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# Governor extends foreclosure moratorium

Executive order now will run through the end of calendar year

SALEM (AP) — Gov. Kate Brown has issued an executive order extending Oregon's foreclosure moratorium through December, citing the continuing COVID-19-related recession.

"Extending the moratorium on foreclosures will ensure that more Oregonians do not lose their homes this year, and that businesses can continue to provide vital goods and services to our communities," Brown said in a Monday announcement of the order.

The prior eviction moratorium was scheduled to expire at the end of September.

The governor acted under au-

thority the Legislature granted in June when it passed House Bill 4204, The Oregonian/Oregon-Live reported.

The Oregon Bankers Association have sued, arguing that provisions in the bill that protect homeowners from fees and penalties associated with missed mortgage payments are unconstitutional.

The governor's office said Monday's order includes those

additional provisions. The Oregon Bankers Association did not immediately respond to a request from the newspaper for comment.

Oregon also currently has a residential eviction ban for renters that is due to expire at the end of September. Tenants will have until the end of March to pay back rent. Brown said Monday she is continuing to have conversations with commu-

nity leaders and stakeholders to look at options surrounding that moratorium.

Oregon reported 162 new confirmed and presumptive cases of the coronavirus and one new death on Monday. The new daily case count is the lowest Oregon has seen since June 29 when the state's case count was still on the way up before starting an incremental decline around Aug. 1.

## Friends mourn activist killed in Portland

PORTLAND (AP) — A supporter of a right-wing group who was shot dead on a Portland, Oregon, street was mourned by both friends and President Donald Trump as a victim of mob violence while an online fundraising effort raised tens of thousands of dollars in his memory.

Just hours before he was shot in the chest Saturday night, 39-year-old Aaron "Jay" Danielson and a friend were seen heading downtown to protect a flag-waving caravan of Trump supporters. They wore hats with the insignia of Patriot Prayer, a group that has clashed with left-wing protesters in Portland for years, and appeared armed with knives and paintball guns.

"Paint is a defensive mechanism. Paint is not bullets," Trump said during his White House briefing Monday, adding that someone connected with violent protests "shot a young gentleman and killed him. Not with paint but with a bullet."

In cellphone video of the shooting, both Danielson and his assailant were seen on a darkened street. At least three shots rang out in a smoky haze, followed by images of Danielson crumpled on the ground as the friend, Chandler Pappas, slaps him in the face and rolls him over, yelling "Jay! Jay!"

"He was a good man and he was just killed senselessly for no reason other than he believed something different than they do," Pappas told supporters during a rally Sunday. "He was Christian. He was conservative."

Added Patriot Prayer founder Joey Gibson on his Facebook page: "We love Jay and he had such a huge heart. God bless him and the life he lived."

Ex-girlfriend Christine Banks said Monday Danielson didn't discuss politics much but of the weeks-long protests in Portland: "He didn't think it was right. ... He was there for peace."

Banks said Danielson was a good person who loved nature and animals.

"If you ask anybody, the one thing they'll remember him by is his goofy, beautiful smile," she said. "He cared about what you believed in and not the color of your skin."

A GoFundMe site late Monday said it had raised \$33,000 from more than 900 donors for "legal/lawyer fees, and towards fulfilling all other incurred costs in this time of need."

Danielson, a burly, bearded man, helped run a company in Portland called North West Specialty Moving that focused on transporting heavy items such as marble statues, hot tubs and gun safes. The company's address, which is the same address listed for Danielson for two parking violations in 2019, is a modest blue bungalow in a residential



Contributed Photo

An aerial view of the fires along the Siuslaw River near Mapleton.

## Wildfire still burning near Mapleton

### THE WORLD

MAPLETON — Firefighters on Monday continued their fight to slow the spread of a wildfire in private forestland and a portion of BLM land about 1 mile southeast of Mapleton in western Lane County. The fire — estimated Monday afternoon at more than 500 acres — is in steep terrain on the south side of the Siuslaw River and is burning toward the south away from Mapleton.

Fire crews aided by six bulldozes, five water tenders, an excavator and a processor, are reinforcing control lines this morning that they dug yesterday. They are adding water hoses to the fire lines and working to extend those lines. However, containment remained officially at 0% Monday afternoon.

Meanwhile, two helicopters are taking water from the Siuslaw River to drop on the fire. ODF fire officials are asking the public to avoid the area downstream from Mapleton in the Hadsall Creek Road section of the Siuslaw River where the heli-

### Siuslaw River closed to boating from Mapleton to Tiernan Landing

#### THE WORLD

MAPLETON — At the request of the Lane County Sheriff's Office, the Oregon State Marine Board is issuing a closure to all recreational boating on the Siuslaw River between the Highway 126 Bridge in Mapleton downstream to Tiernan Landing.

The temporary closure is in effect from Sept. 1 through Sept. 13, 2020, and is necessary due to fire suppression efforts and road closures in the area.

Fire suppression aircraft are accessing the river for water and pose a significant danger to any boaters on the river. Marine officers are assisting on the water and making contacts with local homeowners asking for their active cooperation.

Lane County has issued a Level 3 evacuation for residents of Hadsell Creek Road, and a Level 2 evacuation for residents on or near Sweet Creek Road., on the south side of the Siuslaw River.

For a map of the evacuation areas, visit <https://sartopo.com/m/QRCS>. Updates from the Oregon Department of Forestry can be found on the Fire Blog at <http://odfwildfire.wpengine.com/>.

copters are refilling their buckets. Fire officials are also asking the public to avoid the Hadsall Creek Road and Sweet Creek

Road areas because of heavy firefighting traffic.

Lane County Sheriff has eight homes under a Level 3 (Go)

evacuation order and 24 homes under a Level 2 (Get Set) evacuation order.

A number of local firefighting agencies have been assisting on the fire, including:

- Mapleton Fire Department
- Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (Note: the Reedsport Volunteer Fire Department covered for SVFR so they could dispatch to the fire)
- Swisshome-Deadwood Rural Fire Protection District

Other agencies aiding in the fire include the Lance County Emergency Management, Lane County Road Department, Lane County Sheriff, Oregon Department of Transportation and USDA Forest Service wildland firefighters from the Siuslaw National Forest.

ODF Incident Management Team One led by Joe Hessel took command of the fire at 6 p.m. Monday, freeing up local resources to focus again on initial attack on any new fires in coming days.

Cause of the fire is under investigation.

## Sheriffs slam governor's plan to curb Portland violence

PORTLAND (AP) — A plan by the governor of Oregon to use sheriff's deputies from surrounding counties to help patrol Portland following the deadly shooting of a right-wing Trump supporter was sharply criticized by law enforcement officials who said it wouldn't end the "cycle of violence" in the city that's approaching 100 consecutive nights of often-violent Black Lives Matter protests.

Gov. Kate Brown, a Democrat, announced the plan Sunday to temporarily use deputies from two counties, as well as Oregon State Police troopers, to help Portland police as the liberal city struggles to regain its footing in the glare of the national spotlight.

But the sheriffs in both coun-

ties said Monday they would not send deputies to Portland, where only hours later, police declared another riot after people broke windows, burglarized a business and lit a fire in an occupied apartment building. Officers reported seeing rocks and paint balloons thrown at them, and eventually made 19 arrests as they worked for hours early Tuesday to disperse the crowd, according to a Portland police statement.

Clackamas County Sheriff Craig Roberts said flooding the city with more law enforcement would never work because Portland's newly elected district attorney has dismissed charges against hundreds of protesters arrested for non-violent, low-level crimes. Roberts and Washington County Sheriff Pat Garrett also

said the liability for their deputies would be too great.

"The same offenders are arrested night after night, only to be released by the court and not charged with a crime by the DA's Office. The next night they are back at it, endangering the lives of law enforcement and the community all over again," Roberts said. "The criminal justice system will need to do its part and hold offenders accountable."

Charles Boyle, the governor's chief-of-staff, said: "It is up to each county to determine the personnel and resources they have available to volunteer for this effort."

Boyle said the governor appreciated Clackamas County's willingness to backfill calls normally taken by state police while

troopers are in Portland.

The rejection of Brown's plan leaves state and city police to work the protests in the wake of the fatal shooting of right-wing Trump supporter Aaron J. Danielson. It also leaves uncertainty about the future in Portland as President Donald Trump puts the chaos in his campaign crosshairs.

Danielson, 39, of Portland was shot in the chest late Saturday as protesters clashed with supporters of Trump who drove in a caravan through the city. No one has been arrested in the shooting.

Trump has made Portland and its Democratic leadership a frequent target and the centerpiece of his "law and order" re-election campaign theme.





The mangled wreck near the creek in Curry County after it went down an embankment near Agness on Thursday afternoon.

# Recall effort comes up short again

State Republican group doesn't get enough signatures

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Republican Party didn't gather enough signatures by Monday's deadline to recall Gov. Kate Brown.

It's the its second time an effort to recall the governor has failed in less than a year, the Statesman Journal reported.

"It's gut-wrenching to deliver this news," Oregon GOP Chair Bill Currier said over a Facebook livestream to supporters. "But we will prevail. I am confident that the people's will will be upheld in the end."

Republicans have accused Brown of abusing her power and runing the state's economy through shutdowns imposed in response to the coronavirus pandemic. The governor has said shutdowns were in keeping with the advice of public health experts and were intended to save lives.

For the recall to continue, the state GOP needed to gather and submit 280,050 valid signatures to the Secretary of State's office by Aug. 31. That's 90 days from when the recall effort was initiated.

Currier said their campaign gathered 277,254 signatures, which would be about 2,800 short of the required number. They would not submit any signatures to the Secretary of State's office.

Most signature-gathering efforts turn in many thousands more signatures than required to ensure they've gathered enough that can be verified by elections officials.

Thomas Wheatley, an advisor to Brown, said after the announcement that the governor won her election two years ago by more than 100,000 votes and that the recall attempt was a distraction.

Republicans constitute about 25 percent of registered voters in the state, while Democrats make up 35 percent and nonaffiliated voters make up 33 percent.

# Man rescued after crash near Agness

## THE WORLD

AGNESS — On Tuesday Aug. 25, at about 2:09 p.m., the Curry County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from an Agness resident reporting hearing a loud crash and seeing a dust cloud near his residence just east of Cougar Lane near the intersection of Bear Camp Road and the Agness Road. The caller reported going to the area but could not see anything over the

steep embankment due to brush and trees but could hear someone screaming out in pain below, according to a press release fromo Curry County Sheriff John Ward. Sheriff's deputies responded while dispatch paged out Agness Fire and Rescue along with the Gold Beach Fire Department, Cal Ore Life Flight and Reach. Agness Fire and Rescue arrived on scene and was only able to access the vehicle by going through the

bottom end of the caller's property, according to the release. They located the vehicle about 100 feet below the Agness Road at the mouth of Shasta Costa Creek. The driver and only occupant in the vehicle had crawled out of the mangled wreck and they were able to put him on a backboard to get him back to the caller's driveway where they were met by Deputies and the Gold Beach Fire Department.

The driver was identified as 26-year-old Keenon Moore with a listed address in Newport. Moore has been staying in Agness and was operating a vehicle owned by Agness resident Joshua Scherbarth. The Agness Road was shut down at the intersection of Bear Camp Road by Sheriff's deputies and Gold Beach Fire where Reach helicopter with their medical crew landed and transported Moore to a hospital in the Rogue Valley.

# Albany man charged with attempted murder over knife attack

ALBANY (AP) — An Albany man has been accused of stabbing and slashing another man repeatedly in the back, chest and face on Sunday, saying he was going to kill him, police said.

Jace Clifford, 31, was charged in Linn County Circuit Court on Monday with attempted murder, assault, unlawful use of a weapon and tampering with physical evidence, the Albany Democrat Herald

reported. The man who was attacked drove Clifford's estranged wife to Clifford's apartment at 7:42 a.m. Sunday so she could pick up her car, police said. The man told police that Clif-

ford approached him at his vehicle and stabbed him in the torso and that Clifford continued to stab and slash him while the man tried to fight back, police said. Clifford's estranged wife called authorities, saying

that after the attack Clifford had retreated back into his apartment. At 8:05 a.m. Clifford came out of his apartment and was taken into custody, police said. Clifford's bail was set Monday at \$300,000.

## Activist

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neighborhood in southwest Portland.  
Luke Carrillo, Danielson's long-time business partner, said they'd been friends for 20 years.  
"We have lived and worked together day in and day out," he told reporters. "We are like brothers, brothers that chose one

another."  
Danielson is associated with another company, Oregon Pro Arms LLC, which according to state records is focused primarily on moving gun safes.  
Just hours before the shooting on Saturday, Pappas stood in a mall parking lot in suburban Clackamas talking to a reporter from the Portland Tribune.  
The man next to him

who appeared to be Danielson didn't say much, except to make a reference to a journalist who had been attacked last year in Portland.  
"We're all about independent journalism," the man said.  
Pappas at one point interjected, referring to the Trump caravan, "I'm here to stop people from assaulting these people."

Critics have said that instead of keeping the peace, Patriot Prayer has helped incite violence. Last month in nearby Gresham, Pappas showed up to counter a Black Lives Matter event and, according to the Portland Tribune, declared: "I came here ready for war."  
Portland police have yet to make an arrest. On Monday, they asked for witnesses and those who

had taken video of the scene to contact them.  
A small memorial to Danielson took shape Monday on a sidewalk in front of the parking structure where he collapsed. It included four yellow daisies tied to a tree, a small American flag flapping in the wind, and a sympathy card with a Bible verse and handwritten note.  
"Jay went to Jesus, where will you go?"

## Sheriffs

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He demanded that local and state leaders call in the National Guard after Saturday's fatal shooting.  
Brown has so far declined to send the Guard

to Portland but instead announced the planned coalition of law enforcement agencies. In a statement, she said right-wing groups like Patriot Prayer had come to Portland "looking for a fight" and she vowed to stop more bloodshed.  
Portland police also

drew criticism Monday for not doing more to keep the dueling groups apart and for letting the situation get out of control. Police Chief Chuck Lovell defended his officers, saying the clashes between protesters and Trump supporters were spread over many city blocks

and the shooting took just seconds.  
"While it's easy to cast blame on paramilitary and alt-right groups on the one side, or anti-fascist and Black Lives Matter groups on the other, the responsibility to safeguard communities rests with government," said Eric

Ward, executive director of the nonprofit Western States Center, which helps marginalized communities organize social justice campaigns around the West.  
"In Portland, law enforcement has regularly failed to keep our city's streets safe," Ward said.

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# New campaign focus: Who will keep you safer?

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The battle over who can keep Americans safe after recent deadly protests has emerged as the sharpest dividing line for the presidential campaign’s final weeks, with Joe Biden on Monday condemning the violence and President Donald Trump defending a supporter accused of fatally shooting two men.

While the president blamed Biden, his Democratic foe, for siding with “anarchists,” Biden, in his most direct attacks yet, accused Trump of causing the divisions that have ignited the violence. He delivered an uncharacteristically blistering speech and distanced himself from radical forces involved in altercations.

Biden said of Trump: “He doesn’t want to shed light, he wants to generate heat, and he’s stoking violence in our cities. He can’t stop the violence because for years he’s fomented it.”

Trump blames radical trouble-makers whom he says are stirred up and backed by Biden. But when he was asked about one of his own supporters who was charged with killing two men during the mayhem in Kenosha, Wisconsin, he declined to denounce the killings and suggested that 17-year-old Kyle Rittenhouse was acting in self-defense.

After a confrontation in which he fatally shot one man, police say, Rittenhouse fell while being chased by people trying to disarm him.

“That was an interesting situation,” said Trump. “He was trying to get away from them, I guess, it looks like, and he fell. And then they very violently attacked him. ... He was in very big trouble. He would have been — you probably would’ve been

killed.”

Trump’s refusal to condemn the shootings could add to tensions in Kenosha when he visits Tuesday. He’s going despite pleas from Wisconsin’s Democratic governor to stay away for fears of sparking further tumult.

In Kenosha, the National Guard has been deployed to quell demonstrations in response to the police shooting of Jacob Blake, a Black man.

Trump said his appearance could “increase enthusiasm” in Wisconsin, which is a hotly contested battleground state in the presidential race.

Biden saw Trump’s impact far differently, accusing the president of “poisoning” the nation’s values.

In a statement after Trump’s news conference comments, he said: “Today, I traveled to Pittsburgh to explain how the president was making America less safe — on COVID, on the economy, on crime, on racism, on violence — and reiterated my clear message that violence is not the answer to any of these problems. ...

“Tonight, the president declined to rebuke violence. He wouldn’t even repudiate one of his supporters who is charged with murder because of his attacks on others. He is too weak, too scared of the hatred he has stirred to put an end to it.”

In Pittsburgh, the former vice president also tried to refocus the race on what has been its defining theme — Trump’s handling of the COVID-19 pandemic that has left more than 180,000 Americans dead — after a multi-day onslaught by the president’s team to make the campaign about the violence rattling American cities.

Biden himself has largely

remained near his home in Delaware to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, but he stepped out in a new phase of his campaign on Monday, making a speech in Pittsburgh and a brief stop at a local firehouse.

Trump and his campaign team believe that the more the national discourse is about anything other than the virus, the better it is for the president. They have seized upon the recent unrest in Portland, Oregon — where a Trump supporter was shot and killed — and Kenosha, leaning hard into a defense of law and order while suggesting that Biden is powerless to stop extremists.

Biden rejected the charge, firmly decrying the clashes.

Set aside Monday were his lofty appeals about the “soul of the nation,” a staple of his usual stump speech, replaced by an urgent call for action and his fierce accusation that Trump was a “toxic presence in this nation for four years” who was “poisoning the values this nation has always held dear, poisoning our very democracy.”

The president and his team continued to hammer away on what they believe is a powerful electoral argument, contending that Biden is in thrall to leftist forces and emphasizing chaotic protest images they believe could send worried suburban and senior voters back to Trump’s column.

“Just watched what Biden had to say,” Trump tweeted soon after the former vice president concluded his remarks in Pittsburgh. “To me, he’s blaming the Police far more than he’s blaming the Rioters, Anarchists, Agitators, and Looters, which he could never blame or he would lose the Radical Left Bernie supports!”

Biden has been pushed by

worried Democrats — including some voices inside his own campaign — to deal with the violence head-on and at greater length, though he had previously condemned it. With Trump pounding the issue in his convention speech, which was then followed by more bloodshed over the weekend, many in Biden’s party, still shell-shocked by 2016, urged the former vice president to get ahead of the rare issue that has broken through the national focus on the pandemic.

But Biden didn’t just play defense, he went on the attack.

Following up his Democratic convention address, in which he didn’t mention Trump’s name, Biden on Monday invoked Trump’s name 32 times, directly assailing the president in remarks that seemed intended to silence worries in his party and the Beltway’s chattering class. He pulled no punches about the violence.

“It’s lawlessness, plain and simple. And those who do it should be prosecuted,” Biden said. And he leaned on his own 47-year career in politics to defend himself against Republican attacks.

“You know me. You know my heart. You know my story, my family’s story. Ask yourself: Do I look like a radical socialist with a soft spot for rioters? Really?”

He declared that even as Trump is “trying to scare America,” what’s really causing the nation’s fear is Trump’s own failures.

“You want to talk about fear? They’re afraid they’re going to get COVID, they’re afraid they’re going to get sick and die,” Biden said.

For months, Trump has tried to distract from the pandemic, and at times he seemed to receive

slight positive bumps in support when touting the possible economic recovery. But other attempts to change the narrative with cultural wedge issues fell flat, including a defense of Confederate monuments, and polling suggested that Trump was far out of step with the Black Lives Matter movement, which enjoyed wide public support.

Though a law and order push backfired when the president cleared Lafayette Square, near the White House, of peaceful protesters in early June, the Trump campaign has seized on the violence as a means to drive up Biden’s negatives and bring home disenchanted suburban voters.

The former vice president’s speech Monday appeared to jump-start the general election campaign a week ahead of its normal Labor Day kickoff, as both Biden and his running mate, Kamala Harris, will begin venturing out despite the pandemic. Biden, who may make his own visit to Wisconsin this week, has missed the glad-handing of a traditional campaign and managed to have a brief moment of retail politics when he delivered pizzas to Pittsburgh firefighters.

The setting for Biden’s speech was no accident: Pennsylvania, his native state, is a vital battleground with both candidates competing for its working-class voters. Trump, whose campaign is focusing on the state’s rural counties, eked out a 44,000-vote win in 2016 but Biden, who is running strong in the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia suburbs, also made certain Monday to make a pitch on an issue of local interest.

“I am not banning fracking, no matter how many times Donald Trump lies about me,” he said.

## Deputies shoot black man in Los Angeles after seeing gun

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A Black man who deputies said was stopped for riding his bicycle in violation of vehicle codes was fatally shot when he dropped a bundle of items that included a gun, authorities said, setting off a protest march to a nearby sheriff’s station in Los Angeles.

Sheriff’s Lt. Brandon Dean said the specific violations were not known, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Dean said investigators had not yet interviewed the two deputies, but he gave this account: When

deputies tried to stop the man Monday, he dropped his bike and ran. When they caught up to him he punched one of them in the face and dropped a bundle of clothes he was carrying. The deputies spotted a handgun in the bundle and opened fire.

“He was in possession of a firearm and did assault a deputy,” Dean said.

Family members at the scene identified the dead man as Dijon Kizzee, 29, CBS-Los Angeles reported, but the sheriff’s department said it could not immediately confirm his identity.

Police say the handgun was recovered and no deputies were injured. TV news helicopters showed a gun near the body.

Protesters gathered and more than 100 people marched to a sheriff’s station. Some chanted “Say his name” and “No justice, no peace,” the Times reported.

Neighborhood resident Arlander Givens, 68, questioned why deputies fired at a man who, according to the sheriff’s official, wasn’t holding a weapon.

“If he reached down to grab it, that’s different,”

Givens told the Times. “But if it’s on the ground, why shoot? That means he was unarmed.”

Dean, in a Monday afternoon press conference, said investigators had not yet interviewed witnesses or reviewed any surveillance or cellphone video.

“Give us time to conduct our investigation,” he said. “We will get all of the facts of this case and eventually present them.”

The Sheriff’s Department said multiple independent investigations began at the scene.

The Los Angeles County

Board of Supervisors is set to vote Tuesday to fund a body-worn camera program for the sheriff’s department. Sheriff Alex Villanueva has feuded with the supervisors in recent months and repeatedly called on them to approve the money for the body cameras.

DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren

Man considers reaching out to dangerous former friend

DEAR ABBY: I cut off contact with a friend I'll call "Mick" after my wife and I had our first child. He was a gambling addict, an alcoholic and a serial abuser of women. He was violent when he drank and once broke my nose because of some perceived slight.

STAYING SAFE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR STAYING SAFE: Go online and check to see whether you can pick up the coronavirus from food. One would think that if the food is hot, the virus wouldn't survive the cooking process. Have you considered inviting them to your place instead?

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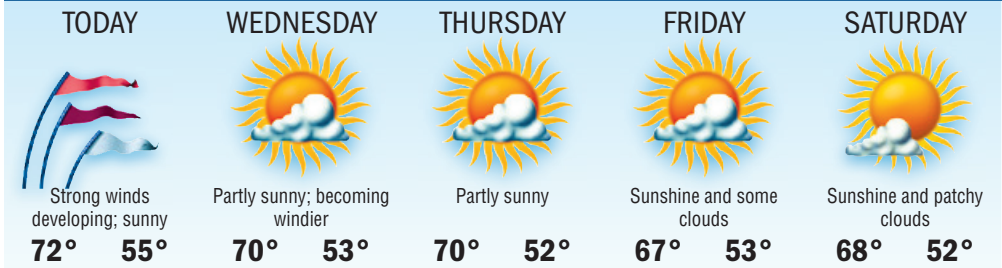
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Record low	45° in 1993
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Yesterday	0.00"
Year to date	28.02"
Last year to date	41.91"
Normal year to date	37.48"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight	7:53 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	6:41 a.m.
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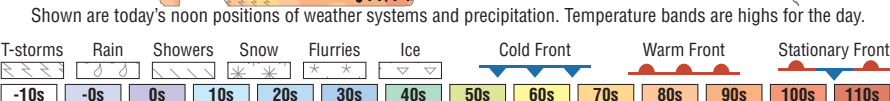
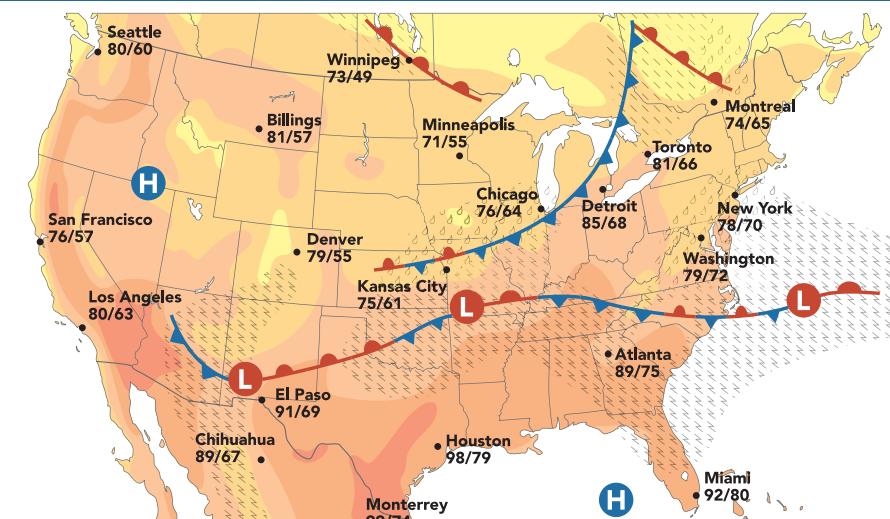
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Burns	79/41	0.00	85/46/s
Brookings	87/53	0.00	72/51/pc
Corvallis	79/44	0.00	92/60/s
Eugene	80/48	0.00	92/55/s
Klamath Falls	81/42	0.00	87/49/pc
La Grande	74/49	0.00	87/52/s
Medford	89/54	0.00	99/64/s
Newport	63/50	0.00	67/51/s
Pendleton	77/48	0.00	93/61/s
Portland	77/51	0.00	88/62/s
Redmond	77/39	0.00	94/51/s
Roseburg	83/55	0.00	96/61/s
Salem	78/46	0.00	90/58/s
The Dalles	82/57	0.00	97/62/s

REGIONAL FORECASTS

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NATIONAL FORECAST



NATIONAL EXTREMES YESTERDAY (for the 48 contiguous states)  
National high: 113° at Death Valley, CA  
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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Tue.	Wed.	City	Tue.	Wed.	City	Tue.	Wed.
Albuquerque	79/58/s	84/62/t	Fargo	74/50/pc	78/50/pc	Pittsburgh	85/69/c	85/69/t
Anchorage	62/50/r	59/50/r	Flagstaff	75/45/pc	80/50/s	Pocatello	75/46/c	87/52/pc
Atlanta	89/75/t	92/74/s	Fresno	99/69/pc	99/70/s	Portland, ME	71/57/pc	71/62/c
Atlantic City	75/69/sh	77/71/t	Green Bay	74/55/c	80/60/s	Providence	74/62/pc	77/67/c
Austin	101/80/pc	101/76/c	Hartford, CT	76/60/pc	78/67/c	Raleigh	86/73/t	90/74/pc
Baltimore	78/71/r	86/73/t	Helena	81/54/s	86/49/pc	Rapid City	77/51/s	86/46/s
Billings	81/57/s	89/50/s	Honolulu	89/76/pc	90/76/pc	Redding	104/65/pc	100/66/s
Birmingham	92/78/t	94/75/pc	Houston	98/79/s	97/78/pc	Reno	88/56/pc	95/61/s
Boise	80/59/s	93/60/s	Indianapolis	88/71/t	87/72/t	Richmond, VA	82/72/r	88/74/c
Boston	72/62/pc	77/68/c	Kansas City	75/61/r	79/64/pc	Sacramento	94/59/pc	89/59/pc
Buffalo	81/70/c	84/67/sh	Key West	91/84/pc	90/83/s	St. Louis	82/69/t	83/70/t
Burlington, VT	77/65/c	79/66/t	Las Vegas	99/78/s	104/81/s	Salt Lake City	77/58/s	88/66/s
Caribou, ME	75/53/pc	72/59/c	Lexington	89/72/c	88/72/t	San Angelo	92/75/t	93/72/t
Casper	81/50/s	90/46/s	Little Rock	90/74/t	90/75/t	San Diego	75/66/pc	77/68/pc
Charleston, SC	92/76/pc	94/78/t	Los Angeles	80/63/pc	82/65/s	San Francisco	76/57/pc	72/58/pc
Charleston, WV	87/71/c	86/71/t	Louisville	91/74/c	90/76/t	San Jose	82/59/pc	79/59/s
Charlotte, NC	88/74/sh	92/73/pc	Madison	73/56/c	79/57/s	Santa Fe	78/49/pc	82/52/t
Cheyenne	77/53/pc	85/50/s	Memphis	90/77/t	91/77/pc	Seattle	80/60/s	77/58/s
Chicago	76/64/r	85/63/pc	Miami	92/80/t	92/81/pc	Sioux Falls	75/53/c	81/55/s
Cincinnati	88/72/c	88/72/t	Milwaukee	73/61/r	80/63/s	Spokane	84/58/s	86/55/s
Cleveland	88/73/pc	87/71/c	Minneapolis	71/55/c	78/55/s	Springfield, IL	80/64/r	82/63/pc
Colorado Spgs	76/52/pc	84/57/s	Missoula	81/47/s	84/48/s	Springfield, MA	74/58/c	77/65/c
Columbus, OH	89/73/pc	89/72/t	Nashville	90/75/t	91/75/t	Syracuse	77/67/c	86/68/c
Concord, NH	74/55/pc	77/62/c	New Orleans	94/77/pc	93/75/pc	Tampa	90/80/t	92/79/t
Dallas	88/74/t	87/75/t	New York City	78/70/s	78/73/t	Toledo	88/68/pc	85/66/t
Dayton	90/73/pc	89/72/t	Norfolk, VA	85/75/r	88/77/pc	Trenton	74/66/sh	81/70/t
Daytona Beach	91/77/t	92/76/pc	Oklahoma City	87/70/t	87/70/sh	Tucson	93/73/pc	93/73/t
Denver	79/55/pc	90/54/s	Olympia, WA	82/55/s	80/51/s	Tulsa	87/70/t	86/71/sh
Des Moines	69/58/r	82/61/s	Omaha	71/57/c	84/62/s	Washington, DC	79/72/r	86/74/t
Detroit	85/68/t	84/65/t	Orlando	92/77/t	94/77/t	W. Palm Beach	91/78/t	92/80/pc
El Paso	91/69/pc	93/70/s	Philadelphia	77/70/sh	84/72/t	Wichita	81/64/t	83/66/pc
Fairbanks	59/48/r	60/44/c	Phoenix	100/77/pc	103/83/t	Wilmington, DE	76/68/sh	82/72/t

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

Another potential vaccine reaches final phase of testing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A handful of the dozens of experimental COVID-19 vaccines in human testing have reached the last and biggest hurdle — looking for the needed proof that they really work as a U.S. advisory panel suggested Tuesday a way to ration the first limited doses once a vaccine wins approval.

AstraZeneca announced Monday its vaccine candidate has entered the final testing stage in the U.S. The Cambridge, England-based company said the study will involve up to 30,000 adults from various racial, ethnic and geographic groups.

Two other vaccine candidates began final testing this summer in tens of thousands of people in the U.S. One was created by the National Institutes of Health and manufactured by Moderna Inc., and the other developed by Pfizer Inc. and Germany's BioNTech.

"To have just one vaccine enter the final stage of trials eight months after discovering a virus would be a remarkable achievement; to have three at that point with more on the way is extraordinary," Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said in a statement.

NIH Director Francis Collins tweeted that his agency "is supporting several vaccine trials since more than one may be needed. We have all hands on deck."

AstraZeneca said development of the vaccine, known as AZD1222, is moving ahead globally with late-stage trials in the U.K., Brazil and South Africa. Further trials are planned in Japan and Russia. The potential vaccine was invented by the University of Oxford and an associated company, Vaccitech.

Meanwhile, a U.S. advisory panel released a draft plan Tuesday for how to ration the first doses of vaccine. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine proposed giving the first vaccine doses — initial supplies are expected to be limited to up to 15 million people — to high-risk health care workers and first responders.

Next, older residents of nursing homes and other crowded facilities and people of all ages with health conditions that put them at significant danger would be given priority. In following waves of vaccination, teachers, other school staff, workers in essential industries, and people living in homeless shelters, group homes, prisons and other facilities would get the shots.

Healthy children, young adults and everyone else would not get the first vaccinations, but would be able to get them once supplies increase.

The National Academies will solicit public comments on the plan through Friday.

There's a good reason so many COVID-19 vaccines are in development.

"The first vaccines that come out are probably not going to be the best vaccines," Dr. Nicole Lurie, who helped lead pandemic planning under the Obama administration, said at a University of Minnesota vaccine symposium.

There's no guarantee that any of the leading candidates will pan out — and the bar is higher than for COVID-19 treatments, because these vaccines will be given to healthy people. Final testing, experts stress, must be in large numbers of people to know if they're safe enough for mass vaccinations.

They're made in a wide variety of ways, each with pros and cons. One problem: Most of the leading candidates are being tested with two doses, which lengthens the time required to get an answer — and, if one works, to fully vaccinate people.

Another: They're all shots. Vaccine experts are closely watching development of some nasal-spray alternatives that just might begin the first step of human testing later this year — late to the race, but possibly advantageous against a virus that sneaks into the airways.

For now, here's a scorecard of vaccines that already have begun or are getting close to final-stage tests:

GENETIC CODE VACCINES

The Moderna and Pfizer candidates began Phase 3 testing in late July.

Neither uses the actual coronavirus. Instead, they're made with the genetic code for the aptly named "spike" protein that coats the surface of the coronavirus. Inject the vaccine containing that code, called mRNA, and the body's cells will make some harmless spike protein — just enough for the immune system to respond, priming it to react if it later encounters the real virus.

These mRNA vaccines are easier and faster to make than traditional vaccines, but it's a new and unproven technology.

TROJAN HORSE VACCINES

Britain's Oxford University and AstraZeneca are making what scientists call a "viral vector" vaccine but a good analogy is the Trojan horse. The shots are made with a harmless virus — a cold virus that normally infects chimpanzees — that carries the spike protein's genetic material into the body. Once again, the body produces some spike protein and primes the immune system, but it, too, is a fairly new technology.

Two possible competitors are made with different human cold viruses.

Shots made by Johnson & Johnson began initial human studies in late July. The company plans to begin Phase 3 testing in September in as many as 60,000 people in the U.S. and elsewhere.

China's government authorized emergency use of CanSino

Biologics' adenovirus shots in the military ahead of any final testing.

'KILLED' VACCINES

Making vaccines by growing a disease-causing virus and then killing it is a tried-and-true approach — it's the way Jonas Salk's famed polio shots were made. China has three so-called "inactivated" vaccine candidates against COVID-19 made this way.

Sinovac has final studies of its candidate underway in Brazil and Indonesia. Competitor SinoPharm has announced plans for final testing in some other countries.

Safely brewing and then killing the virus takes longer than newer technologies. But inactivated vaccines give the body a sneak peek at the germ itself rather than just that single spike protein.

PROTEIN VACCINES

Novavax makes "protein subunit" vaccines, growing harmless copies of the coronavirus spike protein in the laboratory and packaging them into virus-sized nanoparticles.

There are protein-based vaccines against other diseases, so it's not as novel a technology as some of its competitors. But it only recently finished its first-step study; the U.S. government's Operation Warp Speed aims for advanced testing later in the fall.

Oregon man rides from Canada to Mexico for suicide awareness

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Doug Peterson remembers coming home from work and walking around to the backyard, drawn by the joyful sound of teenage laughter, and finding that his son's friends had set up the family trampoline by the swimming pool.

With a combination of grin and grimace, he would watch the boys do flips and tricks into the cold, blue water.

"I'd be like: 'Guys, you can't be doing that. Someone is going to get hurt.' And three days later, I'd come home and there was the trampoline again," Peterson recalled. "We raised our kids to be free thinkers. They could choose what

they wanted in terms of religion or politics. And that's why I would beat myself up over the fact that maybe we did too good of a job."

Peterson's light laugh suddenly went silent.

"Page was a free thinker," he finally continued, "and he must have thought, 'I don't want to be here.'"

It was in January 2015 that 17-year-old Page Peterson, the carefree boy who pitched on the baseball field and tore down the slopes on his snowboard, took his own life. He was among more than 2,000 teenagers that would die by suicide in that year alone, a number that is both staggering and heartbreaking.

Most heartbroken may have been Doug Peterson, who was so

racked by survivor's guilt that it took him a year to find the will-power to get moving. But once he did, the auctioneer from Oregon refused to stop, ultimately turning a rediscovered passion for cycling into a charity ride to raise money and awareness for National Suicide Prevention Month.

Throughout September, he will be riding from the Canadian border to the Mexican border, a distance of 1,472 miles. His wife, Lori, will follow in a camper van and he'll be joined along the way by cycling clubs, high school groups and everyday people as he illustrates that "we are never alone on this journey in life."

"I read a book about recovery," Peterson said, "and it talked

about exercise, so I dusted off the bike, went out and rode one day. Thought, 'This was good.' Then I went out the next day, and I started doing some longer distances."

It was during a talk with Alan Stuart, a longtime friend and one of the founders of apparel company Pair of Thieves, that Peterson expressed the desire to do more than just ride. Pair of Thieves has long been active in philanthropy, using a one-for-one model in which the company provides socks to homeless shelters for each pair bought by a consumer, and Stuart saw in Peterson's quest an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of people struggling with mental health.

So the company turned to its

familiar socks, creating a special edition pair that includes the phone number for a suicide prevention hotline on the sole. The brand will donate \$2 for each pair to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, and it is planning "social media fireside chats" with special guests throughout the month.

"Doug and I were chatting about Page, and both of us are kind of fixers by nature. We hear something that bothers us or isn't right and we have to do something," Stuart explained. "I know their family well. I know how amazing of parents they are, and this one hit me hard. I know they would have done anything for their kids."

NORTHWEST STOCKS

Closing and 8:30 a.m. quotes:

Stock	Close	Open
Intel	50.95	50.55
Kroger	35.67	35.28
Microsoft	225.00	226.70
Nike	112.03	114.01

NW Natural	51.11	50.48
Skywest	33.65	33.02
Starbucks	84.53	85.07
Umpqua Hlds	11.29	11.28
Weyerhaeuser	30.33	30.69
Xerox	18.85	18.63

Levi Strauss	12.32	12.52
Dow Jones closed at	28,418.27	
NASDAQ closed at	11,777.62	
S&P 500 closed at	3,498.28	

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LOTTERY

MegaMillions

Aug. 28  
3-9-50-53-64  
MegaBall: 1  
Multiplier: x3  
Jackpot: \$78 million

Powerball

Aug. 29  
5-21-22-29-43  
Powerball: 10  
Multiplier: x2  
Jackpot: \$56 million

Megabucks

Aug. 31  
5-23-28-32-38-46  
Jackpot: \$1.3 Million

Win For Life

Aug. 31  
9-33-55-64



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# Baseball’s trade deadline day is busy as usual

CHICAGO (AP) — San Diego acted boldly once again. Miami actually strengthened its roster. Mike Clevinger, Starling Marte, Archie Bradley and Todd Frazier were on the move. Lance Lynn and Dylan Bundy stayed put.

Baseball’s pandemic-delayed trade deadline was quite a day. The contending Padres got Clevinger in a multiplayer trade with Cleveland, bolstering their rotation Monday in a rare deadline deal between contenders. The surprising Marlins reeled in the dynamic Marte for their outfield. There was a lot of talk about pitchers Lynn and Bundy, but Lynn stayed in Texas and the Angels held onto Bundy.

The trade deadline is normally July 31, but it was pushed back when the start of the season was delayed because of the coronavirus. With the shortened season and financial uncertainty brought on by the pandemic, there was talk that it might be an unusually quiet day. But there was plenty of activity instead, spurred in part by the ex-

panded playoff format for this year. “It felt like a normal deadline in a lot of ways,” Cubs general manager Jed Hoyer said. “Tons of activity and phone calls and things like that. I think that in the end, you know, with the Padres notwithstanding, I think that there probably wasn’t quite as much aggressiveness.”

The lack of a minor league season also hurt the market, forcing teams to work off older information on prospects. There was very little to go on when it came to the players working out at alternate training sites.

“I’d say the volume of consummated transactions probably surprised me a little bit,” Brewers general manager David Stearns said.

Shooting for its first playoff appearance since 2006, San Diego acquired Clevinger in its fifth big trade since Saturday. The cost was a package of young players that included outfielder Josh Naylor, right-hander Cal Quantrill and catcher Austin

Hedges, adding to the Indians’ depth for their pursuit of the AL Central title.

The Padres also made a smaller deal right at the deadline, picking up reliever Taylor Williams from Seattle for a player to be named.

Clevinger hopes to join his new team in time for its series opener at Anaheim on Wednesday.

“Definitely something special brewing here and I think it’s going to be something special for coming years, not just this year,” Clevinger said.

Miami is normally a seller at the deadline. But the Marlins are in the postseason mix with a .500 record after dealing with a coronavirus outbreak, and help is on the way.

The Fish sent pitchers Caleb Smith and Humberto Mejia and a player to be named to the Diamondbacks for Marte, who is batting .311 in 33 games this year. Miami also traded Jonathan Villar to Toronto for a player to be named, but Isan Diaz is work-

ing out again and could return to the Marlins soon.

“Our club has fought so hard for the first 30 games for what they endured,” president of baseball operations Michael Hill said. “We want to do everything on our part to put us in a position to make it to the playoffs.”

There were very few sellers with 16 teams heading to the playoffs, but the last-place Diamondbacks also traded left-handed starter Robbie Ray to the Blue Jays, Bradley to Cincinnati and fellow reliever Andrew Chafin to the Cubs. The struggling Rangers dealt Frazier and catcher Robinson Chirinos to the Mets, and sent lefty Mike Minor to AL West-leading Oakland.

“There are moments in time you can’t go chasing something that isn’t there,” Arizona GM Mike Hazen said. “For this season, it hasn’t been there. I feel like pivoting at this moment in time is what’s most appropriate.”

While some contenders moved forward with their current roster,

the Blue Jays made over their rotation with the additions of Ross Stripling, Ray and Taijuan Walker, who was acquired in a deal with Seattle on Thursday. The Cubs also got veteran outfielder Cameron Maybin from Detroit and lefty reliever Josh Osich in a trade with Boston.

The Dodgers, Yankees, Braves and White Sox were noticeably quiet. Of course, the loaded Dodgers, who traded Stripling to Toronto for two players to be named, don’t have much to worry about, sitting atop the NL West with the best record in baseball.

“We feel really good about the team that we have, and also the depth that we have behind it,” said Andrew Friedman, the president of baseball operations for the Dodgers. “So our mindset was not to do something just to do something. We have guys on our 28-man roster who are deserving of playing time, and (we) didn’t want to block that unless it was someone really impactful.”

# US Open begins with quiet arenas

NEW YORK (AP) — For all of the obvious concessions to the coronavirus at the no-fans-allowed U.S. Open — near-empty arenas; silence pierced by the occasional clap, sneaker squeak or roaring jet; a lack of line judges — the aftereffects of one player’s positive test caused the biggest stir on Day 1.

Yes, plenty of matches were played amid a pandemic at the first Grand Slam tournament in nearly seven full months.

And, yes, first-round matches were lost — by 16-year-old Coco Gauff among the women, and No. 9 seed Diego Schwartzman among the men. And won — by No. 1 seed Karolina Pliskova, 2018 champion Naomi Osaka and 2016 champion Angelique Kerber among the women, and No. 1 Novak Djokovic, No. 4 Stefanos Tsitsipas and No. 5 Alexander Zverev among the men.

But Monday was significant for introducing terms to the tennis lexicon such as “bubble in the bubble” and “fake bubble.” That’s because seven players were allowed to stay in the tournament while placed under additional restrictions on their movement and subjected to daily COVID-19 testing after coming in contact with Benoit Paire, the Frenchman dropped from the U.S. Open after testing positive for the coronavirus, a person with knowledge of the situation told The Associated Press.

The players were not identified to the AP by the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the U.S. Tennis Association did not announce the names of anyone involved.

Tournament director Stacey Allaster said the players potentially exposed to the virus because of contact with Paire now must be tested daily for COVID-19, instead of every four days.

Among the noticeable changes Monday: There are full complements of line judges only at two courts; the rest are relying on a chair umpire and electronic calls. Everyone is supposed to wear masks unless they’re playing. Players have to walk to get their own towels instead of having them handed over by ball people.

And, of course, no raucous roars or belittling boos.

“Normally, the first day of the U.S. Open, there’s usually just like a buzz around the grounds. Today it was just quiet. That was weirdest thing for me,” said Mitchell Krueger, an American who beat Pedro Sousa, 3-6, 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.

“When I was warming up at 10 a.m., that would have been the time the gates would have been opening in a normal year and people (would) start rushing to the courts and getting good seats for the matches.”

There were about 15 people in the seats at 14,000-capacity Louis Armstrong Stadium for the start of Kerber’s 6-4, 6-4 victory over Ajla Tomljanovic.

When Kerber broke to take the first game, one person — her coach — clapped.

There were seven people in Court 11’s bleachers — six after one left in the middle of the seventh game — for No. 27 Borna Coric’s 7-5, 6-3, 6-1 win over Pablo Andujar.

# Thunder force Game 7 against Rockets

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Chris Paul gave the Oklahoma City Thunder at least one more game in the bubble, scoring 15 of his 28 points in the fourth quarter for a 104-100 victory over the Houston Rockets on Monday night in Game 6 of a Western Conference first-round series.

Paul made two free throws with 13.1 seconds left and the game tied at 100, and Danilo Gallinari added two more after a turnover by Russell Westbrook to finish it off.

Game 7 will be Wednesday night, with the winner advancing to face the top-seeded Los Angeles Lakers.

It gives the West two Game 7s, with Denver and Utah set to play theirs on Tuesday.

Gallinari added 25 points.

James Harden had 32 points, eight rebounds and seven assists for the Rockets, while Robert Covington had 18 points and Westbrook scored 17 in his second game back from a right quadriceps strain.

**HEAT 115, BUCKS 104:** Jimmy Butler

scored a playoff career-high 40 points, Goran Dragic added 27 and Miami clamped down defensively in the final three quarters to beat Milwaukee in Game 1 of their Eastern Conference semifinal series.

Bam Adebayo had 12 points, 17 rebounds and six assists for the fifth-seeded Heat, who are 3-1 overall against the top-seeded Bucks this season. Tyler Herro added 11 points for Miami, which improved to 5-0 in the postseason.

Khris Middleton scored 28 points for Milwaukee, which also dropped Game 1 of its first-round series against Orlando. Brook Lopez had 24 points on 8 for 10 shooting, and Giannis Antetokounmpo had 18 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists for the Bucks.

But Antetokounmpo’s night will likely be best remembered by what he did at the foul line: The reigning MVP went 4 for 12 from the stripe, the worst performance by anyone with at least 12 free-throw attempts in a playoff game since Andre Roberson went 2 for 12 for Oklahoma City on April 23, 2017 against Houston.

# Ewan slices through pack to win Tour stage

SISTERON, France (AP) — A basketball player weaving through the defense. A skier dancing between the gates. A soccer player dribbling zig-zag toward the goal.

Australian rider Caleb Ewan borrowed the playbook from other sports as he slalomed through the bunch to win a sprint finish and claim the third stage of the Tour de France on Monday, while Julian Alaphilippe held onto the yellow jersey that he claimed with a dramatic stage victory a day earlier.

With about 100 meters to go, Ewan trailed five other riders before slinging himself through a narrow slice of road near the advertising barriers on the right side of the street. Then -- after more than five hours in the

saddle -- Ewan darted to the left to overcome Sam Bennett and claim his fourth career stage win in the Tour by more than a wheel.

“I found my way through the wheels,” Ewan said. “Coming from behind, it’s a bit of a risk, but I found my way along the barrier and I came with a lot of speed and it worked.”

Living up to his nickname of “Pocket Rocket,” the 1.65-meter (5-foot-5) Ewan reached a top speed of 68.8 kph (42.7 mph) in the finale.

It was a perfectly timed acceleration.

“In the last k (kilometer) I was a bit too far forward so I dropped back a bit into the wheels,” Ewan said. “That gave me time to rest the legs just a little before the

last hit out,”

Irish champion Bennett, a teammate of Alaphilippe’s at Deceuninck–Quick-Step, crossed second and European champion Giacomo Nizzolo came third -- both with the same time as Ewan.

Alaphilippe crossed with the main pack and retained a four-second lead over Adam Yates, with Marc Hirschi still third overall, seven seconds behind.

“We had a really good day. The team really controlled everything. We tried to go for the sprint and Sam got second today. You can’t see, but I’m smiling,” Alaphilippe said behind a mask.

“We defended (the yellow jersey) today and we’ll do it again tomorrow.”

# NFL takes over investigation of Washington Football Team

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The NFL has taken over the independent investigation into workplace conduct within the Washington Football Team, owner Dan Snyder confirmed Monday.

Snyder said in a statement he and his wife, Tanya, suggested to Commissioner Roger Goodell the NFL assume full oversight of the review “so that the results are thorough, complete and trusted by the fans, the players, our employees and the public.” He said the organization remains committed to fully cooperating with the investigation.

Last month, after The Washington Post reported 15 female former employees saying they were sex-

ually harassed during their time with the team, Snyder hired Washington law firm Wilkinson Walsh LLP to review the team’s culture, policies and allegations of workplace misconduct. Attorney Beth Wilkinson now reports directly to the league office.

The change of course comes less than a week since the Post reported additional examples of workplace sexual harassment, along with allegations that Snyder was personally involved.

Lawyers Lisa Banks and Debra Katz, who represent more than 15 former team employees, met with NFL senior vice president and special counsel for investigations Lisa Friel on Monday. The law firm of

Katz, Marshall and Banks LLP sent a letter to Goodell on Thursday asking the league to launch its own investigation.

“Our clients would gladly participate in such an NFL investigation but do not feel safe speaking to investigators hired by Mr. Snyder and do not trust the investigation that is currently underway,” Banks and Katz wrote in the letter.

Banks and Katz called their meeting a “productive discussion” and said they learned the NFL and the team agreed to release current and former employees from any non-disclosure agreements so they can speak with investigators.

“We are pleased and encouraged that the league is taking this matter seriously

and we expect that it will take appropriate action against Daniel Snyder and the Washington Football Team upon conclusion of the investigation,” they said.

Snyder vowed to change the culture inside the organization amid 42 women speaking out about their experiences working for Washington. In July, he said after the investigation was complete the team “will institute new policies and procedures and strengthen our human resources infrastructure to not only avoid these issues in the future but most importantly create a team culture that is respectful and inclusive of all.”

After the Post reported a former cheerleader saying Snyder invited her

to a hotel room with one of his friends, and that longtime team executive Larry Michael made extra cheerleading videos for the owner showing sensitive material that wasn’t made public, Washington’s owner denied those specific allegations.

“I want to unequivocally state that this never happened,” Snyder said of the report he invited a cheerleader to a hotel room in 2004. “Furthermore, I do not have any knowledge of the 10-year-old videos referenced in the story. I did not request their creation, and I never saw them.”

In a separate statement, the team said it was “deeply distressed by these terrible allegations and (is) committed to investigating

them fully.”

Michael retired from his job as a senior vice president and radio voice of the team in the days before the initial Post story was published. It was part of a turbulent summer from the team, which dropped its longtime name amid pressure from sponsors because of longstanding complaints the name was a racial slur against Native Americans. Washington has yet to announce a permanent name or logo.

Goodell said the league strongly condemns the “unprofessional, disturbing and abhorrent behavior and workplace environment alleged in the report, which is entirely inconsistent with our standards and has no place in the NFL.”