Seattle was back in April 2016.

"Getting a chance to be around them, and manage them and see it come together, it's really fun," Seattle manager Scott Servais said. "It's fun to be around. They have a good time, they stay loose. But when the game starts its all business."

Houston's Zack Greinke didn't make it through the fifth inning and lost to Seattle for just the second time in nine career starts.

East — it's just a different animal."

After missing a chance to clinch Tuesday, the Rays went into Wednesday again needing just a win or a Yankees loss against Toronto to lock up the division championship.

The Rays (37-20) broke a 2-all tie in the sixth on Arozarena's two-run homer off Michael Wacha and pulled away, taking care of business themselves while New York was routed 14-1 by the Blue Jays.

"At the end of the day, a clinch is a clinch," said Wendle, who homered in the second. "But to do it on a win - everybody's kind of riding the high of winning the game along with the division. We didn't want to see it come down to them losing a game."

Tampa Bay also is closing in on wrapping up the top record in the AL and the No. 1 seed in the playoffs.

Lowe, who had an RBI fielder's choice in the third, hit a two-run homer in the eighth. Willy Adames added an RBI single later in the inning and Arozarena homered again in the ninth.

The insurance came in handy for the Rays when the Mets scored three times off Oliver Drake in the ninth — via an RBI groundout by Robinson Cano and a two-run homer by Todd Frazier — before Anderson closed the door.

"I think we had the game pretty much in control (and) certainly recognized what was going on in Buffalo, but I don't know if you can ever prepare for a moment like that — it's pretty special," Rays manager Kevin Cash said.

Glasnow (5-1) allowed two runs on three hits and one walk with eight strike-

Gimenez and Dominic Smith homered off Glasnow in the final home game of the season for the Mets, whose long-shot playoff hopes were further damaged with

With four games to play, New York is three behind Miami for second place in the NL East — with Philadelphia in between. The Mets are 3 1/2 games out of a wild-card spot.

### Pro Picks: Florida teams to battle

The idea has merit: Take teams you don't expect to be in the playoff chase and stick them in prime time early in the

schedule. That's what the NFL has done by placing Cincinnati at Cleveland last week, and this Thursday night, it's Jacksonville hosting Miami. Denver and the Jets get the honor next week before some of the big boys take the stage.

That doesn't mean Dolphins-Jaguars will be a total dud. Miami has been somewhat competitive in division losses to New England and Buffalo. Jacksonville, led by the dynamic play of quarterback Gardner Minshew, has been a whole lot more than that, stunning Indianapolis and falling at Tennessee late in the game.

Jacksonville, ranked 19th in the AP Pro32, has a sieve of a defense. So does No. 27

"I think there's been some opportunities for us to make plays and we haven't made them — a couple of dropped interceptions, lost edges, a couple of missed tackles," Dolphins coach Brian Flores said. 'There's never just one thing, but I think we've had some opportunities. We need to take advantage of them.

"We try to stress how important every play is because you never know which one is going to be the one that changes momentum or makes a shift in the game."

North Florida is a 2 1-2-point favorite over South Beach ...

JAGUARS, 30-27 KNOCKOUT POOL: Buffalo and Green Bay kept us going in the first two weeks. It's the

turn of INDIANAPOLIS now. New York Jets (plus 10 1-2) at Indianapolis: The Indiana Hoosiers probably would be favored over the inept and banged-up Jets ... BEST BET: COLTS, 31-13

Los Angeles Rams (plus 3) at Buffalo: By far the toughest opponent the Bills have faced in September ... UPSET SPE-CIAL: RAMS, 26-20

Dallas (plus 5) at Seattle: Both defenses took punishment last week. More of the same ... SEAHAWKS, 36-34

Green Bay (plus 3) at New Orleans: The Pack has been dynamic in wins over division rivals. Not so easy in the Big Easy ... SAINTS, 30-29

Kansas City (plus 3 1-2) at Baltimore, Monday night: The Ravens are the more complete team right now. January might be different ... RAVENS, 34-28

Las Vegas (plus 6) at New England: No way the Raiders can be as stoked as they were for a home-opening win over the Saints ... PATRIOTS, 24-

Detroit (plus 5 1-2) at Ari-

zona: This line should be much higher, which scares us away from Best Bet ... CARDI-NALS, 28-18

Houston (plus 3 1-2) at Pittsburgh: Another strangely low line, but this one doesn't scare

us ... STEELERS, 23-16 San Francisco (minus 4) at New York Giants: The Niners were bothered by the turf at the Meadowlands in a win over Jets. The turf might be their biggest nuisance again ... 49ERS, 20-17

Tampa Bay (minus 6) at Denver: Denver has been struck by a bunch of injuries ... **BUCCANEERS**, 23-14

Washington (plus 7) at Cleveland: Cleveland made a nice turnaround vs. Cincinnati. Washington made the opposite turnaround ... BROWNS,

Cincinnati (plus 6) at Philadelphia: It's already getting ugly in the City of Brotherly Blame, uh, Love ... EAGLES, 20-17Chicago (plus 3 1-2) at Atlanta: How many onside kicks should the Bears try in the ATL? ... FALCONS, 33-30

Carolina (plus 7) at Los Angeles Chargers: The Panthers have been far more competitive than predicted. It's early ... CHARGERS, 28-13

Tennessee (minus 2 1-2) at Minnesota: Are the Vikings really this bad? We need more convincing ... TITANS, 20-19

### Chara goal gives Timbers win

PORTLAND (AP) — Yimmi Chara scored in the opening minutes and the Portland Timbers went on to beat Pacific Northwest rival Seattle 1-0 on Wednesday night.

It was the first time two sets of brothers played against each other in MLS history: Yimmi and Diego Chara for Portland, and Alex and Cristian Roldan for Seattle.

"You want to score in these type of matches, that's one of the reasons they brought me here," Yimmi Chara said afterward through a translator.

The Sounders (6-3-3) peppered Portland goalkeeper Steve Clark with shots but couldn't score, snapping a two-game winning streak. Clark made six saves.

The Timbers (6-4-3) were coming off a 6-1 victory over the Earthquakes in San Jose on Saturday. It was the team's most goals ever in a regular season game. "Overall the commitment of

the group to make sure that we got a strong win today was there, and it was outstanding," Timbers coach Giovanni Savarese said. "Very important three points for us against a good team."

The Sounders, who top the Western Conference, were coming off a 3-0 win at home against LAFC on Friday.

Yimmi Chara scored in the 13th minute, giving the Timbers the lead in a steady downpour at Providence Park. The younger Chara brother has three goals in his last three games.

Raul Ruidiaz had what looked like a clear shot in the 36th minute with Clark on the ground, but it hit the side net.

Ruidiaz has eight goals in 12 regular-season games to lead the Sounders this season. He has seven goals in seven career matches against the Timbers.

"It was a tough game. You could really tell this game meant a lot to both teams," said Seattle midfielder Gustav Svensson, who was subbed in at the half. "A lot of tackles, a lot of duels."

Svensson returned to the Sounders from quarantine after international duty with Sweden.

Portland was hurt in the 74th minute when forward Jeremy Ebobisse went down with what appeared to be an injury to his right leg and was subbed out of the game. The extent of the injury was not known. Earlier this month Timbers midfielder Sebastian Blanco tore his ACL and will miss the rest of the season.

It was the third meeting this season between the two teams. Portland won the last match 2-1 in Seattle on Sept. 6.

It was the 110th all-time meeting between the two teams dating back to 1975 when both teams were part of the NASL.