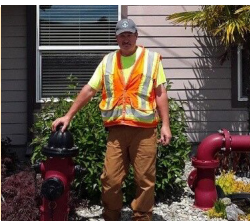


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A man grabs a Black Lives Matter sign from a car that was driving slowly through a crowd of people, there to defend their community from expected Antifa protestors.

# Local economy takes a tumble

Recent figures show 18.8% unemployment rate in Coos County

ZACH SILVA  
The World

COOS COUNTY — The Coos County economy took a tumble in April due to the response to the new coronavirus pandemic, just like other states across the nation.

According to information released by the State of Oregon Employment Department last week, Coos County recorded an 18.8% unemployment rate in April.

In March, pre-COVID-19, the unemployment rate in the county was at 4.9%.

Since that time, almost 4,000 people were added to unemployment in Coos County. Across the country the unemployment rate rose to 14.4% in May while Oregon's rate went to 14.8%.

Some of the coastal counties were hit the hardest with Lincoln County at a 25.8% unemployment rate and Clatsop County at 24.3%.

"Clearly this is a coastal issue and it's because of our tourism economy. So much of what has been shut down are tourist-based businesses. And nobody is encouraging the tourists to come back right now, I don't think this is going to be a quick rebound for us, unfortunately," said Coos County Commissioner Melissa Cribbins.

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# Portland curfew is lifted

PORTLAND (AP) — Protests in Portland, Oregon, were largely peaceful on Tuesday night as thousands of people held a massive rally downtown, but several hundred people broke away at the end of the event, prompting police to use flash-bang grenades and tear gas to break up the crowd.

Police Chief Jami Resch said on a video posted on Twitter late Tuesday that the small group of protestors tried to tear down a fence protecting a building that holds police headquarters and a jail and some in the crowd threw bottles, bats and fireworks at officers. Police declared an unlawful assembly in that area and moved in to break up the crowd.

"Officers will continue to defend themselves, others and the critical infrastructure and preserve life and safety," she said.

The violence came after an hours-long peaceful event that began with thousands of people crossing a major bridge over the Willamette River and then lying down in unison for nine minutes to signify the amount of time that a white Minneapolis police officer kept his knee pressed to the neck of George Floyd, a handcuffed black man who later died.

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# Stopping a rumored riot

JILLIAN WARD  
The World

COQUILLE — Nearly 200 locals, some armed, waited outside Coos County Courthouse ready to meet buses of rioters.

As of 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday, those buses never arrived.

The Coos County Sheriff's Office said it was inundated with reports that three buses holding Antifa would arrive at the courthouse at 8 p.m., an "anti-fascist" political protest movement currently being blamed for the violence across the nation. Small cities throughout the state and country are reportedly getting similar false reports of Antifa arriving in buses.

Meanwhile, that same evening, a handful of peaceful protestors stood with Black Lives Matter signs, echoing the same words of demonstrators across the nation have been saying since the recent murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

That message: "The point is, the United States watched a black man get murdered on camera ... All lives matter, but the focus is on black lives because they are being treated unfairly for the color of their skin," said one Black Lives Matter protestor Tuesday night, while standing on a corner across from the courthouse.

This person's name was



Amy Moss Strong, The World

Officer Cooper with the Oregon State Police, Coos Bay division, stood by fully geared up to help in Coquille if things got out of control.

removed at their request because they received alleged death threats due to their participation

in the protest. A number of the people in attendance openly carried guns,

stating they wanted to protect businesses from being destroyed or law enforcement from being harmed like they had seen in the news.

Those holding Black Lives Matter signs stated the guns were upsetting because it took the spotlight away from why the peaceful protests are being held.

"...When people tell us someone is coming to our hometown, after hearing threats and reading them online, I feel defensive and want to protect my home," said one bystander, Timothy Robi-nette.

Coos County Sheriff's Office, issued a press release prior to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, informing the public that in the span of 36 hours CCSO received multiple calls from local citizens, businesses and outside organizations that a potential peaceful protest would be held. The release said there was the "possibility of (the protest) being used as a cover for possibly planned unlawful activities" that would threaten public property.

In response to these calls, the CCSO shared the information with area law enforcement to plan and coordinate "an appropriate response to any peaceful and/or unlawful activities," the release said, adding that, "Unlawful activity, including threat

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# High school grapples with tragedy

17-year-old Ian Spalding last seen Sunday after falling in accident

ZACH SILVA  
The World

NORTH BEND — In an effort to support students, North Bend High School reopened its doors on Tuesday after a tragic event over the weekend.

On Sunday night 17-year-old Ian Spalding, a junior at North Bend High School, fell off rocks near Norton Gulch and has not been seen since. Crews including the Coast Guard, Charleston fire and rescue and the Coos County Sheriff's office searched on Sunday night and Monday before

officials suspended the search on Monday afternoon.

Divers were deployed on Tuesday morning and friends and family continued searching.

Hoping to provide students with support, North Bend High School established online student supports on Monday and invited students to its care rooms in-person on Tuesday.

"In response to this tragic event, we reached out to staff, parents and students virtually and in writing to do our best to support them. This afternoon we offered a virtual care room hosted by a few of our counselors and school psychologists," said North Bend School District superintendent Kevin Bogatin in an email on Monday.

"We will have high school and

crisis counselors available, along with staff to support students as they express their worry and grief. Food will be provided at noon for students still on campus."

North Bend High School received word from the state that allowed the school to open its doors. With a couple dozen students at school at any given time, the goal was to be a place of comfort for students.

"Well, for us it's just trying to be a positive presence. Letting them know that we recognize the need to grieve right now," said North Bend Principal Darrell Johnston. "When somebody is missing, that's grief. You know, and you miss them and we acknowledge that. The message is that it's OK to experience pain

and it's OK to talk to somebody about it."

With students receiving support, Johnston noted that there is an extra layer of difficulty with students not all being on campus.

"Well, of course these are really challenging times and it's tough facing them without the support of school," he said. "They do still have their family, of course, but under normal circumstances kids are able to access counselors, grief and support rooms."

Because this event is occurring during COVID-19, the school has made adjustments to ensure the safety of students.

"We've got extra hand wash stations, we've got masks available for everybody. We're doing

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**AMANDA LINARES**  
The World

"I dialed 911 and put the phone on speaker and stuck on top of the car,"

As the baby was recovering, still in Rethwisch's arms wrapped in his sweatshirt, he said he checked on the mother's vitals and she appeared to be okay. A crew of first-responders arrived on scene shortly after the 911 call was placed at about 10:30 a.m.

Paramedics clamped and



Lakeside Water District employee Paul Rethwish poses outside the office Tuesday. The utility worker helped a Lakeside woman last month who just given birth on the side of the road.

cut the umbilical cord and took the baby to the back of the ambulance where he

was said to be in good condition as well as his mother, according to Rethwish.

The two reunited in the ambulance, which drove off, and what felt like it

Although, he said he's heard that the baby is doing well, he said if given the opportunity to talk with the mother he'd have this to say to her: "Thank you for letting me be a part of such a special moment."

**CHERYL UPSHAW**  
The World

COOS BAY — The Coos Bay City Council voted to hold off on collecting tourism fees from the Coquille Indian Tribe.

The council voted unanimously to waive the contributions from the tribe to the Coos Bay/ North Bend Visitor's and Convention Bureau, or VCB, for the third quarter of this year. The VCB is an

The fees collected in

For the tribe, Benetti said, belonging to VCB is a voluntary choice. The group agreed to pay a portion of its room taxes to the VCB, but was not obligated to do so.

It was suggested that by allowing the tribe to waive

According to Joe Monahan, manager of the Best Western, allowing the tribe to waive their contribution to the VCB was unfair to local hotels. In a letter submitted to the council, he argued that because the tribe benefitted from the promotional efforts of the VCB, they should “pay their fair share.” The letter was the sole public comment on the item.

Benetti spoke at length about his disagreement with the statement and personal disappointment in Monahan for making it. Benetti argued that because the tribe did extensive advertising outside of its contributions to the VCB, they had also benefitted local hotels. He

The waiver passed unanimously after several council members voiced their appreciation for the tribe's contributions to the community.



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# POLICE LOG

Forgery II, Possession of a Schedule I Substance and Criminal Trespass I. He was cited and released.

At 2:40 p.m. on 3158 Sherman Ave, Chantelle Mrkonich, 30, was arrested for alleged Theft II and Criminal Trespass I. They were cited and released.

At 4:33 p.m. on Newmark and Student Way, Melvin Leshner, 57, was

arrested for alleged violation of a restraining order. Leshner was transported to Coos County Jail.

## Criminal Trespass

At 7:32 a.m. on 230 E Johnson Ave, at Safeway, Stephen Branton, 68, was arrested for alleged Criminal Trespassing and Shoplifting. He was cited in lieu of custody.

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The image is a wide banner for Bay Clinic, LLP. On the left side, there is a logo consisting of a blue stylized 'B' icon made of three curved segments. To the right of the icon, the text 'Bay Clinic, LLP' is written in a large, bold, white serif font. Below this, 'Physicians and Surgeons' is written in a smaller, white sans-serif font. The right portion of the banner features a photograph of the clinic building. It is a modern, single-story structure with light-colored horizontal siding and large windows. There are several solar panels mounted on the roof. A covered entrance is visible on the right side of the building. The building is surrounded by greenery and trees. In the foreground, there is a parking lot with some plants in pots. At the bottom of the banner, a dark blue horizontal bar contains the contact information in white text: '541-269-0333 • 1750 Thompson Road, Coos Bay • www.bayclinic.net'.

# 5 environmental citations issued

**CHERYL UPSHAW**  
The World

COOS COUNTY — The Oregon Dept. of Environmental quality issued five citations in Coos County this year, totaling nearly \$50,000. These included two air quality violations, two water citations and an issue involving a storage tank.

**Knife River Materials**  
Knife River Materials was issued multiple citations related to the Kenstone Quarry in North Bend. On Jan. 22, the company was alerted to \$18,000 in fines. These fines were related to issues with the quarry’s storm water “turbidity,” or cloudiness, and failure to submit a corrective action plan. The site was also cited, but not fined, for problems with record-keeping and for submitting an inaccurate

report.  
According to the citation, the sediment in the storm water could harm fish and other organisms, as well as lowering the water quality in the nearby creek.  
The storm water was tested in December of 2018. First, the water upstream of the facility was tested, then the water downstream was tested. There were 78 times the number of particulates downstream compared to upstream.  
Also according to the citation, the company was alerted to the problem and given 30 days to submit a plan to fix it. They did not submit a plan. Further, they did not keep records of their education program or complete records of their containment system and pond inspections.  
Further, the citation states that the company

submitted an annual report which contained the results of discharge monitoring and results from an outside laboratory. The results in the report did not match the results from the outside lab.  
The company paid the fine in full, according to DEQ. The World did reach out to Knife River Materials, but did not receive a response in time for publication.  
**Roseburg Forest Products**  
On April 24, Roseburg Forest Products was issued a \$22,800 fine for alleged air quality issues with its facility in Coquille. The citation states that “opacity limits” were exceeded on two separate days close to a month apart. This means that the emissions from the facility’s boiler contained more pollutants than were allowed, as measured by

the DEQ.  
Specifically, when the boiler’s emissions were measured, they exceeded the limit by at least 10%. In two measurements from June 22, 2019, the boiler’s emissions were 97.2%, which is nearly five times the limit allowed by the facility’s permit.  
According to the DEQ, the company paid the fine in full. The World reached out to Roseburg Forest Products but did not receive a response in time for publication.  
**The City of Coquille**  
The water citation was issued to the City of Coquille on March 3 for allegedly allowing too many pollutants to discharge from the city’s wastewater plant. The penalty for this infraction was \$3,600.  
The pollutants were measured by how many pounds of suspended solids

were measured in the effluent, or liquid waste. Different days have different limits on this measurement, but the city allegedly exceeded the various limits 15 times between February 24, 2019 and January 12, 2020.  
The city paid the fine in full, according to DEQ.  
**O’Bryan Market**  
On January 3, O’Bryan Market, in North Bend, was issued a citation for alleged violations involving underground storage tanks. The company was issued a \$2,003 fine.  
According to the citation, the company was late in submitting training records and had not submitted proof of insurance. Also according to the citation, “permittees must demonstrate that they have the financial resources to pay the costs of cleaning up a release of petroleum and for compensating third

parties for damages caused by the release.”  
According to the DEQ, the company did not appeal the citation. It is past the deadline for the company to submit an appeal.  
**Donald Repplinger**  
On April 24, Donald Repplinger of Sheridan was issued a citation for burning a demolished travel trailer in Coos Bay. The burning occurred on Dec. 6, 2018. According to the citation, the materials allegedly burned by Repplinger included “plastics, wire insulation and other manmade materials that emit dense smoke or noxious odors when burned.” Repplinger was fined \$1,800.  
According to the citation, the open burning of these types of materials is prohibited at all times in the state of Oregon. Repplinger appealed the fine, according to the DEQ.

# Coos Bay Visitor Information Center reopens

**AMANDA LINARES**  
The World

COOS BAY — After being closed for about three months, the Visitor Information Center, located on 50 Central Avenue, in downtown Coos Bay is reopening its doors.  
According to Janice Langlinais, executive director of the Coos Bay-North Bend Visitor & Convention Bureau, the center reopened this week in conjunction with the 2020 Downtown Coos Bay Farmers Market, which kicks off its season on June 3.  
“The center is one of those support services to the Farmers Market,” said Langlinais. “Residents and visitors who go to the market often stop by the visitor’s center to use its bathrooms, wash their hands or to pick up information and ask our volunteers for advice or

suggestions.”  
With assistance from the City of Coos Bay, Langlinais said the center has implemented new safety protocols and guidelines to keep folks who come inside safe against any potential exposure related to the new coronavirus.  
The center has installed a new Plexiglas frame around its service counter to keep volunteers and visitors protected, posted signage of the new rules, increased its sanitation of the center and prepackaged sets of local brochures for people to grab and go.  
An extended sign-in sheet for contact tracing has also been placed inside the center, suspension of sampling and merchandise will be placed in the back and pulled upon request. Volunteers and staff will be equipped with personal protective gear and will wear face masks.

Visitors are encouraged to wear face coverings as well and to social distance themselves from others, said Langlinais.  
“Cheryl Crockett, the Manager of the Coos Bay Information Center, has spent these last three months getting our center ready for volunteers and visitors to return,” Langlinais said in a press release. “She conducted and oversaw a deep clean of the entire center, and used her incredible creativity for the signage around the center alerting visitors to changes that have been made.”  
While the center was closed to the general public over the past three months, Langlinais said folks at the center were still fielding phone calls and emails answering people’s traveling questions and whether or not restaurants, lodging facilities and shops were

reopened.  
“We expect that the county will move into Phase 2 reopening this week and we’re hoping that would include some lifting of some of our travel restrictions,” she said. “.... Really we’re actively promoting and advertising for our more of our local residents to be travelers here within the county.”  
Local travelling is also encouraged from neighboring counties including Curry and coastal Douglas counties, Langlinais added.  
With safety being its top priority, Langlinais said the center is doing all it can to mitigate and minimize the spread of the new coronavirus and to keep its volunteers and patrons safe. A balancing act, officials at the visitor center are conscious of all the safety precautions related to COVID-19 as well as the need and importance of re-

opening the local economy and the tourism industry.  
Like so many people and businesses, the tourism industry has never been through anything like this before, said Langlinais. Looking to the future, she said she hopes the industry can make a safe, slow and steady comeback to bring back local jobs and to do so without endangering others and going through another

economic shutdown.  
“Tourism is really big for our economy here,” said Langlinais. “Visitors spend \$260 to \$275 million in our county every year and that’s a lot of money. It supports a lot of jobs so we need to make sure that we are remembering that (the tourism industry) is about economic development for our communities and not just fun and games.”

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# 3 new virus deaths, 33 new cases

The World

PORTLAND — COVID-19 has claimed three more lives in Oregon, raising the state’s death toll to 157, the Oregon Health Authority reported Tuesday.  
Oregon Health Authority reported 33 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 as of 12:01 a.m. Tuesday, bringing the state total to 4,335.  
The new cases are in the following counties: Benton (1), Hood River (4), Lincoln (2), Linn (1), Marion (8), Multnomah (10), Umatilla (1), Wasco (2), Washington (4).  
Oregon’s 155th COVID-19 death is a 36-year-old woman in Multnomah County, who tested positive on May 31

and died the same day at Adventist Hospital. She had underlying medical conditions.  
Oregon’s 156th COVID-19 death is a 66-year-old woman in Multnomah County, who tested positive on April 1 and died on May 22 at her residence. She had underlying medical conditions.  
Oregon’s 157th COVID-19 death is an 81-year-old woman in Washington County, who tested positive on April 6 and died on May 26 at her residence. She had underlying medical conditions.  
**Outbreak reported at Bob’s Red Mill**  
An outbreak of 13 COVID-19 cases has been reported at Bob’s Red Mill in Clackamas County.

State and county public health officials are working to investigate the outbreak and protect the health of workers. The outbreak investigation started on May 27.  
The risk to the general public from this outbreak is low. If you have questions or concerns about your risk of exposure, please contact your health care provider.  
Additional information about this outbreak will be added to the COVID-19 Weekly Report published tomorrow.  
Last week, OHA announced that it will begin reporting large COVID-19 outbreaks in workplaces. This will include all past and future outbreaks that involve five or more COVID-19 cases


in a workplace setting. OHA is in the process of compiling information on past outbreaks for public disclosure.  
OHA is now including a link to the Oregon COVID- Daily Update in the daily news release. The Daily Update is a detailed look at COVID-19 in Oregon, including testing data, hospital capacity,

Some of you might remember me- Patti Leonard, who grew up here. My dad Bud Leonard, created some model ships for people in this area.

My dad always promised to make one for me, but died before he could do so. I am very anxious to purchase one and would love to hear from anyone willing to sell one.

Please contact me Patti Smith at 325-248-5087

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### GUEST OPINION

#### Taking a knee: justice vs. murder

Colin Kaepenick was right. In 2016 as a 49er quarterback he refused to stand during playing of the national anthem at a pre-season NFL football game. When asked why, Kaepernick responded: “I am not going to stand up to show pride in a flag for a country that oppresses black people and people of color.”

For this he was called a “traitor” and received countless death threats. He also was removed as quarterback and has not played since.

When asked whom he was protesting for, Kaepernick said, “I couldn’t see another ‘hashtag Sandra Bland, hashtag Tamir Rice, hashtag Walter Scott, hashtag Eric Garner.” Now we can add “hashtag George Floyd” of Minneapolis to the list.

Kaepernick then precisely said, “Police shouldn’t be able to kill unarmed black people without consequence.” Everything Kaepernick laid out four years ago is still happening.

Blacks have become the new Jews. For millennia Jews were the scapegoats for what was wrong in society because they were different. Blacks are the scapegoats in this society because they were slaves.

The United States has never truly owned up to our 400 year-old slave history. Schools with a preponderance of blacks in them are under-funded. Blacks suffered disproportionately worse in the COVID-19 epidemic due to poverty forced upon them.

We cheer black professional athletes on and underfund programs to feed kids which affect black kids more than white. It was no accident that Trump kept harping on the “brown” invasion on our borders in 2016. He then threw immigrants who wanted to be part of this country into concentration camps and separated the kids from their parents.

Blacks and people of color have been used as scapegoats and threats in political campaigns. Willy Horton and the black “welfare queens” were used as weapons in past presidential elections.

I will still stand when the national anthem is played, but I will also remember that we are still treating blacks and people of color as less than whites in our legal system and society. All people are not created nor treated equally in this country.

Kaepernick took a knee for justice under the law of the land. The policeman in Minneapolis took a knee for murder and anarchy.

**Ralph Mohr**  
Coos Bay

#### Opening too soon

I would like to respond to Joseph Byrne’s Guest Opinion of May 28, 2020. I agree wholeheartedly. I have felt the same and have noticed the same things in Bandon.

As a resident, I went to Gov. Kate Brown’s website recently, after Memorial Day weekend. I stated the facts — being a Bandon resident reacting to Kate Brown’s statement that she was so happy that Oregonians were following the stay home request ... I said not true! In Bandon there are lots of non-Oregonian license plates, people are not social distancing and not wearing masks. Oh My! The trolls had a field day with that, calling me a “tattler” and other rude names.

So, I am hoping that people reading the newspaper will be more rational than internet users on Kate Brown’s website ....

The recent numbers in the U.S. hitting 100,000 deaths from COVID just makes me want to vomit. This is appalling for the USA. We will only continue to add to these numbers, with early opening, to make a buck off tourists “that just wanna get away from their dull, boring COVID restrictions.”

Appalling for Oregon to open too soon and cause more deaths, and appalling for Bandon to open too soon and cause more deaths in Coos County.

I am using open hiking paths; hikers are polite! But the Bandon Boardwalk — forget it! Tourists here too early, with kids and dogs running on Boardwalk and no masks.

**Jill Mortenson**  
Bandon

#### Politicizing protests postpones healing

Every reading person knows that history is replete with examples of mindless opportunism undermining legitimate causes or undertakings.

To make the recent protests a partisan issue further postpones or cancels the healing and recovery that needs to occur in America following the recent racial atrocities. A thinking, reflective person would surely recognize that often unintended consequences destroy the purity of doing the right thing. Attempts to sow good seed do not exclude the bad.

I am not a primary source in terms of what political affiliation the looters ascribe. I doubt Mr. Woods of North Bend is either. I should, however, remind him that Republicans own skateboards too. As a matter of fact, I’ve seen several at MAGA rallies.

**Janine King**  
Coos Bay



## ON THIS DAY in Coos County history

### 100 YEARS June 3, 1920

#### Auto Dealers Discuss Gasoline No Provisions Made For Using Private Cars Will Ask that an Embargo be Placed on Foreign Shipments – Wire Portland Meeting

Last evening in the Chamber of Commerce rooms the auto dealers of Marshfield held a meeting to discuss the situation in regards to the gasoline shortage. The 10,000 gallons of gasoline additional that is being shipped to Marshfield by the Standard Oil makes a total of 26,000 gallons for this section during the month of June.

That, Mr. Todd, of the Standard Oil Company here, claims, is ample to take care of the commercial needs and industries will not be crippled. However it does not relieve the touring car situation and no provision has been made for them.

### 50 YEARS June 3, 1970

#### Coos-Curry Police Study Announced

A comprehensive law enforcement study for Coos and Curry counties was announced Tuesday at a noon meeting of the two-county Law Enforcement Council.

Plans for the study were outline by Frank Freeman, Coos-Curry Council of Government director. Appointed to make the study was George Lavios, CCC-OG planner.

Coos Bay Police Chief Rollic

Peaen agreed with the need for the study. Peaen, co-chairman of the Law Enforcement Council, emphasized the urgent need to understand the type of overall law enforcement program the two-county area requires.

#### Benefit Dance to Help Boy By Dawn Peseau, Staff Writer

Skipper, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Barrone of Reedsport, is the subject of a determined effort on the part of friends, neighbors and townspeople to overcome and defeat the tragic handicaps of cerebral palsy. Volunteers enlisted by the boy’s mother have signed up for the duration in a program of exercise and manipulation in the hope that unused and undeveloped motor control centers of a damaged brain will be stimulated to normal functioning.

Four time each day, with regularity and precision, volunteer hands manipulate helpless limbs in a series of exercises which are developed into a program. The method is called “patterning.” The objective, as explained by Mrs. Barrone, is to encourage unused brain cells to take over the function of motor control which failed to develop at Skipper’s birth.

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#### County inmate tries to hang himself By Carl Mickelson, Staff Writer

A Coquille man attempted suicide by hanging himself May 22 while serving out his sentence

in the Coos County jail.

According to Coos County Sheriff’s Office jail manager, Lt. Brent Cook, Deputy Dan Mackey went into the cell of John Steven Weir, 47, around 11:40 a.m. and found Weir suffocating from a rope-like contrivance fashioned from a shower towel and laundry sack.

“It was during the lunch period,” Cook said. “The deputy went to serve him his meal in his cell. He was in his bunk, unconscious. His face was red and he didn’t appear to be breathing.”

#### Chip truck overturns

A chip truck overturned on state Highway 42 five miles west of Remote Thursday afternoon, delaying traffic for several hours.

According to a press release for the Oregon Department of Transportation, at approximately 3:54 p.m., a work crew responded to the scene to clean up the accident. The driver of the vehicle was not injured in the accident. The truck blocked the westbound lane of traffic, while the eastbound lane remained open. ODOT flaggers guided traffic around the accident scene.

According to an Oregon State Police press release, the driver of the vehicle, Daniel B. Jordan, 41, of Coos Bay, was cited for violation of basic rule..

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# Christian Cooper Showed Us the Awesome Power of Self-Control

I come here not to condemn Amy Cooper, the white woman who called police and falsely claimed that an African American man named Christian Cooper was attacking her, but rather to praise Christian Cooper, who had done nothing more than ask her to leash her dog. The confrontation happened in New York’s Central Park, where dogs are supposed to be kept on leashes.

National media pounced on this tale of two unrelated Coopers, captured by Christian on video. The easy storyline focused on a clash between an evil racist and a blameless black victim. Christian had been out in the park bird-watching, of all things.

But there’s a far bigger message here. Our society is full of Amy Coopers. There are not many Christian Coopers.

A lesser man would have lost patience, to put it mildly, with a woman bent on racial intimidation. Amy told Christian, “I’m going to tell them there’s an African American man threatening my life.”

Amy was engaged in a clear act of extortion, indicating she would put Christian at risk of grave harm should the arriving police buy into her falsehoods. That same day, police in Minneapolis virtually executed an African American

accused only of trying to pass a fake \$20 bill.

But Christian calmly told her to go ahead and call the police. All the while, he urged Amy to not get close to him, making obvious who was the aggressor.

This story had a happy ending. The New York City police acted professionally, quickly figuring out what occurred. The dog, which the video showed Amy had lifted by the collar, was taken away by animal rescue. The financial services company Amy worked for immediately fired her.

Social media are rife with videos of our Amy Coopers abusing bystanders of color. We see Hilary Brooke Mueller in St. Louis officiously blocking a black man from entering the condominium building in which he rented a unit. She demanded to see his key fob. There was Teresa Klein, who called police from a Brooklyn deli, falsely accusing a young black boy of groping her rear end. (The boy of 9 was later spotted outside crying.) In California, a gas station employee is shown yelling at a customer for speaking Spanish -- one of numerous videos of whites harassing Latino



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shoppers conversing in their native language.

For some reason, these harassers are almost all female. Their voices are edged with hysteria, and they don’t seem entirely well in the head. Frankly, they are not unlike the creeps now trying to bully and mock others for wearing masks.

Not only did Christian Cooper keep his cool but he also urged the social media audience to stop sending Amy death threats. “I think her apology is sincere,” the former Marvel Comics editor told CNN.

He had totally sized up the situation. While Amy may not consider herself a racist, he added, “that particular act was definitely racist.” And showing an amazing amount of generosity, he allowed that she was in a stressful situation. What she did was “you know, maybe a moment of spectacularly poor judgement.”

We live in a time when self-control remains in short supply and is downright devalued by many civic leaders. On the contrary, public displays of anger are encouraged. Thus, you see outlandish reactions to small requests to follow simple rules.

Some of the undisciplined turn violent, their responses utterly out of proportion to what was asked of them.

Christian refused to be sucked into the vortex, even when mightily provoked. How many of us in his situation would step back as he did and shame awful behavior with humanity?

That made Christian Cooper more a hero than Amy Cooper was a villain.

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# Trump says GOP is pulling convention from North Carolina

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — President Donald Trump said he is seeking a new state to host this summer’s Republican National Convention after North Carolina refused to guarantee the event could be held in Charlotte without restrictions because of ongoing concerns over the coronavirus.

Trump announced the news via tweet Tuesday night, complaining the state’s governor, Democrat Roy Cooper, and other officials “refuse to guarantee that we can have use of the Spectrum Arena” and were not “allowing us to occupy the arena as originally anticipated and promised.”

“Because of @NC\_Governor, we are now forced to seek another State to host the 2020 Republican National Convention,” he wrote.

Trump and the Republican National Committee had been demanding that the convention be allowed to move forward with a full crowd and no face cover-

ings — raising alarms in a state that is facing an upward trend in its virus cases, with about 29,900 cumulative cases and 900 deaths as of Tuesday. Around 700 COVID-19 patients are currently hospitalized. Mecklenburg County, where Charlotte is located, accounted for 4,500 cases — more than double the next-highest county — and nearly 100 deaths.

“We have been committed to a safe RNC convention in North Carolina and it’s unfortunate they never agreed to scale down and make changes to keep people safe,” Cooper tweeted in response to the decision. “Protecting public health and safety during this pandemic is a priority.”

A traditional GOP convention brings together roughly 2,500 delegates, the same number of alternate delegates and many times more guests, journalists and security personnel. Officials in both parties have been preparing contingency plans for months given the uncertainty

and dangers posed by the virus and evolving restrictions on large gatherings meant to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Trump’s announcement came after a call with Cooper Friday in which the president had told Cooper he wanted a traditional convention with a packed arena full of delegates — and with no face coverings to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

During the call, when Trump “insisted on a full convention arena with no face coverings and no social distancing the governor expressed concerns and suggested a scaled back event with fewer attendees,” Cooper spokeswoman Sadie Weiner wrote in an email. “They agreed to continue talking about ways to have a safe convention in Charlotte.”

But Cooper made clear to Trump that those conditions would likely be impossible to accommodate given the status of the epidemic in his state, and formalized

that Tuesday in a letter to the RNC on the eve of a Wednesday deadline set by the GOP for assurances from Cooper that he would allow a full-scale event in August.

Cooper wrote to RNC Chair Ronna McDaniel that “planning for a scaled-down convention with fewer people, social distancing and face coverings is a necessity.” And later he told reporters it was unlikely that virus trends would allow a full-capacity nominating convention for Trump to proceed at Charlotte’s NBA arena.

“We think it is unlikely that we would be to the point at the end of August to be able to have a jam-packed 19,000-person convention in the Spectrum arena,” Cooper said. “So the likelihood of it being in Charlotte depends upon the RNC’s willingness to discuss with us a scaled-down convention.”

# Legislatures have been slow to pass laws limiting use of force

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A wave of police killings of young black men in 2014 prompted 24 states to quickly pass some type of law enforcement reform, but many declined to address the most glaring issue: police use of force. Six years later, only about a third of states have passed laws on the question.

The issue is at the heart of nationwide protests set off by the May 25 death of George Floyd, a black man who died after a white police officer in Minneapolis pressed a knee into Floyd’s neck for several minutes while he pleaded for aid.

Now, some lawmakers and governors are hoping to harness the renewed wave of anger to push through changes on the use

of force they couldn’t manage after 2014, a year that included the deaths at the hands of police of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, Eric Garner in New York and 12-year-old Tamir Rice in Cleveland.

“We’re absolutely at a point in time where we have to do more,” said Maryland state Del. Vanessa Atterbeary, a Democrat who will chair a working group announced this week that will take up use-of-force standards for that state.

Pushback from politically influential law enforcement unions prompted some states’ use-of-force proposals to stall, while others have opted for voluntary programs to change policing practices. In some states, lawmakers have even broadened the powers of police,

such as increasing penalties for those who attack officers or, as in Tennessee and Utah, limiting the power of independent review boards that investigate police conduct.

As of August 2018, at least 16 states had passed use-of-force laws, according to the nonpartisan National Conference of State Legislatures. A handful of those directly restricted what police could do. In Utah and Missouri, for example, force used by officers must be “reasonable and necessary.” Colorado has banned chokeholds, the maneuver used on Garner.

Other laws created task forces to set new standards, boosted training or improved tracking of officers’ use of guns and deadly force.

In 2014, Republican-led Wis-

consin became the first state in the country to enact a law requiring outside investigations when people die in police custody — a law supported by the state’s largest police union.

This week, Democratic Gov. Tony Evers asked the Legislature to go further and pass a bill that would require law enforcement agencies to minimize the use of force and prioritize preserving life. In New Jersey, Democratic Gov. Phil Murphy and the attorney general said Tuesday they will update state guidelines governing police use of force for the first time in two decades.

Despite the sense in many places that this moment could produce real change, challenges remain.

Police unions have often resist-

ed attempts to restrict officers’ use of deadly force and are politically potent in most states.

Paige Fernandez, a policing policy adviser at the ACLU, said many unions “have convinced themselves that police are unable to protect themselves if they value the bodily integrity and personal lives of the people they are supposed to be serving.”

The National Fraternal Order of Police issued a statement acknowledging there is “no doubt” Floyd’s death has diminished public trust in police.

“Police officers need to treat all of our citizens with respect and understanding and should be held to the very highest standards for their conduct,” the organization said.

# Staffing low at state parks amid budget shortfall

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon’s state parks have started to reopen, but the agency that manages them is facing an estimated \$22 million budget shortfall between now and next June amid the economic collapse caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department said Tuesday it will lay off 47 full-time employees by June 30. That’s in addition to the 338 seasonal staff that will not be rehired this year, The Oregonian/OregonLive reported. Only 77 of 415 seasonal positions have been filled for 2020.

Unlike other state agencies, the parks department is not funded by tax dollars but by Oregon Lottery funds, camping and parking fees, and RV registration fees.

Oregon state parks closed to the public in late March, just before Gov. Kate Brown announced a stay-home order that closed most businesses across the state.

Lottery funds subsequently shrunk, while park fees were zero.

“It’s a gut punch, we’ve never been through anything like this before,” parks spokesman Chris Havel said.

The layoffs will translate to reduced services at day-use sites and campgrounds across the state, including trash collection, restroom cleaning and maintenance.

Starting in May, day-use park sites began to reopen with limited services across the state. On June 9, several popular campgrounds will also reopen, with online reservations starting Wednesday at noon. That will provide some revenue, but it’s not expected to be enough.

Havel said visitors can help by packing out trash and bringing their own water, toilet paper and hand sanitizer.

Oregon’s parks haven’t been in such trouble since the early 1990s, when the parks department was cut off from the

Oregon Department of Transportation and left to fend for itself. Officials faced the closure of some 60 state parks before voters approved parks funding through the Oregon Lottery.

“This is a heartbreaking time for our agency family, both for those who face a heavy workload as we roll into summer

and for the dedicated professionals we have to release from service,” Lisa Sumpston, state parks director, said in a news release Tuesday. “We’ll do everything we can to help them land on their feet. With support from Oregonians, the agency will rise to this challenge and adapt.”

# Iowa voters oust nine-term representative Steve King

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Republicans in northwest Iowa ousted Rep. Steve King in Tuesday’s primary, deciding they’ve had enough of the conservative lightning rod known for making incendiary comments about immigrants and white supremacy throughout his nearly two decades in Congress.

The nine-term congressman, shunned by his party leadership in Washington and many of his longtime supporters at home, lost to well-funded state Sen. Randy Feenstra in a five-way GOP primary. The challengers argued that King’s loss of clout, even more than his continuous string of provocative and racially-charged statements, was reason enough for turning on him.

“I said from day one that Iowans deserve a proven, effective conservative leader that will deliver results and I have done that in the Iowa Senate, being in the Iowa Legislature for the last 12 years, and I promise you I will deliver results in Congress,” Feenstra said during a Facebook Live appearance with his family behind him.

Iowa Democrats also chose a challenger for Republican freshman Sen. Joni Ernst in a race earlier thought to heavily favor Ernst until her approval shrank over the past year. Des Moines businesswoman Theresa Greenfield, who raised the most money

and garnered the widest cross-section of the Iowa Democratic coalition of elected officials and labor unions, won the nomination over three others.

But the focus was on the 4th District primary featuring King, the lone Republican in Iowa’s U.S. House delegation.

King was stripped of his committee assignments in 2019 for comments appearing to question the criticism of white nationalism in an era of increased sensitivity among Republicans nationally about the alt-right and white supremacists. He wondered aloud in a New York Times story about when the term “white supremacist” became offensive. King said the remarks were taken out of context.

The 71-year-old had piled up provocative statements throughout the years, comparing immigrants to livestock and appeared to make light of rape and incest in defending his anti-abortion views.

Critics in both parties charged that King was no longer an effective representative for Iowa’s 4th

Congressional District on agriculture and other local issues.

Establishment Republicans suggested King’s ouster would easily keep the seat in the party’s hands, warning a King primary victory would jeopardize it. Feenstra faces Democrat J.D. Schoulten, who lost by 2 percentage points to King in 2018.

King was vastly outspent by Feenstra and conservative groups backing him, including onetime King backer National Right to Life, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the nation’s largest business lobbying group.

“I called Randy Feenstra a little bit ago and conceded the race to him, and I pointed out that there’s some powerful elements in the swamp and he’s going to have an awfully hard time pushing back against them,” King said, referring to outside groups that spent to support Feenstra and attack King. “He assured me that’s what he would do, and I’m thinking of those super PACs that came into this race and how powerful they are.”

## DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren

### Changing identities bring up questions of proper etiquette

**DEAR ABBY:** My 13-year-old son and I recently had a discussion that maybe you can help clarify. We are seeing more about trans people these days, and I’m not sure how to address them.

I don’t want to offend anyone, but when you see a large male wearing pants, shirt, etc. but has pink hair and makeup, should I say “sir” or “madam”? My son says I should ask what pronoun they would like to be referred by, but I am not sure that’s a polite way to find out. I know this is also intertwined with sexual preference, but it still doesn’t mean it is clear-cut. What’s the most polite way to handle this? --

**CONFUSED IN THE SOUTH**

**DEAR CONFUSED:** You are confusing “preference” with “orientation.” Preference implies that one’s sexuality is a choice rather than something that is wired into our brains. People do not choose to be gay, straight or gender dysphoric. Gender identity is about who you ARE. Sexual orientation is about who you LOVE.

As to how you should refer to or address a large male wearing a shirt and pants while sporting pink hair and full makeup, I agree with your son. It makes sense to ask the person, who, I am sure, is fully aware that their appearance is “different.” Asking the person’s name may also provide a clue.

**DEAR ABBY:** All my life I have followed orders. I haven’t been able to determine my own path. When I was young, I did what my mother told me. When I was old enough, I joined the Marines, and I did as they said. After I separated from the service, I did what my social group expected. After I had a child, I did what a parent should do to protect and provide. That took the next 35 years of my life.

I am 60 now, retired, and the master of my ship. Without “orders,” I don’t know where to go from here, and I am adrift. They say find a passion, do what makes you happy. But I am not passionate about anything. I like many things

but feel no passion.

Being alive makes me truly happy. I love every day God gives me. But what to do with these days eludes me. What shall I do? Can you help me? --

**FOLLOWING ORDERS IN THE EAST**

**DEAR FOLLOWING:** Ralph Waldo Emerson said: “The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you lived and lived well.” Perhaps if you concentrate more on doing just one thing a day for someone else, you will discover the passion you are looking for. I can’t promise it will work, but it may be a step in the right direction.

**DEAR ABBY:** I live in New England, where it is very gray during the winter. I was inspired by the bright colors of a local Mexican restaurant to redecorate my house. I feel happier with all the lovely colors, but my neighbors feel I am being culturally insensitive because I am not Mexican. I disagree. I think I’m being appreciative. What do you think? --

**APPRECIATING IN NEW ENGLAND**

**DEAR APPRECIATING:** I’m glad you asked. I think you have certain neighbors who should mind their own business and keep their criticism to themselves. I also think that you adopted the color scheme you did as a compliment.

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# Don Henley asks Congress to change copyright law

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eagles songwriter Don Henley urged Congress on Tuesday to “Take It to the Limit” to protect artists against online pirating, wading into a copyright fight pitting Hollywood and the recording industry against big tech platforms like Google’s YouTube.

The blockbuster hitmaker of the 1970s testified online from his home before a Senate Judiciary subcommittee weigh-

ing possible changes to a 1998 copyright law. The law allows holders of copyrighted material to formally ask parties they believe have taken their content without permission to remove it. The parties can dispute the claim. If they comply promptly with the request, there are no legal consequences. Otherwise, they may be subject to criminal penalties.

Henley said the law is weak and needs to be changed

to make it more effective in stopping online piracy.

The so-called “notice and takedown” system under the copyright law is used by the movie and recording industries, entertainment software makers and book authors to pursue tech platforms, universities and other facilitators of file-sharing.

Henley called the copyright law “a relic of a MySpace era in a TikTok world.” With hun-

dreds of millions of takedown notices sent, for every link taken down, “a dozen more pop up in its place,” he said. The system “still allows Big Tech to rake in revenue” after repeated copyright infringements, Henley said.

The copyright battle is being spotlighted in Congress at a time when U.S. tech giants are in an escalating feud with President Donald Trump and Republican lawmakers, who

accuse platforms such as Twitter, Google and Facebook of suppressing conservative viewpoints. The dispute boiled over last week when Twitter attached warnings to some of Trump’s tweets, on mail-in voting and the use of force against people protesting the police killing of George Floyd. Trump, who is Twitter’s most prominent user, responded by issuing an executive order intended to chip away at the

tech platforms’ legal shield for speech content they carry.

In the debate over online pirating, the subcommittee chairman, Sen. Thom Tillis, R-N.C., made his leanings clear. He said creative industries have been “absolutely decimated” by the economic fallout of the pandemic as well as online pirating of copyrighted material that hasn’t slowed down.

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### “Quiz” on AMC Network

(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

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Diana (Ingram)	(Sian) Clifford	(Game) Show
Chris (Tarrant)	(Michael) Sheen	Millionaire
Tecwen (Whitlock)	(Michael) Jibson	Cheating
Paul (Smith)	(Mark) Bonnar	Scandal

### ANSWERS ON A3

## editors’ choice

# AMC’s ‘Quiz’ recalls a British game-show cheating scandal

An upcoming miniseries revisits a game-show scandal that rocked British television in 2001 on AMC.

“Quiz,” a three-part series airing consecutive Sundays beginning May 31, dramatizes the story of Charles and Diana Ingram (Matthew Macfadyen, “Succession,” and Sian Clifford, “Fleabag”), a British army major and his wife, who with accomplice Tecwen



Sian Clifford, Matthew Macfadyen and Michael Sheen (from left)

Whitlock (Michael Jibson, “Les Misérables”) were accused of cheating their way to a million pound grand prize on the U.K. version of the game show “Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?”

The series delves into the creation of the show on the network ITV, its subsequent popularity and the community of viewers that formed to devise ways to game the show’s system. Many of them had been contestants prior to Charles’ appearance, including Diana and her brother, which raised suspicions among some who worked on the show, but not with host Chris Tarrant (Michael Sheen, “Masters of Sex”).

Even more suspicious were the coughs from the studio audience that appeared to signal the correct answer to the multiple choice questions. Whether that actually affected the outcomes, the show makes unclear. But what is clear, says James Ingram, who wrote the script for the series, is that the intention to outsmart the system was there.

“What was exciting about researching this story,” he says, “was that it goes way beyond the characters that you might be familiar with, the Ingrams and Chris Tarrant and the creator. I discovered a whole network of obsessed ‘Quiz’ fans who tried to and successfully hacked into the show.

“It’s like the hole in the Death Star that Luke Skywalker found,” he continues, “and it was the most valuable asset the network had, and there were these fundamental weaknesses that meant a certain network of very well-to-do, middle-class dweebs were allowed to find vulnerabilities into it and get their people on the show. And some of the things that we discovered in making it in the past few months has never come to light, and we’re going to be revealing in the show about quite how successful they were in penetrating ‘Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?’”

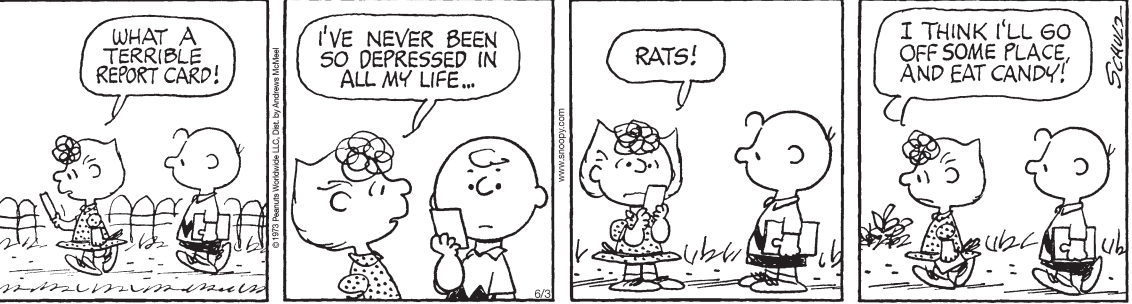
At the heart of it was Charles Ingram, whose wild vacillations in answering questions initially had Tarrant wondering how an idiot managed to get on the show. But as Ingram advanced, the host realized he underestimated the man in the hot seat.

“You can see that Tarrant starts to have a newfound respect for this man,” Sheen says, “So it was interesting to see how his relationship to the person in front of him (evolved), who he says, ‘It was just fascinating to be that close to this guy who was sort of the most ... extraordinary contestant we have ever had.’ So that was really interesting doing all that.”

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## Bridge

In "Nausea," Jean-Paul Sartre wrote, "Three o'clock is always too late or too early for anything you want to do." Presumably it is too late to have a post-lunchtime nap and too early for a cocktail.

However, some things go in threes. My last two columns featured bridge deals used by Charles Schulz in his "Peanuts" cartoon. Surprise, surprise -- the day after yesterday's column, Snoopy returns to the aerodrome, ready to fight the Red Baron again. But his mechanics are playing today's deal.

Snoopy asks, "Can anyone tell me if my plane is ready?"

Woodstock replies something.

"Yes, I can see this is an

important deal," comments Snoopy.


After a few more words from Woodstock, Snoopy says, "Yes, I realize you're not playing 'Old Maid.'"

South's jump to three hearts showed 9-11 points. In four hearts, declarer won the spade lead on the board and cashed the heart ace, happy to see the queen fall. He drew trumps, ending in hand, then had to gain three club tricks. Based on the bidding, East rated to be short in that suit. So South cashed his club king, played a club to the jack and claimed the ace to make his contract. Declarer won three spades, four hearts and three clubs.

It was probably lucky for North-South that East was the dealer. If North

had been the dealer, he would have opened one no-trump, East would have overcalled two spades, and South might well have raised to three no-trump. Then East's secret weapon would have shot the contract from the sky.

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♦ J 8 7							
♣ A J 5							
West				East			
♠ 3				♥ 10 9 8 5 4 2			
♥ 7 6 3 2				♠ Q			
♦ 10 9 4				♦ A K Q 6 2			
♣ Q 7 6 4 2				♣ 9			
South							
♠ A Q 6							
♥ J 8 5 4							
♦ 5 3							
♣ K 10 8 3							
Dealer: East							
Vulnerable: Both							
South	West	North	East				
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			All Pass				
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Emphasize how you earn your living. Find new ways to use your skills. Learn about and explore something that intrigues you. Make a change based on your current situation, where you see yourself heading and what you want to accomplish moving forward. Don't get angry; get moving.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** -- Use your connections to your advantage. Reconnect with someone who may have a lead on a position that might interest you. Don't take a risk, and protect yourself against injury and illness.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** -- Take time to explore new possibilities. A challenge will motivate you to start something that encourages you to use creative skills to benefit you mentally as well as financially.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** -- You may not like a change that's taking place, but in the end, there will be benefits you didn't anticipate. Sit tight and let things unfold naturally. Romance is on the rise.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** -- Go about your business and stay out of trouble. Refuse to get involved in someone else's drama. Clear thoughts will prompt wise moves. A personal change will enhance your life.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** -- Discipline will pay off. Do your best to learn all you can about an interest you want to pursue. Personal growth, physical improvements and a new beginning look promising.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** -- It's time to update some of your diehard beliefs before moving forward. Times and trends are changing, and updating your goals and how you go about achieving your dreams is encouraged.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** -- Being secretive will benefit you in the end. Only share what's necessary and protect those you love from any outside interference. A financial plan will turn out better than anticipated.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** -- Don't disregard what others do for you. Offering praise and credit for a job well done will encourage others to continue to please you. Be smart and reap the rewards.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** -- Channel emotional energy into something creative or unique. How you spend your time will determine how much trouble you encounter. Idle time is the enemy. Personal improvement and romance are encouraged.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** -- Look for creative outlets. Learning something new, consulting with an expert, spending time teaching others or expanding your personal and professional options will help you feel good about your future.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** -- Don't quibble over something that doesn't matter. If you overreact, you will end up having regrets. Look at what you can do well and concentrate on personal goals.

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# Protests across country are largely peaceful

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Protests were largely peaceful and the nation’s streets were calmer than they have been in days since the killing of George Floyd set off sometimes violent demonstrations over police brutality and injustice against African Americans.

Earlier curfews and efforts by protesters to contain the lawlessness prevented more widespread damage to businesses in New York and other cities overnight.

By Wednesday morning, arrests had grown to more than 9,000 nationwide since the vandalism, arson and shootings erupted around the U.S. in reaction to Floyd’s death May 25 in Minneapolis. At least 12 deaths have been reported, though the circumstances in many cases are still being sorted out.

In Washington, where authorities ordered people off streets before sundown, thousands of demonstrators massed a block from the White House on Tuesday

evening, following a crackdown a day earlier when officers drove peaceful protesters away from Lafayette Park to clear the way for President Donald Trump to do a photo op with a Bible at a church. A black chain-link fence was put up to block access to the park.

“Last night pushed me way over the edge,” said Jessica DeMaio, 40, of Washington, who attended a Floyd protest for the first time. “Being here is better than being at home feeling helpless.”

Pastors at the church prayed with demonstrators and handed out water bottles. The crowd remained in place after the city’s 7 p.m. curfew passed, defying warnings that the response from law enforcement could be even more forceful. But the people were peaceful, even polite.

At one point, the crowd booed when a protester climbed a light post and took down a street sign. A chant went up: “Peaceful protest!”

Pope Francis called for na-

tional reconciliation and peace, saying he has “witnessed with great concern the disturbing social unrest” in the U.S.

“My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life,” he said.

Trump has pushed the nation’s governors to take a hard line against the violence, tweeting on Tuesday that “lowlifes and losers” were taking over New York’s streets. He again tweeted Wednesday: “LAW & ORDER!”

Thousands of people remained out in New York City on Tuesday night, undeterred by an 8 p.m. curfew, though most streets were clear by early Wednesday. Battered storefronts from the earlier rounds of violence could be seen in midtown Manhattan.

Protesters also marched in Los Angeles; Miami; St. Paul, Minnesota; Columbia, South Carolina; and Houston, where the

police chief talked to peaceful demonstrators, vowing reforms.

“God as my witness, change is coming,” Art Acevedo said. “And we’re going to do it the right way.”

More than 20,000 National Guard members have been called up in 29 states to deal with the violence.

In Philadelphia, a statue of former Mayor Frank Rizzo was removed by the city early Wednesday after repeatedly being targeted by vandals. Rizzo presided over a police force widely accused of racism and brutality in the 1970s.

Floyd died after a white Minneapolis police officer pressed his knee against the handcuffed black man’s neck as he cried that he couldn’t breathe. The officer, Derek Chauvin, has been fired and charged with murder.

The mother of Floyd’s 6-year-old daughter, Gianna, said she wants the world to know that her little girl lost a good father.

“I want everybody to know that this is what those officers took,” Roxie Washington said during a Minneapolis news conference, her daughter at her side. “I want justice for him because he was good. No matter what anybody thinks, he was good.”

Minnesota is investigating whether the Minneapolis Police Department has a pattern of discrimination against minorities.

Some protesters framed the burgeoning movement as a necessity after a long list of killings by police.

“It feels like it’s just been an endless cascade of hashtags of black people dying, and it feels like nothing’s really being done by our political leaders to actually enact real change,” said Christine Ohenzuwa, 19, who attended a peaceful protest at the Minnesota Capitol in St. Paul.

“There’s always going to be a breaking point. I think right now, we’re seeing the breaking point around the country.”

# Esper breaks with Trump, opposes using military for protests

WASHINGTON (AP) — Breaking with President Donald Trump, Defense Secretary Mark Esper said Wednesday he opposes using military forces for law enforcement in containing current street protests.

Esper said the Insurrection Act, which would allow Trump to use active-duty military for law enforcement in containing street protests, should be invoked in the United States “only in the most urgent and dire of situations.” He declared, “We are not in one of those situations now.”

Invoking the Insurrection Act has been discussed as Trump has talked about using the military to quell violent protests in U.S. cities. Esper has authorized the movement of several active-duty Army units to military bases just outside the nation’s capital, but they have not been called to action.

Just before Esper spoke, Trump took credit for a massive deployment of National Guard troops and

federal law enforcement officers to the nation’s capital, saying it offered a model to states on how to stop violence accompanying some protests nationwide.

Trump argued that the massive show of force was responsible for protests in Washington and other cities turning more calm in recent days and repeated his criticism of governors who have not deployed their National Guard to the fullest.

“You have to have a dominant force,” Trump told Fox New Radio on Wednesday. “We need law and order.”

Esper, in his Pentagon remarks, strongly criticized the actions of the Minneapolis police for the incident last week that ignited the protests. In their custody, a black man, George Floyd, died after a white officer pressed his knee to Floyd’s neck for several minutes.

Esper called the act “murder” and “a horrible crime.”

Esper has come under fire from critics, including retired senior military officers, for having walked

from the White House on Monday evening with Trump and others for a presidential photo opportunity in front of St. John’s Episcopal Church, which had previously sustained damage from protesters.

Esper said that while he was aware they were heading to St. John’s, he did not know what would happen there.

“I was not aware a photo op was happening,” he said, adding that he also did not know that police had forcibly moved peaceful protesters in Lafayette Square to clear the way for Trump and his entourage.

Trump put a political spin on his criticism of states with violence. He said, “You notice that all of these places that have problems, they’re not run by Republicans. They’re run by liberal Democrats.”

The Defense Department has drafted contingency plans for deploying active-duty military if needed. Pentagon documents reviewed by The Associated Press showed plans for sol-

diers from an Army division to protect the White House and other federal buildings if the security situation in the nation’s capital were to deteriorate and the National Guard could not secure the facilities.

But interest in exerting that extraordinary federal authority appeared to be waning in the White House. Though the crackdown on the Washington demonstrations was praised by some Trump supporters Tuesday, a handful of Republicans expressed concern that law enforcement officers risked violating the protesters’ First Amendment rights.

The situation in Washington had escalated Monday, becoming a potent symbol of Trump’s policing tactics and a physical manifestation of the rhetorical culture war he has stoked since before he was elected. Nearly 30 minutes before a 7 p.m. curfew in Washington, U.S. Park Police repelled protesters with what they said were smoke canisters

and pepper balls.

“D.C. had no problems last night. Many arrests. Great job done by all. Overwhelming force. Domination,” Trump tweeted Tuesday, after a night in which heavily armed military forces and federal officers swarmed the city. Trump added, “(thank you President Trump!).”

The clampdown followed a weekend of demonstrations outside the White House. Trump had been furious about images juxtaposing fires set in the park outside the executive mansion with a darkened White House in the background, according to current and former campaign and administration officials. He was also angry about the news coverage revealing he had been rushed to the White House bunker during Friday’s protests.

In a Monday address in the Rose Garden, he called on governors to ramp up the National Guard presence to tamp down the pro-

tests. If they didn’t, Trump said, he would dispatch the military to their states — a step rarely taken in modern American history.

The federal government has provided affected states with a list of National Guard resources available to them, the White House official said. The official added that Trump’s message to governors was that if they don’t use all the tools in their arsenal, they shouldn’t expect a sympathetic response to any request for federal dollars to help with cleanup and recovery down.

On Monday, 715 soldiers from the 82nd Airborne Division arrived in the capital area in case the situation in Washington escalated. They are stationed at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland and Fort Belvoir in Virginia. Two more 82nd Airborne battalions, totaling 1,300 soldiers, are on standby at Fort Bragg in North Carolina, according to documents reviewed by the AP. The plan is named Operation Themis.

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## Celtics coach: Empathy is vital right now

BOSTON (AP) — Celtics coach Brad Stevens believes the best way he can be helpful to his players right now is by listening to them.

Boston players including Jaylen Brown, Marcus Smart, Enes Kanter and Vincent Poirier have been among several NBA players to participate in recent protests following the death of George Floyd, a black man who died in Minneapolis last month after a white police officer pressed his knee into Floyd’s neck as he begged for air.

Demonstrations have taken place in cities around the

country in response to the incident, which was captured in a widely seen video that has mobilized protesters. A medical examiner ruled Monday that Floyd’s heart stopped as police restrained him and compressed his neck.

It all prompted Stevens to write a letter to his players over the weekend in which he expressed his support for them.

“I think the thing that I wanted them to know is that every decent person is hurting,” Stevens said in a conference call with reporters Tuesday. “Every decent person feels the pain of the African American community. But I

also don’t want to pretend like I know the exact, distinct pain. So what I wanted them to know is that I’m with them.”

The Celtics were among several professional sports teams to issue statements in the aftermath of Floyd’s death, saying in part that it and other similar incidents “have left the entire Celtics organization struggling with grief and anger.”

The resulting national dialogue has reminded Stevens of the discussions he had with players prior to the 2016-17 season during the height of Colin Kaepernick’s protests when he took a knee during the national

anthem prior to NFL games to protest police brutality. Stevens said those protests prompted players to share their own experiences with racial profiling and discrimination.

Brown, who grew up outside of Atlanta, drove 15 hours from Boston to lead a march in Atlanta on Sunday.

It’s the kind of action Steven has come to expect from the 23-year-old.

“I’m not surprised with him taking a leadership role,” Stevens said. “That’s who he is.”

Floyd’s death and the resulting demonstrations come at a time during which NBA leadership

is trying to formulate a plan to possibly resume the season amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Stevens said the proposals are promising, but that most talk about basketball has taken a backseat in recent days.

Several Celtics players did begin to take part in voluntary, individual workouts at the team’s practice facility Monday. The team is also having regular meetings via video conferencing.

But Stevens said they have mostly been focusing on the mental well-being of athletes since the start of the pandemic and that’s continued during the demonstrations.



World File Photo

North Bend quarterback Ian Spalding runs the ball on a quarterback keeper during last fall’s homecoming game against Ridgeview at North Bend High School. Spalding has been missing since falling from rocks near Sunset Bay on Sunday night.

## Spalding stood out as athlete, citizen

JOHN GUNTHER  
The World

NORTH BEND — When Ian Spalding fell from some rocks and went missing in the Pacific Ocean on Sunday night, his teammates and fellow students from North Bend High School flocked to the area near Sunset Bay to help search.

They searched throughout the night Sunday and all day Monday and again Tuesday, staying after the Coos County Sheriff’s Office and U.S. Coast Guard had called off their official search.

“There were anywhere from 75 to 100 kids throughout the day, all day, wanting to do something to help,” North Bend football coach Gary Prince said. “They didn’t want to sit at home. They tried to be out there and support the family and let Mike, Carly and Emma (Ian’s younger sister) know how much they loved Ian.”

Prince was out there, too, Sunday and Monday, trying to support the students.

“We’ve just been sharing good stories of our time being part of Ian’s life,” Prince said, adding that he was “just letting them know that I’m here if they need to talk.”

School officials in North Bend

also have offered support for students (see story on front page).

Spalding, a junior, was the starting quarterback for the Bulldogs and also had been a starting linebacker for two years. He was the starting catcher on the baseball team.

But he was much more than a stellar athlete.

He was well-liked by his fellow students and teachers alike.

“Lots of teachers had lots of respect for him in how he went about his business as a student,” said North Bend baseball coach Brad Horning, who also was out with the students Monday.

“He was just helpful,” Prince said. “For students, for teachers. No task was too big for him. He didn’t shy away from helping those out who needed help.”

“I would ask for volunteers to help me do certain things around the community or school. He was always one of the first guys to say he would help. He would be the first one there and the last one to leave. He didn’t shy away from those types of things. He was huge.”

That was an accurate description of Spalding in the athletic arena, too.

He quickly made an impact on North Bend’s defense in football and by last fall also was the

starting quarterback.

“He loved playing defense as much as he loved playing quarterback,” Prince said. “He covered the field well. He was a solid tackler. He didn’t shy away from contact.”

“It was just fun to watch him go out there and make plays for us.”

Baseball was much the same.

He played on a Babe Ruth all-star team that advanced to the Pacific Northwest Regionals the summer before his freshman year, was playing for the North Coos American Legion team by the time he was a freshman and was starting catcher for the Bulldogs last spring as a sophomore.

He played for Horning on North Coos teams that won the state tournament two summers in a row and last summer had a sensational showing in the state tournament at Roseburg, finishing with nine hits, 11 runs and eight RBIs during the tournament while catching every inning and calling all the pitches, a duty some coaches don’t trust to catchers.

“He impressed a lot of guys in the six-game stretch over there,” Horning said.

Spalding didn’t have to impress his own coaches.

“He stepped on the field his freshman year, we knew we had a football player,” Prince said,

describing Spalding as one of the best quarterbacks he’s coached.

“Not just on the field, but in the classroom, out in the community. He knew what was the right thing and that’s what he did. It’s a testament to the family that he was raised in. They loved and supported him and he gave that back to others.”

Spalding’s dad Mike was an assistant for North Bend’s football team the past several years and also a coach on the regional Babe Ruth team. On one of the two trips to the American Legion regional tournament, he ran the football players on the team through make-shift practices since they were missing the first few days of football workouts back on the South Coast.

Like Prince, Horning said Spalding’s family values impacted the person he was.

“I think people really trusted him around their families,” Horning said.

That was certainly true for Prince, who has two younger daughters who are around the team a lot.

“He was always so friendly to my girls,” Prince said. “They were so excited when he said hi to them.”

“He will always have a special place in our heart.”

## IndyCar’s first two races will be four weeks apart

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Scott Dixon, Alexander Rossi and the rest of the IndyCar drivers were in sunny Florida around spring break ready to start the season.

“We geared up, we had the offseason, we had done all the preseason testing ... you kind of had all that pent-up tension to get going,” first-time IndyCar champion Dixon said this week.

Nearly three months later, they are finally set to run their first competitive laps of the season. Then they will wait another four weeks to race again.

“It’s all not gone according to plan by any stretch of the imagination. I don’t think anyone saw this coming and really no one had a contingency plan for it,

because why would you,” Rossi said Tuesday. “But ultimately I think the series has done everything right so far, and it’s an impossible situation.”

Instead of the streets of St. Pete, the pandemic-delayed season will get started at the fast 1 1/2-mile track in Texas with an all-in-one-day opener. Practice, qualifying and the 200-lap race will be held Saturday, the same day that IndyCar has chartered planes to carry teams back and forth between Indianapolis and Texas Motor Speedway.

“I think the new normal is nothing is normal. Going forward, we’re trying to make it as normal as we can,” IndyCar president Jay Frye said.

“It’s going to be a new world

for us racing here. Showing up for a one-day show, different than what we used to do at Texas,” said Josef Newgarden, who won there last June. “This sort of lag time between some events is very different. Haven’t been in the car in three months, now kind of getting to Texas. ... We’ve got to make the most of it.”

IndyCar will have some time to evaluate things after Texas. There will be nearly a month before the next race July 4 at Indianapolis, on the road course and not the Indy 500 that will now be run Aug. 23.

Tony Kanaan said drivers got a 35-page guideline from IndyCar on what to expect in Texas, including health screenings and social distancing

protocols at the track.

The road course race in Indianapolis will be the first of five IndyCar races in a 15-day period in July, including doubleheader weekends at Road America in Wisconsin and in Iowa.

“Definitely nothing is normal right now,” Dixon said. “For us, I think to even have the opportunity to get back racing is amazing. A lot of us have been waiting for this week, race week.”

Everybody with IndyCar was already in St. Petersburg, Florida, preparing to run the scheduled March 15 season opener without spectators before the escalating pandemic forced the postponement of that race. St. Pete will now host the season finale Oct. 25.

## Muirfield will get two PGA tournaments

DOUG FERGUSON  
Associated Press

The course Jack Nicklaus built is getting golf’s version of a doubleheader.

The PGA Tour has reached an agreement with Workday Inc. to be title sponsor of a one-time tournament at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio. It would fill a gap in the schedule created by the cancellation last week of the John Deere Classic in Silvis, Illinois.

The John Deere is to return to the schedule in 2021.

In a memo sent Tuesday afternoon to players, the tour said the new event would be July 9-12 and held without spectators. The following week is the Memorial at Muirfield Village, with spectators still a possibility.

The name of the tournament was not mentioned, along with other details such as the size of the purse.

But it said the field for the first event would be 156 players, allowing the Memorial to return to its elite status as an invitation-al with a 120-man field.

Workday, a financial management company based in Pleasanton, California, already has a presence in golf through player endorsements with Phil Mickelson, Davis Love III, Matt Kuchar, Brandt Snedeker and Matt Fitzpatrick. It also has contracts with Stanford alum Casey Danielson and Lauren Kim in women’s golf.

Still to be determined is what role Nicklaus would play in the first event. He is the tournament host of the Memorial, which dates to 1976 and has become one of the premier events on the PGA Tour schedule. Tiger Woods holds the record with five victories at Muirfield Village. Patrick Cantlay is the defending champion.

Muirfield Village also has hosted a Ryder Cup (1987), Solheim Cup (1998) and Presidents Cup (2013). The club is confident the course can hold up to two tournaments in two weeks.

It also allows the PGA Tour to stay in its “bubble” during a return from the COVID-19 pandemic. The tour is to resume next week at Colonial in Fort Worth, Texas, with no spectators or hospitality on the course at least for five weeks through the Workday event. Players are encouraged to stay in designated hotels, and charter flights are available.

In this case, most can choose to stay in the same city for two weeks. It allows CBS Sports and the tour’s ShotLink operation to remain in place. And tournament officials believe having a tournament with no fans might make it easier to hold the Memorial with spectators, depending on state and city regulations regarding the coronavirus.

Woods would likely play the Memorial, a tournament he has missed only six times since 1997 due mainly to injury. To be determined is whether he would play two straight weeks, which he tries to avoid for the maintenance of a back that has gone through four surgeries.