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Contributed photo by Robert Miller

Robin Miller took this photo from his home on Highway 42S directly across the river from where the fire was burning on North Bank Lane on Tuesday.

Fire threatens homes

**AMY MOSS STRONG AND
ZACK DEMARS**
The World

BANDON — A fire on North Bank Lane that started Tuesday morning has burned an estimated 350 acres and threatened homes in the area. Crews have the fire boxed in but not yet contained, Coos Forest Protective Association District Manager Michael Robison said Wednesday morning.

Homes along Stargazer Lane were evacuated Tuesday, and families hadn't returned to them as of Wednesday morning.

No homes have been destroyed in the fire, Robison said, though a yurt was consumed by flames and the roof of a home did catch fire. A structure task force saved a barn from destruction as well.

"They did a great job of saving those two structures," Robison said.

Since crews have set fire lines around the entire fire, Robison anticipates that it won't spread, though unpredictable east winds could pose difficulties. Fire crews will be working over the next several days to continue putting out the fire.

Robison said it's important for residents in the area to be attentive and avoid starting fires. The landscape, combined with the fires consuming the western United States which are occupying state and federal fire resources make spotting and handling possible new fires in the area a challenge.

"We could have fire on the ground and not know it," Robison said. "We can't get resources."

Over 60 crew members will be responding to the fire Wednesday, including dozers, water tenders and two helicopters. The crew hopes to mop up around the fire and push the fire away from the perimeter throughout the day, Robison said in an email.

Several people who self-evacuated close to the fire Tuesday afternoon returned to their homes Tuesday night. The city of Bandon was not in danger at any time.

Crews from the Coos Forest Protective Association responded to the North Bank Lane fire around 11 a.m., according to CFPA dispatcher Robert Hancock. The fire was reportedly started by downed power lines and was located about 8 miles on North Bank Lane, halfway between Coquille and Bandon.

Some homes in the area were being evacuated at the request of CFPA, according to Gabriel Fabrizio of the Coos County



Amy Moss Strong, The World

Residents of the North Bank Lane area gather at the Rocky Point boat launch after evacuating from their homes Tuesday afternoon.



Contributed photo by Susan Deets

Susan Deets took this photo near her home on Stargazer Lane off North Bank Lane prior to evacuating Tuesday afternoon.

Sheriff's Office. Coos County deputies and Oregon State Police officers went house to house close to the fire to inform residents. The fire jumped the road and was burning on both sides, Fabrizio said.

Though there were concerns the fire had jumped the Coquille River from the strong east winds and started burning along state Highway 42S, there were no official reports of that happening. Bandon City Manager Dan Chandler reported on the city's official Facebook page that the fire was not headed toward Bandon.

"Two hand line crews and three dozers will be working through the night," Chandler wrote in an update about 9 p.m.

Smoke appears to be laying down according to the last helicopter on scene tonight."

Tuesday morning, helicopters and a tanker plane were on scene quickly, attempting to douse the flames, according to residents in the area. The helicopters were picking up water from the river while the tanker, out of Medford, was dropping fire retardant. CFPA and Bandon Rural Fire Department crews were on scene with engines, water tankers and bulldozers and more resources were called in. At one point, firefighters and trucks from the North Bend, Coos Bay, Myrtle Point, Greenacres and Millington fire departments were providing mutual aid. Coquille Fire & Rescue was working the fire on

the Coquille side. Bandon Police officers, Coos County Sheriff's Office deputies and Oregon State Police troopers also responded.

About 15 people who either voluntarily left their homes or were told to evacuate gathered at the Rocky Point boat launch on North Bank lane Tuesday afternoon.

Donna Cochran was there with some family members. Cochran said she was at work at First Community Credit Union in Coquille when people hired to haul hay on their property saw smoke and discovered the fire, immediately calling 911.

"They went right up there to see if they could help and it was already in the trees because it

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Wildfire smoke and COVID-19

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SOUTH COAST — Coos Health & Wellness wants to alert residents that the smoke currently being experienced from wildfires throughout Oregon may increase the severity of COVID-19 symptoms.

Wildfire smoke can irritate the lungs, cause inflammation, affect the immune system and make people more prone to lung infections, including SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

Here are some tips to help keep yourself and your family safe from wildfire smoke:

- Stay home and inside, as much as possible
- Keep your windows closed
- Turn your ventilation systems to recirculate if possible
- Have a clean room with a HEPA air purifying appliance
- If available, wear a N95 mask fitted tightly over the face

There is a parallel between wildfire smoke and the coronavirus — that in both cases, the duration and dose of exposure

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Portland to pay nearly \$1M over killing

PORTLAND (AP) — The estate of a man who was shot to death by police last summer will receive nearly \$1 million in a wrongful death settlement from the City of Portland.

Lane Christopher Martin was one day shy of 32 when Portland police shot him nine times on July 30, 2019. An autopsy report showed Martin died after wounds perforated both his lungs and heart, The Oregonian/OregonLive reported.

Martin was struggling with addiction and mental health issues when he was killed by Officer Gary Doran of the Portland Police Bureau.

A grand jury found no criminal wrongdoing on the part of police in Martin's death, but the City of Portland has agreed to pay his estate \$975,000 in a settlement of a wrongful death lawsuit.

The mayor's office did not respond to multiple requests for comment.

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Sheriff's Office advises public to sign up for notifications

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COOS COUNTY — The Coos County Sheriff's Office advises people to sign up for Everbridge notifications in the event of an emergency.

"We will notify via Everbridge if there is need for a large evacuation," said Heather Sanborn, evidence-records technician with the Coos County Sheriff's Office in reference to the North Bank fire on Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 8.

"If there is an immediate danger, please keep up to date via your local news, do not call 911. Local emergency responders will try to keep everyone apprised. Please do not call 911 unless you have an emergency."

Anyone who is not currently signed up for the everbridge system can do so at this link: <https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736724057#/signup>

Holiday Farm Fire update; cause unknown

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MCKENZIE RIVER — The Holiday Farm Fire started Monday, Sept. 7, although the exact cause isn't yet known. The fire is currently (5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8) burning on both sides of Highway 126 and the McKenzie River, according to a press release from the Oregon State fire marshal. It is moving west from approximately mile post 47 and is currently two miles past Vida. The fire is estimated at 37,000 acres.

At 2:33 a.m. Gov. Kate Brown declared this fire a conflagration. This allows local resources from across the state to help, however firefighting resources are extremely scarce due to the large number of fires burning in Oregon and along the entire west coast.

There were a number of residents who were unable to evacuate due to roads blocked by fire and debris. After several roads were cleared, firefighters helped 46 people

escape the evacuation zone this afternoon.

Three Lane County Task Force teams responded around 8:30 p.m. last night to help fight the fire. They were blocked in due to fallen debris on roads. The crews were in a safe area and no firefighters have been injured. As of 1:45 p.m. today the road has been cleared and the firefighters were able to return to the firefight. Rescue, evacuation work and road clearing continue throughout the area.

Despite the hard work of firefighters, the fast-moving flames have destroyed homes and structures last night and today. Crews are diligently working to find anyone still trapped in their homes and will assess the damage over the coming days.

This fire damaged communications towers throughout the area. Communications are limited along the Highway 126 corridor. Teams are actively working to reestablish effective communications.

Additional wild land



The Holiday Farm Fire is burning on both sides of Highway 126 and the McKenzie River near Eugene. Contributed photo from Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office

fire suppression resources, including an Oregon Department of Forestry

Type 1 Incident Management Team, are continuing to arrive. These personnel will be looking for every opportunity to attack the fire directly.

Weather/fire behavior: Conditions will make rapid fire spread likely for at least the next two days; a red flag warning remains in effect until Thursday. Winds are blowing smoke and ash from the Holiday Farm Fire throughout the area.

Evacuations: Evacuations remain in effect due to this fire, impacting the communities of Vida, Blue River, Mohawk, McKenzie Bridge, Leesburg and Waterville.

The Lane County Sheriff's Office is the lead agency for all evacuation-related information.

Resources for evacuees: The updated evacuation point is Thurston High School for those in Blue

River and west of Blue River. People east of Blue River are encouraged to travel east to the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in Redmond (3800 SE Airport Way).

William has opened the Bob Keeper Center (250 S. 8-M St., Springfield, OR 97478) and William Adult Activity Center (215 W. C St., Springfield, OR 97477) as temporary rescue shelters for community members who have been evacuated or lost power.

24th positive COVID-19 case reported in Curry County

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CURRY COUNTY — Curry County Public Health received notification Tuesday morning, Sept. 8, of a new case of COVID-19. This current case has been verified and confirmed by the health officer through lab results, according to a press release from Curry County Public Health Administrator Sherri Ward.

Public health has made contact with the individual,

who is a Curry County resident and is at home self-isolating, monitoring symptoms, stated Ward. Curry County Public Health is conducting case investigating and contact tracing of this case and will reach out to anyone suspected of exposure to COVID-19.

As of Sept. 8, the total verified number of positive cases in Curry County is currently 24, with 20 recovered cases, four active cases, no hospitalizations

and no deaths.

"Please remember, it is important that we all follow the OHA and CDC guidelines and Governor's directives about social distancing, wearing facial coverings in public buildings and protecting yourselves by staying home to slow the spread and save lives," Ward wrote.

Public Health will continue to keep the public informed with all the information they can in order to keep their citizens safe.

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determines risk. Being outside for only 10 to 15 minutes without a mask should not pose a risk. But if you are working outdoors for an extended period of time

a mask is recommended. (Note: Because N95 masks should be reserved for health care workers treating COVID-19, experts do not suggest buying new N95 masks unless you need to be outside for an extended period of time.)

If you have any questions regarding COVID-19, please visit our website at <https://cooshealthandwellness.org/public-health/novel-coronavirus-2019-covid-19/> for the most recent guidance, or email covid19.questions@chw.coos.or.us.

Settlement

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"Lane's family is hopeful that this settlement sends a message to the Portland Police Bureau that they must do better when dealing with people in crisis," said Jesse

Merrithew, the lawyer for Martin's family. Police had responded to a report of a man causing a disturbance with a weapon in a grocery store parking lot. According to officials, a store security guard confronted the man who displayed what witnesses

described as an ax or hatchet. Officers first fired sponge-tipped munitions at Martin, causing him to drop the weapon and flee. Police followed him through an apartment courtyard where he was shot multiple times and died.

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PORTLAND — COVID-19 has claimed four more lives in Oregon, raising the state's death toll to 486, the Oregon Health Authority reported Tuesday.

Oregon Health Authority also reported 169 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 on Tuesday, bringing the state total to 28,355.

The new cases reported Tuesday are in the following counties: Benton (1), Clackamas (17), Crook (1), Deschutes (1), Jackson (17), Jefferson (2), Lane (7), Malheur (4), Marion (25), Morrow (4), Multnomah (39), Polk (4), Umatilla (10), Wasco (1),

Washington (25), and Yamhill (11).

Oregon's 483rd COVID-19 death is a 90-year-old woman in Marion County who tested positive on Aug. 29 and died on Sept. 3, in her residence. She had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 484th COVID-19 death is a 100-year-old woman in Marion County who tested positive on July 28 and died on Sept. 7, in her residence. She had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 485th COVID-19 death is a 72-year-old woman in Marion County who tested positive on Aug. 26 and died Sept. 6, in her residence. Presence of

underlying conditions is being confirmed.

Oregon's 486th COVID-19 death is an 86-year-old man in Lane County who tested positive on Aug. 28 and died on Sept. 6, in his residence. He had underlying conditions.

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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DOJ to defend Trump in defamation suit

NEW YORK (AP) — The Justice Department is asking to take over President Donald Trump’s defense in a defamation lawsuit from a writer who accused him of rape, and federal lawyers asked a court Tuesday to allow a move that could put the American people on the hook for any money she might be awarded.

After New York state courts turned down Trump’s request to delay E. Jean Carroll’s suit, Justice Department lawyers filed court papers aiming to shift the case into federal court and to substitute the U.S. for Trump as the defendant. That means the federal government, rather

than Trump himself, might have to pay damages if any are awarded.

The move to intervene is in keeping with a Justice Department that time and again has advanced a broad vision of executive power and has moved to shield Trump from legal exposure, most notably by arguing that actions taken to choke off the Russia investigation fell within the scope of his constitutional authorities and were therefore permissible.

It also comes amid concerns that Attorney General William Barr has gone out of his way to intervene in other legal cases involving Trump or his allies. Barr tried

to decrease the amount of prison time his office sought for Trump ally Roger Stone following a criminal trial where he was found guilty. (Stone’s sentence was later commuted by Trump.) Barr’s Justice Department has acted to dismiss its own case against former national security adviser Michael Flynn.

Carroll’s lawyer, Roberta Kaplan, called the department’s argument “shocking.”

“It offends me as a lawyer and offends me even more as a citizen,” she said in a statement.

Carroll said the developments illustrated “that Trump will do everything

possible, including using the full powers of the federal government,” to try to stop the case.

And in a tweet addressed to Trump, Carroll wrote: “Sir, I and my attorney Robbie Kaplan, are ready! So is every woman who has ever been silenced! So is every American citizen who has been trampled by Bill Barr and the DOJ! BRING IT!”

The filing complicates, at least for the moment, Carroll’s efforts to get a DNA sample from the president as potential evidence and to have him answer questions under oath.

Justice Department

lawyers argue that Trump was “acting within the scope of his office” when he denied Carroll’s allegations, made last year, that he raped her in a New York luxury department store in the mid-1990s. She says his comments — including that she was “totally lying” to sell a memoir — besmirched her character and harmed her career.

“Numerous courts have recognized that elected officials act within the scope of their office or employment when speaking with the press, including with respect to personal matters,” the Justice attorneys wrote.

It will be up to a federal

judge to decide whether to move the case to federal court from state court and to allow the U.S. to become the defendant.

Carroll is trying to get a DNA sample from Trump to see whether it matches as-yet-unidentified male genetic material found on a dress that she says she was wearing during the alleged attack and didn’t don again until a photo shoot last year.

Her suit seeks damages and a retraction of Trump’s statements.

The Associated Press does not identify people who say they have been sexually assaulted unless they come forward publicly.

Heat, winds fuel destructive Northwest fires

SALEM (AP) — Patricia Fouts sat inside a wildfire evacuation facility in Salem, Oregon, in a motorized wheelchair — one of scores of people at the fairgrounds who fled wind-fueled blazes that burned more land in the Northwest in a day than is usually destroyed in an entire fire season.

“It was scary,” Fouts, 73, said Tuesday of her evacuation from a senior center as she cradled her dog Murphy. “Especially as red as the sky was.”

The fires in the Northwest destroyed a small town in eastern Washington, caused power outages, highway closures and forced Oregon officials to move hundreds of prisoners out of harm’s way. Schools in both states closed because of fire danger and power outages.

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee said more than 330,000 acres burned in Washington in a 24-hour period — more than burns during most fire seasons.

“It’s an unprecedented and heart-breaking event,” Inslee said at a news conference, blaming heat, high winds and low humidity for the explosive

growth of fires.

Washington Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz said thousands of people were affected by the fires, but there appeared to be no deaths or injuries.

The high winds grounded many firefighting airplanes and helicopters on Monday, making it impossible to knock down fires initially, Franz said.

The high winds and dry fuels in the Northwest are similar to conditions in California, where thousands of firefighters are battling dozens of fires around the state.

In Oregon, thousands of people were without power as crews battled large fires Tuesday in Clackamas County. Evacuation orders were issued throughout the day.

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown approved an emergency conflagration declaration that freed up state resources for several wildfires that exceed the capabilities of local crews. At a news conference, she said initial reports show some blazes may have been caused by downed power lines.

“This is proving to be

an unprecedented and significant fire event for our state, and frankly for the entire West Coast,” Brown said.

The Lions Head fire in north-central Oregon and the Santiam Canyon fire east of Salem had burned 200,000 acres so far, Brown said.

Fire officials said their priority is evacuating people and protecting lives. Near a fire burning east of Eugene, people were unable to evacuate for a time Tuesday afternoon because of roads blocked by fire and debris, according to the Oregon State fire marshal. Fire crews eventually helped 46 people escape that area, the fire marshal said.

As winds shift and slow Thursday, authorities said they hope to take a more “offensive approach” and assess damage.

Authorities evacuated three prisons in Salem because of wildfire threats, sending about 1,400 inmates to the Oregon State Penitentiary.

During the last two weeks, there have been 3,000 firefighters on the ground fighting blazes in Oregon.

A grass fire in Ashland in southern Oregon closed down a section of Interstate 5, the main north-south freeway along the West Coast. Authorities were telling residents on Tuesday evening northwest of Ashland along I-5, including all residents in the small city of Phoenix and some in Medford, to evacuate.

In Marion County, which includes the state capital of Salem, a blaze prompted evacuation orders Tuesday in the western foothills of the Cascade Range.

Among those evacuated to the Oregon State Fairgrounds were 160 residents of the Marian Estates independent senior living center in Sublimity, Oregon. The fire was so close it blotted out the morning sun as workers hustled out the elderly residents.

“It was pitch black dark out there — all you could see was red,” said Wendy Phelps-Chapman, activity director at the center who on Tuesday took on the task of evacuating residents. She made two trips on a bus with residents to the fairgrounds

in Salem, the state capital 15 miles away. Volunteers transported walkers and wheelchairs.

Phelps-Chapman had two wear two masks just to filter out the airborne ash and be able to breathe.

By early afternoon, 600 people had checked in to the fairgrounds evacuation center, Red Cross spokesman Chad Carter said as more vehicles turned into the parking lot that was already jammed with cars, pickup trucks and campers.

In Idaho, the Idaho State Fire Marshal’s Office said in a social media post that 13 homes were destroyed along with 31 other structures and 26 vehicles near the north-central Idaho town of Orofino. A fast-moving complex of smaller wildfires, covering about 1,600 acres, was burning in the region.

In Washington state, Whitman County Sheriff Brett Myers said a wind-driven fire destroyed an estimated 80% of the homes in the town of Malden, which is about 35 miles south of Spokane and has about 200 residents. Malden lost its fire station, post office, City

Hall, library and most of its homes, according to the sheriff’s office.

“The scale of this disaster really can’t be expressed in words,” Myers said in a statement. “The fire will be extinguished, but a community has been changed for a lifetime.”

The fire was pushed by winds of up to 45 mph. Deputies went door to door and used public-address systems to tell residents to evacuate.

The Washington Department of Natural Resources on Tuesday closed all of the lands it manages east of the Cascades to recreation because of high fire danger.

With no recent lightning storms, the overwhelming majority of wildfires the department is fighting are presumed to be human-caused, the agency said Tuesday.

“We expect hot, dry, fast-moving winds to continue,” Franz said.

Meanwhile, wind, smoke and fire plagued Pierce County south of Seattle on Tuesday morning, closing highways, knocking out power and destroying six homes in the city of Graham.

Trump, Biden take different approaches in campaigning

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina caps outdoor gatherings at 50 people to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, but don’t tell that to President Donald Trump. He basked in a largely maskless crowd of several thousand supporters during a campaign rally in this critical state.

“As far as the eye can see,” Trump said, reveling at the sight of people flouting public health guidelines at Tuesday’s event. “I really believe that these crowds are bigger than they were four years ago.”

A day earlier in Pennsylvania, Trump’s Democratic challenger, Joe Biden, held a socially distanced meeting in a backyard. His team has been so attentive to local regulations that some staffers have left the room if they risked breaking the rules on crowd limits.

“I really miss being able to, you know, grab hands and shake hands,” Biden recently told supporters. “You can’t do that now.”

With less than eight weeks until the Nov. 3 election, Trump and Biden are taking diametrically opposite approaches to campaigning during a pandemic — and the differences amount to more than political theater. The candidates are effectively staking out different visions for the country. Biden emphasizes guidelines supported by local health officials while Trump rails against restrictions that he argues, without evidence, are politically motivated.

“By the way, your state should be open,” the president said in North Carolina,

where he has feuded with Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper over Trump’s abandoned plans to hold the Republican National Convention in Charlotte. “It’s you, it’s Michigan, it’s a couple others,” Trump added, as he sees a potent line of attack in pivotal states run by Democrats.

Trump aides and allies suggest the president sees his rallies as a manifestation of the reopening he’s preaching and that he believes is vital to the economic recovery and what voters want. In a dig at those who warn against reopening too quickly, Trump suggested that these states would suddenly reopen the day after the election, when opponents advocating caution can no longer hurt his reelection.

At the same time, it has pit the president against the public health advice issued by his own administration and drawn criticism from Dr. Anthony Fauci, the nation’s top infectious disease expert. Fauci told CBS on Wednesday that he is frustrated by Trump’s return to campaigning. “We want to set an example,” he said of those in leadership.

Outdoor events used to be few and far between for Trump, who prefers the deafening echo and air conditioning of indoor arenas. But in the wake of a June rally in Tulsa, Oklahoma, when the president addressed a half-empty arena and a promised five-figure overflow crowd never materialized, his campaign decided to move to lower-stakes airport hangars and tarmacs.

The one thing that has stayed the same: crowing

about his crowd sizes in comparison with Biden’s.

“If he had 200 people, I think it would be a lot,” Trump said Tuesday of his opponent. “Have you ever seen the gyms with the circles? That’s his crowd. If he had 200 people.”

Biden’s crowds, in fact, have been far smaller. The former vice president has appeared in public sparingly since the pandemic, and with the strictest adherence to state guidelines: 25 people in Pennsylvania, 10 people indoors in Michigan and mandatory face-coverings all around. Biden’s approach reflects the reluctance of many of his supporters to attend large gatherings.

For someone who has never been a natural in an arena, the smaller events allow Biden to have more personal interactions with representatives from important voting blocs, including labor and community leaders.

But they also allow him to largely avoid any controversy created by a critical questioner or a protester, both of whom he was forced to grapple with multiple times when campaigning before the pandemic.

Even when Biden is confronted with organic crowds of supporters, he’s rarely given the opportunity for an unscripted interaction with them.

As Biden gave a speech last week focused on the Trump administration’s response to the coronavirus at a university building in Pittsburgh, a crowd of more than 100 gathered and continued to arrive even as his event wrapped up.

DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren

Attention paid to ex-fiance angers wife for 20 years

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I were married 30 years when we ran into an old girlfriend (and ex-fiancee) of mine at a function. I spent a good part of the evening dancing with her and ignoring my wife. My wife says I was “indecent” with the girlfriend, and it hurt her badly.

It was 20 years ago, but my wife lets me hear about it every day. I can’t take it any longer. She refuses to get help or forgive me. Our marriage has gone downhill ever since. What do you recommend I do to make it up to her? I’ve tried a few things, to no avail. -- PAST ISN’T IN THE PAST

DEAR PAST: Your performance at that function must have been deeply humiliating to your wife. Was your regrettable behavior with your ex-fiancee a one-time thing or has it happened since?

You stated this happened 20 years ago and you have attempted to make amends to no avail. Unless there’s more to this story than you have written, it appears your wife enjoys carrying a grudge and punishing you -- which is, in my opinion, worse than what you did.

Please quit allowing her to continue to punish you. Get counseling if you need to, and offer her the option of counseling again. Understand that if she refuses, you have important decisions to make about your future. Discuss with your therapist what emotionally healthy options there may be for you, but don’t continue to settle for the status quo.

DEAR ABBY: My husband’s mother passed away recently after a long illness. She lived in another state. He couldn’t be there while she was sick or when she died because he was also ill. He carries a lot of guilt about it.

I saw a cellphone message from her before she died, saying she was dying and asking him to come help her. I deleted it because hearing it would have put added stress on him and made him sicker. Now I feel guilty. Should I keep quiet or confess? He still is not well. -- GUILTY DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

Fire

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was so windy,” Cochran said. “If they hadn’t seen it right then and called 911 it would have probably gotten (more) out of hand.”

Cochran’s family immediately called her and they were all concerned about her elderly mother Marie Cochran, who lives nearby. They couldn’t get to her home, so Donna left work and went around the fire via Randolph Road to retrieve her mother. Family members met at the boat launch parking lot.

“After the kids called 911, they called me and I said OK, how close is it to grandma’s house and they said, ‘well, we don’t know, we can’t get down the road.’ So I called grandma and she was at home by herself, so I said I’m leaving work. I went to Randolph, and came back up, loaded grandma, the dogs and the cat. Now we’re trying to figure out what we’re going to do tonight.”

The Cochrans ran a dairy on North Bank Lane for many years but now lease out the property and live in a house there.

The fire began between mile post 7 and 8, right across the river from Lampa Lane on Highway 42 South, but quickly spread up the steep terrain and into timberlands. According to a county official, it burned about 25 acres of Coos County Forest lands along with private lands.

Burr and Bobbie Gibbons, who own a home off North Bank Lane on Stargazer Lane, on the same road as Susan and Mike Deets, also evacuated. The Gibbons stayed at a motel in Bandon for the night with their two cats and the Deets stayed with their son in Langlois.

Burr Gibbons said they were told to evacuate by a private citizen who knocked on their door.

“We saw the smoke and we heard the helicopters so we made plans to evacuate, then somebody, a private citizen, drove up our drive-



Contributed photo by Susan Deets
A helicopter scoops water from the Coquille River to douse the fire on North Bank Lane.

way ... and he said you better evacuate, you’ve got about two minutes to get out of here,” Burr said.

He and Bobbie quickly grabbed their two cats and crates for them, threw some clothes, valuables and important papers in the car and left about noon. They met an OSP trooper as they were leaving who was also coming to tell them to get out.

“He asked if there were other houses on the road and we told him ... we’re certain the other people on the road were evacuated in time,” Burr said.

“And right now (about 4 p.m.) we don’t know anything except it seems the fire is still burning pretty actively and we aren’t expecting to get home tonight. And we hope we have a home to go home to,” Burr added.

Mike Deets said he and Susan watched the helicopters and tanker plane from their home before they evacuated. The plane did about five or six passes dropping retardant before it left and the helicopters came back in, Mike said.

“They are pretty amazing pilots,” he said.

Smoke was visible from the Rocky Point boat launch, but by 4 p.m. had decreased dramatically from earlier in the day. However, Mike Deets surmised the smoke might have been less visible at that time because the winds had slowed. A short time later, from state Highway 42S at about mile post 5, the flames could be seen bursting up the hillside, dangerously close to homes

and a yurt owned by Daemian and Katie Hawthorne and Candace Kreitlow and Pete Bauer. It was later determined the yurt was destroyed by the fire. Kreitlow said they were told to evacuate by officials and did not return to their home Tuesday evening. Lisa Hawthorne and Steve Kuntz also live in the area close to where the fire was burning, as well as Michael and Anna Bell.

Extreme fire conditions due to low humidity and high temperatures, along with strong east winds sparked fires across the state Monday and Tuesday. The conditions were expected to lessen by late Wednesday morning.

Along the South Coast, fires popped up in several locations, keeping firefighters busy. Charleston Fire responded to a fire on Libby Lane, utilizing resources from around the county, according to the North Bay Fire Department. North Bay Fire responded to a grass clipping fire at Haynes Way, which was contained and extinguished. A small fire broke out at Ferry Creek in Bandon but was quickly contained.

The North Bank Lane fire added to the strangely colored hue in the smoke-filled air from Coos Bay to Coquille and south of Bandon. Residents mused that the low humidity and high winds were much like the conditions when a fire burned the town of Bandon on Sept. 26, 1936. That fire started up Bear Creek Road, just off Highway 42S, across the river but not far from Tuesday’s fire.



Contributed photo by Rick Lawrence
The North Bank fire as seen from Highway 42S near Lampa Lane on Tuesday afternoon.



Amy Moss Strong, The World
The North Bank Lane fire was highly visible from across the Coquille River on Highway 42S Tuesday afternoon.

Rochester police leaders retire after suffocation death

(AP) - Top police leaders in Rochester, New York, announced their retirements Tuesday amid nightly protests over the handling of the suffocation death of Daniel Prude, whose family filed a federal lawsuit alleging a cover-up by law enforcement.

Police Chief La’Ron Singletary, Deputy Chief Joseph M. Morabito and two commanders retired, while two more deputy chiefs and a commander gave up top leadership positions and returned to lower ranks. The outgoing chief accused critics of trying to “destroy my character and integrity.”

Mayor Lovely Warren said during a video call with members of the City Council that she did not ask

Singletary, 40, to resign, but that his abrupt decision to step down came after “new information that was brought to light today that I had not previously seen before.” She did not elaborate.

While the “timing and tenor” of the retirements were difficult, Warren said later at a brief news conference, “I truly believe that we will get through this.”

The sudden announcements came more than five months after the death of Prude, a 41-year-old Black man who died several days after an encounter with police March 23 in New York’s third-largest city. There have been nightly protests in the city since the video’s release Wednesday. “The events that have

unfolded today have taken us completely by surprise, as they have everyone else,” the Rochester police union, known as the Locust Club, said in a prepared statement. The union blamed the “problems of leadership” on the mayor.

“The members of the Rochester Police Department and the Greater Rochester Community know my reputation and know what I stand for,” Singletary said in his own prepared statement. “The mischaracterization and the politicization of the actions that I took after being informed of Mr. Prude’s death is not based on facts, and is not what I stand for.”

Singletary, who spent his entire career in the

Rochester Police Department, was appointed chief in April 2019. He will stay on through the end of the month, Warren said. Both the mayor and Singletary are Black.

“This is great news,” said Iman Abid, speaking for Free the People ROC, which has held protests since details of Prude’s death emerged. “It says to the people that people are able to move things and to shape things. The police chief wouldn’t retire if it weren’t for something that he felt he was accountable to.”

But, she said, nightly protests will continue to push other demands, including the resignation of the mayor, defunding and demilitarizing of police, and

development of a state law barring police departments from responding to mental health crises.

Officers found Prude running naked down the street in March, handcuffed him and put a hood over his head to stop him from spitting, then held him down for about two minutes until he stopped breathing. He died a week later after he was taken off life support.

His brother, Joe Prude, had called 911 seeking help for Daniel Prude’s unusual behavior. He had been taken to a hospital for a mental health evaluation earlier that night but was released after a few hours, his brother told officers.

His death sparked outrage after his relatives last week

released police body camera video and written reports they obtained through a public records request.

Seven police officers were suspended a day later, and state Attorney General Letitia James said Saturday she would form a grand jury and conduct an “exhaustive investigation” into Prude’s death.

In a federal lawsuit filed Tuesday, Prude’s family alleged that it took more than 90 seconds for officers to notice he had stopped breathing because they were chatting and making jokes at his expense. Prude’s sister, Tameshay, sued as executor of his estate and named the city of Rochester, Singletary and officers involved in the arrest as defendants.

Wall Street skid is reality check for runaway market

ALEX VEIGA
Associated Press

Wall Street’s summer-long party fueled by investors’ appetite for some of the world’s best-known technology companies has come to an abrupt, if not entirely unexpected, halt.

The sharp sell-off that began last Thursday has wiped out nearly 7.1% from the S&P 500 as of Tuesday, its first three-day skid in nearly three months.

The Nasdaq composite, home to Apple, Amazon, Zoom, Tesla and many other tech stocks that led the market’s remarkable five-month comeback from its lows in March, has lost more than 10% after setting an all-time high just four days ago — a decline known in the market as a correction.

Call the last three trading sessions a reality check after what many

analysts say was an overdone push by traders into technology companies, especially in August.

“The bottom line is that this correction was long overdue and likely has more downside over the next few weeks (and) months as these positions are cleared out,” Morgan Stanley analysts wrote in a research note Tuesday, noting technology stocks had a “parabolic move” last month. Tech stocks jumped 11.8% in August, the sector’s best month since a 13.7% surge in April.

Investors’ craving for technology companies was fueled by low interest rates, customers stuck at home while the pandemic raged, and efforts by the U.S. government to support out-of-work Americans. An improving outlook for corporate profits has also kept traders in a buying mood.

Wall Street also got a

big boost from the Federal Reserve, which has taken unprecedented actions to keep markets running smoothly and also encourage borrowing by keeping interest rates extremely low. Meanwhile, a surge in trading in options contracts, which give investors the right to buy or sell hundreds of thousands of shares of stock at a time, also turbocharged the gains.

Between March 23 and Sept. 2, the Nasdaq jumped 75% while outpacing the S&P 500’s 60% gain and the Dow industrials’ 56.5% rally during the stock market’s rebound from its pandemic lows. During the run Apple became the first \$2 trillion U.S. company and Zoom itself became worth more than General Motors and Ford Motor Co. combined.

Even with the recent pullback, tech stocks are still leading the other 10

sectors in the S&P 500 with a gain of just under 23% so far this year.

While the reasons that made tech stocks attractive during the pandemic haven’t changed, market watchers have been increasingly raising concerns that the market’s gains were too concentrated in technology companies, driving their valuation to levels that started to sound frothy even factoring in the most optimistic outlooks for company earnings growth next year.

For example, the ratio of the stock price compared to the estimate for earnings over the next 12 months for Apple rose to around 35 last week — an all-time high and well above where the ratio was before the pandemic hit the U.S. economy.

“These stocks just got bought up to the point where even the most optimistic of forward

(earnings) estimates won’t be enough to justify these valuations,” said Sam Stovall, chief investment strategist at CFRA.

The timing of the sell-off coincided with fresh concerns that interest rates could move higher after the Fed signaled that it may allow inflation to heat up. That, plus growing unease over the election outcome, may have given investors a green light to pocket some of their recent gains.

“Those are all reasons for something of a pause here,” said Willie Delwiche, investment strategist at Baird. “It’s a case that we’d had so much of a run, everyone was on one side of the ship. It didn’t take much of a hiccup to upset things.”

At this point, Delwiche is assuming that the market will have a “healthy” correction.

Historically, markets tend to correct themselves

when they get too euphoric and stock prices push far higher relative to companies’ prospects for earnings growth. The Morgan Stanley analysts suggest this retreat in tech stocks could actually herald the start of more broad-based gains for the market.

“We think there is more downside over next month, but (it) eventually leads to further broadening out of the bull market,” the analysts wrote. “It’s true that valuations have surged, but this is typical early in a recovery.”

The biggest question is whether this blowing off steam for tech stocks will remain just that — a return to sanity for an hugely overbought area of the market — or whether it will drag the rest of the market down with it.

“This is a good reminder that if it feels too good to be true, it probably is,” Stovall said.

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Armstead uses platform to promote social issues

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Arik Armstead sat down at the podium and had a message before he would answer any questions about playing defensive end for the San Francisco 49ers.

Armstead gave a brief speech about hate crimes, challenging people to take steps to reduce prejudice against various minority groups. A week later, Armstead highlighted the issue of education inequality and how schools with higher percentage of Black and Latino students get less funding per capita than schools with predominantly white students.

Armstead is using his weekly media sessions to get across messages he wants to deliver, saying he will highlight one social justice issue that he has been studying each time before taking questions from the media.

“I was trying to find ways to push the needle, educate people with my platform,” he said. “I feel like that’s my responsibility and my duty as a citizen is to continue to be a better part of society, add value to society and the people around me. Playing

in the NFL gives me a platform where people look up to me and care about what I say. So I decided to use that voice for good and positive things and continue to push that needle and try to educate people with my voice.”

Armstead is far from alone when it comes to using their platform to promote social justice.

Tennessee safety Kenny Vaccaro told media members that he won’t answer questions about football during his news conferences this season, saying his focus will be on social justice.

“I just think, for me and my platform, my duty is to speak out on things that are happening and that’s just my stance,” Vaccaro said. “If you have any questions about what’s happening or what’s going on with the team with that stuff, I’ll answer them, but I’m just not going to talk football this year.”

Dolphins player representative Christian Wilkins wore a “VOTE” T-shirt to a recent Zoom session with the media to highlight that issue.

Vikings players held a joint media session after an intrasquad scrimmage at their stadium with

coach Mike Zimmer and several players talking about the team’s continuing effort to seek social justice. Running back Ameer Abdullah was the most specific, calling for the prosecution of white Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, who knelt on George Floyd, the handcuffed Black man, for nearly 8 minutes as Floyd died.

The Ravens sent a letter from players and staff to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell that was read aloud by several players on Twitter calling on him to put the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act to a vote in the Senate.

“It’s time for everybody to speak up and put pressure on things they see is wrong. It’s been too long of everyone casting a blind eye,” 49ers cornerback Richard Sherman said. “These are wild times and the more we can speak up and shed light on it, the better the world will be for our kids.”

Few players are doing more than Armstead, who along with shedding light on important issues of social injustice is also doing work in the community to

back up those words.

Through his Armstead Academic Project in the Sacramento area where he grew up, Armstead has made a commitment to giving back to the community after signing an \$85 million, five-year contract this offseason.

He has launched a “Storytime with Arik Armstead” reading program; taken elementary school kids to creative writing workshops; and donated and raised money to buy Chromebooks, provide Internet access, educational kits and healthy snacks to help 350 kids deal with distance learning brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Our education system was a glaring issue to me,” Armstead said. “I feel if it can be addressed, we’ll go an extremely long way. I feel all students need and deserve the right to have the opportunity to be successful in life and that starts with their education early on. ... I think no matter where a student lives or what neighborhood they grew up in, they deserve a chance to be successful in life and have a great education. So that really

became important for me a few years ago and I decided to put a lot of effort toward that.

He also has worked on voting rights issues and police reform, as well as being one of the 49ers on the Players Social Justice Council who helped determine which organizations would receive grants from a \$1 million pledge by team CEO Jed York to organizations creating societal change.

Armstead also has helped educate his teammates who came from more privileged backgrounds on some of these issues, while also working on getting a wider platform for them.

“It’s about time that everybody gets involved,” 49ers tackle Mike McGlinchey said. “It’s time to stop staying silent on certain things and become an ally to these issues. I think that where I’ve really grown over the last year or so. You finally become awake to the things that have been going on for a long time that you necessarily didn’t notice or didn’t see or didn’t understand prior. I have a lot my teammates to thank for that.”

Heat eliminate East’s top seed Bucks 103-94

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — The fifth-seeded Miami Heat finished off an upset of the NBA’s best regular-season team Tuesday, topping the Milwaukee Bucks 103-94 in Game 5 of their East semifinal series — while Giannis Antetokounmpo, the league’s reigning MVP, couldn’t play because of a sprained right ankle.

Jimmy Butler and Goran Dragic each scored 17 points for the Heat, who won the series 4-1 and will face either Boston or Toronto when the NBA’s final four gets underway next week. It’s Miami’s first time in the East finals since 2014, and the first time Butler has gotten to the NBA’s final four.

Jae Crowder scored 16, Tyler Herro scored 14, Bam Adebayo had 13 and Kelly Olynyk had 12 for the Heat.

Khris Middleton had 23 points for Milwaukee, which got 15 points and 14 rebounds from Brook Lopez. Donte DiVincenzo scored 17, Wesley Matthews and Marvin Williams each had 11 and Eric Bledsoe had nine assists for the Bucks.

Donovan out after five seasons as OKC coach

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Billy Donovan won’t return as coach of the Oklahoma City Thunder after five seasons, the team announced Tuesday night, ending a largely successful run that ought to make him an attractive candidate for jobs around the league.

Donovan, who was at the end of his contract, took the Thunder to the playoffs every year and was a finalist for NBA Coach of the Year this season after his squad outperformed expectations and pushed the Houston Rockets to seven games in the first round of the playoffs.

Donovan went 243-157 with Oklahoma City. “I have a great respect and admiration for the players I coached in Oklahoma, and I also want to thank the coaches I worked with, who gave unbelievable time and expertise to our common goal,” Donovan said in a statement.

The Thunder and Donovan described his departure as a mutual decision. Oklahoma City general manager Sam Presti said he couldn’t give Donovan the assurances he wanted about the future.

“In knowing where he is and the caliber of

coach he is, I wouldn’t want to mislead him and tell him it was going to be a certain way and then have it not be that way,” Presti said. “But ultimately, it was also five years and I think in his mind, it may have been time to move on. I totally respect that and I have a great deal of respect for him. I wish him nothing but the best.”

Before his run in Oklahoma City, Donovan led the University of Florida to two national championships and four Final Four appearances in 19 seasons.

Donovan inherited All-Stars Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook when he was hired before the 2015-16 season. The Thunder reached the Western Conference Finals, where they squandered a 3-1 lead against the Golden State Warriors.

Durant left for the Warriors that offseason, shaking the franchise and its fans. But the Thunder bounced back — Westbrook was the league MVP and set a league record for triple-doubles in a season. It was the first of three straight seasons that Westbrook averaged a triple-double. The Thunder lost to the Rockets in the first round of the playoffs.

Antetokounmpo did what he could — cheering from the bench

throughout, rebounding for teammates during pregame warmups and again at halftime, offering

words during timeouts.

But the NBA’s No. 1 over-

all seed in these playoffs — a league-best 56-17 in the regular season — just didn’t have enough.

LAKERS 112, ROCKETS

102: LeBron James scored 36 points, Rajon Rondo sparked a fourth-quarter rally and Los Angeles beat Houston to take a 2-1 lead in their Western Conference playoff series.

James earned his NBA-record 162nd playoff victory, surpassing former Lakers guard Derek Fisher’s 161.

Rondo had 21 points and nine assists as the Lakers broke open a close game in the final period. He scored eight straight points during a 10-0 run early in the fourth quarter that put the Lakers ahead for good. Rondo assisted on the other basket during that stretch.

Anthony Davis had 26 points and Kyle Kuzma added 14. James Harden scored 33 points and Russell Westbrook had 30 for the Rockets.

Rockets forward Robert Covington was taken to the locker room after colliding with Davis in the fourth quarter.

Seaver, Brock leave behind different game

TIM DAHLBERG
Associated Press

They were the heroes of a generation of baseball fans, a pair of first ballot Hall of Famers who were worth the price of admission every time they stepped on the field.

Tom Seaver liked to tell the story about how he first met Lou Brock, who mistook the baby-faced pitcher for a clubhouse attendant at the 1967 All-Star game and asked him to fetch him a soda. It wasn’t long before familiarity wasn’t a problem as Seaver and Brock duelled against each other over the next 12 years.

No one batted against Tom Terrific more than Brock. No one tried to get Brock out more than Seaver, nicknamed “The Franchise.”

It was fitting, perhaps, that both died within a few days of each other in what was a sad week for everyone who loves America’s pastime. Both battled the kind of health problems in recent years that no one who saw them in their prime would have imagined.

For those of us who reveled in their exploits it was yet another sober reminder that nothing lasts forever — even your childhood heroes. At the same time, it was also a reminder of how much of the game they once played is no longer, either.

No one is going to win 300 games again, like Seaver did with 311 over 20 years. No one is going to pitch nearly 5,000 Major League innings or complete 231 games.

No less authority than the great Los Angeles announcer Vin Scully called

Seaver the best right-handed pitcher he ever saw. He would have been the greatest pitcher Scully ever saw, but there was a lefty on the Dodgers by the name of Sandy Koufax who had that honor.

That he won only one World Series in his long career wasn’t Seaver’s fault. He was on some bad teams over the years, including one in New York that didn’t become the Amazin’ Mets until Seaver picked them up and carried them to the pennant in 1969.

Seaver pitched eight straight complete games that year to end the season, winning them all and giving up a total of only eight earned runs as the Mets surged from behind to pass the Chicago Cubs in the regular season.

And while Ricky Henderson holds most stolen base records these days, no one is going to post the kind of numbers Brock did, either. He turned the stolen base into both a science and an art form with 938 in his career, including 118 in 1974 alone when he was determined to break the modern day mark of 104 set by Maury Wills in 1962.

“Lou, Lou, Lou,” the crowd in St. Louis used to chant when he was on first base, about to unleash his game-changing havoc.

The trade the Cubs made when they swapped Brock for Ernie Broglio in 1964 has in hindsight been called one of the worst in baseball history. But the truth is, someone like Brock would barely get a second look in today’s game, where home runs are everything and the kind of things he did on a baseball field don’t always pencil out in the analytics department.

Indeed, the biggest number that stands out in Brock’s stats — other than the stolen bases — is the 3,023 hits he piled up. Brock never hit more than 21 home runs in a career that spanned nearly two full decades, but he was so consistent that even in his last year he hit .304 and swiped 21 bases for the Cardinals.

And he was at his best when it mattered the most. Brock played in three World Series in the 1960’s, creating havoc at the plate and on the bases for the Cardinals, who won two of them. In 21 World Series games, he had 34 hits, four home runs and scored 16 runs. And, yes, he stole 14 bases.

Baseball is a different game now, driven by analytics that don’t value stolen bases or complete game wins. Trevor Bauer of the Reds leads the majors in complete games with two — both seven inning affairs — and Colorado’s Trevor Story has the stolen base lead with a grand total of 12.

Still, there’s little doubt both Seaver and Brock would have found a way to fit into today’s game. They were that good, and they were that driven.

Their passing brings back the memories of their greatness. It introduces them to another generation of baseball fans who only knew the names because their fathers and grandfathers always talked about them.

Hopefully they can picture Seaver on the mound at Shea, working from the stretch. Or Brock, inching off first, eyes fixed on the pitcher’s every movement.

Baseball as it once was played by two of the greatest who ever were.

Bucks star leads NBA All-Defensive team

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Giannis Antetokounmpo was the Defensive Player of the Year, so it should be no surprise that he was also the leading vote-getter for the league’s All-Defensive team.

The Milwaukee Bucks forward — and favorite to win his second consecutive MVP award — appeared on 97 of the first-team ballots out of 100 cast by a global panel of sports writers and broadcasters who cover the league.

Antetokounmpo was one of three Bucks on the 10-person squad, announced by the league Tuesday.

Also on the first team: Los Angeles Lakers forward Anthony Davis, Philadelphia 76ers guard Ben Simmons, Utah Jazz center Rudy Gobert and Boston Celtics guard Marcus Smart.

The second team selections were Los Angeles Clippers teammates Kawhi Leonard at forward and Patrick Beverley at guard, Bucks teammates Brook Lopez at center and Eric Bledsoe at guard, and Miami forward Bam Adebayo.

Antetokounmpo, Davis, Gobert, Simmons, Adebayo, Beverley and Smart, respectively, were the top seven vote-getters in the Defensive Player of the Year balloting — so their appearances on the All-Defensive team were likely expected.

Leonard tied for ninth on that list, Lopez was 10th and Bledsoe did not receive any votes for DPOY, where voters ranked their top three choices with no regard for position.

Leonard made the All-Defensive team for the sixth time and has done so now as a member of three different teams, with his past appearances coming when he played for San Antonio and Toronto. Gobert is a first-team selection for the fourth consecutive year, the league’s longest active such streak.

FOUR-DAY FORECAST FOR NORTH BEND

| TONIGHT | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| Clear | Partly sunny and cooler | Times of clouds and sun | Times of clouds and sun | Some brightening |
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| North Bend Tuesday | |
| TEMPERATURE | |
| High/low | 90°/67° |
| Normal high/low | 65°/51° |
| Record high | 90° in 2020 |
| Record low | 40° in 1980 |
| PRECIPITATION | |
| Yesterday | 0.00" |
| Year to date | 28.02" |
| Last year to date | 41.96" |
| Normal year to date | 37.81" |

SUN AND MOON

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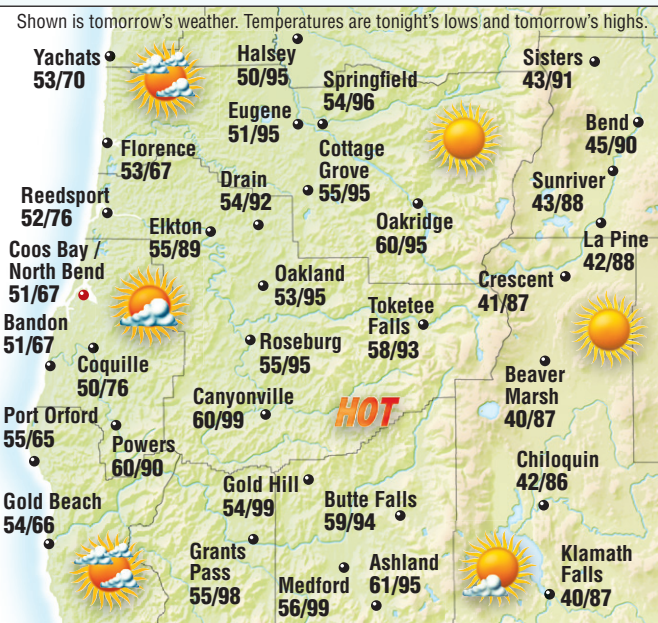
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| Burns | 72/34 0.00 | 85/37/s |
| Brookings | 89/55 0.00 | 66/53/pc |
| Corvallis | 77/65 0.00 | 92/48/s |
| Eugene | 76/66 0.00 | 95/50/s |
| Klamath Falls | 76/47 0.00 | 87/41/s |
| La Grande | 72/41 0.00 | 86/46/s |
| Medford | 92/66 0.00 | 99/56/s |
| Newport | 77/68 0.00 | 67/49/pc |
| Pendleton | 75/41 0.00 | 89/56/s |
| Portland | 81/64 0.00 | 96/57/s |
| Redmond | 74/34 0.00 | 92/44/s |
| Roseburg | 92/58 0.00 | 95/53/s |
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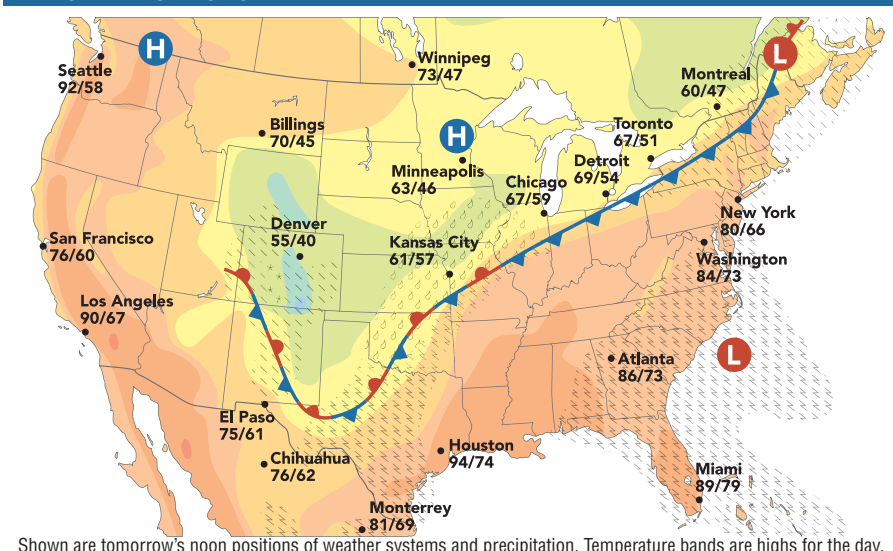
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












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| | 6:05 p.m. | 5.9 | 11:49 a.m. | 3.4 | 7:13 p.m. | 6.0 | 1:09 p.m. | 3.6 |
| Charleston | 7:05 a.m. | 4.9 | 12:22 a.m. | 1.2 | 8:29 a.m. | 5.0 | 1:32 a.m. | 1.1 |
| | 6:10 p.m. | 6.5 | 11:47 a.m. | 3.6 | 7:18 p.m. | 6.5 | 1:07 p.m. | 3.8 |
| Coos Bay | 8:31 a.m. | 4.7 | 1:50 a.m. | 1.1 | 9:55 a.m. | 4.8 | 3:00 a.m. | 0.9 |
| | 7:36 p.m. | 6.2 | 1:15 p.m. | 3.2 | 8:44 p.m. | 6.2 | 2:35 p.m. | 3.4 |
| Florence | 7:49 a.m. | 4.2 | 1:20 a.m. | 1.0 | 9:13 a.m. | 4.3 | 2:30 a.m. | 0.9 |
| | 6:54 p.m. | 5.6 | 12:45 p.m. | 2.9 | 8:02 p.m. | 5.6 | 2:05 p.m. | 3.1 |
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NATIONAL FORECAST



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NATIONAL EXTREMES YESTERDAY (for the 48 contiguous states)

National high: 106° at Thermal, CA National low: 14° at Dakota Hill, CO

NATIONAL CITIES

| City | Thurs. | Fri. | City | Thurs. | Fri. | City | Thurs. | Fri. |
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| | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W | | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W | | Hi/Lo/W | Hi/Lo/W |
| Albuquerque | 65/53/pc | 75/54/pc | Fargo | 66/43/s | 66/53/c | Pittsburgh | 84/60/pc | 78/63/s |
| Anchorage | 59/41/s | 56/41/s | Flagstaff | 69/36/s | 75/40/s | Pocatello | 73/42/s | 82/45/s |
| Atlanta | 86/73/t | 87/73/t | Fresno | 95/64/s | 96/66/s | Portland, ME | 80/55/pc | 69/50/s |
| Atlantic City | 82/73/c | 75/68/c | Green Bay | 63/43/pc | 67/51/pc | Providence | 79/63/sh | 69/54/pc |
| Austin | 82/69/t | 87/69/c | Hartford, CT | 82/60/sh | 74/50/pc | Raleigh | 82/72/t | 84/70/sh |
| Baltimore | 84/68/t | 79/63/c | Helena | 78/45/s | 84/50/s | Rapid City | 64/42/pc | 69/45/pc |
| Billings | 70/45/pc | 79/51/s | Honolulu | 88/77/pc | 90/76/pc | Redding | 95/59/s | 97/60/s |
| Birmingham | 89/71/pc | 90/73/t | Houston | 94/74/pc | 95/74/pc | Reno | 85/52/pc | 89/54/s |
| Boise | 83/54/s | 88/55/s | Indianapolis | 61/61/pc | 77/62/pc | Richmond, VA | 82/71/t | 81/69/t |
| Boston | 79/62/sh | 68/56/pc | Kansas City | 61/57/r | 70/62/t | Sacramento | 90/57/s | 90/58/s |
| Buffalo | 72/56/c | 70/56/pc | Key West | 89/82/t | 89/81/t | St. Louis | 80/65/c | 83/70/pc |
| Burlington, VT | 71/49/sh | 66/47/pc | Las Vegas | 86/67/s | 95/72/s | Salt Lake City | 70/52/pc | 83/58/s |
| Caribou, ME | 62/40/sh | 64/41/pc | Lexington | 88/66/t | 83/66/s | San Angelo | 67/58/t | 77/62/t |
| Casper | 50/37/pc | 63/37/s | Little Rock | 89/71/pc | 88/70/t | San Diego | 85/67/s | 83/67/s |
| Charleston, SC | 88/75/t | 87/74/t | Los Angeles | 90/67/s | 90/63/s | San Francisco | 76/60/pc | 76/58/pc |
| Charleston, WV | 87/67/t | 84/67/pc | Louisville | 89/68/pc | 85/69/pc | San Jose | 82/59/pc | 81/57/pc |
| Charlotte, NC | 84/71/t | 84/72/t | Madison | 59/46/s | 66/56/c | Santa Fe | 62/43/r | 72/43/pc |
| Cheyenne | 48/38/pc | 67/46/s | Memphis | 92/73/pc | 90/72/t | Seattle | 92/58/s | 84/55/s |
| Chicago | 67/59/pc | 68/62/pc | Miami | 89/79/sh | 90/77/t | Sioux Falls | 65/49/s | 61/55/t |
| Cincinnati | 86/63/pc | 81/65/s | Milwaukee | 62/55/pc | 66/60/c | Spokane | 86/56/s | 88/56/s |
| Cleveland | 72/60/c | 72/58/pc | Minneapolis | 63/46/pc | 63/56/c | Springfield, IL | 76/59/c | 78/63/pc |
| Colorado Spgs | 48/37/pc | 67/45/s | Missoula | 82/44/s | 86/47/s | Springfield, MA | 83/58/sh | 73/47/pc |
| Columbus, OH | 82/61/pc | 79/63/s | Nashville | 91/71/t | 88/71/t | Syracuse | 76/51/pc | 70/51/s |
| Concord, NH | 86/53/pc | 72/44/s | New Orleans | 92/78/pc | 92/77/t | Tampa | 90/76/t | 90/77/t |
| Dallas | 77/66/t | 83/70/t | New York City | 80/66/sh | 75/62/pc | Toledo | 73/56/c | 71/58/pc |
| Dayton | 82/60/pc | 79/61/pc | Norfolk, VA | 84/75/s | 81/74/t | Trenton | 80/66/t | 76/60/pc |
| Daytona Beach | 89/76/t | 88/76/t | Oklahoma City | 66/56/r | 74/61/c | Tucson | 93/65/s | 98/71/s |
| Denver | 55/40/s | 73/48/s | Olympia, WA | 94/53/s | 83/47/s | Tulsa | 72/64/t | 76/67/t |
| Des Moines | 58/53/r | 64/60/t | Omaha | 58/51/r | 66/58/t | Washington, DC | 84/73/t | 79/69/t |
| Detroit | 69/54/pc | 70/57/pc | Orlando | 91/75/t | 91/76/t | W. Palm Beach | 89/78/t | 90/77/t |
| El Paso | 75/61/pc | 84/66/pc | Philadelphia | 82/68/t | 78/62/pc | Wichita | 85/55/r | 72/61/t |
| Fairbanks | 48/38/c | 50/37/pc | Phoenix | 94/72/s | 101/77/s | Wilmington, DE | 82/69/t | 79/63/c |

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

Johnson will team with Ganassi in IndyCar

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Jimmie Johnson will transition from NASCAR to IndyCar with Chip Ganassi Racing in a partnership that could pair two of the most dominant drivers of this generation on one team.

The seven-time NASCAR champion will work with the Ganassi organization to finalize sponsorship on a two-year program for Johnson to run the road and street course races on IndyCar's schedule. If funding is secured, Johnson would be teammates with five-time IndyCar champion Scott Dixon.

The partnership announced Wednesday would also leave room for Johnson to compete in select NASCAR events because Ganassi fields only two cars in the Cup Series. Johnson has spent his entire 20-year Cup career driving for Hendrick Motorsports, which is currently at the four-car maximum and would not have room for Johnson after he retires from full-time NASCAR competition in November.

Johnson, who turns 45 next week, tested an Indy car at Indi-

anapolis Motor Speedway with Ganassi in July.

"Ganassi was highly motivated to give me a chance to drive a car to see what I thought and the experience was all that I hoped for and more," Johnson told The Associated Press. "I left a good impression with them where there's definitely interest on their side and now it's time to formalize things and get the ball rolling."

Landing sponsorship is critical to the deal and Johnson said his personal team has had productive conversations with potential partners as his interest in IndyCar has increased. He's had only two primary sponsors — Lowe's from 2001 through 2018 and Ally the last two seasons — and prefers consistent branding.

Now Johnson will attempt to fill his 2021 schedule with approximately 15 events. IndyCar's original 2020 schedule consisted of 12 road and street course events before the pandemic forced cancellations.

"We have some options that are interested in taking those

primary rights for all 12 races, but there could be a scenario where you break it off into three-to-four race blocs for sponsors in areas that are most important for them," Johnson said. "But our goal is definitely to sell the primary spot to one and have that consistent look that I've had throughout my career. I personally would love to continue that."

SEVEN-TIME AND THE ICEMAN: Johnson and Dixon are the winningest drivers of their generations in their respective formulas. Johnson's 83 wins are tied for sixth all-time in NASCAR and the seven titles are a record he shares with Hall of Famers Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt.

Dixon last month earned his 50th career victory, third all-time behind A.J. Foyt (67) and Mario Andretti (52). His five titles trail only Foyt's seven, and he's got a 96-point lead in the current championship chase. Dixon is the most tenured driver in Ganassi's 30-year history at 19 years.

Johnson has developed an off-track friendship with both Dixon

and former Ganassi driver Dario Franchitti, who is now a driver coach for the organization. Both were instrumental in piquing Johnson's interest in IndyCar and Dixon assisted Johnson at the July test.

"The pairing is such a cool opportunity," Johnson said.

WHY GANASSI: Johnson said he had discussions with several interested IndyCar organizations, including Arrow McLaren SP. His first test had originally been scheduled with the McLaren team in April but was canceled because of the pandemic.

Ganassi put together an initial test for early July that Johnson had to cancel when he tested positive for COVID-19 but the organization got him on the track three weeks later. Once convinced he wanted to race in 2021 there were several interested organizations but the Ganassi partnership was the one Johnson pursued.

"To pair Jimmie with the likes of Scott Dixon is quite an opportunity. They are truly in rarified air and I think everyone knows

by now that I like winners," Ganassi said. "The goal right now is for us to run Jimmie in an Indy car for at least the next couple of seasons, and we want to show people we're serious about the program. We felt it was important to get the partnership done and start putting the financial building blocks in place to make this a reality."

Ganassi has taken risks before; he brought Juan Pablo Montoya back from Formula One to NASCAR in 2006, and Franchitti tried NASCAR in 2008 during a one-season break from IndyCar.

WHAT ABOUT NASCAR: Johnson is open to adding both marquee NASCAR races and sports car events to his schedule as he aims for 15 events a year. He said the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway could be an easy sell because of the sponsorship opportunities on the throwback paint scheme weekend, as well as road course races and superspeedways.

"There's a lot of hurdles to clear, but I'm open," Johnson said.

Bennett wins Tour stage in sprint finish

ILE DE RE, France (AP) — Tour de France riders passed coronavirus tests to confirm their good health only to endure numerous crashes along the Atlantic coastline when the race resumed on Tuesday.

Sprinter Sam Bennett prevailed ahead of Caleb Ewan to post his first Tour stage win, while Primož Roglic avoided the many crashes that punctuated Stage 10 to keep the race leader's yellow jersey.

After the 168.5-kilometer (105-mile) ride from Ile d'Oleron to Ile de Re, Roglic maintained a 21-second lead over defending champion Egan Bernal. Frenchman Guillaume Martin was in third place, 28 seconds off the pace.

Having performed 841 tests of all 166 riders and team staff over the previous two days, organizers gave all cyclists the go-ahead to start. But Tour director Christian Prudhomme was forced to abandon the race after testing positive for the virus.

Also, four staff members from

four different teams failed the test and were dropped from the race bubble.

"I'm happy that the race goes on, it's beautiful" Roglic said after the stage.

The race did lose one rider before the stage started, as the injured Domenico Pozzovivo of Italy pulled out.

Under sunny skies in western France, Stefan Küng and Michael Schär made an early break but were kept on a leash. On flat roads exposed to winds, the main teams rode at full speed at the front of the pack to avoid getting caught in crosswinds, limiting the gap to less than two minutes.

The nervousness in the pack was detrimental to several riders, including Robert Gesink and Nicolas Roche, who hit the tarmac at more than 55 kph with about 100 kilometers left. The crash split the bunch and the pair of breakaway riders was swallowed soon after.

Another big pileup involving Martin and Slovenian hopeful Ta-

dej Pogacar occurred in the town of Rochefort after a rider apparently hit a median strip and fell. Both men rejoined the peloton after Martin received a new bike and was escorted back by three teammates.

Bennett, who now holds stage wins at all three Grands Tours, reached 65 kph (40 mph) in the last 500 meters as he overpowered Ewan to snatch the best sprinter's green jersey from Peter Sagan's shoulders.

"You dream of it and you never think it will happen. It does and it did. It took a while for it to hit me," an emotional Bennett said at the finish.

Earlier, Tour organizers and cycling governing body the UCI said the four staff members who tested positive for the virus worked for Cofidis, AG2R La Mondiale, Bernal's Inos Grenadiers and Mitchelton Scott.

Under the race's health protocols those four squads are now at greater risk of being excluded. Anyone who tests positive has to

leave the race and any team with two or more positive tests — either rider or staff — within seven days also has to abandon.

The next wave of tests will be during the next rest day on Sept. 14.

Prudhomme's positive test might have an impact on French political affairs as it came only days after he spent two hours in his car following a stage in the Pyrenees in the company of Prime Minister Jean Castex. As a result, French President Emmanuel Macron said a government meeting scheduled on Wednesday will be organized via videoconference, or postponed.

Castex was tested for the virus and it came back negative. BFMTV quoted the prime minister's office as saying he would isolate himself for seven days as a standard precautionary measure.

Speaking to France Info radio earlier, Prudhomme said he does not have virus symptoms, adding that he will stay in isolation for seven days.

Timbers lose Blanco to torn ACL

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland Timbers midfielder Sebastian Blanco tore the ACL in his right knee and will miss the rest of the season.

Blanco will have surgery next week, the team said. He injured his knee early in Portland's 2-1 victory at Seattle on Sunday.

Blanco was named MVP of the recent MLS is Back tournament in Florida. He had three goals and five assists as the Timbers won the tournament.

He had two goals and five assists in nine regular-season matches for Portland this season. He has 33 goals and 39 assists in 121 career appearances with Portland across all competitions.

NORTHWEST STOCKS

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| Closing and 8:30 a.m. quotes: | | NW Natural | 47.89 | 47.38 | Levi Strauss | 12.77 | 13.00 |
| Stock | Close | Skywest | 35.46 | 33.90 | Dow Jones closed at 27,506.42 | | |
| Intel | 48.89 | Starbucks | 85.33 | 86.09 | NASDAQ closed at 10,847.69 | | |
| Kroger | 34.60 | Umpqua Hlds | 11.41 | 11.24 | S&P 500 closed at 3,330.80 | | |
| Microsoft | 202.34 | Weyerhaeuser | 28.09 | 28.96 | Provided by Coos Bay Edward Jones | | |
| Nike | 112.72 | Xerox | 18.66 | 18.92 | | | |

LOTTERY

| MegaMillions | Powerball | Megabucks | Win For Life |
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| Sept. 8 | Sept. 5 | Sept. 7 | Sept. 7 |
| 7-10-15-31-57 | 15-21-22-27-47 | 1-6-13-19-20-45 | 15-45-63-70 |
| Megaball: 21 | Powerball: 7 | Jackpot: \$1.6 Million | |
| Multiplier: x2 | Multiplier: x2 | | |
| Jackpot: \$108 million | Jackpot: \$75 million | | |