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**QUARTERLY POSTING OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND
INTERESTS**

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McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc.

Each quarter, on January 10, April 10, July 10 & October 10, we place in our public inspection file a list of what are considered to be the most significant Problems, Needs and Issues of the Springfield-Eugene, Oregon, community.

Along with this list are the programs that were aired to deal with these problems, needs and issues.

ASCERTAINMENT METHODS

To ascertain these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., employs a Public Affairs Director who, within the natural course of news gathering, is made aware of problems, needs and issues in the community. The views of citizens of the community and civic leaders regarding community problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during meetings and interviews. Problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during interaction with members of the public.

PROGRAMMING

To air information about these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., relies on the following methods:

1. Bona Fide Newscasts: These include news stories and segments that target these problems, needs and issues.
2. Community Forum: This is a 15-30 minute weekly program that offers in-depth examinations of community problems, needs and issues.

McKENZIE RIVER BROADCASTING 4Q, 2018, ISSUES LIST:

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The Following are Issues determined by the previous quarters' ascertainment to be the relevant issues to be broadcast in this quarter.

Quarter	October 1 st through December 31 st
Year	2018
	<i>*Note: Major breaking news stories during the quarter that fall under these categories will be added as is appropriate and reflected in daily news-public service postings</i>
1	<u>POLITICS, ELECTIONS, GOVERNMENT:</u> Trump administration, Congress, the courts; Immigration, ICE raids, child and family detentions, DACA, border wall; partisan and budget battles, Congress; Government funding, shutdown threats; Gun control, mass shootings, school violence, mental health treatment; Marijuana enforcement; Opioid epidemic; Health care reform; Affordable housing; Oregon politics; National, state, local elections; Mueller investigation; Wyden and others; North Korea; Cybersecurity, hacking, data breaches; Proposed Lane County Courthouse, Eugene City Hall /
2	<u>ECONOMY, BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, UTILITIES, COLLEGE-PRO SPORTS:</u> Economy; Affordable housing; Unemployment, workforce training; Government funding; Personal finance; Consumer prices; Legal cannabis; Immigration economics; Retirement concerns; Economic and downtown development, urban renewal and urban density; Rural development, urban growth boundary; UO Athletics funding, spending; Sports events; Civic Stadium rebuilding; Agriculture; Technology; Energy prices, development; Cybersecurity, hacking.
3	<u>CRIME, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT:</u> Mass shootings; School violence; Community crime, policing and prevention; Drug & alcohol abuse; Opioid addiction and treatment; Human trafficking; Youth protection; Child abuse; Gangs; Cybersecurity; Police shootings, targeting of police; Demonstrations & riots; Arsonists; Racial profiling; Public safety; Severe weather, disasters, terrorism.
4	<u>HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH:</u> Mental health; Opioid epidemic, drug abuse; Illegal drugs; Legal and illegal cannabis, Recreational and medical marijuana; National health care reform; Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid) and CCOs; Abortion battle and reproductive debates; Prescription drug prices; Immunizations and treatments; Environmental health, including wildfire smoke and overall air quality; Infectious diseases including flu and STDs; Vaccines; Food and product recalls; Lead in water systems and homes; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Physician-assisted suicide.
5	<u>WOMEN, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, FAMILY, YOUTH, ELDER, MINORITIES, RACISM, IMMIGRATION, CIVIL RIGHTS, CIVIL LIBERTIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, RELIGION, COMMUNITY, DISABILITIES:</u> #MeToo; Sexual violence and harassment; Immigration, DACA, Latino community; Families and children; Domestic violence; Youth programs; Youth protection; Minority issues; Race, racism; Same-sex marriage; Gay rights, fair housing; Civil rights, civil liberties; Privacy, cybersecurity; Religion, churches; Community and charitable events, Older adults, Pets and animal rights.
6	<u>HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME ISSUES:</u> Affordable housing; Homeless veterans, individuals, families and youth; Homeless "rest stops"; "The Working Poor" ; Minimum wage and living wages; Community agencies; Mental health issues; Older adults: Protection, health, housing, finances.
7	<u>ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, DISASTERS, AGRICULTURE:</u> Potential drought and wildfire outlook; Snowpack; Wintry weather; Disaster preparedness and response, Air quality; Climate change; Agriculture; Pollinators; Pesticides and herbicides; Agriculture, gardens, Sustainable landscaping; Ocean health; Forest management; Wildlife habitat, fish recovery, fishing effects; Power generation; Alternate energy; Hazardous materials transport, toxic dumps, clean-up sites.
8	<u>MILITARY, VETERANS, WAR ON TERRORISM:</u> Veterans' issues, including jobs, mental health (PTSD, suicide, etc.) and homelessness; Military families' issues; Homeland and local security; Balancing terrorism with civil rights; National Guard deployments; Oregonians in the military; NSA hacking and privacy issues.
9	<u>EDUCATION:</u> Local and state budgets for higher and lower education; Paying for college; Curriculum and academic standards; Student activism; Programs and students honored for academic or civic excellence. National education and trends; Teacher contracts and contract negotiations.
10	<u>TRANSPORTATION:</u> Infrastructure needs and projects; Road and gas fees and taxes; Rail safety Pedestrian, biker, rider safety; Hiking-biking trails; Airlines and Eugene's airport; Lane Transit District expansion and service; Hybrid, electric vehicles.

The 4th Quarter, 2018, Issues List was formulated at a public meeting on Wed., Oct. 10, 2018.

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COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	10/07/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	COMMUNITY, YOUTH, FAMILY, HEALTH
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Okay, everyone: Shovels ready! Because there's going to be a lot of activity later today at the site of the former Civic Stadium in South Eugene. It is the future home of Civic Park. The youth and community sports recreational complex begins taking shape this month thanks to fundraising from the Eugene Civic Alliance, Kidsports and many other community organizations and individuals. This morning, we preview the event and sit down with Bev Smith, the director of Kidsports, to talk about the project, its progression and what it means for youth, childhood health and fitness and community health and activity. we also learn about the fundraising still needed to bring the Civic Park effort to completion.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	10/14/18 and 10/21/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	HEALTH, ELDERS, FAMILY, LOW-INCOME
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>It's that time of year again. October 15th marks the start of the Medicare open enrollment period. It continues through December 7. This is when adults over 65 may change their Medicare Advantage plans. But you want to be informed: understanding how much different plans will cost you, whether or not they cover your prescription medications and whether it really suits your needs. And every year, we sit down with representatives from SHIBA, a non-profit program sponsored by the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services and the Willamalane Park & Recreation District to get some background and let you know how you may receive some free assistance to help you sort through your Medicare Advantage options. Brice Price with SHIBA is our guest and he also offers tips on avoiding Medicare-related scams, whether by mail, email, over the phone or in-person.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	10/25/18 and 11/04/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, EDUCATION, YOUTH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Some sobering new statistics from the Oregon Department of Transportation find that more than nine out of ten vehicle crashes caused by young drivers are attributed to those who never had formal driver education training. Think about that: Novice drivers between the ages of 15 and 20 who took a driver education class or lessons are responsible for less than ten percent of all crashes. But those who never have formal training pose a much larger danger to themselves, their passengers and other drivers. We tell you this because the State of Oregon and Lane County are preparing for a multi-year expansion of driver education offerings. It won't happen immediately, in part because it will take some time to bring new Driver Ed instructors into the programs. But they're hiring. And this morning we sit down with Bill Warner, who coordinates the Driver Education and Youth Traffic Safety programs for the Oregon Department of Transportation. We learn more about the effort, the unsettling crash statistics, and the biggest risks on the road for young drivers and the rest of us. And when it comes to novice driver education, Warner says how you talk about traffic safety and how you describe the risks make a difference.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	11/11/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	COMMUNITY, SAFETY, CRIME, LOW-INCOME, HOMELESSNESS
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>People who work with those recently paroled from prison say if you want their return to society to be successful, you need to find a way to keep them from becoming homeless and need to reduce the risk that they'll reoffend. But housing and affordable housing remain tight in Lane County. Participants in a unique partnership known as The Way Home - Lane County Reentry Collaborative formally launched this month. This morning, we learn more about the effort from Paul Solomon with Sponsors, one of the key agencies involved. He says the goal is providing 100 units of permanent supportive housing with "wraparound" social, employment assistance and other public services. The secondary goal is to more efficiently use healthcare dollars when providing care to the clients in hopes of making some big savings in Medicaid utilization. Solomon says permanent housing can reduce emergency visits, inpatient stays and primary care utilization, saving money in the long term. Sponsors is converting some of its transitional units to provide the initial inventory. Sponsors has been providing reentry services to people with convictions since 1973 in Lane County. It currently has 20 building on seven sites with more than 200 units of transitional housing and services. Other partners include Homes for Good—Lane County's Housing Agency, HUD, Lane county Parole and Probation, Third sector Capital Partners and others.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	11/18/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	VETERANS, COMMUNITY, LOW-INCOME, HEALTH, HOMELESSNESS
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Mary Reilly interviews Eve Greenman and Mike Greenman with the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association of Oregon. The group's Giving Tree project collects gifts for veteran and military families who are struggling financially during the holiday season. The two also share the history of their group, its membership qualifications, the club's special patch and its year-round efforts to assist veterans. They also encourage members of the public to donate to their programs.

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	11/25/18 and 12/02/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, SAFETY, ECONOMY, LOW-INCOME
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>A generation or so ago, it might have been a hand of cards or a sporting event. But these days, gambling takes many forms, including online. But whatever the game or the wager, there are some who become addicted. It disrupts their life, their work, their finances, their education, their relationships. This morning, we get an update from Julie Hynes, from Lane County Public Health about the issue and treatment. She says Oregon is pretty similar to other parts of the country: about 2.5 percent of the population has gambling problems. That works out to about one in every 38 adults. And increasingly, more youth are at risk of having gambling problems than adults. A decade ago, this was because of the rise of online poker games. Now, it comes with other gaming and apps, including young people who spend money on avatar skins and loot boxes as well as other rare virtual items while paying with real money. She says societal norms have also shifted and don't consider excessive youth game-playing and purchases as wrong, even though in many cases they qualify as gambling. And Hynes says since youth and adolescent brains are still developing, the risk of lifetime gambling addiction is increased. She says society is also filled with triggers, whether it's the recent large lottery jackpots or coverage of gaming tournaments. She says Oregon does have treatment available, both inpatient and outpatient. And she emphasizes that support groups are also available for loved ones affected by problem gambling. She also describes how to have a conversation with someone you suspect has a gambling problem.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	12/09/18 and 12/16/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	LOW-INCOME, HOMELESSNESS, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, YOUTH, HEALTH
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>A longtime program offered by the St. Vincent dePaul Society of Lane County is known as Holiday Joy because that's what it offers to individuals and families. It focuses on those living in the agency's housing projects or involved in some of its programs. The goal is to help reduce stress for some working to overcome life's challenges. Ashely Hensley with St. Vincent dePaul talks about the effort and how people interested in donating may contact the agency to get details from the wish lists of children, teens, families, adults, veterans and seniors. She says the collection is continuing for another week and individuals, businesses and community organizations often take part in providing gifts for the eight-year-old program. This year, there are 1,400 participants in the housing programs who are looking for holiday gift sponsors, a big increase over past years. She says some sponsors even provide Christmas dinners and sit down with the recipients, which can lead to long-term participation in the program and with the recipients.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	12/23/18 and 12/30/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	CRIME, SAFETY, COMMUNITY, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>The phone scammers are at it again: The phone rings, you answer it. Maybe you hear sketchy recordings threatening you with fines or jail. Or perhaps there's a real person on the other end of the line trying to separate you from your money and your personal information. It might be one of those iffy emails promising you untold riches, or just a great deal on a vacation or a rental. Or perhaps that new, handsome friend of yours on social media wants to get a little romantic... but they also need a little bit of money, as well. The details might change from month-to-month and year-to-year, but a scam is a scam is a scam. This morning, we sit down with Debbie Janacek with the Eugene Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit. She has some tips to help you recognize scams and know how best to avoid them. She says you can't keep up on every scam. But she says every scam shares some basic mechanics and if you can recognize those, you can protect yourself. She says "red flags" include something that comes out of the blue—an email or phone call—that might use fear and intimidation or pretend to be from authority figure. It might contain a promise of riches or romance. It might be someone pretending to be a relative or friend who is in trouble and needs money. She says the important thing to keep in mind is that these are professional con artists: career criminals who want to create a heightened sense of anxiety and keep you under pressure until you give them what they want. She talks about how to deal with the scams (including don't answer the phone in the first place, hang up, delete the email, unfriend the social media contact), then look up the number of the</p>

	<p>local police or consumer justice division, IRS or family member (never a number or email the potential scammer provides) and let them know. Janacek says the criminal are very sophisticated with some of these scams and no one is immune to them. She says people who think they cannot get scammed are sometimes most vulnerable because they are not as aware as they should be of the techniques. She adds that scam artists increasingly ask for payment in the form of wire transfers, reloadable gift cards and more. Or they pressure you for your credit card or bank numbers.</p>
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PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

DATE OF BROADCAST	10/01/18
TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>COMMUNITY, EDUCATION, CRIME, SAFETY: Today is the third anniversary of the shootings at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg. It happened on October 1, 2015, when a 26-year-old student fatally shot an assistant professor and eight students in a classroom. Eight others were wounded. The gunman killed himself during a confrontation with responding officers. The <u>mass shooting</u> was the deadliest in Oregon's modern history. In the months and years that followed, survivors, family members came together as part of the "Umpqua Strong" movement to promote community healing. ; A somber sunrise remembrance ceremony is underway this morning in Las Vegas with survivors , families of victims, first-responders and elected officials remembering the lives lost when one year ago when a gunman opened fire on a crowd attending an outdoor country music concert in the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history. Several hundred people gathered at an amphitheater during an event that began with a prayer and words from Nevada's Gov. Brian Sandoval. He told the crowd, quote, "Today we remember the unforgettable. Today, we comfort the inconsolable. Today, we are reminded of the pain that never really goes away." Survivors and family members remembered those who were lost. One woman said they bring a message about living life to the fullest. They also thanked the people of Las Vegas for their support. A flock of 58 doves—one for each person who died—are being released as part of the memorial. Investigators say despite hundreds of interviews and thousands of hours of investigative work they still have no motive as to why 64-year-old former accountant and longtime gambler Stephen Paddock carried out the attack. A final FBI report, including a behavioral analysis of Paddock, is expected by year-end. Paddock was characterized by police as a loner with no religious or political affiliations who became obsessed with guns, spent more than \$1.5 million in the two years before the shooting and distanced himself from his girlfriend and family. A forensic accountant recently put the value of Paddock's estate at just under \$1.4 million. Paddock's mother said the money should go to victims. A disbursement plan has not yet been established. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: Fishery managers in Oregon have delayed the start of the razor clam harvest in Clatsop County because the clams are too small. Shellfish biologist Matt Hunter tells the Daily Astorian that the situation is far from normal and though there are plenty of clams most have shell lengths between 2 and 3 inches. Clatsop beaches will remain closed to clam diggers while fishery managers collect public feedback on how digs should be managed in the future. That may include shifting season to fit when razor clams are bigger. Washington state operates clam</p>

seasons on a case-by-case basis between October and May, opening digs on select beaches as conditions permit. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife has delayed razor clam digs on the Long Beach Peninsula until late December because of similar size concerns. / ENVIRONMENT: Hotter, drier summers are having an impact on some of the migrating songbirds that come to Oregon and Washington to breed each spring. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports that because of rising temperatures, the areas where hermit warblers can live and find food are shrinking by up to 4 percent each year. Now researchers with Oregon State University are developing an experiment to track the tiny songbirds through the Pacific Northwest. OSU researchers have already found that warbler populations declined in areas with young forests but in some cases increased in old growth forests despite the warming climate. Researchers Hankyu Kim and Adam Hadley are conducting a new experiment to determine why the warblers are doing better in old growth areas. Kim has gotten inside the head of the hermit warbler. He knows what makes the tiny songbird tick. "These birds are territorial in the breeding ground, they set up their territories and they fight with each other to defend it," he said. Kim uses a nearly invisible net strung between two fishing pools, a plastic warbler decoy and a looping bird-call recording to lure hermit warblers so they can be captured, tagged and released. The tiny radio tag allows Kim and Hadley to track the birds through the dense forests of the Oregon Cascades. They hope to determine how the birds use the forests and whether they use the temperature variations between the top and the bottom of the forest canopies to mitigate the effects of climate change. Hadley says it's possible that when it's warmer, the birds stay to the bottom and more shady parts of the trees. Learning how the birds move could help explain how warblers and other species deal with rising temperatures. / EDUCATION, CRIME, WOMEN: Education Secretary Betsy DeVos (dih-VAHS') is continuing to consider new guidelines that could change the way allegations of sexual violence are investigated on college campuses. DeVos says the system put in place under President Obama is skewed against the accused. She's expected to issue new rules in the near future. At stake is the evidence that universities should require when investigating sexual misconduct allegations, the use of mediators and the possibility of the accuser and the accused cross-examining each other. DeVos has said she wants to honor the rights of the victim and the accused. / GOVERNMENT, POLITICS, WOMEN, IMMIGRATION, HEALTH: Justices on the U.S. Supreme Court open their new term later today. But there will be only eight justices on the bench, four conservatives and four liberals. It's unclear how long the vacancy created by Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement in July will last. Consideration of Brett Kavanaugh's nomination by the Senate has been delayed while the FBI undertakes an investigation of Christine Blasey Ford's allegation that Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her in 1982. Republicans had hoped to have Kavanaugh confirmed in time for the court's first public meeting since late June, an addition that would cement conservative control of the court. So far, the court has agreed to hear about 40 cases, and could add a few dozen more to decide by the end of the term in June. An empty seat on the bench often forces a push for compromise and leads to a less exciting caseload, mainly to avoid 4-4 splits between conservatives and liberals. The very first case involves the federal government's designation of Louisiana timberland as critical habitat for an endangered frog. Two cases involving the death penalty will be argued in the first two months. The court

will also take on issues including the detention of immigrants, uranium mining in Virginia and the settlement of a class action lawsuit involving Google where the settlement largely directed money to organizations rather than search engine users. Lawsuits over the Obama-era program that shields young immigrants from deportation, a new challenge to the health care law, anti-discrimination protections for LGBT people, the Trump policy on transgender service members and a new fight over partisan gerrymandering all are percolating in federal courts and could reach the justices this term. Another wild card is special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation and the possibility that he could try to force Trump to testify to a grand jury or, perhaps less likely, indict him. The court has never directly addressed either issue regarding a president. Kennedy won't be on the bench for the first time in more than 30 years, meaning, Chief Justice John Roberts probably will be the justice closest to the center of the court, although he is far more conservative than Kennedy on most issues. / ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, COMMUNITY: From the Powder River in Baker City to Harris Beach near the California border, more than 4,000 dedicated volunteers showed up in force on Saturday, September 29, to improve Oregon as part of the annual SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup. This year, an estimated 42,000 pounds of trash and marine debris, and 43,000 square feet of invasive, non-native plants were removed from 139 project sites including rivers, neighborhoods, parks, and natural areas across the state. As a part of the International Coastal Cleanup, beach cleanups took place along all 362 miles of the Oregon Coast, drawing thousands of locals and visitors alike. The most common items found during the event were pieces of broken plastic, cigarette butts, food wrappers, bottles, cans, and caps. Interesting items found by volunteers included a message in a bottle at Fort Stevens State Park, 25 tires along the Salmon River, several shopping carts on Newport beaches, a door on Bastendorf Beach, and an old grill along Bear Creek Greenway in Ashland. The success of this event is due in large part to the dedicated Project Leaders, Beach Captains, and garbage and recycling companies that step up to coordinate and volunteer their time at projects throughout the state. Whether they picked up trash, restored a natural area, or led volunteers in these efforts, the volunteers and event partners made the event possible and made our state cleaner and safer for all Oregonians. The Beach & Riverside Cleanup began in 1984 at "The Plague of Plastics" after Oregonians Judie Hansen and Eleanor Dye were inspired to rid the state's beaches of litter. Thirty-five years later, the event has expanded to include litter cleanups and restoration projects across Oregon and has served as a cleanup model that spread across the nation and throughout the world. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Last year, they carpooled, rode the bus, walked and bicycled—one man even used his driftboat! The sixth annual statewide "Oregon Drive Less Challenge," spearheaded by Point2point at Lane Transit District and the Oregon Department of Transportation, begins today. The two-week Challenge, running October 1 through October 15, offers a timely way for residents and commuters throughout the region to explore fun, fit, planet-friendly travel options such as biking, busing, walking and carpooling. Last year's Drive Less Challenge was a resounding success. Oregonians from across the state logged over 876,880 non-drive-alone miles. In Lane County alone, participants logged 188,766 miles representing a savings of 134,090 of CO₂ and 4,280 gallons of gasoline. This year, thousands of Oregonians across the state are anticipated

to participate in the sixth annual Oregon Drive Less Challenge in an effort to break last year's record numbers. Individuals may participate by registering at DriveLessConnect.com and then logging their non-drive-alone trips for a chance to win prizes. Point2point at Lane Transit District is available to help individuals find carpools and/or vanpools, navigate bus schedules and routes, determine bike routes, and answer challenge related questions. / CRIME: KTVL-TV in Medford is reporting that late Sunday night, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office arrested an attempted murder suspect from Lane County near The Expo in Central Point. The suspect was wanted out of Eugene. But the suspect's name and particulars of the case have not been released. Deputies laid spike strips multiple times on Interstate 5 to stop the pursuit. Deputies finally caught up with the suspect at the Central Point Interstate 5 Exit 33. According to initial reports, part of the freeway was closed for a short time. /

PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

**DATE OF
BROADCAST**

10/02/18

**TIME OF
BROADCAST**

5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM

**NAME OF
PROGRAM**

Morning News

**LENGTH OF
PROGRAM**

30 Seconds

**ISSUE OR
SUBJECT
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HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME, COMMUNITY, FAMILY: It helps expand local shelter availability for up to 20 homeless families and supporters say it is much more than just food and beds. Crews and volunteers working for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County have completed construction on a 14,000 sq. ft. church building, named "The Annex," located in the 4000 block of Eugene's West Amazon Drive. Officials held a grand opening event yesterday afternoon. The Annex was purchased with the help of an anonymous local donor. It's designed to be an extension of the First Place Family Center and will provide emergency shelter for up to 90 days while families work toward more stable housing, employment and lives. The enhanced Night Shelter program will operate from dusk until dawn and include bathrooms, a kitchen and living space. The Annex can serve up to 20 families at a time and an estimated 80 homeless families or more annually. It provides cubicle-style rooms – some of which can accommodate up to 10 family members living together in one room. As part of the program, those families will be offered additional services, including one-on-one case management, a therapeutic preschool for their youngsters and parenting education. St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County's previous Night Shelter served between six and ten families. Organizers say the expanded facility also allows service groups to expand their participation and support at a time when additional donations will be needed to help offset higher food costs and additional shelter staffing. / **SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION:** One person is dead after an apparent high-speed crash on Eugene's Washington Street near West 19th Avenue yesterday afternoon. It happened when the driver, who was alone in their vehicle struck an unoccupied parked car. The driver's next of kin has been notified but police held off on releasing the name to give relatives time to contact others within their circle. The crash and investigation closed Washington Street from West 18th to West 23rd Avenues for several hours. / **CRIME:** A 56-year-old Florence man faces charges including Attempted Murder, Assault in the First Degree and Strangulation in connection in an alleged attack on a 42-year-old Florence woman, who was hospitalized with multiple stab wounds. Investigators say David Dario Lucius was arrested Sunday evening in southern Oregon after the Lane County Sheriff's Office alerted law enforcement agencies that he might be headed into California. Lane County Sheriff's investigators say the issued that alert after Lucius allegedly fled the Walton area in a white PT Cruiser. A deputy with the Jackson County Sheriff's Office spotted the suspect vehicle on Interstate 5 about 40 miles north of the Oregon – California border. With the help of the

Oregon State Police and Central Point Police—as well as a spike strip used to disable the vehicle—Lucius was taken into custody Sunday night. Lucius was transported back to Eugene late that night and lodged at the Lane County Jail. Investigators say it appears Lucius and the victim knew each other, but the details of what led to the stabbing are still being determined. ; Eugene Police yesterday released details on a Sunday afternoon incident they say occurred on the riverbank behind the Valley River Center shopping mall. They say 20-year-old Ashton Isaiah Johnson was arrested and charged in connection with firing a gun, possibly multiple times, during a dispute with a woman. He was taken into custody inside the mall. Investigators say Johnson faces charges of unlawful use of a weapon, unlawful possession of a firearm and menacing. They say they recovered two handguns while arresting Johnson. / COMMUNITY, CRIME, EDUCATION: There were quiet, low-key observances yesterday in Roseburg, as families, survivors, staff, students and law enforcement gathered to mark the third anniversary of the shootings at Umpqua Community College. They observed moments of silence to honor the eight students and one instructor who died when a student gunman attacked occupants of a classroom before, in a confrontation with law enforcement, killed himself. The observances included flags flying at half-staff, memorial wreaths and the lighting of candles. ; The marquees on the glimmering Las Vegas Strip dimmed their lights for three minutes Monday night as officials slowly read the 58 names of the people killed one year earlier in the country's deadliest mass shooting in modern history. The names were recited before a silent crowd punctuated by sobs shortly after 10:05 p.m., nearly the exact time that a gunman in a tower suite at the Mandalay Bay opened fire on the crowd of 22,000. The ceremony ended a somber day of events reuniting survivors and the family members of those killed at last year's country music festival. Hours earlier, the victims' families, survivors and elected officials marked the anniversary of the tragedy by placing roses on a tribute wall and dedicating a downtown memorial garden. ; Country music artists paused yesterday to remember the victims on the one-year anniversary of the Las Vegas shootings. Jason Aldean was performing at the Route 91 Harvest Festival when a gunman began firing on 22,000 people from high in a nearby resort hotel. Fifty-eight people died, close to 500 were wounded or injured in the rush to flee. Yesterday, Aldean posted on social media: "Thinkin about our Route 91 family today," adding the hashtag #VegasStrong. Just before the gunman opened fire, fellow country star Jake Owen also performed. He also shared a post remembering the heartbreaking loss. "I will never forget the evening of October 1st, 2017," he wrote on Twitter. "A year ago today people were loving life. They were singing along. Families and friends. 58 lives were lost and thousands were injured and lives changed forever. You will always be in my heart and on my mind." Maren Morris, who performed at the festival two days before the attack, also shared a tribute on social media that included a lyric from her track, "Dear Hate," which she wrote in response to the shooting. "Dear Hate, I hate to tell you that love is gonna conquer all," she wrote. "Thinking of the fans we lost a year ago. You'll always be the 3 chords and the truth." Chris Young, another performer at the event, wrote on Twitter, "I'll never forget calling my family saying I hope to see them again." In a post, country music legend Tim McGraw asked that fans observe a moment of silence at 10:05 a.m. in honor of the victims. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, HEALTH: It's still dry and we haven't had much rain, so regulators are pushing back the start of Lane County's

outdoor burning season by a couple of weeks in hopes conditions improve. The fall outdoor burning season was set to start yesterday, but officials with the Lane County Fire defense Board and L-RAPA, the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency, say it will instead open on Saturday, Oct. 13, for many Lane County residents. Outdoor burning, also known as open or backyard burning, allows some Lane County residents to burn dry woody yard debris that was generated on their own residential property, although recent rule changes in the last year mean no burning is allowed on properties of less than two acres inside the Eugene Urban Growth Boundary. Once the season opens in a couple of weeks, remember to call L-RAPA's outdoor burning advisory line at (541)-726-3976 before burning to check eligibility. That's important because burn rules differ throughout the county, with some cities banning burning within city limits all together. Violation of outdoor burning rules can result in stiff fines. And after another summer of wildfire smoke and haze, L-RAPA officials are encouraging residents to consider alternatives to burning. Among other options, you may dispose of woody yard debris for a small charge at one of Lane County's collection depots. Chipping and composting are also options to burning. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that one year after a devastating wildfire, work isn't quite done removing hazard trees at Multnomah Falls. Yesterday marked the start of another two-day closure for parts of the popular attraction in the Columbia River Gorge, including the lower viewing area and Benson Bridge. Multnomah Falls Lodge, which includes the restaurant, gift shop and information center, will remain open. Forest service officials say the closure is the result of an effort to remove about 40 dead or dying trees near the waterfall. Reporter Jamie Hale writes that it comes one week after crews closed the area for a day to remove 50 hazard trees. Work this week will focus on the cliffs east of the lodge, which is necessary to reopen the Historic Columbia River Highway, part of which has been closed since the Eagle Creek fire last year. / ENVIRONMENT: Lake Creek, a tributary of the Siuslaw River, will be closed to salmon fishing from Oct. 15-Dec. 31. No salmon fishing will be allowed from the mouth of Lake Creek to Indian Creek. The closure is due to this year's low stream flows, which will concentrate fall Chinook salmon in just a few locations, making them more vulnerable to harvest. The forecast for Chinook salmon is poor this year, and Chinook in the Siuslaw basin are not expected to meet Pacific Salmon Treaty escapement goals. "Lake Creek is the largest producer of fall Chinook in the Siuslaw basin, and it's important we conserve these fish during low stream flow and low return years," said John Spangler, ODFW District Fish Biologist. For more about regulations and fishing opportunities in the Northwest Zone, see the Recreation Report, <https://myodfw.com/recreation-report/fishing-report/northwest-zone> / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: A popular program that supports conservation and outdoor recreation projects across the country has expired after Congress couldn't agree on language to extend it. Lawmakers from both parties back the Land and Water Conservation Fund, but the program lapsed Monday amid a dispute over whether its renewal should be part of a broader package of land-use bills. A Senate panel is set to vote Tuesday on a bipartisan bill to permanently reauthorize the fund and ensure it's fully paid for. The top Democrat on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, Sen. Maria Cantwell of Washington state, sponsored the bill. She calls the conservation fund "the key tool" Congress uses to help preserve recreation opportunities and make

cost-effective use of public lands. Cantwell's bill has 47 co-sponsors, including six Republicans. / BUSINESS, WOMEN, HEALTH: Umpqua Dairy's pink ice cream is officially on sale with a percentage of all sales being donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Today the company launches Huckleberry Cheesecake ice cream in hundreds of grocery stores throughout the Northwest. "Last month we were honored to present a check for almost \$10,000 to Susan G. Komen based on last year's sales," says Steve Feldkamp, Umpqua Dairy's Chief Operating Officer. "We hope to raise even more money for this important cause this year." Umpqua Dairy thru a partnership with the Susan G. Komen Foundation developed a pink packaging design and the special October flavor. The limited time flavor is available in most Safeway, Albertson's, Fred Meyer, WinCo and Walmart locations in Oregon, along with hundreds of independent stores. This year Umpqua Dairy is also helping people impacted by breast cancer. Nominations can be made at UmpquaDairy.com on the 'Share Your Story' tab. One person per week will be selected to receive free groceries. "We've been fortunate to serve the area since 1931," says Feldkamp. "It was important to my Grandfather that we support the people and communities who support us. That tradition continues to this day at Umpqua Dairy." Huckleberry Cheesecake ice cream features milk that's 100% from Oregon cows. The product is exclusively manufactured at Umpqua Dairy's headquarters in Roseburg. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: Nearly 100 environmental groups are opposing the use of cyanide capsules to control predators like coyotes and foxes in Oregon and elsewhere. The Bulletin in Bend is reporting that groups sent a letter this month to state and federal agencies calling for a ban on the M-44 devices. They say the capsules are ineffective and dangerous to humans, pets and other animals that are not being targeted. Idaho and Colorado have banned them. M-44 devices are spring-loaded devices that contain a capsule filled with sodium cyanide that's partially buried in the ground and coated with a substance that's designed to attract canines. When an animal triggers the device, a lethal dose of sodium cyanide is ejected. Federal wildlife managers say the devices are critical to controlling predators that attack livestock. / ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE: The state of Washington has killed a second wolf from a pack that has been preying on cattle in the northeastern part of the state. A marksman hired by Washington state's wildlife agency shot an adult female wolf on Friday. The wolf is from the Old Profanity Territory pack that officials and ranchers say has repeatedly attacked cattle in the Kettle River Range. Opponents say killing of wolves is senseless and that this is the fourth pack the state has decimated to protect the cattle of a single rancher. Washington state wildlife officials say they will evaluate whether the hunts have changed the pack's behavior before undertaking another hunt. / ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT: A new study from several wildlife-related groups has found that recreation on Bureau of Land Management land contributes billions of dollars to western states' economies. The study by Southwick Associates was done on behalf of The Pew Charitable Trusts, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, Wildlife Management Institute, Trout Unlimited, Archery Trade Association and the American Fly Fishing Trade Association. The Post Register newspaper in Idaho Falls, Idaho reports the study found that wildlife-related recreation on BLM lands in 12 western states result in more than \$3 billion in economic activity. That figure includes about 26,500 jobs, \$1 billion in salaries and wages and \$421 million in federal, state and local tax revenue. The report focused

on three main activities: hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing. / **EDUCATION, HEALTH, SAFETY, FAMILY:** A new study finds that high school students who got less sleep on an average night had an increased risk of unsafe behavior, including drinking and drug use, aggressive behavior and self-harm. That's according to data from the latest Youth Risk Behavior Survey conducted by researchers at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital who reported the findings in the Journal of the American Medical Association's Pediatrics publication. Compared with teens who slept more than eight hours per night, students who slept six hours or less were more than twice as likely to report use of alcohol or other drugs, and nearly twice as likely to report getting into a fight. Additionally, those who slept less than six hours were more than three times as likely to report considering suicide and more than four times as likely to report an attempted suicide that resulted in treatment compared to their better-rested peers. Researchers note they've previously studied college students and found sleep duration and regular sleep—or lack of—were factors in mood, metabolism, and general health, but among this younger group there hasn't been as much research. Prior research found that an average of 8 to 10 hours of sleep is ideal for adolescents, and that fewer hours can result in altered judgment and may negatively affect learning and development patterns. But the authors say previous studies indicate more than 70% of high school students average less than 8 hours of sleep per night. / **BUSINESS:** The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that officials with Dutch Bros Coffee said Monday they hope to add 500 more drive-thru coffee stands in the next five years after selling a minority stake in the business to a private equity firm, TSG Consumer Partners. Founded in Grants Pass in 1992, Dutch Bros now has 300 locations in seven states. Reporter Mike Rogoway writes that the company did not report terms of its arrangement with TSG or details of its ownership structure. Travis Boersma started the privately held company with his brother Dane, who died in 2009, four years after being diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis – Lou Gehrig's disease. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: A fresh cougar sighting overnight in Springfield. Springfield Police say it happened around 9:00 p.m. in the 4300 block of Daisy Street when a neighbor called to report his dog had spotted something and when they let the dog outside it began barking at a cougar that was in the bed of the home owner's pickup in their backyard. The resident said they called the dog back and retreated back into the residence. When responding officers arrived at the location the cougar was already gone. Springfield Police say they checked of the area and used a thermal imaging camera in the dense nearby vegetation, but the cougar was not found. Police used the Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) (also known as reverse 911) to send an alert to nearby residents notifying them of the cougar sighting and outlining precautions to they may take. Among the recommendations: Be cautious and observant, supervise their children and/or pets while outside, and the police if they encounter the animal. Haven't registered to receive those sorts of alerts? If you want to register for notifications from the Community Emergency Notification System (CENS), there's a link accompanying the update on the cougar sighting on my TracyKGNU Facebook page. / VETERANS, HEALTH, GOVERNMENT, COMMUNITY: A big step forward in an effort to help veterans recover from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, mental health issues, alcohol and drug addictions. Members of the Lane County Commisioners yesterday finalized the transfer of the long-shuttered Sheriff's Forest Work Camp in the Coast Range to the non-profit organization, Veterans Legacy. The 105-acre site, located near the community of Alma, are being converted into a residential-style treatment facility that uses what's known as "therapeutic agriculture," where the veterans will grow much of their own produce while engaging in mental health and substance abuse treatment and counseling in the multi-month program. In recent months and years, backers of the effort have held work parties to get the site in shape and prepare to begin accepting the first veterans. Veterans Legacy has been leasing the property but with the agreement to take over the property for one dollar is planning a formal transfer ceremony in early November. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Eugene Police yesterday released the name of the man who died in Monday's crash on Washington Street near 19th Avenue. He is 57-year-old Jeffrey Muiderman of Eugene. Investigators are still working to determine why the driver, who was alone in their vehicle, struck an unoccupied parked car. The crash and investigation closed Washington Street from West 18th to West 23rd Avenues for several hours. / EDUCATION, POLITICS, ELECTIONS: Oregon high school students posed</p>

questions on topics from foster care to gun restrictions to LGBTQ bullying during the first debate between the state's main gubernatorial candidates. The meeting Tuesday evening in Portland featured Democratic Gov. Kate Brown, Republican Knute Buehler and Independent Party candidate Patrick Starnes. The candidates sparred most intensely over the topic of education funding. Buehler claimed the single biggest failure of Brown's administration was that not enough money was getting into the classroom. Brown countered that by significantly investing in underserved communities, graduation rates have gone up. Later, a 15-year-old Portland girl asked the candidates three times what they would do as governor to make schools safe for LGBTQ youth after saying she didn't think the candidates had answered her question. / CRIME: An Oregon woman who falsely accused a driver of attacking her and her passenger has pleaded guilty for her role in a separate incident that left another driver with a broken jaw. The Bulletin reports 35-year-old Megan Stackhouse pleaded guilty Monday to assault for punching Cheryl Norton of Bend after a traffic crash in May. Norton told The Bulletin that Stackhouse hopped a curb and hit Norton's vehicle. Stackhouse reportedly refused to provide insurance information and angrily confronted Norton. Under the proposed deal, Stackhouse would serve four days in jail and do 30 hours of community service. Stackhouse and her partner also made the news after they told police they were victims of a June 1 violent road rage attack. However, prosecutors dismissed charges against the man in that case, saying the women lacked credibility and their injuries didn't match up with their story. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY, CRIME: The U.S. Department of Justice yesterday announced grants of close to \$320 million to combat the opioid crisis. More than \$6.3 million of that is coming to Oregon. The money is headed to local governments and other agencies involved in prevention, treatment and enforcement. Among the recipients, Lane County's Drug Court, which will receive \$550,000. Two important anti-drug events occur in October: Red Ribbon Week and National Prescription Drug Takeback Day. Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31, encourages students, parents, schools and communities to promote drug-free lifestyles. The Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on October 27 gives Americans an easy and anonymous way to dispose of unwanted prescription drugs, helping to prevent overdose deaths and drug addictions before they start. In 2017, more than 72,000 Americans lost their lives to drug overdoses, an increase from the 64,000 overdose deaths in 2016, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The majority of these deaths can be attributed to opioids, including fentanyl. Drug overdose is now the leading cause of injury or death in the United States. In Oregon, the total number of deaths related to drug use increased 11 percent between from 2013 to 2017, with 546 known drug related deaths last year. ; A 37-year-old Grants Pass man was sentenced yesterday in Eugene Federal Court to three months in prison for his role in distributing oxycodone as part of an interstate opioid-trafficking organization. Prosecutors say 37-year-old Brett Allen McNeal was the sixth and final defendant to be sentenced in the case. Investigators say the organization was structured around Daniel Cham, a doctor practicing in La Puente, California, who would illegally provide prescriptions for oxycodone, hydrocodone, and other powerful medications in exchange for money orders and cash. The narcotics were moved from Southern California through a network of redistributors for eventual sale in Oregon. U.S. Attorney for Oregon Billy Williams says the drug trafficking

network contributed to the overdose deaths of two people, including a young woman here in Oregon. Investigators say Cham would write prescriptions to individuals both known and unknown to him and to others he knew to be prolific drug dealers and addicts. He regularly sold prescriptions to John Bryden, an Oregon resident, who in turn would sell them to other co-conspirators, including Kevin Grimes, Marcela Cooper, and Austin Alderete, for distribution across Oregon. McNeal purchased oxycodone from Alderete and sold it for a profit to end users. One of those end users, Jessica Morretti, died of an overdose on April 13, 2012. According to text messages on Morretti's cell phone from the evening she overdosed, McNeal had provided her with five 30mg oxycodone pills the same day. An analysis of post-mortem toxicology reports indicated that the lethal amount of oxycodone in Morretti's system could have come from multiple sources, including McNeal. McNeal admitted to law enforcement that he had purchased 30mg oxycodone pills from Alderete on multiple occasions for \$15-20 apiece. Alderete would at a times front McNeal up to 100 oxycodone pills. McNeal is the sixth defendant overall and last prosecuted in Oregon to be sentenced for their role in the trafficking organization. ; Drug abuse affects communities across the nation, and opioid abuse continues to be particularly devastating. The CDC reports that from 1999 to 2016, more than 630,000 people have died from a drug overdoses. In 2016, 66% of drug overdose deaths involved an opioid. Drug overdose is now the leading cause of injury or death in the United States. In Oregon, the total number of deaths related to drug use increased 11 percent between from 2013 to 2017, with 546 known drug related deaths last year. If you or someone you know suffers from addiction, please call the Lines for Life substance abuse helpline at 1-800-923-4357 or visit www.linesforlife.org. Phone support is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can also text "RecoveryNow" to 839863 between 8am and 11pm PST daily. ; The Register-Guard is reporting that the dealer believed to be responsible for at least some of the drug overdoses that struck the Eugene-Springfield area late last month has been arrested. Reporter Chelsea Deffenbacher writes formal charges have not been filed and the investigation is continuing. But The Register-Guard is reporting that the 32-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of possession, manufacture and delivery of heroin and fentanyl after Springfield police served a search warrant on the suspect's residence Friday, according to police Lt. Scott McKee. He also is suspected of possession of methamphetamine. During the police search, officers allegedly found a gram of "China White," a fentanyl-based drug believed to be involved in some of the 23 overdoses that occurred in Eugene and Springfield between Sept. 21 and 24. Springfield police issued a public warning Sept. 22 after they received five overdose reports in eight hours. McKee said one of the victims told police that the drug he consumed was called China White, a so-called "designer drug," according to an article last year in The New York Times. China White was a slang term for heroin in the 1980s but is now the term used for fentanyl, an article about the drug in Rolling Stone stated last year. China White is similar to heroin and morphine but is a hundred times more potent, produces a longer-lasting high and is more difficult to treat if a person overdoses, the article states. Springfield police previously said they were investigating whether the drug was fentanyl, "particularly pure" heroin or fentanyl-laced heroin. Before serving the search warrant last week, officers field tested the drug from a user, and it tested positive for fentanyl, McKee said. Further tests at the Oregon

State Police crime lab are ongoing. No deaths were reported related to the 23 overdoses. Authorities credited that fact to the widespread availability of Narcan, also known as Naloxone, a medication that counteracts the effects of opiates and that is available as an injection or a nasal spray. McKee said police who searched the residence also found a quarter ounce of black tar heroin, which is considered a dealer's quantity as well as a user quantity of methamphetamine. Johnson also had an injectable dose of Narcan among his belongings, McKee said. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY: Do you have a cellphone or other wireless device? The first-ever nationwide test of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System known as "IPAWS" takes place today. IPAWS includes both the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and the Wireless Emergency Alert System (WEA). The test is coordinated by FEMA and the Federal Communications Commission. It will be broadcast on U.S. radio, TV, and cable stations. Messages will also be sent by wireless carriers, meaning you should receive them on your phone. This is the first time a wireless alert has been tested in Oregon, and emergency managers don't want anyone to be caught off-guard. You don't need to do anything, just be aware that you should receive these messages. The first test, involving the Wireless Emergency Alert System, will occur at 11:18 a.m. The Emergency Alert System portion takes place two minutes later. Both will likely come with the heading "Presidential Alert" and if the volume is turned up on your phone you'll probably hear an accompanying tone. Again, no action is required on your part. Organizers say the nationwide test helps ensure that in times of an emergency or disaster, public safety officials have ways to deliver urgent alerts and warnings. Alerts are rare, but they can happen locally, statewide, or nationally. In addition, the test is a good way to assess the operational readiness of local, state and national emergency communications infrastructure and figure out whether improvements are needed. For more information visit: <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-alert-test> / IMMIGRATION: Homeland Security's internal watchdog says immigration officials were not prepared to manage the consequences of its "zero tolerance" policy at the border this summer that resulted in the separation of nearly 3,000 children from parents. The report made public Tuesday found one child was held as long as 25 days in a border patrol facility meant for short-term detention. And poor communication by immigration officials meant some separated parents weren't told how to reach their children and lacked good access to communicate with them. Border Patrol did not ensure that children separated from their parents who were too young to talk could be properly identified. Homeland Security officials say the report illustrates the difficulties in enforcing immigration laws "that are broken and poorly written." / SPORTS, BUSINESS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that just two days into a high-profile corruption trial, lawyers made bombshell admissions that Adidas officials paid players and engaged in a bidding war with the University of Oregon to secure one of the nation's top basketball recruits in 2017. The allegation surfaced Tuesday inside a New York courtroom during opening arguments in the fraud trial of Jim Gatto, an Adidas executive accused of paying \$100,000 to ensure Brian Bowen played for an Adidas-sponsored school. The case has cast a spotlight the sneaker industry's endorsement strategies and tarnished several marquee NCAA programs as part of the federal government's sweeping investigation. The revelation about Oregon came as a surprise because it had not been mentioned in the indictment or other court documents. It also came one day after lawyers tried to weed out prospective jurors who might be

unduly swayed by an allegiance to certain college programs, Oregon included. On the other hand, the Eugene university is the favored program of the world's largest sports marketing machine, Nike. The company's founder is an alum and its most generous booster. For their part, university officials signaled Tuesday they would take a wait and see approach in response to the explosive allegations. The footwear companies, with Oregon-based Nike leading the way, have transformed all levels of sports in the past 30 years, paying teams, players and coaches to wear their gear through lucrative endorsement deals. UO officials would not answer questions about what investigative steps, if any, officials might take in the wake of the Tuesday's testimony. Nor would a spokesman answer questions about whether officials would contact Gatto's attorney to learn more about the allegations, or whether the Eugene university has been in communication with the NCAA about next steps. Neither Nike, the university nor any employee or player affiliated with the UO program has been arrested or charged in the corruption case. Bowen ultimately chose Louisville, an Adidas school, over Oregon. /

MENTAL HEALTH: The City of Roseburg has been awarded a \$750,000 federal grant to launch a mobile crisis program in collaboration with Adapt/Compass to co-respond to police calls involving individuals with a mental illness. Under the grant, Compass Behavioral Health will hire two Qualified Mental Health Professionals who will be available to co-respond with police 12 hours a day, 7 days a week in and around the City of Roseburg. These mental health workers will connect individuals to treatment and divert them from the criminal justice system when appropriate. This grant will provide Roseburg Police with a support system to ensure people going through mental health crises will be connected to services that could help them, rather than resorting to law enforcement resources. Nationwide, individuals with serious mental illness are booked into jail approximately 2 million times per year. A recent survey by the LPSCC's Behavioral Health Subcommittee and the Douglas County Jail found that approximately 36 percent of inmates booked into our local Jail may have a serious mental illness. In January, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners passed a Stepping Up Resolution to reduce the number of people with mental illness in the Douglas County Jail. Officials say the grant marks a significant step toward that goal and a strengthening of public safety/behavioral health collaboration in Roseburg and Douglas County. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, COMMUNITY: A cougar sighting early yesterday morning has Springfield Police renewing their alert for the Mount Vernon area near Mount Vernon Elementary, Douglas Gardens Elementary, Agnes Stewart Middle School and the Oregon Relief Nursery - all areas where children congregate. The cougar was seen in a large field that separates Mt. Vernon Elementary and the Springfield branch of the Relief Nursery yesterday at 5:00 a.m. A motorist, who is a bow-hunter and familiar with large cats, was traveling north on 42nd Street near Mount Vernon saw a cougar cross the road and enter a field toward Mt. Vernon Elementary School. Predatory cats can be attracted to the sounds of children at play and police are issuing a warning for parents and play area supervisors to be vigilant to the presence of cougar(s) in the area. This sighting follows a cougar sighting last night at the 4300 block of Daisy Street when a resident let a dog outside the dog and the dog began barking at a cougar that was in the bed of the home owner's pickup in their back yard. The resident called his dog back and retreated back into his residence. Responding officers arrived at the location but the cougar was already gone. An area check was conducted (to include the utilization of a thermal imaging camera in the dense vegetation) but the cougar was not found. A Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) (also known as reverse 911) alert was sent out to residents in the vicinity notifying them of the cougar sighting and precautions to take. Residents are urged to be cautious and observant and to supervise their children and/or pets while outside. Residents should contact the police department if they encounter the animal. Citizens who have not registered with the Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) are encouraged to do so. ; The Harrisburg Fire District sent out a "heads up" Saturday morning about a cougar spotted just southeast of town in a field off Priceboro and Somerville Road. / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: The Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division is asking for the public's help to identify the persons responsible for trespassing and the taking of a spike bull elk in Benton County. On September 1, 2018 trail camera photographs were taken of four hunters who were trespassing near Ferguson Road, south of Monroe. They can be seen packing a spike bull elk. Anyone with information regarding this case is urged to contact OSP Trooper Zac Cochran through the Turn in Poachers (TIP) hotline at 1-800-452-7888 or 503-509-2465. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife along with the Oregon State Police are now offering preference points as a reward option for information leading to the arrest or issuance of citation for the illegal take/possession or waste of big game mammals. Four preference points will be offered for wildlife offenses regarding deer, elk, antelope, bear, and cougar. Five preference points will be offered for wildlife offenses regarding moose, mountain sheep, and wolf. / ENVIRONMENT: It started out as an occasional "dead zone," an area off the coast of Oregon where, from time to time, oxygen levels in the water declined—a condition known as "hypoxia—leading to limited

die-offs of fish, crab and other marine life. But Oregon State University researchers who've tracked the situation for the past two decades warned it's become so severe that we now have a "hypoxia season," much the same way that we have a wildfire season inland. OSU researchers say 2018 was one of the worst years for low-oxygenated waters, beginning in early June and lasting through Labor Day. It's having an effect on our economy, as well: Many commercial crabbers reported significant die-offs in their harvests and they have contacted the scientific community for assistance. Oregon State University recently received a four-year, \$1.1 million federal grant to work with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, crabbers and other fishermen to map and track the extent of the hypoxia. The hope is to identify "hypoxia hotspots" and potential refuge areas, then come up with ways to predict when and where low oxygen will occur – as well as how it will affect Dungeness crabs and fish. ODFW researchers reported one crabber this summer who deployed 120 pots and pulled up only four live crabs. Researchers say they also heard about a crabber who pulled up a bunch of dead crabs in one area, then did fine in another area just eight miles away. That, they say, is why they need more data that fishermen can use. Oregon State University ecologist Frances Chan says, increasingly, low oxygen is striking a big stretch of the West Coast and is returning year after year. So she says those who rely on the Pacific for their livelihood need tools to help them live with it. They say warming oceans are losing their capacity to hold oxygen and that water is getting closer to shore each year as wind patterns shift, slowing the upwelling of nutrient-rich waters from deep on the seafloor. / IMMIGRATION, SAFETY: The union representing U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement employees has asked Oregon and federal officials to conduct a criminal investigation of Portland mayor Ted Wheeler over his response to immigration protests. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the National ICE Council claims in letters sent Wednesday to officials that Wheeler committed official misconduct or violated the U.S. Constitution by directing Portland police not to respond to some calls for service during a protest this summer at the ICE office. The attorney who penned the letters claims the mayor's actions were, quote, "to advance his own personal political agenda, advance his political career and punish citizens he perceived to hold alternative political beliefs." Wheeler says the letters make misrepresentations of what occurred, and the claims will fall apart if investigated. / BUSINESS, CRIME: Vancouver, Washington-based, fast-food chain Burgerville says thousands of customers' credit and debit card information may have been compromised during a cyberattack. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports officials with the chain, with 47 outlets in Oregon and Washington, say anyone who used a credit or debit card to pay at its restaurants from September, 2017, through last week should watch their card statements for unauthorized charges. The chain also recommends customers obtain a copy of their credit report to look for unauthorized information and consider freezing their credit. Burgerville said it learned of the breach from the FBI late in August although the chain didn't acknowledge the issue until Wednesday. The company said its first priority was to contain the breach and close off cybercriminals' access to its systems. According to the company, the Burgerville attack was part of an effort to target American companies by a group based in Eastern Europe. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Did the summer's wildfires lead to the end of a lucrative contract for Southern Oregon wine grape growers? The Capital Press is reporting that a California wine company abruptly canceled contracts to purchase at least 2,000 tons of wine grapes from Southern Oregon growers because of apparent smoke contamination from wildfires. Copper Cane Wines & Provisions is based in Napa Valley. The company's managers told growers as recently as late September that they would not buy the grapes. John Pratt, president of the Rogue Valley Winegrowers Association and owner of Celestina Vineyard in Medford, Oregon, says the grapes were valued at \$4 million, but with no buyer growers faced the prospect of their

fruit rotting on the vine. Pratt says vineyard owners tested and found that the levels of certain compounds released by burning wood that indicate smoke taint in present in the fruit but were below cause for concern. A representative for Copper Cane didn't return messages for comment. / BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT: It's a first for the state agency that manages Oregon's alcohol sales. The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is holding its first-ever public drawing for rare and limited-edition liquors. Beginning this morning at 9:00 a.m. and for the next two weeks, Oregon residents age 21 and older may enter for their chance to purchase one of six limited edition 2018 Old Forester Birthday Bourbons. OLCC officials say this year, the Old Forester release, which was aged more than 12 years, only totals 120 barrels. Each bottle will sell for \$99.95. The OLCC receives special liquor releases throughout the year, but some are very limited quantities. State officials say a public drawing is a good way to ensure fair, random distribution. They anticipated there will be another public auction for some rare alcohol by end of the year. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: Oregon Gov. Kate Brown has announced legislation that would maintain Oregon's water and air quality rules at the same level or higher than they were the day before President Trump took office. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports that one of the goals of the proposed legislation is to protect public health welfare from the adverse effects of pollution and climate change. With the new legislation, called the Oregon Environmental Protection Act, Brown said she is looking to inspire a national movement of states to oppose what she called the "unprecedented and aggressive attack" on clean air and water. The Trump administration has undertaken several actions to overturn or delay environmental laws from taking effect. / HEALTH: A government study has found that 1 in 3 U.S. adults eat fast food on any given day. That's about 85 million people. It's the first federal study to look at how often adults eat fast food. An earlier study found a similar proportion of children and adolescents ate it on any given day. The numbers released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are based on a survey of about 10,000 adults over four years. The study did not find a difference between men and women. But higher-income families ate fast food more often than lower-income families, and blacks ate it more than other racial or ethnic groups. Health officials say too much high-calorie fast food can lead to obesity, diabetes, heart disease and other health problems. / BUSINESS, EDUCATION: Close to 200 students and scores of teachers and chaperones will tour local manufacturing facilities on National Manufacturing Day on Friday, October 5th. Students from all over Lane County will be participating. Last year was the first year the tours were offered, and 185 students signed up. The tours were so popular that demand has surged and this year an extra bus has been added as well as an event the evening before Manufacturing Day for school administrators and school board members with abbreviated tours of two facilities. The tours will show students the production processes, tools, techniques and people who make some of the area's finest products. Students will be onsite and will learn firsthand about manufacturing in Lane County, career opportunities, and desired skills. "We are thrilled to be able to partner again on Manufacturing Day with our community of partners. Career connected learning events, like this one, are critical for developing the mindsets of students. When we provide contextualized learning opportunities, we start to see students recognize the relevance of their math, science, and STEM classes. And when they have the opportunity to explore industries, they start to envision their future." Heidi Larwick, Connected Lane County. Tour Locations include Euphoria Chocolate, Glory Bee, Seneca, Attune, Franz, Swanson, Kingsford, Cutting Edge Illusions, Forrest Technical and Hummingbird. / VETERANS, HEALTH: The Eugene VA Health Care Center is hosting a Veterans Town Hall at its facility on Eugene's Chad Drive. The session begins at five this evening. All veterans, their family members, and others interested in veterans issues are invited to the Town Hall session. Organizers say this will be a forum that allows participants to share their thoughts,

ask questions and speak with local and regional Department of Veterans Affairs officials. If you are unable to join the Town Hall in person, you may go the Roseburg VA's Facebook page to watch a livestream of the Eugene VA Health Care Center event. Log into your Facebook account and go to www.facebook.com/VARoseburg. The town hall comes one day ahead of tomorrow's Lane County Stand Down. The events runs much of the day at the Lane County Fairgrounds and includes free breakfast and lunch for veterans, reservists, active-duty personnel and their families. The idea of a Stand Down is to bring together veterans, prospective employers and a range of medical, support and other services. The free medical services include eye exams and screenings, hearing tests, dental and denture services, and massage. Other free services include haircuts, toiletries and civilian clothing, bike repair, pet food and pet grooming. There's a women's area, as well as tables offering legal aid and advice, family services and information on veterans' benefits—to ensure you receive the benefits you've earned. Again, the Lane County Stand Down takes place tomorrow at the Lane County Fairgrounds. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY: You could call it "the text heard 'round the country." Federal officials estimate 225 million cell phones and mobile devices rang and buzzed yesterday as the Federal Emergency Management agency conducted an emergency alert test. As the tone sounded, messages on peoples' screens read: "Presidential Alert" — with the information: "THIS IS A TEST of the National Wireless Emergency Alert System. No action is needed." It was the first test of the national wireless emergency system by FEMA. Some people got the alert more than once — and others didn't get it at all. Radio and television stations passed along a second alert, to test the broadcast system. Now, FEMA and others will analyze the results and see how to improve the system. / SAFETY: Residential fires yesterday in Springfield and Eugene kept local crews busy yesterday. There was a house fire shortly before 9:00 a.m. in the 6700 block of Springfield's Opaca Court that led to the evacuation of two residents and three dogs. Crews said smoke was flowing from the home's attic when they arrived. The cause is under investigation. An hour later, a second fire was reported in a building housing commercial and apartment tenants in the 1200 block of Eugene's Lawrence Street. Arriving crews said smoke and flames were coming from a second-floor apartment. They evacuated the occupants and contained the fire to the apartment but said one cat died in the blaze. That fire's cause is also being investigated. / EDUCATION, SAFETY, CRIME: Earthquakes, active shooters, school evacuations and security cameras were among topics addressed at a Eugene School Board work session Wednesday evening where district staff provided board members with a detailed report about safety and security measures underway, as well potential future plans, should funding become available. Much of what was presented to the board included information about efforts already in progress, including fences being installed at some district schools, secure visitor check-in and check-out spaces and one-button lockdown systems, among other safety features. Staff are working to implement cameras at all four of the district's comprehensive high schools and, eventually, middle schools. Cameras also would be installed at the district's alternative high school, Eugene College and Career Options High School, when it moves to a new location on Bailey Hill Road. The cameras would not be installed in classrooms or private areas such as bathrooms and locker rooms. District spokeswoman Kerry Delf said the cameras would be installed at the high schools first as they have more students and more time that's "less closely supervised." The district is still working to determine how video feeds would be stored and for how long, said district safety officer Carl Stubbs. The system, when set up, would allow staff to log in and look at various camera views in real time. "We're working on a making a decision on the vendor and then we'll begin to roll it out to high schools," Stubbs said. "We'll have to figure out the order that we'll implement them." The systems are anticipated to cost about \$3 million for design, implementation and purchase of

the cameras and equipment and would be funded by a \$170 million bond measure passed by Eugene district voters in 2013. Single-button lockdown devices—funded through a \$70 million bond passed in 2011 — have been installed in all schools except for ECCO, located on the Lane Community College campus, and the district's Chinese Immersion School/ The Family School. Those schools were not in use when the systems were installed. Of the district's 33 schools, 18 have fencing in place at least immediately around the school building. The district is hoping to eventually expand those perimeters to enclose entire school sites. The district also is working to enhance security at the front entrance of each school with vestibules — or entrances with two sets of doors — that students, teachers and visitors alike would have to walk through to enter the building. The structures force visitors who come to the school between the beginning and end of class to check in at the front office before being let through a second set of doors. Only 11 schools have single-point entry spaces considered secure, district documents show. Several of the schools equipped with the secure vestibules are new and were constructed to include that safety measure. Whether the district will be able to retrofit old schools to have single, secure entryways is dependent on district voter approval of a \$319.3 million bond measure in the Nov. 6 election. /

ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Lane County residents brought in nearly 3 tons of plastics to a recycling roundup at the Glenwood Transfer Station on Sunday. A truck containing all the plastics — destined for a recycling company in Portland — was weighed at the transfer station scales before leaving town Wednesday afternoon. Final haul: 2.79 tons, according to Lane County Waste Reduction Specialist Sarah Grimm. That's about 5,580 pounds wedged into a 53-foot trailer. The roundup, the first held by Lane County, came in response to plastic recycling rule changes earlier this year. Under the new rules, only plastic milk jugs and drink bottles are OK for curbside recycling in Eugene and Springfield — and some parts of rural Lane County don't allow any plastics at all. (What's acceptable varies by recycling hauler.) Plastics 2, 4 and 5 — such as margarine tubs, shampoo bottles and lids — were all acceptable at the roundup, but the items had to be clean and free of sticker labels. Organizers counted 960 cars in four hours, which they estimated represents about 1,120 households. The roundup also served as a chance to provide some recycling education, said Kelly Bell, Lane County master recycler program coordinator. Many people brought in milk jugs, which are still accepted in Eugene and Springfield and could have been left in curbside bins, she said. The truck full of plastics, a cargo hauler from St. Vincent De Paul's Eugene fleet, is set to arrive at Denton Plastics in Portland on Thursday. Denton Plastics plans to grind the plastics collected in Lane County into pellets, creating a raw material for other companies to form into benches, plant pots and other items, said Mark Samuel, material manager at the company. Whether there will be future roundups in Lane County depends on how well people prepared the plastics for the event, coordinators said. /

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SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: There was a flurry of cougar sightings in the Mt. Vernon / Jasper Road neighborhoods of Springfield the past few days, including one yesterday afternoon that prompted extra vigilance as children headed home from school. It happened during the noon hour near South 42nd Street and Cole Way, a bit southeast of Wednesday's early-morning sighting near Mt. Vernon Elementary and the Springfield Branch of the Relief Nursery. Later in the afternoon, Springfield Police partnered with officers from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife about another sighting near South 41st & Filbert Lane. Police announced that with the afternoon release of children from area schools, they were urging residents shelter to in place and / or closely monitor their surroundings until authorities cleared the area. It came after officers have discovered what appeared to be evidence of predatory animal kills, for which they believe the cougar was responsible. On Wednesday night, around 9:30, two employees at the Swanson Mill said they observed a pair of cougars on the edge of the gravel parking lot. The Register-guard quotes police who say a cougar recently killed two domestic cats just south of the train tracks crossing 42nd Street. If officers find the cougars, they will kill the animals. After a Thursday afternoon search involving a houndsman recruited by police for the effort, authorities at 5:30 p.m. called off the search. Police asked people to contact them if a cougar is again spotted in the area. The mountain lion search came after several additional cougar sightings have been reported in the area this week. Earlier Thursday, around 12:15 p.m., a resident reported seeing a cougar walking in a ditch in the 4200 block of Cole Way, near Jasper Road and 42nd Street, police said. Officers went to the area but could not find the large cat, Springfield Police spokesman Scott McKee said. Police believe the two cats could be mates or a mother cougar with a juvenile cougar. According to McKee, juvenile cougars will sometimes stay with their mothers for up to 20 months. McKee warned parents and play-area supervisors to remain vigilant for cougars that could be in the area. "Predatory cats can be attracted to the sounds of children at play," he said. A motorist reportedly saw a cougar Wednesday morning in a vacant field adjacent to a Springfield elementary school — the second reported sighting in the area in a nine-hour period. Wednesday's report came in around 5:30 a.m. The caller — who police said is a hunter familiar with mountain lions — said he saw a cougar cross the road and enter a field off 42nd Street, immediately east of Mount Vernon Elementary, McKee said. Police advised residents to be on the lookout for a mountain lion that may be roaming in the area. Wednesday's report came after a man on Tuesday night told officers that he had spotted a cougar in the bed of his pickup, behind his home in the 4300 block of Daisy Street, northeast of the elementary school. In July, police killed a cougar outside a house on 30th Street in Springfield, next to a property where children had first spotted it. That animal is believed to have wandered through a good chunk of the city after earlier sightings

were reported closer to downtown. / **COMMUNITY, YOUTH:** On Sunday, October 7th, at 2:00 p.m., members of the Eugene Civic Alliance are holding a groundbreaking event at Civic Park, off 19th and Oak Streets in Eugene. Community members and families are invited to bring their own shovels to help launch a new era of community recreation at the former site of historic Civic Stadium. It's the latest step in a multi-year effort to create a youth and community sports venue, which sprung up after the fire gutted the stadium at the onetime minor league ballpark. In 2015, Eugene Civic Alliance raised \$4.1 million to purchase the historic 10-acre Civic Stadium site. Backers are now raising money to build the new sports and recreation complex. Sunday's event will begin with a few words about Civic Park from Eugene Civic Alliance and community leaders. Why should you bring a shovel? Not only to take part in the ceremonial groundbreaking. After the official event, kids will have a chance to dig for commemorative Civic Park coins. There will also be music from Pedal Power music, community booths, and a chance to meet local athletes whose dedication to their community have made them "Civic Champions." Guests will also have the opportunity to submit ideas for items to include in a Civic time capsule act will be buried on the site later in the construction process. ; The Eugene Water & Electric Board and Bethel School District will host a grand opening ceremony for the community's first emergency water station at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at the Bethel Farm. The FILL UP at the Farm event will include free three-gallon emergency water storage containers while supplies last, plenty of information to prepare families for emergencies, and a free raffle for prizes. EWEB personnel will also set up water distribution equipment, fed from a well at the farm, so those attending can fill free water containers. A key component of EWEB's ongoing initiative to prepare for emergencies, whether earthquake, forest fire or other disaster, is to establish at least five of these geographically dispersed emergency water stations within the next five years. These stations will provide a reliable supply of water in order to maintain public health and safety in an emergency. The water will come from existing, refurbished, or new wells, with pumps powered by backup generators or through a microgrid system that can run off of solar-charged batteries. The Bethel Farm emergency water station takes advantage of an existing well and will be supplemented with a back-up generator that will power the pump in case of an electricity outage so this site can deliver water to our community during an emergency. The event will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Bethel Farm is located off Patriot Way behind Prairie Mountain School at 5305 Royal Ave. Parking is limited, so please consider biking or walking. A recent example of a water-supply emergency here in Oregon occurred in June when the city of Salem found small amounts of cyanotoxins in its treated drinking water and issued a drinking water advisory. The toxins came from a harmful algal bloom in Detroit Lake. EWEB encourages customers to build an emergency supply kit that includes at least three days of drinking water for each member of the household. A free 3-gallon storage container is a great way to start an emergency supply kit. A second emergency water station at Howard Elementary is nearly complete, and EWEB is working with other community partners to identify and develop additional water stations in other parts of the city. / **CRIME:** Eugene Police say one person was discovered dead after a report of shots fired shortly after midnight in the 2700 block of Roosevelt Boulevard in Eugene. Detectives from the Eugene Police Violent Crimes Unit and Forensic Evidence Unit are investigating the incident. They ask that anyone with information about the case contact them. / **SPORTS, EDUCATION:** No. 1 Stanford took advantage of a free kick in the 100th minute and the Cardinal escaped Eugene with a 1-0 overtime win against Oregon's soccer team Thursday night in front of 775 fans at Pape' Field. "I'm gutted for our players," said Oregon head coach Kat Mertz. "We played 99 minutes of pure heart and discipline and we committed to the game plan. We created chances. In the 87th minute we might have tucked one away there, but give it to Stanford. They're

a great team, they have so many threats. You give them a free kick at the top of the box and Catarina Macario is going to put it away." It was a disappointing result to an otherwise stellar night for the Duck defense. Stanford outshot the Ducks 23-8, but close to half of those attempts (nine) were blocked by Duck defenders and never even got to the goal line. Still, Oregon learned it can play even with the best team in the country for 90 minutes and then some. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Some Oregon lawmakers and winery owners are scrambling to help a dozen vineyards owners who face having 2,000 tons of grapes wither on the vine, unsold, after a California winemaker abruptly cancelled contracts to buy them, claiming they were tainted from some from the summer's wildfires. Representative David Gombert said Thursday the unexpected crisis has led to other Oregon winemakers to help out the vineyard owners in southern Oregon by buying a lot of the grapes. The democrat from Southern Oregon was among those who pitched in to harvest grapes on Thursday. Christine Clair, winery director of Willamette Valley Vineyards, which is buying some of the grapes, said the cancellations of the contracts is one of the most devastating hits on Oregon's wine industry. She said tests show the grapes have not deteriorated because of smoke. / SPORTS: The father of a top college basketball prospect has testified that his son was offered thousands of dollars to play at several major programs. Brian Bowen (BOH'-ehn) Sr. testified Thursday at a federal trial in New York that aspiring agent Christian Dawkins told him he could get \$50,000 to play at the University of Arizona, \$150,000 to go to Oklahoma State or \$100,000 to go to Creighton. He said there was interest from Oregon but he didn't recall a cash offer. Oregon athletic officials have denied that. Bowen was testifying at the New York City trial of Dawkins and two other defendants accused of making secret payments to recruits' families. Prosecutors say Bowen's son ended up signing with Louisville after a deal was struck to pay the family \$100,000. Brian Bowen Jr. now plays professionally in Australia. / BUSINESS, CRIME: A Portland attorney is seeking class-action status for customers possibly affected by a credit card breach at a fast-food chain based in Washington state. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports attorney Michael Fuller filed the complaint Wednesday in Multnomah County Circuit Court, claiming Vancouver-based Burgerville failed to adequately protect credit card information. The complaint seeks "fair compensation" for any losses and claims the company could have limited harm by promptly notifying customers. Burgerville revealed Wednesday that thousands of customers' card information might have been compromised during a cyberattack it learned about in late August. Burgerville said its first priority was to contain the breach and close off cybercriminals' access to its systems. It says it doesn't know how many customers were affected. Burgerville has 47 restaurants in Oregon and Washington. / IMMIGRATION, SAFETY, CRIME, POLITICS: The union representing U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement employees has asked Oregon and federal officials to conduct a criminal investigation of the Portland mayor over his response to immigration protests. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the National ICE Council claims in letters sent Wednesday to officials that Ted Wheeler committed official misconduct or violated the U.S. Constitution by directing Portland police not to respond to some calls for service during a protest this summer at the ICE office. Attorney Sean Riddell who penned the letters claims the mayor's actions were "to advance his own personal political agenda, advance his political career and punish citizens he perceived to hold alternative political beliefs." Wheeler says the letters make misrepresentations of what occurred, and the claims by Riddell will fall apart if investigated. / POLITICS, GOVERNMENT, WOMEN: A bitterly divided U.S. Senate this morning pushed Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh past a key procedural hurdle, with a final vote on his confirmation expected this weekend. Republican Sen. Susan Collins of Maine said this morning she will vote to advance Kavanaugh's nomination. But several senators have not said how they will vote, including Republicans Lisa Murkowski of Alaska and Jeff Flake of

Arizona, as well as Democrat Joe Manchin of West Virginia. Senators have been wrestling with the findings of an FBI background investigation into sexual misconduct allegations against Kavanaugh. The 53-year-old judge made what were in effect closing arguments by acknowledging yesterday that he became, quote, "very emotional," end quote, when forcefully denying the allegations at a Judiciary Committee hearing last week. In an opinion piece published in the Wall Street Journal Kavanaugh wrote, quote: "I said a few things I should not have said." But he said he remains the same "hardworking, even-keeled" person he has always been and added, quote, "Going forward, you can count on me." President Trump also gave his nominee a late boost at a campaign rally yesterday in Minnesota. Republicans hold a slim 51-49 hold on the Senate, even if Vice President Mike Pence is called in to break a tie. A final vote is expected Saturday. It all appears aimed at winning over the three wavering GOP senators— Maine's Susan Collins, Arizona's Jeff Flake and Alaska's Lisa Murkowski. One Democrat, Senator Joe Manchin of West Virginia, has yet to announce his position. Ahead of today's procedural voting, Republicans appeared confident, saying that an FBI investigation into the allegations unearthed no new corroborating detail. But observers said a level of uncertainty lingered as Collins and Flake spent hours Thursday poring over confidential FBI documents in the secure basement briefing room long after others had left seemingly satisfied with the findings. Tensions have been high at the Capitol with opponents of Kavanaugh, including survivors of sexual assault, confronting senators in the halls and holding vigil across the street at the Supreme Court. Supporters of Kavanaugh also turned out. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Federal officials said Thursday that an Arizona company voluntarily recalled more than 6.5 million pounds of beef that could be contaminated with salmonella. An investigation found the products, including ground beef and beef patties likely came from JBS Tolleson Inc., a meat packing plant west of Phoenix. The Agriculture Department says the raw beef was packed between July 26 and Sept. 7 and shipped to retailers nationwide, including Walmart. Some of the products have a sell or use by date in late September. An epidemiological investigation found 57 people in 16 states, including 15 in Arizona, 12 in Colorado and six in Utah, have become ill so far. Fourteen people were hospitalized. The Centers for Disease Control says no deaths have been reported. / BUSINESS: USA Today is reporting that Mattress Firm, which has been grappling with declining sales amid an overexpansion and a scandal at its parent company, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection today. The Houston-based retailer has been ailing amid a surge of bed-in-a-box online retailers, too many physical stores and an accounting mess. / SAFETY, EDUCATION, HEALTH, RECREATION: Unable to move and with his nose and mouth obstructed, a heavily intoxicated University of Oregon student suffocated in May while tightly wrapped in a collapsed tent on the shore of Lake Shasta. A Sept. 5 Shasta County Coroner's Office report obtained by The Register-Guard ruled that the death of Dylan Pietrs, 21, of Denver was an accident caused by mechanical asphyxia with "acute alcohol intoxication" listed as a significant contributing factor. "The position in which Dylan was found (tightly wrapped in the tent, with his nose and mouth obstructed) likely significantly impaired his breathing, and because of his alcohol intoxication, he was unable to respond to and remove himself from that position in time," Dr. Deirdre Amaro, a forensic pathologist, wrote in the report. The report listed Pietrs' blood alcohol content at 0.227, nearly three times the level of presumed intoxication under Oregon law. Pietrs' death on May 19 garnered national media attention as a University of Oregon statement announcing Pietrs' death seemingly tied it to "poor life choices" that students sometimes demonstrate during Lake Shasta visits. Many people on social media criticized the university's word choice as insensitive, and the UO later revised the statement and apologized. A UO spokesman declined to comment Thursday on the coroner's report. According to previously released investigative reports, Pietrs and some friends arrived at the Gooseneck

Cove Campground, which is accessible only by boat, on the afternoon of May 18. A friend, Kevin Tschumi, had told investigators Pietrs had been drinking and "was stumbling occasionally" between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tschumi and a friend assembled Pietrs' tent and then helped him into it to "sleep and sober up." Tschumi said he then rejoined a party on the lake shore. The next morning, Tschumi woke up and left his tent to look for Pietrs, having noticed his friend's tent was gone when he returned to his own tent late the previous night. He said he had assumed at the time that Pietrs had awakened and moved his tent. Tschumi said he looked down the hill and saw what he thought was a wrapped-up tarp. After going down the hill, Tschumi realized it was Pietrs' tent and Pietrs was inside it. The tent was wound tightly around Pietrs "like a tootsie roll," and he "struggled to unwrap and loosen the tent," Tschumi told an investigator at the scene. Students then alerted a U.S Forest Service employee at the campsite, who called 911. Investigators had previously ruled out foul play. The coroner's report noted Pietrs had no known significant medical problems. Hundreds of people attended a vigil for Pietrs on the UO campus four days after his death. Those who attended included Pietrs' father and members of Pietrs' fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta. Pietrs was a business administration major and a co-founder of Limitless Peak, an outdoor sports start-up based in Colorado. He is survived by his parents and a younger brother. / BUSINESS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that Will Vinton, an Oscar-winning Portland animator and founder of Will Vinton Studios, died Thursday after a 12-year battle with multiple myeloma. He was 70. Originally from McMinnville, Vinton invented Claymation, his signature style of stop-motion animation. He and collaborator Bob Gardner won an Oscar in 1975 for the animated short film "Closed Mondays." One year later, he founded Vinton Studios in Portland and won three Emmys as a producer. Stop-motion requires animators to shoot puppets a single frame at a time, adjusting them slightly between frames to simulate movement. Vinton Studios helped train a generation of animators, film and television workers. After the studio's finances dwindled, Phil knight purchased first a stake in the company and then the entire firm, turning it into Laika Studios, which has produced a series of Oscar-nominated films. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME: Authorities have arrested a 30-year-old man following the shooting death of a 69-year-old man working as a private security guard in Eugene. Eugene police say officers arrested Thomas William Copeland Friday evening in Harrisburg. He was being held Saturday in the Lane County Jail on a felony murder charge. Police say Frank Ledgett, of Springfield, was found dead in a parking lot Friday morning. Authorities say Ledgett was working as a security guard on the commercial property before the shooting. It's not clear from online records if Copeland has an attorney. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The weather is cooler, the rain is returning, but crews remain on the lines of the Terwilliger Fire, burning about five miles southeast of Blue River. The blaze remains 80 percent contained with more than 11,500 acres burned. One priority for crews not directly battling the flames is stabilizing slopes above roads including the popular Aufderheide ByWay. There are hazard trees and unstable rocks and boulders which must be removed before a stretch of the road reopens to the public. In the meantime, Terwilliger Hot Springs, also known as Cougar Hot Springs, also remains closed because of the risk of falling trees and rock. That closure is being enforced for your safety and you will be cited and fined if you violate it. ; A challenging rescue in the mountains southeast of Green Peter Dam over the weekend. It came after a man called to say a fellow hunter was having apparent heart problems and was unable to stand or walk. Crews from Sweet Home Fire, the Oregon Department of Forestry, Linn County Sheriff's Office and the Oregon State Police responded to a location on a remote road ten miles off Quartzville Road. The victim was down a steep bank so it took time and some technical expertise to locate and then transport him to a nearby road. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, ECONOMY: Tonight is the one-year anniversary of the start of California's most devastating wildfire. And its aftermath holds lessons and cautionary tales—along with potential legal issues—for communities in Oregon and elsewhere that are vulnerable to wildfires. Driven by high winds, the Tubbs Fire tore through the heart of northern California's Wine Country, destroying close to 5,000 homes—many in the city of Santa Rosa—and killing more than 20 people as residents scrambled to evacuate in darkness, through choking smoke and billowing walls of flames. Nearly one year later, the rubble has been cleared and structures are beginning to be constructed in devastated neighborhoods—although many homeowners are still working to get final approvals or are still negotiating with their insurers. But investigators have not yet decided what caused the blaze, whether it was a wind-driven spark or trees coming in contact with</p>

powerlines. It is an important question, since the answer will determine liability for the estimated eight billion dollars in losses as well as potential criminal responsibility for those who died. In the meantime, the "red flag" conditions—hot weather combined with strong, dry winds—that fueled last October's wildfires were back over the weekend, adding an unsettling reminder ahead of the fire's anniversary. / ENVIRONMENT: The types of venomous spiders residing in Oregon have doubled. State officials confirm that a brown widow spider — usually found in South Africa, Florida and Southern California — has recently been found living in Oregon City, in the northwestern part of the state. It's not clear how it arrived or if there are more. Tom Valente of the Oregon Department of Agriculture tells The Oregonian/OregonLive there's no reason to panic, but residents should be cautious. State officials want residents to search their homes and other areas for brown widows. The spiders are brown and have a distinctive orange hourglass on the underside of their abdomen. Oregon already has black widow spiders. Bites from either spider can cause fever and muscle spasms. Valente says brown widows are subtropical and that Oregon's cold weather will likely kill them. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Oregon State Police yesterday released the name of a woman who died in Saturday evening's traffic crash on southbound Interstate Five a bit of south of Cottage Grove. 71-year-old Linda Cole of Roseburg was the passenger in a car operated by an Oakland, Oregon, man that for unknown reasons drifted into the freeway's median and struck the highway guardrail. Cole died at the scene. The driver, 30-year-old Seth Kamel, was taken to the hospital with minor injuries. / POLITICS, GOVERNMENT: Brett Kavanaugh's confirmation to the U.S. Supreme Court has put a spotlight on the dozens of federal cases pitting the Trump administration against Democratic-leaning states, on issues including auto emission standards, immigration and access to the internet. Kavanaugh already was known as a conservative judge. But his partisan rhetoric during his confirmation hearing created new worries for some who will bring or support cases that eventually could come before the nation's highest court. Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, a Democrat who has joined more than a dozen lawsuits against the administration, said over the weekend she has concerns about his ability to impartially weigh the cases after Kavanaugh criticized what he called, quote, "left-wing opposition groups." But ahead of last weekend's confirmation vote, Kavanaugh wrote in a Wall Street Journal opinion piece that "an independent and impartial judiciary is essential" and that he will "keep an open mind in every case." Democratic states are in scores of legal battles with the Trump administration over health care, the environment, consumer protections, immigration and other issues. Trump's Department of Justice also has initiated legal action against blue states. Most recently, the department sued California just hours after Gov. Jerry Brown signed a law requiring internet neutrality that runs counter to actions taken by the administration. Similar questions over state vs. federal authority are in play in the Trump administration challenge of a law that set up California as a "sanctuary state" unwilling to cooperate with federal authorities in certain immigration matters. / BUSINESS, ECONOMY: Are America's employers at risk of running out of skilled people to hire? The U.S. economy has become a seemingly perpetual job-generating machine, having steadily added workers for nearly eight years. Even with the unemployment rate now at 3.7 percent — its lowest point since 1969 — hiring hasn't stalled. So far this year, job growth has averaged a robust 208,000 a month, up from a pace of 182,000 for all

of 2017. The trend has defied the predictions of most economists. Many have long warned that as hiring surged and unemployment fell, the pool of potential hires would shrink and trigger a bidding war that would ignite wage gains. It hasn't happened. Many people are still being hired each month. And pay raises, though rising, remain modest. In July, America's employers posted a record 6.9 million job openings, which actually exceeded the number of unemployed people. The abundance of openings suggests that companies expect to keep hiring. At some point, many employers will likely feel they're running out of skilled workers to hire. Just not yet. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: The average U.S. price of regular-grade gasoline has spiked 7 cents a gallon over the past two weeks, to \$2.97 per gallon. But that price looks pretty good compared to what we're paying in Oregon. According to numbers collected by AAA, the auto club, the statewide average price for a gallon of regular is \$3.29. We're a bit cheaper in Lane County at \$3.26 per gallon, but that's relative. The price is up an average six cents per gallon from last week and a whopping 50 cents per gallon over this time last year. Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg of the Lundberg Survey says rising crude oil prices are the main reason for the increases at the pump. The highest average price in the contiguous 48 states is \$3.82 a gallon in Los Angeles. The lowest average is \$2.58 in Houston. The average price of diesel also rose 7 cents over the past two weeks, to \$3.28. / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION: Members of the state Fish and Wildlife Commission meet on Friday in Klamath Falls to consider new rules allowing the salvage of roadkilled deer and elk, starting in 2019. It comes after state lawmakers approved legislation allowing it. Among the details in the proposal: Deer and elk accidentally struck by a vehicle may be salvaged for consumption only. Intentionally hitting a deer or elk in order to salvage it remains unlawful. Anyone who salvages a roadkilled deer or elk must complete a free online permit within 24 hours of salvaging the animal and provide information including their name, contact info, where and when salvage occurred, species and gender of animal salvaged, and if they were driver that struck animal. Antlers and head of all salvaged animals will need to be surrendered to an ODFW office within 5 business days of taking possession of the carcass. This rule will meet the requirements of SB 372 and will contribute to ODFW's surveillance program for Chronic Wasting Disease. The entire carcass of the animal including gut piles must be removed from the road and road right of way during the salvage. In cases where a deer or elk is struck, injured and then put down to alleviate suffering, only the driver of the vehicle that struck the animal may salvage the carcass and law enforcement must be immediately notified. (This is a requirement per Oregon Revised Statute 498.016 and SB 372.) Any person who salvages a deer or elk will consume the meat at their own risk. ODFW/OSP will not perform game meat inspections for any deer or elk salvaged under these rules. Sale of any part of the salvaged animal is prohibited, but transfer to another person will be allowed with a written record similar to transferring game meat. The state of Oregon is not liable for any loss or damage arising from the recovery, possession, use, transport or consumption of deer or elk salvaged. / COMMUNITY, RECREATION, BUSINESS: The Portland Marathon returned Sunday under a new name. It may be running into complications out of the gate though as some participants were delayed by a freight train downtown. The race is under new management after it was initially canceled in April when the company Next Events disbanded. The group RunWithPaula Events and Portland Running Company

founders Paula and Dave Harkin took over the marathon in June, rebranding it the "Portlandathon." The race got underway early Sunday morning, with runners in the full and half marathons competing on a similar out-and-back course as previous Portland Marathon routes. Videos posted on social media show dozens of runners waiting on Naito Parkway at the Steel Bridge as a freight train crosses the Willamette River — a few miles from the finish line at SW Salmon. The course is a qualifier for the Boston Marathon and is approved by the USA Track and Field Association. However, finishing times for first and second place vary by 20 minutes, which could be attributed to the train delay. That delay could also impact qualifying times for the Boston Marathon. RunWithPaula Events tells KATU news that they reached out to Union Pacific when organizing the race to request that trains would not be running across the bridge during the race. Paula Harkin also tells KATU that the longest the delay could have been would be about 22 minutes. Boston Marathon qualifying times vary depending on age bracket and gender from 3 hours, 8 seconds to 5 hours, 40 minutes, and 8 seconds. KATU News has reached out to Union Pacific; their statement is posted below: Mechanical issues on a prior train resulted in a train crossing the tracks during the Portland Marathon. Unforeseen delays can affect Union Pacific's efforts to accommodate community requests, and we apologize to those who were impacted by this situation. /

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ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH, POLITICS: The federal government has again asked a judge to suspend legal proceedings in the climate change lawsuit scheduled to go to trial in Oregon later this month. The Register-Guard reports government attorneys filed a motion last week in federal court in Eugene, requesting a stay pending a review of the case by the U.S. Supreme Court. A group of 21 young people filed the suit in 2015, arguing that the federal government's actions violate their constitutional rights to life, liberty, and property, and the government has violated its obligation to hold certain natural resources in trust for future generations. The case is part of an effort led by the Oregon-based nonprofit Our Children's Trust to force governments to take action on climate change. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: Advocates of taxing fossil fuels believe their position is stronger now because of an alarming new report on climate change and a Nobel Prize awarded to by two American economists, but neither development is likely to break down political resistance to a carbon tax. Previous alarms about global warming met with resistance from Congress and the White House. President Trump withdrew the United States from the Paris agreement on climate change last year. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, a panel of scientists brought together by the United Nations, warned in a report Monday that droughts, wildfires, coral reef destruction and other climate and environmental disasters could grow worse as soon as 2040, even with a smaller increase in temperatures than used to set the Paris targets. A few hours later, the Nobel Prize in economics went to two Americans, including William Nordhaus of Yale University, who argues that carbon taxes would be the best way to address problems created by greenhouse-gas emissions. A carbon tax is a charge imposed on the burning of fossil fuels like coal, oil and natural gas, which produce carbon dioxide. The tax is designed to make users of those fuels pay for the environmental damage they cause. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: In the face of climate change, warming oceans and annual "dead zones," should the fishing industry insure itself against risk? Oregon State University's James Watson, an assistant professor who specializes in marine resource management, published a study this month. In it, he and others outlined the need for aquaculture producers in developing countries to use financial risk management tools to protect their investment. But he wants to use that study as a springboard for working with the fishing industry overall – beginning on the West Coast of the United States – to explore how those who rely on fishing for their livelihoods might incorporating some form of insurance to reduce the risk they take on in every season and on

every day. Watson notes that traditional crop and livestock farmers have a long history of protecting themselves against the down times. He says those who fish or focus on aquaculture for a living are no different: They deal with challenges ranging from delays to the start of fishing seasons to bad weather, along with poor harvests, safety and equipment issues, spoilage, and price issues. Watson thinks reducing the risk through some form of insurance would have economic and ecological benefits since risk reduction often makes it possible for people and industries to focus more on sustainability. How would insurance look? Watson's not sure. He says there might be a way for members of the fishing and aquaculture industries to create insurance cooperatives, which might not provide full insurance but be able to blunt the impact of big losses. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Recent rains have yet to fully extinguish the Terwilliger Fire burning east of Springfield, and the danger of landslides will keep Aufderheide Road closed for the foreseeable future. The fire has left standing dead trees teetering above the scenic route, also known as Forest Road 19, south of Highway 126, said Lauren Maloney, spokeswoman for the interagency team managing the fire. Wet weather also is loosening fire-scarred cliffs along the scenic route. Firefighters have been focused on cutting down hazardous trees and shoring up slopes. "It is realistic to expect that much of that road will be closed probably into 2019," Maloney said. "Probably, it's going to be a while until people have free and regular access to that area again." The Terwilliger Fire started Aug. 19 near Terwilliger Hot Springs and burned over the popular natural soaking pools. The hot springs and surrounding forest remain closed to the public. The fire had charred 11,555 acres — more than 18 square miles — and was 80 percent contained as of Monday, according to the U.S. Forest Service. The fire has burned on public land overseen by the Willamette National Forest, and the federal agency still has more than 129 firefighters assigned to the fire. Firefighting officials have already said the hot springs likely will be closed until late next year, and the road would open well before the pools. There's a parking lot for Terwilliger Hot Springs near Cougar Lake along Aufderheide Drive, but visitors must hike a quarter of a mile to reach Terwilliger Hot Springs. Late last year a landslide along the road closed it for months. The road near the hot springs had only been open for less than a month when the fire began, prompting another prolonged closure. Firefighters also have said it will take a "season-ending" rain or snow event to snuff out the wildfire. Rain has been heavy of late, Maloney said, but not enough to stop smoldering deep in the forest close to Cougar Lake. About 1.1 inches of rain fell on the Terwilliger Fire Friday through Saturday, she said, but Sunday had clear weather and only slight rain fell on Monday. The National Weather Service says more rain will fall Tuesday onto the part of the national forest where the fire is burning, but sunny days are expected later this week. ; The Middle Fork Ranger District of the Willamette National Forest is preparing for its fall prescribed burns which may continue through December. Burning is scheduled to begin Monday, October 8. District fire personnel will be burning brush piles throughout the district. Pile burning activity will be along Forest Road 19 (Aufderheide Scenic Byway) and Forest Road 5897 (Waldo Lake Road). "Smoke from the burning piles may be seen on Dead Mountain from the communities of Westfir and Oakridge," said Willamette National Forest Assistant Fire Management Officer Spencer Ware. "Smoke impacts are more prevalent during early morning and late evening hours." Additionally, a 100-acre fall underburn is planned in the Jims Creek Stewardship

Project. A tentative date for this prescribed burn has not been arranged. Smoke will be visible from Forest Road 2129, Forest Road 21, and Hills Creek Reservoir. Using Forest Road 2129, an alternate route for Youngs Rock Trail (Moon Point) #3685 will start at the trail junction with Forest Road 435 down to Forest Road 21. Prescribed burn operations will be initiated as weather patterns shift to cooler temperatures and wetter conditions. Wind speed and direction, temperature, relative humidity and measurable moisture in vegetation are all taken into consideration. Public notice of specific burn times may only come 24 hours in advance, and oftentimes, the morning of the burn as prescribed burning is dependent upon weather conditions. Prescribed burning reduces hazardous fuels which protects human communities from extreme fires; minimizes the spread of pest insects and disease; removes unwanted species that threaten species native to an ecosystem; provides forage for game; improves habitat for threatened and endangered species; recycles nutrients back to the soil; and promotes the growth of trees, wildflowers, and other plants. / TRANSPORTATION: Officials in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia are in the very early stages of planning a bullet train that could travel between Portland, Oregon, and Vancouver, British Columbia, in about two hours. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that the rail discussion is in its infancy, but the governments hope to make it a reality by 2035. Transportation officials are meeting today, for the second time this year, about what the ultra-high-speed rail line would look like. No such trains operate in the U.S. The fastest train, Amtrak's Acela Express, hits maximum speeds of 154 miles per hour but averages about half that speed on its route between Washington D.C. and Boston. According to a report the Washington Department of Transportation released in February, the line could cost \$25 billion to more than \$40 billion to build. / GOVERNMENT: Brett Kavanaugh is about to hear his first arguments as a Supreme Court justice. The high court is hearing two hours of arguments this morning beginning at 10 a.m. It will be the first time Kavanaugh joins his eight colleagues to hear a case. Kavanaugh was confirmed 50-48 Saturday after a bitter Senate battle. He took his oaths of office in a private ceremony at the Supreme Court on Saturday evening. And on Monday evening he participated in a ceremonial swearing-in ceremony at the White House. Republicans had hoped to confirm Kavanaugh in time for the court's Oct. 1 start of the new term. But Kavanaugh's confirmation was delayed as the Senate considered allegations that he had sexually assaulted a woman in high school. Kavanaugh denied those allegations. ; New Justice Brett Kavanaugh says the Supreme Court "is not a partisan or political institution," and is promising to "always be a team player on a team of nine." The Senate vote approving Kavanaugh's nomination followed a bitter partisan fight that became a firestorm after sexual misconduct allegations emerged. He emphatically denied the allegations. Kavanaugh is describing the confirmation process as "contentious and emotional" but says he has "no bitterness." Kavanaugh says all four of the clerks who will work for him at the high court are women. He was sworn in by retired Justice Anthony Kennedy at an entirely ceremonial event Monday at the White House. Kavanaugh officially became a member of the high court Saturday. The other eight justices are all in attendance. ; In one bit of business involving an Oregon case, the Supreme Court is refusing to hear an appeal from an Oregon judge who was suspended after allegations that he had refused to marry same-sex couples and had broken gun laws. The justices this morning left in place the

three-year suspension against Marion County Judge Vance Day, who had argued that he was singled out for his opposition to same-sex marriage. The Oregon Supreme Court imposed the suspension in March after determining that Day had lied to ethics investigators. Day also is accused of allowing a felon to handle a gun and is facing criminal charges. That trial is scheduled to begin on Oct. 22. /

AGRICULTURE: A Pleasant Hill man says "one special seed" and months of care produced a massive pumpkin that tipped the scales at a contest in Northern California at over a ton. Steve Daletas also credited lots of sunny days for his 2,170-pound pumpkin. It won the 45th World Championship Pumpkin Weigh-Off on Monday in Half Moon Bay, California. It was the second-heaviest pumpkin ever weighed at the 40-year-old event. Daletas says he planted eight seeds on April 15 hoping to win the event. The 58-year-old Daletas says he needed a backhoe to place his massive pumpkin on a pickup truck for the drive to California. He said he strapped it down and drove "below the speed limit" for 12 hours to get to the contest. He is now a four-time pumpkin champ and won \$7 per pound for his winning squash, which works out to \$15,190. The record for heaviest pumpkin in the world was set last year at a competition in Europe. A Belgium grower's winning whopper came in at just over 2,600 pounds. /

BUSINESS, LEGAL MARIJUANA, POLITICS: Might recreational marijuana and other cannabis products soon be for sale in the Midwest? Backers of broad marijuana legalization are looking to break through a geographic barrier in November and get their first foothold in the Midwest after a string of election victories in Northeastern and Western states. Michigan and North Dakota, where voters previously authorized medical marijuana, will decide if the drug should be legal for any adult 21 and older. If the votes pass, Michigan and North Dakota would become the 10th and 11th states to legalize so-called recreational marijuana since 2012. At the same time, Missouri and Utah voters will weigh in on medical marijuana, which is permitted in 31 states after voters in conservative Oklahoma approved medical use in June. Even if Utah's initiative is defeated, a compromise reached last week between advocates and opponents including the Mormon Church would allow the Utah Legislature legalize medical marijuana. Some public policy experts say the upcoming votes are signs that the cannabis legalization issue has reached a critical mass of acceptance. Marijuana and cannabis products remain illegal at the federal level, but supporters hope as more states take similar votes the pressure will increase to legalize it nationwide. /

CRIME: Surveillance cameras captured footage of the shooting of a 69-year-old security guard Friday in west Eugene, ultimately helping police confirm the alleged killer's identity. Police on Friday arrested Thomas William Copeland, 30, on a murder charge in the death of Frank Joe Ledgett. Copeland was arraigned Monday in Lane County Circuit Court. Ledgett was shot and killed shortly after midnight in a parking lot outside the Seasons Bar & Grill in the 2700 block of Roosevelt Boulevard, authorities said. According to a probable-cause affidavit filed by Eugene police Detective Chris Mackey, police learned the names of Copeland and three witnesses from multiple people who called 911 to report the shooting. Surveillance video reviewed by police shows Copeland and the witnesses leave the bar and walk toward the parking lot, the affidavit states. It then shows Ledgett pulling into the lot in his security vehicle, Mackey wrote. Ledgett is seen getting out of the vehicle and then speaking with Copeland and the others. At one point, one of the witnesses is seen "holding Copeland back, trying to push him away from Ledgett," the affidavit says. Copeland then appears

to remove a firearm from his clothing with his right hand and levels the gun in Ledgett's direction before multiple muzzle flashes are seen on the video, Mackey wrote. After Ledgett falls to the ground, Copeland and the witnesses are then seen walking away from him. The video also shows two vehicles leaving the scene a short time later, the affidavit states. Police recovered six .45 caliber shell casings from the scene, Mackey wrote. Police arrested Copeland in Harrisburg on Friday afternoon. He is being held in the Lane County Jail. He did not enter a plea to the murder charge during his court appearance on Monday, where a public defender was assigned to represent him. Court records show that a warrant for Copeland's arrest had been issued in September in Linn County after he failed to appear in court on misdemeanor charges of second-degree theft and unlawful possession of a firearm. The latter charge includes an allegation that Copeland, a Milwaukie resident, illegally carried a concealed weapon in June. Ledgett was a Springfield resident who owned All-N-One Security. The business's website says he served in the U.S. Army National Guard and the Marine Corps and worked in the security field for more than 20 years. Mackey wrote in the affidavit that police knew Ledgett "as a security guard they often interact with." /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: An accident involving a pedestrian has closed westbound Interstate 105 at Coburg Road. Eugene Police say the westbound lanes of I-105 will be shut down for an extensive amount of time as the investigation continues. Avoid the area and use an alternate route if the closure affects your morning commute. The onramp to I-105 from Country Club Road is open and westbound I-105 is open from southbound Delta Highway. / BUSINESS, RECREATION: Is a cash flow problem jeopardizing the fate of two country music festivals in Oregon? Multiple media outlets report that a number of vendors, government agencies, community and school groups say they are still awaiting payments for goods or services rendered during the Willamette Country Music Festival in Brownsville and the Country Crossings Festival in Central Point. The reports also indicate that Bi-Mart, the longtime main sponsor, pulled its backing last month amid concerns about the management of the events. Multiple reports also indicate that Anne Hankins, who ran the festivals, is no longer with the organization that managed the events and that the festivals' parent organization has been sold to IMG, a global entertainment management firm. As of yesterday, the Linn County's Sheriff's Office was still waiting on \$77,000 in reimbursements for its work at August's Bi-Mart Willamette Country Music Festival, according to a report Albany's Democrat Herald newspaper. And a growing number of vendors also said they have not been paid. The situation is similar in Southern Oregon, where the Mail-Tribune in Medford reports Jackson County, the City of Central Point and the Oregon Department of Transportation are still awaiting payment of more than \$100,000 for their services, including traffic control and law enforcement. In addition to commercial vendors who say they have not been reimbursed by the festival the Central Point Schools say they have not received an anticipated \$22,000 payment. Many high school clubs contracted with festival management to supply student volunteers. Vendors at both festivals say a change this year allowed concertgoers to register a payment method tied to their wristbands, which they used to purchase everything from food to sunscreen at the four-day event. The vendors say they were told festival management would take a cut of the revenue before the money was passed along to them. But many complain they have received little or no reimbursement. For some small businesses, the delay of tens of thousands of dollars can create a huge financial hardship and impact day-to-day operations. The Brownsville festival was seeking a new site for 2019 and its coordinators were focusing on a location south of Harrisburg after their application to move the four-day event to Marion County was

rejected. But Linn County's Sheriff has said he cannot sign off the Harrisburg site and does not want to be involved with the 2019 event because of the number of incidents his staff dealt with this year at the Brownsville location, ranging from excessive drunkenness to fights. He says the calls required additional staff and overtime and that it would have made it difficult to cover other calls for service around Linn County. The Willamette Country Music Festival announced in August it had booked Jason Aldean as one of its headliners next year. But no tickets are for sale on the festival's website. Nor have other artists been announced. Country Crossings in Central Point is advertising tickets for 2019 but so far has announced only one artist: Luke Combs as the weekend's Thursday night opener. Regardless of what happens with the Brownsville Festival, country music fans in the Willamette Valley will still have three days of music August 2nd, 3rd and 4th at the Oregon Jamboree in Sweet Home. The Brothers Osborne will be one of the headliners. Jamboree officials on Saturday announced they recently added Scotty McCreery, High Valley and Neal McCoy. Additional artist announcements are coming soon. Reserved seats and campsites are on sale now. New Country 93.3 remains one of your Oregon Jamboree sponsors and your Country Concert Connection. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal and Oregon's Office of Emergency Management are sending a team to Florida to assist with disaster recovery after Hurricane Michael makes landfall. The team will work 14 days and plan to return to Oregon on October 25. At this time no specific work site in Florida has been determined as state officials are working on preparation for the response; however it is likely they will be working in the field with one of the affected counties. ; Authorities are searching on Mt. Hood for a 30-year-old injured hiker from Phoenix, Arizona, who was last seen on Monday. The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office said Tuesday that David Yaghmourian was hiking the Timberline Trail with a companion when he injured his leg. The sheriff's office says on the last day of their hike on Monday Yaghmourian stopped to rest while his friend continued to Timberline Lodge. The sheriff's office says the friend waited but Yaghmourian never arrived. Yaghmourian was last seen wearing a black jacket and tan pants at the eastern junction of the Timberline Trail at the Pacific Crest Trail. He also had a large backpack with what appears to be a yellow towel attached to it. People who may have seen him are asked to call authorities. / LOW-INCOME, DISABILITIES, COMMUNITY: St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County, Inc. (SVDP) has completed construction on a four-story building consisting of 35 affordable apartments and ground floor community space called The Myrtlewood. The project was developed by St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County; designed by Bergsund DeLaney Architecture and Planning, PC and built by Meili Construction. The Myrtlewood is located at 1072 Main Street in Springfield. A grand opening ceremony took place Tuesday. Myrtlewood has 5 apartments on the ground floor and 10 apartments on each of the three upper floors totaling 35 units. Resident primary target population is very low-income individuals, couples and seniors at or below 50% of Area Median Income (AMI). Four of the units are designated for individuals with developmental disabilities (DD) or households where at least one family member is a person with a developmental disability. An additional four units will serve those with serious mental illness, intellectual disabilities, or developmental disabilities at or below 30% AMI. St. Vincent de Paul officials say residents will enjoy secure building access, a community room, onsite laundry, secure storage on ground floor,

interior mail lobby and courtyard featuring seating and a garden. The complex is just a half mile from downtown Springfield, near City Hall, Springfield Public Library and City Transit giving tenants access to a number of community and educational programs, and a growing variety of shops, restaurants, and other activities. The project has received Earth Advantage Gold Certification for its design features including energy efficient windows, heating and cooling, ventilation that provides continuous fresh air quality, LED lighting, Energy Star-rated appliances, and low-flow plumbing fixtures. Myrtlewood partners include: Oregon Housing & Community Services; Enterprise Community Partners, Wells Fargo Bank NA; Eugene-Springfield HOME Consortium and the City of Springfield/Springfield Economic Development Agency. There is significant demand for affordable housing for very low-income households throughout our community. Regarding the targeted DD population, according to Lane County DD Services, approximately 3,470 people in Lane County may experience a developmental disability. St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) is Lane County's largest nonprofit human service organization. The agency serves those most at risk in our community including low-income individuals and families, at-risk youth, formerly-incarcerated individuals, seniors, veterans, and community members with a range of mental and physical health conditions. SVDP has developed more than 1,400 units of affordable housing. It currently owns and manages more than 1,300 housing units. / EDUCATION, HEALTH: to celebrate Walk + Roll to School day, Eugene Mayor Lucy Vinis, Eugene School Superintendent Dr. Gustavo Balderas and school board members joined students as they walked to Howard Elementary School this morning. Thousands of students from 21 Eugene School District 4J schools walked, pedaled, scooted and rolled to school. At nine elementary schools, students who ride the 4J school bus were able to join a "walking school bus" where the bus dropped them a short distance from school so that they could walk in a chaperoned group. Howard's walk to school event features a route recently made safer with the addition of a walkway made possible by 2013 bond funds and a partnership with Emerald Park. Walk + Roll challenge events build connections between families, schools and raise awareness of the need to create safer routes for walking and bicycling. The events also emphasize the importance of issues such as physical activity for children, pedestrian safety, traffic congestion and care for the environment. / GOVERNMENT: At the U.S. Supreme Court yesterday morning, Brett Kavanaugh took the bench with his new colleagues for the first time. Kavanaugh asked a handful of questions in the first arguments of the day. The case dealt with increased prison sentences for repeat offenders and he asked questions of both sides. Courtroom observers say the types of questions from Kavanaugh and Justice Neil Gorsuch, President Trump's two high-court picks, suggested they might vote against the Trump administration and side with a criminal defendant from Florida who is fighting an increase in his sentence. Kavanaugh was confirmed 50-48 Saturday after a bitter Senate battle. He took his oaths of office in a private ceremony at the Supreme Court on Saturday evening. And on Monday evening he participated in a ceremonial swearing-in ceremony at the White House. Republicans had hoped to confirm Kavanaugh in time for the court's Oct. 1 start of the new term. But Kavanaugh's confirmation was delayed as the Senate considered allegations that he had sexually assaulted a woman in high school. Kavanaugh denied those allegations. / IMMIGRATION: An immigration case before the Supreme Court pits the government against immigrants it wants

to deport after they committed crimes in the United States. The issue has to do with when federal law gives immigration authorities the ability to hold immigrants in custody and deny them a hearing to argue for their release while they try to avoid being deported. Today's case involves mostly long-term green card holders who have been convicted of a broad range of crimes that make them eligible to be deported. Immigration law says that noncitizens convicted of certain crimes should be detained when they are released from federal or state custody and then held while an immigration court decides whether or not they should be deported. But those affected by the law are not always detained immediately and are sometimes not detained until years later. The Trump administration argues, as the Obama administration did, against any hearing for former inmates affected by the law. The government says their detention is mandatory regardless of when they are picked up. In the case, a class-action lawsuit brought in California, and a similar class-action lawsuit brought in the state of Washington, appeals courts found the government had to provide bond hearings. The San Francisco-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit agreed. Other appeals courts have sided with the government in similar cases. / AGRICULTURE, POLITICS: The Trump administration is moving to allow year-round sales of gasoline with higher blends of ethanol, a welcome development in Iowa and other farm states that have pushed for greater sales of the corn-based fuel. On a Tuesday trip to Iowa, President Trump announced he is lifting a federal ban on summer sales of high-ethanol blends. The long-expected announcement is something of a reward to Iowa Sen. Chuck Grassley, who as Senate Judiciary Committee chairman led a contentious but successful fight to confirm Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court. Farm state producers of soybeans and other commodities have been impacted by rounds of tit-for-tat economic trade tariffs between the U.S. and China. / CRIME: A busy overnight for Eugene Police, including a report of shots fired and two separate incidents involving barricaded subjects. The report of shots fired came in a few minutes before 11 p.m. near Railroad Boulevard and Cross Street. Investigators were told an unknown suspect or suspects fired a handgun multiple times at an RV parked on the street. The RV was occupied by three victims who were not injured during the incident. Officers searched the scene but did not locate the suspects and are now asking you to contact Eugene Police if you have any tips in the case. The Eugene Police non-emergency number is 541-682-5111. ; Earlier Tuesday night, at quarter 'til nine, police responded to the 2100 block of Sally Way, off Gilham Road, after a report of an armed dispute between a husband and wife. Investigators were told as the dispute escalated the husband threatened the wife with a loaded handgun. The woman left the residence to wait for arriving officers while police say the suspect briefly remained inside the house with access to the firearm. He surrendered a short time later but police say he quickly non-compliant and was a threat to officers. Police say they used less-than-lethal munitions to take the suspect, identified as 34-year-old Adam Warren Kingsley, into custody and that the suspect sustained minor bruising to his leg during the incident. He is charged with Menacing. ; Shortly after 10:20 last night, Eugene Police responded to the 1800 block of Potter Alley after a call about a dispute between a boyfriend and girlfriend. Investigators say it came after the victims aid the argument quickly escalated and her boyfriend choking her. The victim was able to leave the residence but the suspect remained inside. Police say he briefly showed himself and was confrontational with officers before retreating and

barricading himself inside. After obtaining a search warrant, the Eugene Police SWAT team was activated and nearby residents were asked to shelter in place. Police spent several hours using loudspeakers to hail the suspect. They say they eventually used a noise and light distraction device to get the suspect to leave the residence. But they say the suspect was non-compliant with officers' commands and was a threat to officers. Less lethal impact munitions were utilized to safely take the non-compliant suspect into custody. The suspect, identified as 43-year-old Jeremy Jay Davis, sustained a minor bruising injury to his lower leg. He is charged with Assault Four and Strangulation. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: This time yesterday morning, we were just getting the first reports about that vehicle versus pedestrian crash in the westbound lanes of Interstate 105 near the Coburg Road exit. Thank you to members of our Road Crew for providing updates throughout the morning. Eugene Police received information that the pedestrian, a 54-year-old man whose name has not been released, was observed running across traffic when he was struck by a 2012 Honda Civic. He survived. Police said yesterday afternoon the man was transported to the hospital with serious injuries but that they did not appear life-threatening. The driver cooperated with police as they sorted out the details. The investigation is continuing. The westbound lanes of I-105 were closed for more than three hours for the investigation. / SAFETY: Investigators are working to determine the cause of yesterday morning's fatal house fire in the 3400 block of Winchester Way in Eugene. That's a couple of blocks off Willakenzie Road. It was reported shortly after 7:30 a.m. Eugene-Springfield Fire crews found a person deceased inside and the Eugene Police Arson Team was brought in to investigate the circumstances. If anyone has information in this case they are asked to contact Eugene Police at 541-682-5111. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: New data shows the cost of fighting wildfires in Oregon reached an all-time high \$514.6 million in 2018. According to data from Northwest Interagency Coordination Center, Oregon's costs skyrocketed past last year's record-setting total of \$447 million. The Statesman Journal reports that all totaled, Oregon had 1,880 fires that burned 846,411 acres or 1,322 square miles — an area larger than Rhode Island. The number of acres burned isn't a record, but it's well above historic averages and continues a trend of more extreme fire seasons. The most expensive wildfires were in southwest Oregon, where a mid-July lightning storm ignited 160 wildfires during a historically hot and dry summer. The biggest conflagration was the combination Klondike and Taylor Creek fires, which burned together west of Grants Pass. Combined, they torched 220,000 acres and cost \$128 million. / POLITICS, ELECTIONS: Distinctions emerged between Oregon's leading gubernatorial candidates in their final debate as the two clashed public pensions, immigration, the state's housing crisis and several other hot-button issues. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Rep. Knute Buehler on Tuesday sought to make the case a Republican can lead a distinctly Democratic state, declaring flatly he would approve no new restrictions on reproductive rights as governor. He accused Democratic Gov. Kate Brown of being ineffectual during her long stint in state government, noting that Oregon school districts are cutting teaching</p>

positions despite record revenue. For her part, Brown sought to undercut Buehler's credibility - attacking his positions on the environment, school spending and for courting the vote of abortion opponents before he became the Republican gubernatorial nominee. / ELDERS, HEALTH, ECONOMY: Tens of millions of Social Security beneficiaries and other retirees can expect an increase in benefits next year as inflation edges higher. The government announced a cost-of-living adjustment of 2.8 percent this morning. That would mean an extra \$39 a month for the average retired worker. Seniors count on the money to help keep pace with rising prices for health care and housing. The Social Security Administration will formally announce details later today. By law, the annual cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, is based on a broad official measure of consumer prices. Advocates for seniors claim the inflation index does not accurately capture costs faced by seniors, especially health care. The COLA affects benefits for more than 70 million Americans, including Social Security recipients, disabled veterans and federal retirees. / POLITICS, HEALTH: President Donald Trump has signed into law two bills that would allow pharmacists to tell consumers when paying cash would be cheaper than using insurance for their prescriptions. Under bipartisan legislation he signed Wednesday, health plans or middlemen can no longer prohibit pharmacists from telling customers when they would be better off not using their insurance plans. Trump complained that drug prices are "way out of whack" and "way too high." Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar says the bills give patients the right to know about ways to pay the lowest price. Under pharmacy "gag" rules, pharmacists have been prohibited from proactively telling consumers when their prescription would cost less if they paid for it out-of-pocket rather than using their insurance plan. Pharmacists who disobeyed faced penalties. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Testing shows jewelry loaded with the toxic metal cadmium is on the shelves of national retailers including Ross, Nordstrom Rack and Papaya. Testing done for the nonprofit Center for Environmental Health showed some jewelry sold with women's apparel was nearly pure cadmium. Extended exposure to cadmium can cause cancer and reproductive harm. The center's testing was on adult jewelry from stores in the San Francisco Bay Area. Results shared with The Associated Press found 31 examples that were at least 40 percent cadmium. Most of the products were from Ross, which said it has addressed the issue with its supplier. Papaya said it has recalled all the suspect jewelry from its stores nationwide. In 2012 California and other states outlawed cadmium in children's jewelry, but no prohibition exists for adult jewelry. / ECONOMY: The U.S. Postal Service is seeking to increase the price of its first-class stamp by 5 cents to 55 cents to help stem its mounting red ink. If approved by regulators, the 10 percent increase to the cost of mailing a 1-ounce letter would be the biggest since 1991. The price of each additional ounce would go down, from 21 cents to 15 cents. The proposed increase would take effect in January. It comes as President Trump has criticized the Postal Service for "losing a fortune" by not charging higher shipping rates for online retailers such as Amazon.com. The Postal Service has seen years of financial losses as an unrelenting drop in mail volume and costs of its health care and pension obligations outweighed strong gains in package deliveries. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: A judge is still deciding on whether to uphold a jury's \$289 million judgment against agribusiness giant Monsanto. San Francisco Superior Court Judge Suzanne Bolanos ended a two-hour hearing on Wednesday without making a formal ruling. Earlier in the day, she issued a tentative ruling

saying she intended to toss out the jury's \$250 million punitive damage award and schedule a new trial on that issue. The judge also suggested she may reduce the rest of the award by \$31 million if she upholds the jury's decision that Monsanto's weed-killer caused DeWayne Johnson's cancer. The judge ordered lawyers to submit written legal arguments by Friday and will formally rule later. A jury in August awarded Johnson \$39 million in compensatory damages and \$250 million in punitive damages. / SPORTS, EDUCATION: The Oregon men's basketball team on Thursday followed in the steps of the Oregon women's basketball team as the preseason pick to win the 2018-19 Pac-12 Conference title. It is the first time in conference history that the preseason selections to win the league in men's and women's basketball have come from the same school. The only other time the Duck men were picked first in the preseason poll was 2016-17. Oregon shared the league title with Arizona that year. The Ducks received 288 points and 16 first-place votes in a poll of media members. UCLA was second with 264 points (six first-place votes), followed by Washington (249), Arizona (205) and USC (203). Oregon returns two starters – Payton Pritchard and Paul White – from last year's 23-13 team and welcomes the nation's third-ranked recruiting class that includes freshmen Bol Bol, Louis King, Miles Norris, Francis Okoro and Will Richardson. Fans can get their first look at the pair of preseason number ones Friday at Matt Knight Madness. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with festivities beginning at 6 p.m. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>LOW-INCOME, HOMELESSNESS, COMMUNITY: The push to create more affordable housing in Lane County continues. County officials say they are offering up to \$1.5 million from a new Housing Improvement Plan fund to develop additional units of what are known as "permanent supportive housing." Those are the sorts of projects that combine affordable housing, health care, and supportive services to help individuals and families lead more stable lives. The funds are intended to help fuel public-private partnerships that have already backed a number of local affordable housing projects. Supportive housing is most helpful to people who are homeless or otherwise face housing instability. Many struggle with mental illness, substance abuse or chronic health issues, and are unable to maintain housing stability without supportive services. Housing experts say such projects not only improve people's housing stability but also save money in the long run for taxpayers, who fund various public services, including health care. ; Experts say if you want to create more stable, affordable housing, sometimes the best thing to do is purchase an existing development and improve it. That is the strategy that was adopted by the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Lane County, which last year acquired the 41-space Saginaw Mobile Home Park, which lies between Cottage Grove and Creswell. Officials with the non-profit say it was among the oldest, most impoverished and crime-plagued mobile home parks in the state after years of mismanagement and substandard living conditions and that they heard from many residents who said they were afraid to leave their homes because of extreme safety concerns. Today, the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County and its partners celebrate the completed first phase of construction at the Saginaw Mobile Home Park, located between Creswell and Cottage Grove. The redeveloped property features new roads with improved drainage, renovated mobile homes, a brand-new playground, and a resident service and park management center. The center includes laundry facilities, restrooms and showers, kitchen, food pantry, and space for youth homework clubs and other activities. Backers of the redevelopment are also installing a new solar system to lower utility costs for low-income residents and increase the park's energy-efficiency. Future planned improvements include continued replacement of existing mobile homes with new or renovated manufactured homes. St. Vincent DePaul's leaders say mobile homes are the largest segment of non-subsidized affordable housing in the United States. Oregon has nearly 140,000 manufactured homes, which account for a bit more than eight percent of the state's total housing stock. But more than 55% of Oregon's manufactured homes were built before</p>

1980, and many are in poor condition. Agency officials say overcrowding, failing infrastructure, gentrification, and mismanagement are common causes of park closures and displacement, which for impoverished residents often leads to homelessness. The project's backers include Bergsund DeLaney Architecture and Planning PC, Meili Construction, the Bonneville Environmental Foundation, Advanced Energy Systems, Oregon Department of Energy, and Emerald Public Utilities District. Other Saginaw funding partners include the Network for Oregon Affordable Housing; Oregon Housing and Community Services; Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund and the Ford Family Foundation. ; This is just the latest such project by St. Vincent DePaul Society of Lane County, which owns and manages seven mobile home parks in Lane and Multnomah counties. In 2014, the non-profit acquired the 63-space Oakridge Mobile Home Park in rural Lane County. Project leaders say in three years, they removed more than 300 cubic yards of debris, replaced more than one dozen decaying units, built a community center, provided critical social services, and dramatically improved public safety. According to the Oakridge Police Department, crime in that location has been reduced by 53%. In all, officials with the charitable agency say they have developed more than 1,400 units of affordable housing and currently own and manage more than 1,300 housing units. / CRIME: Two teens charged with the killing of 56-year-old Eugene man will be arraigned later today. Eugene Police detectives this week arrested the juveniles for the death of Ovid Neal, who was found the night of October 3rd on a sidewalk in the area of Pearl Street and East 10th Alley. Investigators with the Violent Crimes Unit say a 16-year-old boy is charged with Aggravated Murder and Robbery and a 15-year-old girl is charged with Murder and Robbery. The investigation is continuing and anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Jennifer Curry at 541.682.5166. The Register-Guard is citing charging documents filed this week, reporting that 16-year-old Jonathan Daniel Kirkpatrick is charged with aggravated murder, murder and first-degree robbery. His alleged accomplice, 15-year-old Jessica Crystal Simmons, faces charges of murder and first-degree robbery. Because the crimes are Measure 11 offenses and because the teens are both 15 years old or older, both have been charged as adults. Murder carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years; aggravated murder carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 30 years to life; first-degree robbery carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 7½ years. / SAFETY, ELDERS: Have you seen them? Two men in their 80s have wandered from their homes in the past few days and officials want to hear from you if you see them. In the Wendling Road of Marcola, family members say 80-year-old Doug Davis disappeared yesterday afternoon. Davis suffers from advanced dementia and searchers with the Lane County Sheriff's Office and Mohawk Valley Fire District are urging residents in the area to check their properties, including outbuildings and vehicles, for any sign of him. Doug Davis is a white male, 6'2", 185 pounds, with gray hair, and was last seen wearing a medium blue pullover sweatshirt, loose fitting blue jeans, and brown slip-on shoes. Anyone with information is asked to call the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4141. Meantime, Springfield Police ask you to contact them if you see any sign of 81-year-old Larry Lee Womack, who on Tuesday (Oct. 9), drove away from his Thurston-area residence in his silver 2013 Chrysler 300 four-door sedan, license plate CA52336. Womack wears prescription glasses with the left-lens darkened because he is blind in that eye. He is a white male, 6'1", 180 pounds,

with gray hair and blue eyes. While a photo from his family shows him with a goatee he is currently clean-shaven. Family members say he took clothing and medication with him but is showing signs of early dementia, is unfamiliar with the area and might have become lost. Anyone who sees the vehicle or Womack is urged to call the Springfield Police Department at 541-726-3714. / SPORTS, EDUCATION: University of Oregon Athletic Director Rob Mullens joins us in the studio to discuss concerns about fan behavior during home football games at Autzen Stadium. Rowdy, drunken and obnoxious fans are a continuing problem at the stadium and Mullens is asking Duck fans to be responsible and respectful. ; The Pac-12 will make immediate changes to how video replay reviews are handled after Commissioner Larry Scott admitted procedural mistakes were made when a targeting foul was not called during last month's Washington State-Southern California game. Scott responded Thursday to a report on the review by Yahoo Sports that cited an internal conference document. The document showed a replay official at the stadium believed he and officials working at the league's review command center had been overruled by a Pac-12 executive on a targeting call against Washington State linebacker Logan Tago on Sept. 21 at USC. The report said the replay official at the game and the command center agreed that, in addition to the roughing the passer foul that was called on the field, a targeting penalty should also be enforced. That would have resulted in the ejection of Tago. The report said a "third party" did not agree and the targeting call was removed. Scott acknowledged the third party was Woodie Dixon, the Pac-12's general counsel and senior vice president of business affairs who also oversees football. Dixon and director of officials David Coleman oversee the command center though they are not necessarily there during games; Dixon often attends games on Saturdays. Scott said Dixon and Coleman will not be involved in any more discussion about calls being made at the replay review command center. This is the second season the Pac-12 has used a replay review command center to assist on-field officials and in-stadium replay officials during conference games. The Southeastern Conference, Big 12 and Atlantic Coast Conference also use central review centers. / EDUCATION, MINORITIES, COMMUNITY: A busy Friday (Oct. 12) at the University of Oregon: The ASUO Street Faire, Black Alumni Reunion, Duck Preview and Board Summit will bring hundreds of future and forever Ducks to campus. University of Oregon athletics will be preparing for Matt Knight Madness basketball preview events this evening and Saturday's football matchup against rival University of Washington Huskies. It's the perfect time for a party! That's why the city of Eugene and the UO will host a community welcome event, "EUGfun! Campus," from 3:30-6:30 p.m. today. The family-friendly block party is free, open to the community and features live music, arts and crafts activities, a beer garden, a PeaceHealth Rides mural tour and much more. To make room for the party, East 13th Avenue will be closed between Alder and Kincaid streets, and Kincaid Street will close between 12th and 14th avenues starting around 6 a.m. this morning. Businesses along East 13th Avenue will also open their doors, with some offering free samples and raffles for gift cards and other prizes. There will be music on the main stage starting at 4 p.m. Attendees can get creative with hands-on activities at the Art Hub or take a guided tour of the 20x21 mural project on a PeaceHealth Rides bike. Afterward, participants are encouraged to make their way to Matt Knight Madness, a preview of the 2018-19 season for the Duck men's and women's basketball teams. The free event begins

at 6 p.m. at Knight Arena and will feature a three-point shooting contest, a dunk contest and scrimmages by both the men's and women's teams. ; Among the events taking place this afternoon on campus: a ceremonial groundbreaking for a new \$2.5 million Black Cultural Center. The new building will take shape at the corner of 15th Avenue and Villard Street. The project comes in response to a demonstration in 2015 by the Black Student Task Force, a group which presented a range of concerns and demands to the administration. Construction of the 2,700-square-foot facility is being funded through money from the U-of-O's Presidential Fund for Excellence and private donors. Backers say the center will serve as a home base for academic and social activities for black students, as well as members of the community. It is one of several events designed to highlight the campus African-American population. The first University of Oregon Black Alumni Reunion takes place this weekend. The Black Student Task Force is partnering with the U-of-O Black Male Alliance to present the Black Student Convocation, which will recognize new faculty hires as well as student scholars and others. And the African-American Workshop and Lecture Series launches today. / EDUCATION: He was Lane Community College's founding president, a former Springfield High School principal who close to 60 years ago began the push to create the community college and provide students skills they needed to move into the local workforce. Today, a building at the heart of Lane's main campus is being renamed in honor of Dale Parnell. All five of Parnell's children are expected to attend the dedication ceremony. Parnell is remembered as a nationally-renowned leader in the community college movement. He started the push to create LCC in 1959 and worked for passage of the election issue that established Lane Community College in October of 1964. As its first president, Parnell advocated for public education at the state and national level. He served as the state's community college commissioner and published a book titled "The Neglected Majority" about people who needed a college education and job training but not a four-year degree. Parnell was also a president of the American Association of Community Colleges for 10 years, he was part of a movement to advance community college education across the country, including the development and creation of the associate degree and the work of community colleges as workforce development drivers for their communities. / COMMUNITY, YOUTH, HEALTH: I was watching the CBS News last night on KVAL and they wrapped up with a story out of Eugene about—talk about inspiring—a young man named Justin Gallegos. A lot of you might know him or have seen him. He is at the University of Oregon just made history by becoming the first professional athlete with cerebral palsy to sign with Nike. Gallegos, a junior with the school's running club, made the announcement in an emotional video on his Instagram page. He was finishing a race on Saturday when he was met by a camera crew, a bunch of his teammates and Nike's Insights director, John Douglass, who told him of the deal. In the video posted to his social media account, Gallegos collapses out of pure joy as his peers applaud him. He wrote he, quote, "was once a kid in leg braces who could barely put on foot in front of the other!" adding, "Now I have signed a three year contract with Nike Running!" The event happened on Cerebral Palsy Awareness Day, which draws attention to the neurological disorder that affects movement, motor skills and muscle tone. Gallegos began competing in long-distance running in high school and caught the attention of Nike, then helped the company develop a shoe designed for runners with disabilities. / SAFETY,

ENVIRONMENT: Authorities say a body found on Mount Hood has been identified as a 30-year-old Arizona hiker who had been reported missing on Monday. The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office says a climber happened to spot the body of Phoenix resident David Yaghmourian Thursday morning at about 8,300 feet on the mountain. The sheriff's office says there was snow in the area and that his body was found outside the search area and at a higher level than expected. Sheriff's Sgt. Sean Collinson says he may have been hypothermic. Authorities say Yaghmourian was hiking with a friend when they got separated and were supposed to reunite at Timberline Lodge. While earlier reports said Yaghmourian had injured his leg, Collinson says it's now understood that he was fatigued and had a sore knee. / **CRIME, SAFETY:** Authorities in Northern California are speaking with people who say they are biologically related to one of six children presumed dead when their adopted mother Jennifer Hart drove them and her wife off a cliff in March. The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office says potential relatives of 16-year-old Hannah Hart contacted them to help identify human remains found near the crash scene. Scientists previously compared DNA from the remains with samples from Hannah's biological siblings, Markis and Abigail, but the results were inconclusive. Oregon news outlets report Mendocino County sheriff's spokesperson Lt. Shannon Barney said the office is now working with Hannah's potential blood relatives to obtain DNA samples. Hannah and her 15-year-old brother Devonte Hart have been unaccounted for since the vehicle was found. Authorities recovered the bodies of Jennifer Hart and Sarah Hart, along with siblings Markis, Jeremiah, Abigail and Sierra. / **CRIME:** Washington state's Supreme Court has ruled that the death penalty violates its Constitution. The ruling Thursday makes Washington the latest state to do away with capital punishment. The justices said the "death penalty is invalid because it is imposed in an arbitrary and racially." They ordered that people currently on death row have their sentences converted to life in prison. Gov. Jay Inslee, a one-time supporter of capital punishment, had previously said no executions will take place while he's in office. The ruling was in the case of Allen Eugene Gregory, who was convicted of raping, robbing and killing Geneine Harshfield, a 43-year-old woman, in 1996. His lawyers said the death penalty is arbitrarily applied and that it is not applied proportionally, as the state Constitution requires. In Oregon, the death penalty remains legal. / **ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, TRANSPORTATION:** A public health committee will meet to finalize its recommendations for the proposed Longview, Washington, coal export terminal along the Columbia River. The Daily News reports the recommendations to be considered Friday regarding Millennium Bulk Terminal's planned project are based on findings from the Health Impact Assessment released in September. The report found there would likely be an increase in the number and severity of some types of diseases related to diesel emissions from locomotives, vessels and equipment. It also highlights other effects on health, noise, the economy, recreation and the environment. The study, recommendations and appendices can be viewed on the county's website. Environmentalists, tribes and others have opposed the project of concerns about global warming, pollution and potential damage to fisheries on the river. Businesses, some labor groups and other supporters say the project would create jobs. / **MILITARY, HUMAN RIGHTS, POLITICS:** Lawyers for President Trump this week urged a federal appeals court in Portland to allow the administration to prevent certain transgender people from serving in the U.S. armed forces. The

Oregonian/OregonLive reports the U.S. Department of Justice argued Wednesday for the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to lift a federal judge's preliminary injunction that halted the administration's plan and to declare it constitutional. Brinton Lucas of the Justice Department argued the policy under former President Barack Obama that allows transgender people to openly serve in the military "imposes a risk to military readiness." LGBTQ advocacy groups filed a lawsuit in Seattle last year, challenging the constitutionality of the Trump administration's ban. The hearing was the first time a federal appeals court has heard oral arguments on the plan. / ANIMALS: Officials are taking adoption applications for the more than 60 horses seized from a central Oregon ranch earlier this year. The Bulletin reports the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications through next week and will hold a lottery to select possible adopters. The horses were seized from a ranch in Terrebonne in March after they were found in poor conditions. The sheriff's office plans to conduct background checks on applicants before the lottery draw scheduled for Oct. 26. The horses will then be available for pick-up at the end of the month. Any remaining horses will be adopted out in early November. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Toyota is recalling more than 168,000 pickup trucks, SUVs and cars because the air bags might not inflate in a crash. The recall covers 2018 and 2019 Tundra pickups and Sequoia SUVs as well as 2019 Avalon sedans. Toyota says the air bag control computer can erroneously detect a fault when the vehicles are started. With a fault, the air bags may not deploy in a crash. Toyota will notify owners and dealers will update the air bag control software. The recall is expected to begin Oct. 22. /

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ELECTIONS, POLITICS: Republicans consolidated their control of the U.S. Senate. Democrats took the majority in the U.S. House. And here in Oregon, Kate Brown won a hard-fought and expensive race to remain Oregon's governor, while voters split on a number of state and local measures. Nationwide, both parties may claim victory in some aspects of the midterm elections. But for Republicans, the era of one-party government in Washington, D.C., ends when the new Congress is sworn in. The GOP's gains in the Senate mean Trump judicial and other nominees will face smooth sailing to confirmation. But the soon-to-be Democratically-controlled U.S. House with the added subpoena power crafted by Trump and the Republicans might use its authority to widen investigations of the Trump campaign and administration. ; Here in Oregon, Democratic control of the House means increased profile for Congressman Peter DeFazio, who won yet another election over Republican challenger Art Robinson. When the 2019 session begins, DeFazio will become chairman of the House Transportation Committee. The rest of Oregon's Congressional delegation remains unchanged as all other Congressional incumbents earned re-election, including Democrats Kurt Schraeder, Earl Blumenauer and Suzanne Bonamici along with Republican Greg Walden. ; With election to a full term, Governor Kate Brown will preside over a state legislature where Democrats made gains and earned supermajorities in both the Oregon Senate and House. Brown defeated Republican Knute Buehler by what is a roughly 49-percent to 44-percent margin. It was another strong showing for Lane County legislative incumbents, as Democrats Floyd Prozanski, Lee Beyer and James Manning earned new terms in the State Senate. In the Oregon House, the local winners included incumbent Democrats Julie Fahey, Paul Holvey and Caddy McKeown along with unopposed Democrats Nancy Nathanson and John Lively. Democrat Marty Wilde defeated Mark Herbert in a bid for the open seat in the 11th District. Republican Cedric Hayden earned another term in the Oregon House. ; At the local level, there was only one runoff for a seat on the Lane County Board of Commissioners: Heather Buch defeated Gary Williams for the East Lane spot. After successful primaries, Jay Bozevich in West Lane and Jay Berney in Springfield appeared on the ballot unopposed. ; Oregonians approved one and rejected four of the state ballot measures. They gave a "thumbs up" to expanding bonding authority for affordable housing projects. But they rejected Measure 103, which would have prohibited taxes on groceries—an issue opponents said was a thinly-disguised effort to prevent enactment of any state or local soda taxes. Oregon voters rejected Measure 104, which would have required

a three-fifths "supermajority" of the legislature to approve any bills raising revenue. They also rejected Measure 105, an effort to repeal Oregon's first-in-the-nation sanctuary law, 63 percent to 37 percent. And they turned down Measure 106, which would have prohibited the spending of public funds for abortions and related services. ; And at the local level, voters in Lane County approved a handful of funding measures, including the Eugene School District bonds, Springfield road bonds and a renewal of the tax levy for the River Road Park and Recreation District. But they rejected the bonds measure for the Siuslaw Schools. The city of Dunes City voted to prohibit marijuana-related businesses within its city limits. And the proposed measure to create a new, automatic runoff system in Lane County known as STAR Voting was rejected, 47 percent to 53 percent. ; The Oregonian and OregonLive report Democrats in the Oregon House picked up three seats Tuesday night, achieving the supermajority that eluded them two years ago. Reporter Hilary Borrud notes that gives the Democrats 38 of the 60 seats in the Legislature's lower chamber, well above the three-fifths threshold needed to raise taxes. However, any tax increase is subject to a potential initiative challenge that would give voters the final say. Still, the results will shape the 2019 legislative session, when Democrats want to raise more tax revenue to boost education spending and pass a plan to charge companies for their greenhouse gas emissions. With a three-fifths supermajority, House Democrats will be able to raise taxes without any Republican support. They were one vote short of that bar in both the House and Senate in the last session. But The Oregonian and OregonLive report lawmakers also will face pressure to address the state's \$22 billion public pension shortfall, with contribution rates expected to jump again in July and draw another \$550 million a year out of public budgets across the state. ; Democrats seized a majority in the U.S. House, which will force President Trump and Republicans in 2019 to work with House leaders in order to pass any key policy proposals. But the GOP gained two if not three seats in the U.S. Senate and even though Democrats picked up seven governorships, Republicans protected some key red state governors, blunting a Democratic "blue wave" that never fully materialized. The mixed verdict in the first nationwide election of the Trump presidency could have impacts on issues ranging from immigration to infrastructure. On immigration, for example, Democrats want to protect the so-called Dreamers—children and teens brought to this country illegally whose protection under the DACA program is at risk. Trump Republicans, meantime, insist there can be no deal on DACA without funding for the border wall. After two years of acrimony, analysts say the two sides might wind up crafting a compromise that addresses both issues. Other issues looming for Congress next year include health care and government spending. The president's party tightened its hold on the U.S. Senate, which means easier confirmation of Trump nominees. That clears the way for a long-expected shake-up in the administration. It's expected Attorney General Jeff Sessions will step down rather than be forced to leave. There's also talk that Secretary of Defense James Mattis is also on his way out. Meantime, record diversity on the ballot might have helped drive turnout. Women won at least 90 seats in the House, a record. The House was also getting its first two Muslim women, Massachusetts elected its first black congresswoman, and Tennessee got its first female senator. But Republicans held onto some key Senate seats, including in Texas, where Ted Cruz narrowly defeated rising Democratic star Beto O'Rourke in a campaign that set fundraising records. ;

President Trump will address the midterm election results later this morning during a White House news conference. Democrats took back control of the House from Trump's Republican Party. But the GOP gained ground in the Senate by defeating several Democrats in states where Trump was elected by wide margins in 2016. Republicans preserved governorships in key states like Ohio and Florida. Trump campaigned aggressively in the closing days of the campaign, mostly to help Republican Senate candidates. ; The midterm elections have further loosened marijuana restrictions in the United States. Voters in three of four states with ballot proposals on marijuana approved those initiatives. In Utah and Missouri, voters on Tuesday decided that patients should have access to medical marijuana. Before Tuesday's vote, 22 American states had adopted comprehensive medical marijuana programs, including Oregon. Michigan, which already had medical marijuana, became the first Midwestern state to fully legalize pot. It joins nine other U.S. states, including Oregon, plus Washington, D.C., in launching a regulated recreational marijuana market. But North Dakotans decisively rejected a proposal to make marijuana legal for recreational purposes. Nationally, support for marijuana has never been stronger. Seventy-two percent of Democrats and a narrow majority of Republicans – 51 percent – support legalization, according to Gallup. Strong public support and successive waves of state-level legalization in election years have led many policy analysts to argue that marijuana has reached a tipping point in the United States. Two-thirds of all U.S. states have now legalized some kind of marijuana. After that, the argument goes, its nationwide expansion is inevitable. But some marijuana policy researchers, say their research indicates that medical marijuana progress may well stall after this latest round of successful ballot initiatives and that recreational marijuana may continue to expand into states with legal medical marijuana but will ultimately hit a wall, too. / ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH, POLITICS: The Trump administration this week filed separate motions with two federal courts in an effort to block that lawsuit filed by 21 young activists who say the government isn't doing enough to prevent climate change. Most of the defendants are from Oregon, including six from this area. They range in age from 11 to 22. On Monday, the Department of Justice filed motions with the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon and with the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. It comes after the U.S. Supreme Court on Friday evening declined to extend a temporary halt in the case, which was originally set for trial on October 29th in Eugene federal court. The plaintiffs argue the government has known for decades that carbon pollution from fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas is causing climate change but has failed to protect natural resources as a "public trust" for future generations. Their suit asks a court to order the federal government to take action to reduce carbon dioxide emissions to a certain level by the year 2100 and to develop a national climate recovery plan. / GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT: At last night's meeting, members of the Eugene Water and Electric Board of directors declared the utility's former riverfront headquarters "surplus," meaning that if the City of Eugene wants to pursue purchasing it for a future city hall, there's one less obstacle. EWEB staff noted in their report that most of the utility's operations are now consolidated in the EWEB operations center on Roosevelt Boulevard near the Beltline Highway. The headquarters building, along the Willamette River, now serves primarily as a customer service depot with only a single leasing tenant. Should the EWEB board decide to put the facility up for sale or lease, staff say it could provide a new

source of revenue or a continuing revenue stream. The utility's board and members of the Eugene City Council plan to discuss the possibilities next week. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Up on the McKenzie Ranger District, Forest Service officials say the Terwilliger Fire restoration work is beginning but significant public closures remain in place. Hikers, hunters, and other recreationists: Expect a continued closure on Aufderheide Drive (Forest Service Road 19), this fall and winter. The closure has changed slightly to open up a section of Quartz Creek Road, which runs through private land, but the rest of the closure remains in place for public safety. It comes as officials say there are continued rockslides and falling trees in the burn zone. There are also concerns that fall and winter rains will send extra sediment and debris down hillsides, blocking drainage culverts. The High Cascades Forest Volunteers and staff from the McKenzie River Ranger District have started emergency work to stabilize the Terwilliger Hot Springs trail and prevent further erosion. But longer-term restoration efforts will be needed in the coming months. / GOVERNMENT, SAFETY, CIVIL LIBERTIES, CRIME: The Oregonian and Oregon Live are reporting that the Portland City Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing Thursday on a proposed ordinance that would place new restrictions on protests in the city. The proposal is backed by Portland mayor Ted Wheeler and comes in a direct response to the many political demonstrations that have devolved into violent street clashes in the last two years. But a legal challenge is all but certain if the restrictions become city law. When the mayor's office announced the proposal in October, the state American Civil Liberties Union chapter said the plan might be unconstitutional and noted that Portland already has laws banning street violence. Reporter Gordon Friedman writes that, if adopted, Wheeler would be allowed broad powers over when and how people may speak their minds in public. He could order demonstrators to restrict the length of a rally and order it be held at a specific place. He could limit movement within a zone of the city. And he could order public buildings be closed to curtail protesters' access to high-up vantage points. Violators would be subject to arrest and fines. Those backing the proposal say Portland's mayor could order the restrictions only under certain circumstances, including if protesting groups have a history of violence, or if there is a "substantial likelihood of violence" at a planned event. But The Oregonian and OregonLive report the proposed ordinance lays out no method to challenge such an order. And it gives Wheeler near complete power over city law enforcement personnel because Portland's mayor also serves as police commissioner, although nearly all of that authority is delegated to the city's police chief, Danielle Outlaw. Wheeler says the ordinance is a lawful tool modeled upon laws in other cities that allow officials to crack down on violent demonstrators. /

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under a vast oversupply that has forced down prices and left 70 percent of the cannabis produced for the legal recreational marijuana market unsold. But authors of the study from the Oregon-Idaho High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area—a coalition of local, state and federal agencies—say Oregon also has a serious problem with out-of-state trafficking and black market grows. In elections this week, Utah and Missouri, voters gave the go-ahead to legalizing medical marijuana. When those state begin sales, it will bring to 24 the number of states, including Oregon, where medical cannabis is legal. Michigan, which already had medical marijuana, became the first Midwestern state to legalize recreational marijuana. It joins nine other U.S. states, including Oregon, along with Washington, D.C., in launching a regulated recreational cannabis market. / ELECTIONS: Voters in eight Oregon counties have approved ordinances to bolster residents' gun rights that were championed by militia groups. The Oregonian/OregonLive reported Wednesday that the ordinances say that residents of those counties now have the right to own semi-automatic weapons and high-capacity magazines, regardless of state or federal law. They also empower sheriffs to determine if state and federal gun laws are constitutional and prohibit the use of county funds to enforce them. But the ordinances are likely to be challenged in court and are seen as mostly symbolic. The measure appeared in Baker, Columbia, Douglas, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Lincoln, Linn, Umatilla and Union counties. It passed in all but Jackson and Lincoln counties. Two militia groups, the Three Percenters and Oath Keepers, campaigned for the ordinance across the state. / CRIME, POLITICS: An anti-abortion activist who shot and wounded Kansas abortion doctor George Tiller in 1993 and committed clinic attacks in several states has been released from prison in Oregon. The U.S. Bureau of Prisons on Wednesday confirmed the release of 62-year-old Rachelle "Shelley" Shannon. The bureau says she'll be on supervised release for three years. Conditions of her release aren't public. Shannon was sentenced to 20 years in prison for six fire bombings and two acid attacks at abortion clinics in California, Oregon and Nevada. She received 11 years for shooting Tiller, who was fatally shot in Wichita in 2009 by another anti-abortion extremist, Scott Roeder, who visited Shannon several times in prison. The Kansas City Star reports Shannon had been staying at a halfway house in Portland, Oregon, since May. She has been in custody for 25 years. / CRIME: A former Corvallis attorney pleaded guilty to federal tax evasion and money laundering charges in connection with allegations that she embezzled from her clients and defrauded investors to live beyond her means. The Corvallis Gazette-Times reports Pamela Sue Hediger, who entered the plea Tuesday, admits she pilfered more than \$1.1 million from client and business accounts at her former law firm, Evashevski, Elliott, Cihak & Hediger, and duped investors out of their money. She also acknowledges filing a false federal income tax return for 2011 and failing to file federal tax returns for the years 2012-17. As part of the plea deal, the U.S. Attorney's Office agreed to recommend a sentence of 46 months — just shy of four years — in prison. The maximum potential term on the charges is 15 years. Hediger is scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 19. / ENVIRONMENT: The state of Washington says it will kill wolves from two packs that have been preying on cattle. The Department of Fish and Wildlife said Wednesday that it will kill members of the Smackout Pack in Stevens County and members of the Togo Pack in Ferry County. Agency director Kelly Susewind says wolves from the two packs continue to prey on cattle despite

efforts to get them to stop. The agency says wolf hunts could begin today. Last month the state decided to kill the remaining two wolves from the Old Profanity Peak Territory Pack, which had repeatedly preyed on cattle in Ferry County. Conservation groups have criticized the killing of wolves, a protected species, to save cattle grazing on public lands. ; A Washington state task force on critically endangered Northwest orcas wants to temporarily suspend whale-watching boat tours focused on those whales. The group advising the governor voted Tuesday to recommend a three- to five-year moratorium on viewing southern resident killer whales by all boats in Puget Sound. Disturbances from boats can interfere with the whale's ability to find food or communicate. The whales also suffer from lack of salmon and contaminations. There are just 74 animals. The proposed moratorium would not apply to boats viewing other whales in the region, including gray or transient whales. Critics say the move doesn't address their dwindling food supply, and that barge and commercial fishing boats are far louder. The recommendation is one of many that will go before Gov. Jay Inslee and the Legislature. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Federal aviation regulators yesterday issued an emergency directive on how to handle erroneous data from a sensor on a new Boeing jet in use by three domestic airlines. Investigators believe the same sensor malfunctioned on a new Boeing jet that plunged into the sea in Indonesia this month, killing all 189 people on board. The directive gives regulatory weight to Boeing's safety bulletin that it sent to operators of Boeing 737 MAX 8 and MAX 9 following the crash of the Lion Air jet. The Federal Aviation Administration bulletin notes that erroneous data from the sensor, which ordinarily helps prevent the plane from stalling and diving, could cause flight crew to have difficulty controlling the airplane and lead to "excessive nose-down attitude, significant altitude loss, and possible impact with the terrain." The directive instructs airlines to make specific changes to flight manual procedures for responding to the problem. Boeing's bulletin said it was directing flight crews to existing guidelines. / LAW ENFORCEMENT, MINORITIES: A constitutional amendment to end non-unanimous jury verdicts in Louisiana was approved Tuesday by that state's voters — a victory for a rare alliance of conservative and progressive organizations that got behind the measure to end a practice with roots in post-Civil War racism. The amendment takes effect Jan. 1 and will leave Oregon as the only other state allowing split verdicts. In Louisiana, the vote reverses a Jim Crow-era practice that made it easier to imprison non-whites by allowing as few as 10 members of a 12-member jury to convict defendants in felony cases not involving death sentences. A racist legacy wasn't the only reason supporters sought to overturn non-unanimous verdicts. There was also a view shared by those across the political spectrum that government doesn't always get things right. They pointed to the number of inmates released in recent years when they were cleared by DNA evidence. / VETERANS, EDUCATION, COMMUNITY: The Crow High School Band will perform at the Parade of Heroes in Washington, D.C., this Veteran's Day. Among the highlights: Band members will perform on the morning of Sunday, November 11th, at the Marine Corps / Iwo Jima Memorial. Crow's lead trumpet player, Senior Mark Simonson, also has been invited to play Taps at three of the memorial sites. An Eagle Scout, Simonson has humbly accepted this tremendous honor. Crow High Band supporters held a successful GoFundMe campaign earlier this summer and received other generous donations but have continued to raise funds to cover the costs for extra luggage, meals, and

travel within the nation's Capitol. The band's GoFundMe page is at:
<https://www.gofundme.com/chs-band-parade-of-heroes> Director Patrick Dixon and all of the Crow High School Band members are deeply grateful for any donation you can give for this opportunity. You can be assured that we will make all of you very proud, and it is something that they will take with them for the rest of their lives. The band performs this morning in the Crow High School courtyard at 9 a.m. before making an appearance at the Lane Electric Cooperative's Veterans luncheon later today. Then it's on to Washington, D.C. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH: A lawsuit by a group of young Americans, which asserts the U.S. government is harming them by having created a national energy system that causes climate change, is on hold again after a federal appeals court Thursday granted the Trump administration's motion for a temporary stay. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals gave the parties 15 days to respond to the administration's petition for a writ of mandamus -- a rarely used judicial appeal that asks a higher court to overrule a lower one before the conclusion of a case. The constitutional climate lawsuit was brought by 21 young Americans in 2015 and is supported by Our Children's Trust. Trial was set to begin in federal court in Eugene in late October but was delayed when the U.S. Supreme Court temporarily put the trial on hold. Then, on Nov. 2, the Supreme Court declined to stop the lawsuit but told the Trump administration that the government may still petition a lower court to dismiss the case as the government had asked of the high court. The case was brought by 21 young people, aged 11 to 22, who argue that government officials have known for more than 50 years that carbon pollution from fossil fuels is causing climate change and that policies on oil and gas deprive them of life, liberty and property. A spokeswoman for the plaintiffs says U.S. District Judge Ann Aiken held a conference with the parties Thursday and indicated she would promptly set a trial date once the appeals court lifts its temporary stay. The youth also accuse the government of failing to protect natural resources as a "public trust" for future generations. The lawsuit asks a court to order the government to take action to quickly phase out carbon dioxide emissions to a certain level by the year 2100 and develop a national climate recovery plan. The federal government, under both the Obama and Trump administrations, has tried repeatedly to get the case dismissed. Trump administration lawyers have argued that the lawsuit seeks to direct federal environmental and energy policies through the courts instead of through the political process. Lawyers for the young people say evidence should be heard at trial and that the case should not be dismissed before then. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The cleanup is continuing along the Florida Panhandle in the wake of last month's Hurricane Michael. Officials with the Oregon Department of Forestry say they've just deployed a third Incident Management Team to assist with the clean-up. The Oregon Department of Forestry is filling this request from Florida and will be at a disaster response base camp near Tallahassee. With their experience in coordinating the response to Western wildfires, members of this team will help with coordinating communications among various disaster responders and agencies and shoring up</p>

safety and operations at the camp. ; Will Oregon fire crews deploy to Northern California next? Another sign of how dry and dangerous wildfire conditions remain in the West: A fast-moving wildfire that ravaged a Northern California town Thursday sent residents racing to escape on roads that turned into tunnels of fire as thick smoke darkened the daytime sky, wiping out what fire officials said were thousands of homes and other structures. The blaze raced through neighborhoods and the downtown in the city of Paradise, California, which lies east of Chico and in the foothills of the Sierras. The entire community of 27,000 was ordered to evacuate. Witnesses reported seeing homes, supermarkets, businesses, restaurants, schools and a retirement home up in flames. Even police responding to help with evacuations had to flee on foot as walls of fire blocked roads and created fiery traffic jams. Meanwhile, portions of Southern California remained under siege early this morning with reports that two large fires had scorched about 15,000 acres and were threatening numerous communities. ABC7.com reported that some 75,000 homes are under evacuation orders along the border of Ventura and Los Angeles counties. It came after the National Weather Service issued red-flag warnings for fire dangers in many areas of California, saying low humidity and strong winds with gusts of 50 miles per hour were expected to continue through the evening. The fire in Paradise was reported shortly after daybreak in a rural area. By nightfall, it had consumed more than 28 square miles and was zero percent contained. At least two firefighters and multiple residents were injured but without access to the charred ruins officials do not know whether any residents died. Residents described fleeing their homes and then getting stuck on gridlocked roads as flames approached, sparking explosions and toppling utility poles. Many abandoned their vehicles to flee on foot. At the hospital in Paradise, more than 60 patients were evacuated to other facilities. Four hospital employees were briefly trapped in the basement and rescued by California Highway Patrol officers. Concerned friends and family posted frantic messages on Twitter and other sites saying they were looking for loved ones, particularly seniors who lived at retirement homes or alone. ; A raging Southern California wildfire has triggered a mandatory evacuation order for the entire beachside city of Malibu and its 13,000 residents. The fire broke out Thursday northwest of Los Angeles and roared southward, jumping the U.S. 101 freeway early today and sweeping into the Santa Monica Mountains. The blaze, along the border of Ventura and Los Angeles counties, forced evacuations of 75,000 homes overnight. The Los Angeles and Ventura County fire departments say multiple buildings have been destroyed or damaged. A second fire is been burning near the communities of Newbury Park and Thousand Oaks. By Thursday evening, it had scorched up to 7,000 acres and sent residents of more than 1,200 homes fleeing, the Los Angeles Times reports. Flames from both fires are being driven by Southern California's notorious Santa Ana winds, which every autumn blow from the northeast toward the coast. Pepperdine University canceled classes today at its Malibu and Calabasas campuses. Malibu public schools are also closed. In Ventura County, Moorpark College is closed due to the impacts of fire and the aftermath of Wednesday night's deadly mass shooting in nearby Thousand Oaks. California Lutheran University had already canceled today's classes due to the shooting. Cal Lutheran says its Thousand Oaks campus is not under evacuation orders but residential students have been put on standby. The Thousand Oaks-area Conejo Valley Unified School District also has closed all its schools. /

VETERANS, COMMUNITY, GOVERNMENT, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH:

Another big step forward in an effort to help veterans recover from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, mental health issues, alcohol and drug addictions. In a ceremony later today, Lane County officials will transfer of the long-shuttered Sheriff's Forest Work Camp in the Coast Range to the non-profit organization, Veterans Legacy. The 105-acre site, located near the community of Alma, are being converted into a residential-style treatment facility that uses what's known as "therapeutic agriculture," where the veterans will grow much of their own produce while engaging in mental health and substance abuse treatment and counseling in the multi-month program. In recent months and years, backers of the effort have held work parties to get the site in shape and prepare to begin accepting the first veterans. Veterans Legacy had leased the property but this agreement makes things permanent. / CRIME: Federal prosecutors in Oregon say in the past six months they've prosecuted cases resulting in the seizure of 158 pounds of heroin, 600 grams of oxycodone, and half a pound of fentanyl. It's part of an increased effort to reduce opiate addiction rates. U.S. Attorney for Oregon Billy J. Williams says the combined the seizures by federal authorities and state and local task force partners removed nearly three million individual doses from distribution networks in the state. He says the enforcement effort already resulted in 19 arrests, 17 guilty pleas and nine criminal sentencing of active drug traffickers with numerous cases still pending. Keith Weis, the DEA Special Agent in Charge for the Pacific Northwest, says opioid abuse in Oregon involves street drugs, such as heroin and fentanyl, and prescription meds, such as oxycodone, hydrocodone, and morphine. But Renn Cannon, the Special Agent in Charge of the FBI in Oregon, says whether a person's addiction begins on the street or in a doctor's office, the result is equally devastating to the victim's family and community. In Oregon, the total number of deaths related to drug use increased 11 percent from 2013 to 2017, with 546 drug related deaths in 2017 alone. Law enforcement experts say the use of prescription opioids in Oregon continues to grow dramatically. Nearly half of the prescriptions filled at Oregon retail pharmacies in 2017 were for opioids. As a result, Oregon has one of the highest rates of prescription opioid misuse in the country, with an average of three deaths every week from prescription opioid overdose. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), drug overdoses killed a record 72,000 Americans in 2017. In 2016, 66% of the more than 66,000 overdose deaths involved an opioid. Drug overdose is now the leading cause of death in the U.S. In 2017, the CDC estimated the national economic burden of prescription opioid overdose, abuse, and dependence at \$78.5 billion annually. / HEALTH, YOUTH: Smoking by adults has hit a record low, according to new numbers by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Only 14 percent of adults reported cigarette use in 2017, according to a large federal survey. That represents a decline of 1.5 percentage points from 2016, and a 67% decline from 1965 -- the first-year smoking rates were recorded nationally. But the latest data found that 34 million adults in the U.S. still smoke combustible cigarettes and 47 million, or about 20%, used some tobacco product in 2017. Smoking and tobacco use rates were lower among those who graduated high school and dramatically higher, by comparison, among those with GEDs. ; The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is planning on requiring strict limits on the sale of most flavored e-cigarettes, including age verification controls for online sales, to curtail their use among children and teenagers. FDA officials

tell The Wall Street Journal the actions are expected to be announced as early as next week. The move is an attempt to curb what many are saying is an epidemic of underage vaping. Officials say the new policy will apply to flavored cartridge-style vaping products like Juul that have become popular among youths. No retail outlets will be allowed to carry them unless it restricts minors from entering the store or creates an off-limits area. ; The Washington Post is reporting that federal regulators are alarmed by a huge increase in vaping among minors. As early as next week, the Food and Drug Administration is expected to impose severe restrictions on the sale of e-cigarette products throughout the United States. The restrictions are expected to take the form of a ban on the sale of most flavored e-cigarettes in tens of thousands of convenience stores and gas stations across the country. The FDA will also impose such rules as age-verification requirements for online sales. The FDA's initiatives on vaping are spurred by preliminary government data that show e-cigarette use rose 77 percent among high schoolers and nearly 50 percent among middle schoolers in 2018. That means 3.5 million children were vaping early this year, up 1 million from 2017. Most vaping products are flavored, and studies show teenagers are attracted to the flavors. The flavored e-cigarette products will be available in vape and tobacco shops, which the FDA believes are more careful about verifying the age of the purchasers. It's also possible that some flavored products could return to convenience stores — but only if the manufacturers prove a public health benefit and get specific authorization from the agency, which could take years. Research indicates many e-cigarette users are likely to become addicted to nicotine and some will probably end up on regular cigarettes, a product that kills half of its long-term users. Moreover, the long-term health consequences of vaping are not known. At the same time, vaping devotees and "harm-reduction" advocates have said e-cigarettes represent a powerful tool in helping adult smokers to quit more dangerous cigarettes. They have warned that making it harder for adults to buy e-cigarettes — or depriving them of flavored products — will be detrimental. The Washington Post reports the FDA actions apply to a specific kind of vaping product that dominates the youth market — e-cigarettes that use prepackaged flavor cartridges, or pods. That includes the wildly popular vaping products by Juul Labs. The restrictions would not apply to the "open-tank" systems available in vape shops. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: President Trump has signed a proclamation to deny asylum to migrants who enter the United States illegally through the U.S.-Mexico border. Trump invoked the same national security powers he used to push his travel ban through. He says he wants people to come to the U.S. legally. The move this morning was spurred in part by caravans of Central American migrants slowly moving north on foot, but officials say it will apply to anyone caught crossing illegally. Officials say the measure is meant to funnel asylum seekers through official border crossings for speedy rulings instead of having them try to circumvent such crossings on the nearly 2,000-mile stretch. The busy ports of entry already have long lines and waits, forcing immigration officials to tell some migrants to return to make their claims. Trump's proclamation puts into practice regulations adopted by immigration officials on Thursday. ; President Trump says he would like to see the legal battle over an Obama-era program shielding young immigrants from deportation go before the Supreme Court. A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Thursday decided to keep in place an injunction blocking Trump's decision to phase out the

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA. Lawsuits by the state of California and others challenging the Trump administration's decision will continue in federal court while the injunction remains in place. DACA has protected 700,000 people, known as "Dreamers," who were brought to the U.S. illegally as children or came with families that overstayed visas. Trump administration officials have said they moved last year to end DACA because Texas and other states threatened to sue, raising what they said was the prospect of a chaotic end to the program. The U.S. Supreme Court could eventually decide the fate of DACA, which has protected about 700,000 people who were brought to the U.S. illegally as children or came with families that overstayed visas. Earlier this week, the Trump administration took the unusual step of asking the Supreme Court to take up the case even before any federal appeals courts had weighed in. It was the second time the administration sought review of its DACA decision by the Supreme Court. In Thursday's ruling, 9th Circuit Judge Kim Wardlaw said California and other plaintiffs were likely to succeed with their claim that the decision to end DACA was arbitrary and capricious. The Department of Homeland Security moved to end the program last year on the advice of just-fired Attorney General Jeff Sessions, who determined DACA to be unlawful because, he said, President Obama did not have the authority to adopt it in the first place. That was incorrect, Wardlaw wrote, noting that the federal government has a long and well-established history of using its discretion not to enforce immigration law against certain categories of people. Examples include President Dwight D. Eisenhower's decision in 1956 to extend "immigration parole" to 30,000 Hungarian refugees otherwise unable to remain in the U.S. and President Ronald Reagan's "Family Fairness" program, which allowed certain relatives of illegal immigrants who had been granted amnesty to likewise remain in the country. While the federal government might be able to end DACA for policy reasons under its own discretion, it can't do so based on Sessions' faulty belief that the program exceeds federal authority, the court held. That said, the judges also declined to dismiss claims that the government's action might violate the constitutional rights of DACA recipients. The disproportionate effect the decision would have on Latinos might be unconstitutionally discriminatory, the court said, and the plaintiffs had also made a credible claim that it would violate due process for the government to turn around and use information they provided when they enrolled in DACA in deportation proceedings. The Trump administration has said it moved to end the program last year because Texas and other states threatened to sue, raising the prospect of a chaotic end to DACA. / ELDERS, HEALTH, GOVERNMENT: Seniors in many states will be able to get additional services like help with chores, safety devices and respite for caregivers next year through private "Medicare Advantage" insurance plans. It's a harbinger of potentially big changes for Medicare. The shift reflects a recognition that help at home can have a meaningful impact on patients' well-being — and reduce taxpayer costs. Medicare estimates seniors in 20 states will have access to plans with expanded benefits. That's expected to grow. There has to be a health-related reason to qualify, and costs will vary. There are limits. For example, a plan may cover use of an adult day care center only one day per week. Major insurers like Anthem, UnitedHealthcare and Humana are participating. Medicare Advantage open enrollment for 2019 ends Dec. 7. / ENVIRONMENT: Court records show the U.S. Bureau of Land Management intends to abandon plans to spay wild horses in an effort to address overpopulation on Oregon public lands.

The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the development comes after U.S. District Court Judge Michael W. Mosman last week issued a preliminary injunction that blocked the experiment to sterilize mares from the Warm Springs Management Area until a final ruling is made in a lawsuit filed by animal rights groups. The experiments were scheduled to start Monday at a horse corral facility in Hines, about two miles southwest of Burns. In court documents filed Wednesday, BLM attorneys say the agency plans to not move forward with its spay study but would retain the ability to return horses to the Warm Springs Herd Management Area and remove "excess" horses from the range. ; Two ranchers in eastern Oregon are working with state wildlife officials to test a new strategy for preventing wolf attacks on livestock. The Capital Press reported Thursday that Rodger Huffman, president of the Union County Cattlemen's Association, and Cynthia Warnock, president of the Wallowa County Stockgrowers Association, will develop plans that emphasize non-lethal methods such as range rider, alarm boxes and electrified fencing to keep wolves away. If wolves continue to attack, then ranchers could ask the state to kill them. The ranchers agreed to test the idea, but it's still unclear who would pay for the non-lethal tools. The proposal was outlined by stakeholders who are trying to find common ground on a five-year update of the state's wolf conservation plan, which is now three years overdue. / HEALTH, BUSINESS, ELDERS: An Oregon man has filed what may be a first of its kind Medicare lawsuit against PeaceHealth, claiming the organization didn't follow federal Medicare guidelines specific to Oregon and overbilled him for treatment. The Register-Guard in Eugene reported Wednesday that Donald Griffith filed the complaint in U.S. District Court in Portland. Griffith alleges that PeaceHealth overbilled him by nearly \$15,000 for treatment after a car crash in 2015. The suit claims the overbilling happened despite a state of Oregon exception to federal law that says a Medicare provider may only ask for money from a medical settlement if the insurance company pays the settlement within a certain amount of time. Griffith is seeking a class-action lawsuit against PeaceHealth and three times whatever economic losses a jury sees fit to give him. PeaceHealth officials wouldn't comment on the case but said they adhere to all state and federal regulations and laws governing every aspect of care including ethical billing practices. /

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VETERANS, COMMUNITY: It was a busy weekend of commemorations and memorials for Veterans' Day. In Springfield yesterday: A ceremony to celebrate veterans with Speakers, including US Navy Veteran, Springfield Mayor Christine Lundberg. The event will include Color Guard and a wreath-laying ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Oregon Women Veterans Sculpture. In Eugene: Annual 11th Hour of the 11 Day of the 11th Month ceremony. Primary speaker will be Mike Pungercar - Founder Emeritus South Willamette Honor Flight. Saturday in Albany: The largest Veterans Day parade west of the Mississippi since 1951 with more than 200 entries. Procession winds through downtown Albany. Roseburg on Sunday: Veterans Color Guards, Grand Marshals - Aviation and Support, Veteran Organization Floats, any float or marching non-political, non-religious groups. Today in Eugene: Annual University Ceremony to recognize faculty, staff, students, and members of the community who are veterans. Keynote speaker: Jon Ruiz, Eugene's City Manager and UO faculty member. Refreshments follow ceremony. This week in Eugene: Veterans Appreciation Week will pay tribute to the University of Oregon's military-affiliated students — with a dual focus on paying it forward. In addition to numerous campus events to honor Duck veterans, several activities will bring awareness to issues affecting veterans in the surrounding community and beyond. / **HEALTH, YOUTH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, EDUCATION:** Move more, sit less and get kids active as young as age 3. That's according to new federal guidelines that stress that any amount and any type of exercise helps health. The advice is the first update since the government's physical activity guidelines came out a decade ago. Since then, the list of benefits of exercise has grown, and there's more evidence to back things that were of unknown value before, such as short, high-intense workouts and taking the stairs instead of an elevator. Only 20 percent of Americans get enough exercise now, and the childhood obesity problem has prompted the push to aim younger to prevent poor health later in life. The advice was released today at an American Heart Association conference in Chicago and published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. The biggest change: Start young. Guidelines used to begin at age 6, but the new ones say preschoolers ages 3 through 5 should be encouraged to take part in active play throughout the day. They don't call for a certain amount but say a reasonable target may be three hours of various intensities. That's consistent with guidelines in many other countries and is the average amount of activity observed in kids this age. From ages 6 through 17, at least an hour of moderate-to-vigorous activity

throughout the day is recommended. Most of it should be aerobic, the kind that gets the heart rate up such as brisk walking, biking or running. At least three times a week, exercise should be vigorous and include muscle- and bone-strengthening activities like climbing on playground equipment or playing sports. For adults, the duration stays the same — at least 2½ to 5 hours of moderate-intensity or 1 ¼ to 2 ½ hours of vigorous activity a week, plus at least two days that include muscle-strengthening exercise like pushups or lifting weights. One key change: It used to be thought that aerobic activity had to be done for at least 10 minutes. Now even short times are known to help. Even a single episode of activity gives short-term benefits such as lowering blood pressure, reducing anxiety and improving sleep. Sitting a lot is especially harmful. The advice is similar for older adults, but activities should include things that promote balance to help avoid falls. / **HEALTH:** Preventing heart attacks and other problems is the focus of top news from an American Heart Association conference that ends today in Chicago. A large study found that fish oil, in the amount and type contained in many dietary supplements, did not lower the risk of cancer or heart problems for generally healthy people. Vitamin D pills also failed to help. But a prescription-strength fish oil showed promise for people who already had certain heart risks. The conference also featured new cholesterol guidelines. They recommend a new type of test when it's unclear if someone needs treatment and give advice on who should consider pricey new cholesterol-lowering drugs that many insurers have balked at covering. / **HEALTH, SAFETY, YOUTH:** Nearly 1,300 day care operations in Oregon have missed a deadline to submit drinking water test results to state officials to make sure children aren't at risk of lead poisoning. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports in a story on Saturday that one in three licensed day cares in Oregon failed to meet the Sept. 30 deadline. State officials say that of the 2,600 day cares that did turn in test results, 43 found lead above state standards. Marc Siegel of Oregon's Office of Child Care says the agency in the coming weeks will make sure every day care gets tested and develops mitigation plans if the water contains too much lead. The powerful neurotoxin can damage the nervous system of young children. / **CRIME:** A western Oregon man who kidnapped his ex-girlfriend has been sentenced to 11 years and eight months in prison. Thirty-six-year-old Hayes Matthew Herbert of Elmira received the sentence Friday in Lane County Circuit Court. The Register-Guard reports that Herbert pleaded guilty earlier this month to first-degree kidnapping, first-degree burglary, strangulation and witness tampering, all felony charges. Police say that Herbert in June crashed his truck through a gate, kicked open a door, strangled his ex-girlfriend and then dragged her to his truck. Police say he crashed into a parked car, and the woman escaped by running about half a mile with Herbert chasing her. Herbert declined to make a statement in court. / **EDUCATION, POLITICS:** Among the policy ideas lawmakers are considering for Oregon's troubled education system are longer school years, limited class sizes and more access to state subsidized preschool. The Statesman Journal reports that since January, the Joint Committee on Student Success has been meeting with educators, families and business leaders across the state to figure out what is going well in schools, and what isn't. The bipartisan panel is made up of 14 legislators. The primary task of the committee is to address Oregon's four-year graduation rate, which, at 77 percent, is the third lowest in the country. From a lack of diverse staff and social-emotional learning opportunities, to unsafe buildings and scarce mental health services, the committee quickly found there

are myriad factors influencing students' success in- and outside the classroom. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: A lawsuit by an Idaho utility against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency concerning water temperature standards below a hydroelectric project where federally protected fall chinook salmon reproduce has been put on hold. A U.S. District Court judge last week agreed to stay the lawsuit by Idaho Power against the EPA while the federal agency works to complete tasks requested by the state of Idaho in 2012. The lawsuit filed in June seeks to force the agency to act on the request to allow warmer water temperatures in the Snake River below the Hells Canyon Complex on the Idaho-Oregon border. Idaho Power in the lawsuit says the EPA is violating environmental and administrative laws by failing to act. Idaho Power says the warmer water wouldn't harm salmon and would save customers up to \$100 million over 50 years. / GOVERNMENT, SAFETY, CIVIL LIBERTIES, CRIME: The Portland City Council heard testimony on an ordinance that would give Mayor Ted Wheeler immense new powers to regulate protests, an idea that residents told city officials is wrong. The Oregonian/OregonLive reported Thursday that Wheeler said frequent protests that predictably erupt into brawling fistfights between demonstrators have driven him and Police Chief Danielle Outlaw to seek the new restrictions. If enacted, it would allow him to dictate, for example, where and when certain groups could rally. Kimberly McCullough, policy director of the American Civil Liberties Union office in Oregon, told the council her organization believes the ordinance is vague, does too much to limit free speech and vests unnecessary power in the mayor. It's unclear if Wheeler and Outlaw have enough support from council members to enact the proposal, and the mayor and city commissioners did not vote on it Thursday. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Office of State Fire Marshal has activated its Agency Operations Center and is in the process of mobilizing 15 strike teams with equipment and personnel to assist with the Camp Fire in California. The OSFM is sending structural task forces from the following counties: Rouge Valley, Klamath, Douglas, Lane, Marion, Linn, Benton, Lincoln, Polk, Washington, Multnomah, Clatsop, Columbia, Clackamas, and Yamhill. California made the request through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact a national state-to-state mutual aid system. The EMAC request is sent directly to Oregon Emergency Management who contact and coordinate with the appropriate Oregon agency to fulfill the requests. ; As multiple wildfires continue to rage in California, the Red Cross Cascades Region (serving Oregon and Southwest Washington) has deployed 15 volunteers to assist in the massive response effort. With nearly a quarter million people displaced, the Red Cross is working to provide shelter, food and comfort for those forced to leave their homes with little notice. Overnight on Sunday, more than 2,100 people were cared for in 18 Red Cross and community evacuation centers across the state of California. In addition, the Red Cross has provided shelter supplies for over 7,000 people and begun mobilizing emergency supplies to serve over 15,000 households. Supplies include sifters, personal protective equipment, respiratory masks, rakes, shovels, work gloves, tarps and other resources. Also, nearly 3,900 people have registered on Safe and Well, a free Red Cross website that allows people to let their loved ones know they are safe. Fifteen Red Cross disaster responders from Bend, Grants Pass, Gresham, Gold Beach, Junction City, Medford, Newberg, Portland, Salem, Summerville, and Wolf Creek, Oregon, and Vancouver, Washington, are either already on the ground or making their way to California. In coordination with government and community partners, Red Crossers are preparing strategic shelter and warehouse locations and stocking food, cots, blankets and other relief supplies to help people affected by the fires. In addition, a dozen Red Cross Cascades Region volunteers continue to assist with the recovery efforts of Hurricane Michael in Florida and Hurricane Yutu in the Mariana Islands. In order to be ready to assist in the relief efforts related to these disasters, the local Red Cross Cascades Region is always looking for volunteer disaster responders. People interested in volunteering for the Red Cross as a disaster responder are encouraged to visit redcross.org/volunteer for more information. / **AGRICULTURE:** Hazelnut growers in Oregon were anticipating a record-high crop in 2018, although it appears the harvest is coming in short of expectations. The Capital Press reported Monday that the USDA

National Agricultural Statistics Service predicted 52,000 tons of hazelnuts in August, which would have beaten the previous record of 49,500 tons in 2001. Instead, local processors say they are looking at between 46,000 to 48,000 tons, which is higher than last year's total of 32,000 tons but still not on par with increases in handling capacity. Larry George, president and CEO of George Packing Company in Newberg, said he doesn't know exactly why hazelnut yields did not meet record forecasts. He says it could be that a new nut variety didn't perform as well and/or that growers harvested fewer early season orchards due to low prices caused by economic turmoil. / HEALTH: The Oregon Health Authority has released new guidelines for prescribing opioids to patients with short-term acute pain. The Register-Guard reports that it's part of a larger strategy to curb opioid abuse. The guidelines include advising doctors not to consider opioids for mild to moderate pain in patients who haven't had past exposure to opioids. Doctors should also check on the patient's history of substance abuse problems, educate them about safe storage and disposal and prescribe the lowest effective dose. State Health Officer Dr. Katrina Hedberg says most people who end up using opioids in the long-term are those who started with a prescription to treat mild to moderate acute pain, such as a broken arm. The guidelines are aimed at urgent care facilities, outpatient facilities, primary care doctors, emergency departments and post-surgery doctors. / GOVERNMENT, YOUTH: The teenage mayor-elect of a small Oregon city says he will be a steward for the budget and a proponent for growth. The Oregonian reports voters in Yoncalla last week elected 18-year-old Ben Simons to be mayor. The 2018 high school graduate and current student at Umpqua Community College beat out two other contenders with 41 percent of the vote. Yoncalla is a city of just more than 1,000 people about 44 miles south of Eugene. Simons has lived in Yoncalla all his life. He says his experience and familiarity helped him win the election. He was the high valedictorian and class president for two years. He also serves as a volunteer firefighter. He says people can be involved in government no matter what their age. / EDUCATION: Comic book genius Stan Lee, the architect of the contemporary comic book, has died. He was 95. The creative dynamo revolutionized the comics by introducing human frailties in superheroes such as Spider-Man, The Fantastic Four and The Incredible Hulk. As the top writer at Marvel Comics and later as its publisher, he revived the industry in the 1960s by offering the costumes and action craved by younger readers while insisting on sophisticated plots, college-level dialogue, satire, science fiction, even philosophy. If you are a fan of Stan Lee's work and Marvel Comics, you might want to make a trip to Seattle in the next few months. A massive exhibition on the Marvel Comics universe of superheroes, from Iron Man to Spider-Man, Black Panther to Captain America, is running through March 3rd at the Museum of Pop Culture at Seattle Center. The exhibit is impressive: More than 10,000 square feet and with interactive displays and more than 300 individual items are on display. It's the largest exhibition the museum, known as Mo-POP, has ever hosted. And it is curated by University of Oregon Professor Ben Saunders. A longtime comics and superhero fan, Saunders helped pull together everything from original, hand-drawn comics pages that make up the heart of the exhibition to selfie-ready statues of popular characters and memorabilia pulled from eight decades' worth of television shows, cartoons, films, and other multimedia tie-ins. The Museum of Popular Culture, formerly the Experience Music Project, is located in the shadow

of the Space Needle at Seattle Center. Admission prices to the exhibit and the rest of the museum are \$34 online, \$36 at the door. I've put a link with information on my TracyKKNU Facebook page. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>COMMUNITY, SAFETY, CRIME, EDUCATION: It's the sort of thing that should be a no-brainer: With people being killed across the country in frequent mass shootings, it is never funny to, quote, "joke," about a possible school shooting. But Springfield Police investigated three separate threats of school violence over Veterans Day weekend. They say the teen behind one threat told them it was meant to be a joke. But the other two cases are still under review. The first call came to police Friday evening when a student waiting at the Briggs Middle School bus stop was overheard by other students threatening to, quote, "shoot up the school on Tuesday." Officers contacted and interviewed a number of students, tracking down those originally involved and referring the case to the juvenile youth authority. The second report came when an off duty police officer was contacted by a friend whose son had received a Snapchat photo and message from a classmate at Thurston Middle School. The suspect student sent out a photo of an AR-15 style rifle with an attached text saying, quote, "Don't go to school tomorrow." Officers investigated and arrested an 8th grade student for First Degree Disorderly Conduct. The student admitted sending the message, but claimed it was "just a joke." Officers located the gun involved in the photo and determined it was an AirSoft rubber pellet rifle. Word of the third incident came from a mother of a Hamlin Middle School student who called police after her son was told by someone over the video game platform "Fortnite" that a female student was coming to school the following day to, quote, "shoot up the school." Officers tracked down and interviewed several juveniles but were unable to track down the original source of the threat or verify whether it was authentic. The potential female suspect remains unknown; however, police and school district officials are taking extra precautions on the school campus. Springfield Police and School District officials say their focus remains on creating a safe and inclusive learning environment for all. They say these sorts of threats and rumors not only cause a disruption to the educational process, but can result in undue anxiety for students and parents alike. It is a crime to verbally utter or imply threats of violence with the intent to cause public inconvenience, annoyance or alarm.</p> <p>Parents: Remind your children that making threats of violence is not a laughing matter. Students: If you hear of such threats, report them to parents, school officials, and the police. If anyone has any additional information they are asked to call the Springfield Police Department at 541-726-3714. ; Lawyers for the State of Oregon are urging the U.S. Supreme court to uphold the 112-year sentence given to a man who killed his parents before fatally shooting two students and wounding</p>

two dozen others at a high school 20 years ago. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports 36-year-old Kip Kinkel filed a petition in early August to the nation's highest court for a review of his sentence in the May 1998 shootings at Thurston high School in Springfield. Oregon solicitor general Benjamin Gutman filed a brief this month in response, saying the sentence shouldn't be overturned because the Oregon Supreme Court found it reflected his "irreparable corruption rather than the transience of youth." Attorneys Thaddeus Betz and Marsha Levick have argued their client never got the chance to demonstrate that he's not "permanently incorrigible" before the state imposed the sentence. / EDUCATION, LOW-INCOME: A community college in Eugene is partnering with two Oregon universities, aiming to offer more affordable pathways to a bachelor's degree. The Register-Guard reports Oregon State University's College of Business will offer Lane Community College students the opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree in general business in three years and at a lower cost. Lane students enrolled in the intensive business program would spend their first two years at the community college and then transfer to Oregon State. The community college is also working with Northwest Christian University to allow students who earn any associate degree to easily transfer into upper division classes in certain fields. Students with an associate of arts Oregon transfer degree will be able to continue seamlessly into any major at the university. / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: One of four Longview men charged in a massive Pacific Northwest poaching ring is set to go to trial. The Daily News of Longview reports that the trial for Eddy Dills is scheduled to begin Tuesday in Skamania County Superior Court. He faces 26 charges related to illegal hunting. He pleaded not guilty last year. Prosecutors in seven counties in Washington and Oregon have filed cases against about a dozen people alleged to have been involved in the ring, which allegedly operated out of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest in southwest Washington. His son, Joseph Dills, pleaded guilty last month in Skamania County Superior Court to first-degree big game hunting, illegal hunting with dogs and wasting wildlife. Two other Longview men, William Haynes and Erik Christian Martin, are scheduled for trial next month. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Pilots who fly Boeing's 737 MAX in the U.S. say the airline manufacturer didn't tell them about features of a new flight-control system that reportedly are part of the investigation into last month's deadly crash in Indonesia. The pilots say they were not trained in new features of an anti-stall system in the plane that differ from previous models of the 737. The automated system is designed to help pilots avoid raising the plane's nose too high, which can cause the aircraft to stall. It automatically pushes the nose of the plane down. But if that nose-down command is triggered by faulty sensor readings — as suspected in the Lion Air crash — pilots can struggle to control the plane and it can go into a dive and perhaps crash. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS, GOVERNMENT, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT: The U.S. government said it was starting work Tuesday to "harden" the border crossing from Tijuana, Mexico, to prepare for the arrival of a migrant caravan leapfrogging its way across western Mexico. Customs and Border Protection announced it was closing four lanes at the busy San Ysidro and Otay Mesa ports of entry in San Diego, California. It said the closures were needed "to install and pre-position port hardening infrastructure equipment in preparation for the migrant caravan and the potential safety and security risk that it could cause." That still leaves a substantial path for the tens of thousands of people who cross daily: Twenty-three lanes remain open at San Ysidro and 12 at

Otay Mesa. San Ysidro is the border's busiest crossing, with about 110,000 people entering the U.S. every day. That traffic includes some 40,000 vehicles, 34,000 pedestrians and 150 to 200 buses. A group of several hundred migrants moving ahead of the caravan made it to Tijuana on Tuesday aboard a fleet of buses. The caravans became a campaign issue in U.S. midterm elections and U.S. President Trump has ordered the deployment of over 5,000 military troops to the border to help fend off the migrants. Trump has insinuated without proof that there are criminals or even terrorists in the group. ; A federal judge set a hearing for Monday to determine whether to temporarily halt the Trump administration's latest immigration policy change denying asylum to anyone caught crossing the border illegally. President Trump issued a proclamation late last week. The regulations circumvent immigration law that states anyone who arrives to the U.S. can ask for asylum regardless of how they arrived. The American Civil Liberties Union filed a challenge in California arguing the rules were illegal. The lawsuit also asks that a judge put the changes on hold while the litigation progresses. The changes went into effect Saturday and apply to anyone at the U.S.-Mexico border. The hearing will be in San Francisco. The administration says about 70,000 people a year who cross illegally ask for asylum. / HOMELESSNESS, SAFETY, HEALTH, GOVERNMENT: Lane County is taking steps to prepare for moving homeless campers from the "butterfly lot" across oak Street from the county courthouse. County officials issued a statement yesterday saying "Lane County respects and supports every person's right to free speech and the protections provided by the First Amendment. The Free Speech Plaza, outside of Harris Hall, has been established as a location for lawful protest and is available to any person for protest between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m." County officials say the illegal camping that is occurring on the Butterfly Lot is not a form of lawful protest. Additionally, Lane County remains committed to the health and safety of all people in the downtown core and recent incidents, including a fire, have made it clear the health and safety of campers and others downtown are at risk. Officials add: "When it comes to access to public property, the laws in our community apply to everyone; it is important that those laws are enforced in a responsible manner." Lane County and City of Eugene officials are working in partnership to address issues with camping downtown and, with the assistance of the Eugene Police Department, have been communicating to those camped on the Butterfly Lot that they are in violation of camping rules. It is our hope that individuals choose to move. The Board of County Commissioners is in the process of discussing whether to establish hours of operation for the County's downtown properties in order to make them match the nearby Park Blocks and other public properties downtown. In the meantime, county officials continue to encourage people at the Butterfly Lot to utilize services and safe places that are available including Camp 99, which was opened to provide people on the Butterfly Lot with a safer and healthier place to camp – it has restrooms, water, and direct access to services at the Lindholm Center, including food, showers, and laundry services. Officials add that while Camp 99 was intended to be temporary (30–60 days), the City of Eugene and Lane County have agreed to transition that location into a more structured and accountable site to replace the location that the City had originally proposed for downtown Eugene. Currently, Lane County and the City of Eugene are working with St. Vincent de Paul to establish a process and date for that transition to occur. Later this month, St. Vincent de Paul will host an open house

at the existing Dusk to Dawn site, north of Camp 99, so that unhoused individuals can see how the program works. A resource fair will also be held at the Lindholm Center at the end of November to help people identify options other than Dusk to Dawn that are available in our community. / **VETERANS, ENVIRONMENT:** Among the ranks of wildland firefighters, the teams known as "Hotshot crews" handle some of the most challenging assignments. This week officials with the Bureau of Land Management announced that a fire crew based out of Lakeview, in south-central Oregon, has earned the coveted Hotshot designation. What makes this crew unique is that it is made up of military veterans. The crew formed in 2016, providing a way for veterans to work in a team environment and build skills and experience. That helps provide team members with a competitive edge should they wish to apply for employment with the federal government in any of its natural resource agencies. Supervisors say veterans already know how to work together through stressful situations, including long-duration fires. They know how to lead and follow and have a deep and diverse skill set. Several of the vets on the Lakeview Veterans Hotshots have combat paramedic experience. The team also includes four drone pilots, who've handled more than 100 missions over wildfires this year alone, providing everything from mapping and scouting fire lines to spotting fire detection and aerial ignitions. / **HEALTH, BUSINESS:** It's flu season. Health experts with SAIF, the state's workers' compensation insurance company, remind you that if you get sick, stay home from work. And they encourage employers and managers to understand and to realize that making sick workers come to the office or worksite puts everyone else at risk of falling ill. Most importantly, SAIF officials say managers should lead by example. Often, they are the least likely to take a sick day. But SAIF says managers set the tone for the whole work team and healthy habits should be a priority. Among things managers can do to keep workplaces healthy: Encourage workers to use their sick leave. Oregon law requires employers with 10 or more employees to provide 40 hours of paid leave per year. Make it easy for workers to wash their hands. Consider having alcohol-based hand sanitizer available on worksites where handwashing facilities are not available. Plan for flu season. When employees are out, extra work can fall to other staff members—increasing their likelihood of getting sick or injured. Have a contingency plan for being short on employees. / **CRIME:** Marijuana is legal in Oregon, but you can't barter it for a car. Police in Albany said Tuesday a car dealer posted a Mazda SUV for sale on an online marketplace last week. A man contacted the dealer and offered to trade cannabis for the car. 38-year-old Matthew Franks of Independence, Oregon, showed up at a parking-lot rendezvous that evening, expecting to meet the car seller. Instead, police were waiting for him. A police spokesman says Franks was arrested and taken to the Linn County Jail. Police say they seized 5.4 pounds of marijuana, which was incidentally less than the agreed-upon amount. Investigators say although marijuana is legal in Oregon, sales are regulated and those in the business must be licensed. /

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HOMELESSNESS, GOVERNMENT, HEALTH, SAFETY, CRIME, COMMUNITY: The barricades and "Do Not Cross" tape went up yesterday around the so-called "butterfly" parking lot owned by Lane County in downtown Eugene. It came after homeless campers began returning to the site several days ago. County officials say they worked with Eugene Police to close the location and move the campers, encouraging the homeless people to move to the county's newest camping spot, Camp 99, which lies along the 500 block of Highway 99 North. Officials say Camp 99 has portable toilets, handwashing stations, trash receptacles and security services on site and is located across the street from the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Lane County's Lindholm Service Center, which provides meals, showers and laundry services. County officials say as many as 70 campers voluntarily relocated to Camp 99 and the Butterfly Lot was fully vacated. But last weekend, new tents were erected on the Butterfly Lot, which lies off Oak Street between 7th and 8th Avenues, raising health and safety concerns. Officials say they received reports of public urination and defecation, threats of violence, and a fire that resulted in an injury. That led to yesterday's move to close the site. Lane County officials say they provided assistance moving camper belongings and also provided bus passes for those who choose to relocate to Camp 99 or a separate Dusk to Dawn camp. The county plans to bring in a contractor to clean and restore the site and replace contaminated soil. Some campers claimed they were at the Butterfly Lot site to exercise their Constitutional rights to protest and free speech. County officials say their Free Speech Plaza, outside of the Public Service Building and Harris Hall at 8th and Oak, remains open for lawful protest and is available to any person for protest between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION: Cleanup efforts are wrapping up near the site of a fatal truck crash and fuel release on Oregon 38, but the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality will continue water quality monitoring on a bi-weekly basis. The truck was carrying around 7,500 gallons of gasoline and 2,500 gallons of diesel when it crashed on Oct. 22. About 850 gallons of mixed fuel were recovered immediately and over 9,000 gallons were released. Crews completed excavating contaminated soil from the site on Nov. 2 and over the last week wrapped up backfilling the site. More than 33,000 tons of contaminated soil was removed from the site. The soil was taken to Short Mountain Landfill south of Eugene. Crews plan to hydro-seed the backfilled areas this week and remove remaining containment boom from the river. Samples taken from the Umpqua River continue not to show any signs of gasoline or diesel. Drinking water wells in

the area were not affected. Gasoline and diesel was detected in groundwater so monitoring wells have been placed on site to assess groundwater contamination on a longer-term basis. Levels have dropped in recent samples. / **ECONOMY, BUSINESS:** In October, Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment grew by 4,600 jobs, following a revised gain of 4,700 jobs in September. Monthly gains in October were widespread, with nine of the top 13 industries adding jobs, led by professional and business services (+1,500 jobs); wholesale trade (+1,000 jobs); and government (+1,000 jobs). Only two major industries cut jobs substantially in October: private educational services (-800 jobs) and financial activities (-900 jobs). Oregon's unemployment rate was 3.8 percent in October, the same as in August and September. These were Oregon's lowest unemployment rates since comparable records began in 1976. The U.S. unemployment rate held steady at 3.7 percent in both September and October. Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment increased by 38,100 jobs, or 2.0 percent, since October 2017. In that time, construction remained the fastest growing industry, with a gain of 8,200 jobs, or 8.2 percent. Health care and social assistance added 6,200 jobs, or 2.6 percent. Professional and business services also grew rapidly, adding 5,400 jobs, or 2.2 percent. However, three of Oregon's major industries slowed recently, with gains close to one percent since October 2017: financial activities (+1,000 jobs, or 1.0%); leisure and hospitality (+1,700 jobs, or 0.8%); and retail trade (+1,200 jobs, or 0.6%). And two industries declined over the year: information (100 jobs, or -0.3%) and private educational services (-800 jobs, or -2.2%). Over the past two years, retail trade has seen multiple store closures and the bankruptcies of several major national retailers. These closures and other factors contributed to a moderation in overall retail employment growth. Since October 2016, Oregon's retail employment grew at an annual rate of only 1.0%, which was about half the growth rate of Oregon's total nonfarm payroll employment. Somewhat counterbalancing retail's slowing was moderate growth in wholesale trade (up 2.8% in the past 12 months) and in transportation, warehousing, and utilities, which grew consistently close to a three percent annual rate over the past six years. / **CRIME:** A man has been sentenced to more than two years in Oregon prison after a recently tested sexual assault kit linked him to the rape of a 14-year-old Portland girl. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports 49-year-old Chanh Van Tran was sentenced Tuesday after he pleaded guilty last week to third-degree rape and third-degree sodomy in connection with the September 2012 assault. Tran was already incarcerated on a burglary conviction after breaking into a northeast Portland home in 2016. The 14-year-old victim had reported the assault to police immediately. She was taken to a hospital for a forensic exam on the same day. The sexual assault kit that matched DNA evidence to Tran wasn't tested until last year. Portland police have not said why the kit wasn't sent for testing in 2012. / **GOVERNMENT, COMMUNITY, CRIME:** The Portland City Council has rejected an ordinance that would have given Mayor Ted Wheeler new powers to regulate protests. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the mayor's proposal failed 2-3 Wednesday when Commissioner Nick Fish cast the deciding vote against it. Commissioner Amanda Fritz and Chloe Eudaly also voted no. Wheeler and Commissioner Dan Saltzman voted yes. Wheeler's ordinance would have given him the power to dictate the conditions of protests if demonstrators had a history of violence and if public safety was jeopardized. The mayor said he and Police Chief Danielle Outlaw developed the idea in response to an increasing number of

violent demonstrations in Portland since 2016. An official with the American Civil Liberties Union last week said her organization believes the ordinance is vague, does too much to limit free speech and vests unnecessary power in the mayor. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS, CRIME: The owners of a large Northwest electronics recycler are facing a federal conspiracy charge, after investigations found the company lied to customers by having mercury-containing flat-screen TVs shipped overseas instead of disposing of them safely in the U.S. Charging documents filed in Seattle on Wednesday say Total Reclaim Inc.'s customers paid at least \$1.2 million to have the material recycled from 2008 to 2016, but instead, the company sold the TVs to another company, knowing that company would ship them to China, where workers dismantled the monitors without safety or environmental protections. The practice was uncovered almost three years ago, and Total Reclaim has since been fined by regulators in Oregon and Washington. In an emailed statement Wednesday, owners Craig Lorch and Jeffrey Zirkle said they have cooperated with authorities. / ELDERS, BUSINESS: The Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services has issued a cease-and-desist order against Helen Kyung Lee and Joany Inc., also known as Impact Health Inc., for forging consumers' signatures on insurance documents, which violates the Oregon insurance code. The department, through its Division of Financial Regulation, is pursuing fines and seeking to revoke the licenses of Lee and Joany Inc. Lee and Impact Health Inc. offered consumers a \$50 gift card for filling out an insurance survey through either Facebook or Craigslist. The survey required consumers to provide a copy of their health care identification card with a valid effective date and member number. Lee, or representatives of Impact Health Inc., then forged consumers' signatures on a form that identifies the consumers' insurance agent, also known as an agent of record form. This allowed Lee to receive commissions from insurance companies without the consumers' consent or knowledge. Approximately, 1,600 Oregonians completed the survey in 2017, and more than 900 agent of record forms were filed as a result. The division has attempted to contact several consumers who filled out the survey. At least 12 have confirmed that their signatures were forged, and that they did not ask Lee nor Impact Health Inc. to be their agent. The division wants anyone that filled out a survey from Impact Health Inc. to do two things: Contact your insurance company to confirm it has the correct agent on file for you. If you filled out the survey, but do not have an agent, confirm that your insurance company does not have one listed for you. Oregonians who learn that the agent of record is not correct, contact the division's consumer advocates at 888-877-4894 (toll-free) to report it. This was a multi-state scheme. If you live outside Oregon and filled out a survey from Impact Health contact your state's insurance department to report it. The division believes similar efforts exist to obtain consumers' personal information. Be mindful of these schemes, and avoid them with these steps: Be suspicious of offers to receive gift cards or similar prizes for providing personal information. If it seems too easy to earn a prize, it is probably a trick. Do not give out your personal information by phone, email, or text. Government agencies, insurance companies, banks, and credit unions typically do not ask for this information unprompted. To learn more about protecting yourself and your finances visit, dfr.oregon.gov. Oregonians who have questions, concerns, or problems with an insurance or financial services company, agent, or broker can contact a consumer advocate at 888-877-4894 (toll free). / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY SAFETY: KGNU listeners are stepping up

to help the California wildfire victims. Brandon Blakesley with Blakesley Livestock Services organized one collection on Facebook and wrote: I have a pallet full of various feeds, along with nearly one hundred water buckets, various horse blankets, halters, leads, feeders, wound treatment and management supplies along with some brand-new rasps and more! Got home from Woodburn in time to do chores, grab a shower, something to munch on and we're fixing to hit the road! So attention residents, evacuees and livestock rescue teams active and present amongst the path or within close proximity to, The Camp Fire. I am more than willing to rendezvous with someone, anyone, to be of assistance and make the best attempts to provide relief and reassurance in a time of overwhelming and continuous devastation. I am also equipped with my pickup and 14x6 gooseneck stock trailer. Additionally, McDonald Wholesale in Eugene is preparing to send at least one truck of donated supplies south. ; As the scope of a deadly Northern California wildfire sets in, the sheriff says hundreds of people are combing through the charred remains in search for more bodies. The blaze has killed at least 56 people and authorities say 130 are unaccounted for. Many of the missing are elderly and from Magalia, a forested town of about 11,000 that lies to the north of the devastated city of Paradise. The one major roadway that runs through the mostly residential town is dotted with gas stations, a pizza shop, a hair salon and Chinese restaurant and convenience stores. There is no Main Street or town center. Homes and rustic cabins are scattered in rural lots and subdivisions in the nearby woods. One week after the deadly fire struck, police teams continue to drive around Magalia searching for the frail, elderly and others still in their homes, checking if they need any food and water. With the death toll at 56, it is the deadliest wildfire in a century. There were also three fatalities from separate blazes in Southern California. As officials raised the loss of homes in the Paradise and Magalia areas to nearly 8,800 Wednesday, Butte County's sheriff said the task of recovering remains had become so vast that his office brought in another 287 searchers Wednesday, including National Guard personnel, bringing the total number of searchers to 461 plus 22 cadaver dogs. He said a rapid-DNA assessment system was expected to be in place soon to speed up identifications of the dead, though officials have tentatively identified 47 of the 56. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke joined California Gov. Jerry Brown Wednesday on a visit to the nearby leveled town of Paradise, telling reporters it was the worst wildfire devastation he had ever seen. It will take years to rebuild, if people decide that's what should be done, said Brock Long, administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, but it broke out around the time and place that a electrical utility reported equipment trouble. Officials say they're looking to bring in mobile homes for thousands of people who have lost their houses to a Northern California wildfire. State and federal officials also are looking into using hotel rooms and rental properties to house people driven from the town of Paradise and neighboring communities. Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Brock Long said Wednesday that temporary school and hospital buildings will be brought in because rebuilding will take time. Long adds the town of 27,000 won't be rebuilt the way it was and that, quote, "we will all have to work together to find a new normal." / CRIME, POLITICS, GOVERNMENT: President Trump on Wednesday announced his support for the first major rewrite of the nation's criminal justice sentencing laws in a generation, but it remains to be seen whether the proposal

can pass Congress. Trump said the bill will make our communities safer and give former inmates a second chance at life after they have served their time. The president hailed the deal as proof that "true bipartisanship is possible" — though no Democrats attended the White House announcement. Senators reached an agreement this week on bipartisan legislation that would boost rehabilitation efforts for federal prisoners and give judges more discretion when sentencing nonviolent offenders, particularly for drug offenses. The House approved a prison reform bill in May, but the proposed Senate package makes additional changes and adds the sentencing component. That means the House would need to revote on anything the Senate passes. Criminal justice reform has been a priority of Trump's son-in-law, White House senior adviser Jared Kushner, who has been working on the issue for months. Trump pushed for swift passage of the legislation, potentially during the lame-duck session of Congress. But members still haven't seen the details, and time is running short. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky. was cautious about the bill's prospects Wednesday. He told reporters that GOP leaders would do a whip count to gauge the bill's support once they have a final proposal in hand. Still, he noted the Senate has other things it needs to accomplish in the final weeks of the year, including funding the government and passing a farm bill. He said Republicans would have to see how the criminal justice bill "stacks up against our other priorities" once a final agreement is reached. The bill is a rare bipartisan endeavor in a typically log-jammed Congress and has attracted support from a coalition of liberal and conservative groups, including the American Civil Liberties Union and groups backed by the political donors Charles and David Koch. Critics say current sentencing guidelines are unfair and have had a lopsided impact on minority communities. The Senate package overhauls some of the mandatory sentencing guidelines that have been in place since 1994 legislation approved by Congress and signed into law by then-President Bill Clinton. / HEALTH, YOUTH: A top U.S. health official is pledging to try to ban menthol from regular cigarettes, outlaw flavors in all cigars and tighten rules regarding the sale of most flavored versions of e-cigarettes. Scott Gottlieb of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration disclosed the plans this morning. The restrictions are mainly aimed at reducing smoking in kids: About half of teens who smoke cigarettes choose menthols and flavored e-cigarettes have been blamed for a recent increase in teen vaping rates. The move also represents a major step to further push down U.S. smoking rates, which have been falling for decades, but not as quickly as health officials would like to see. / ELECTIONS: State elections officials say they have been alerted by the Multnomah County Elections office that two individuals turned in 97 ballots (92 Multnomah County, 4 Clackamas County, 1 Washington County) on Wednesday November 7. It is illegal to count these ballots since they arrived after 8:00pm on Election Day. The voters of these ballots have been mailed a notification. ORS 254.470(6) provides that if a person returns a ballot for an elector, they must deposit the ballot at the county elections office, or an official dropbox, not later than two days after receiving the ballot or by 8:00pm on Election Day, whichever comes first. In cooperation with the Multnomah County Elections office, the Secretary of State has opened an investigation to determine the facts and review the evidence to ensure all parties involved receive due process. Once they conclude the investigation and make a final determination, officials say they will be happy to answer any questions. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: The Lane

Regional Air Protection Agency issued "RED" home wood heating advisories for Eugene, Springfield, and Oakridge through this afternoon. Air pollution levels rose this week in the lower Willamette Valley with lots of burning activity and slight intrusions from the Northern California wildfires. Most of the smoke impacts have been local activity from home wood heating and outdoor burning. Without good ventilation, the smoke has been lingering at the ground level and degrading air quality. During a RED advisory, no visible smoke is allowed from a chimney at a residential home. People are asked to use alternative heating devices. LRAPA is sensitive to the fact that many Lane County residents rely heavily on wood for their primary heat and economic exemptions are available in the LRAPA office or online. A RED advisory is a health advisory. Children, pregnant women, seniors, and those who suffer from respiratory or cardiovascular diseases should avoid strenuous exercise or time outside in the smoke. Wood combustion is the biggest cause of winter-time air pollution in Lane County. Degraded air quality can trigger asthma attacks or increase negative long-term health impacts including cancer, for children, seniors, pregnant women, and people with pre-existing respiratory conditions. LRAPA reminds residents that during a RED advisory any visible smoke from a chimney can result in enforcement action and a fine. The agency forecasts pollution levels 24/7 and provides the community with a daily home wood burning advisory. Call the Home Wood Heating Hotline, 541-746-4328, or check www.LRAPA.org for current advisories and up-to-date air quality information. /

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DISCUSSED** ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: The National Weather Service in Portland has issued a Wind Advisory, which is in effect from 4 PM this afternoon to noon Tuesday. Winds south 25 to 35 mph with gusts up to 50 mph. Brief gusts up to 60 mph are possible for exposed terrain such as the Salem Hills. Peak wind timing: Midnight tonight to 8 AM Tuesday. Strong winds may blow down limbs, trees, and power lines. Scattered power outages are expected. A High Surf Warning is also in effect for the Oregon Coast. Dangerously high surf will batter beaches in the warning area, producing deadly rip currents and beach erosion. Seas will be 20 to 22 ft today, but seas will build again later today into tonight. Seas will peak at 25 to 30 ft later this evening, possibly 30 to 33 ft in few spots along the Oregon Coast around midnight. Seas will subside late tonight into Tuesday morning. Surf will increase this evening with breakers of 28 to 38 feet. Stay out of the surf zone. The long period swell will maintain a high danger of sneaker waves. Stay off the beach and nearby rocks. Do not walk or climb on jetties, rocks or low coastal cliffs as it will be extremely hazardous. Stay out of the surf zone, especially this afternoon through Tuesday. Large drift logs and other floating debris could be hidden in the surf zone and could be tossed onto the beach or rocks with little if any warning. Significant erosion of sand and dunes can be expected. Periods of heavy rain starting Monday afternoon through Tuesday will result in sharp rises on many rivers and creeks across Northwest Oregon, and minor flooding is possible. Rainfall totals of 3 to 6 inches are expected for the coast, Coast Range, Cascades, and Cascade foothills. Meanwhile, 1.5 to 2.5 inches of rain are expected across the inland valleys. Landslides and debris flows are possible during this flood event. People, structures and roads located below steep slopes, in canyons and near the mouths of canyons may be at serious risk from rapidly moving landslides. Strong south winds will develop along the coast this afternoon as low pressure approaches, then spread inland this evening. The strongest winds and heaviest rain will occur overnight and into Tuesday morning as a frontal zone moves slowly southward across the forecast area. . ; High winds toppled trees and power lines, causing thousands to lose power and roads to be closed across Washington and Oregon. The National Weather Service issued high wind warnings Friday for Oregon and Washington's Pacific Coast and Washington's northern interior with wind advisories for areas inland. As of Friday evening, more than 109,000 customers had lost power in western Washington. West of Port Angeles, Washington, downed trees and power lines caused the temporary closure of 22 miles of state Route 112. Olympic National Park officials

closed the visitor center in Port Angeles, Hurricane Ridge Road and the Hoh Visitor Center for the day. In Oregon, Pacific Power officials said inclement weather caused outages from Astoria to Cave Junction. Oregon Department of Transportation officials temporarily closed Interstate 84 in eastern Oregon between Pendleton and La Grande after 90 mph winds were reported and at least one truck appeared to have blown over on the freeway. ; Authorities have rescued a sea turtle from an Oregon coast beach for the second time in a week. The Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport is caring for both turtles. A couple walking along the beach in Waldport spotted the second turtle Saturday and called the aquarium. State parks ranger Doug Sestrich carried the animal to safety. The aquarium says the turtle is in good health. They say the marine animals can be buffeted by rough seas and become exhausted as their body temperatures drop, leading to their stranding. Caretakers plan to transfer the turtles to SeaWorld San Diego for treatment until they're ready to be released back into the wild. The first turtle was found Wednesday. ; Oregon wildlife officials say 360,000 young salmon and eggs have died at a western Oregon fish hatchery. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in a news release Friday says the spring Chinook died at the aging Cole Rivers Hatchery due to not getting enough oxygen. Officials say a buildup of algae and failing equipment allowed silt and debris into the hatchery's water supply. Officials say the loss represents about 15 percent of the hatchery's inventory of eyed eggs for spring Chinook, and that about 1.9 million eggs remain. Hatchery coordinator Ryan Couture says the facility should be able to meet production goals but final numbers won't be known until late spring. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers owns the hatchery it built in 1973 and continues to fund /

POLITICS, IMMIGRATION: Parts of the federal government might shut down at midnight Friday. It comes as the White House insists that Congress provide \$5 billion to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border despite lawmaker resistance from both parties. President Trump said last week he would be, quote, "proud" to have a shutdown to get Congress to approve a \$5 billion down payment to fulfill his campaign promise to build a border wall. But the president does not have the votes from the Republican-controlled Congress to support funding for the wall at that level. Both major political parties in Congress have suggested that Trump would likely need to make the next move to resolve the impasse. The House is taking an extended weekend break, returning Wednesday night. The Senate returns today after a three-day absence. The Democratic congressional leaders, Sen. Chuck Schumer and Rep. Nancy Pelosi, have proposed no more than \$1.6 billion, as outlined in a bipartisan Senate bill. The money would not go for the wall but for fencing upgrades and other border security. Democrats also offered to simply keep funding at its current level, \$1.3 billion. Showing no signs of budging, Schumer said Sunday that it was up to Trump to decide whether the federal government will partially shut down, sending thousands of federal employees home without pay during the holidays. About one-quarter of the government would be affected, including the departments of Homeland Security, Transportation, Agriculture, State and Justice, as well as national parks. Trump had neither accepted nor rejected the Democrats' proposal as of Friday, according to the Democrats, telling them he would take a look. Trump will need Democratic votes either way, now or in the new year, for passage. Trump, during his 2016 presidential campaign, promised that Mexico would pay for the wall. Mexico refused. Wyoming Sen. John Barrasso, the No. 3 Republican in the Senate, said

Republicans remain hopeful they can come up with a proposal that can be acceptable to Trump and pass both chambers. He suggested that could take the form of a stopgap bill that extends funding until January or a longer-term bill that includes money for border security. Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, urged senators to revisit a bill she helped push earlier this year that would provide \$2.5 billion for border security, including physical barriers as well as technology and border patrol agents. Schumer declined to say whether Democrats would be willing to consider proposals other than the two options that he and Pelosi offered. Miller and Barrasso spoke on CBS' "Face the Nation," Schumer appeared on NBC's "Meet the Press," and Collins was on ABC's "This Week." / **POLITICS, HEALTH:** A federal judge in Texas has ruled the Affordable Care Act "invalid" on the eve of the sign-up deadline for coverage next year. In a 55-page opinion, U.S. District Judge Reed O'Connor ruled Friday that last year's tax cut bill knocked the constitutional foundation from under "Obamacare" by eliminating a penalty for not having coverage. Supporters of the law immediately said they would appeal. The White House applauded O'Connor's ruling, but said the law remains in place while appeals proceed. President Trump tweeted that Congress should pass a new law. Twenty Republican-led states brought the lawsuit. After Trump ordered the Justice Department to stop defending the health law, a coalition of ACA-supporting states took up the defense. O'Connor is a conservative Republican appointee who previously blocked other Obama-era policies. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** The remaining residents who fled from the deadliest wildfire in California history were allowed to return to their homes or what was left of them on Saturday and assess the damage. It came more than one month after the fire broke out Nov. 8, killing at least 86 people and destroying 14,000 homes in the town of Paradise and the nearby communities of Magalia and Concow in the Sierra Nevada foothills. Three people remain unaccounted for. Authorities warned Paradise has limited services and advised residents to use power generators and have enough food, water and fuel for their vehicles. The Butte County health officer issued an advisory strongly urging people not to live on destroyed property until it is declared clear of hazardous waste, ash and debris. Officials note there is evidence from earlier fires in California that homes and property destroyed by fire contain high and concerning levels of heavy metals, lead, mercury, dioxin, arsenic and other carcinogens. The county is providing masks, gloves and protective suits to reduce exposure to toxic materials. Authorities also warned of an increased risk for flash flooding in the burn areas. Meantime, our KGNU listeners have already filled and delivered one truck of relief supplies to the fire victims and are preparing to send another. / **SAFETY:** Oregon State Police say a 33-year-old Corvallis man died in a traffic accident Saturday night on Highway 99-West near Junction City. Investigators are working to determine whether excessive speed and alcohol use contributed to the crash. It happened shortly after 10 p.m. Saturday. Investigators say a 2000 Honda Accord operated by 21-year-old Saucedo Salvador-Mendez of Cheshire was traveling southbound at a high rate of speed and collided with the back of a southbound Ford F-350 pickup operated by 20-year-old Peter Haag of Junction City. Investigators say the front-seat passenger in the Honda Accord, Francisco Jose Perez-Velasco of Corvallis, was not wearing a seat belt and died at the scene. The driver, Salvador-Mendez, and a rear passenger were treated take to the hospital for treatment of their injuries. The pick-up's driver sustained minor injuries and was not transported to the hospital. ; A 25-year-old Eugene

woman is in a Portland burn unit and her fiancé is being treated locally for his burns after an explosion and fire Saturday night outside a unit in the Churchill Village Apartments on the 3600 block of West 18th Avenue. It happened around 10:20 Saturday night and police say responding officers and fire personnel worked to douse the flames and rescue three children still inside the unit, which was filling with smoke. Investigators say the explosion was triggered when a couple built a fire in an old barbecue grill and the man used gasoline to stoke the blaze. Investigators say the bottle filled with gasoline melted from the heat and the flaming gas caught the woman's clothing on fire and spread to another gas can, which exploded. The first officer on the scene found the severely injured woman on the back patio as well as the small active fire and propane bottles still near the flames. The officer helped the woman and her fiancé get outside and officer began emergency first aid. Meantime, three more Eugene Police officers arrived and learned there were three small children still in the unit, which was filling with smoke. They entered the apartment and carried the children outside. They were uninjured. Police say at one point the man tried to re-enter the apartment and three additional officers had to restrain and physically remove him, detaining him for his safety. / CRIME: Eugene Police say they've charged two men in connection with Friday night's incident where shots were fired on the third floor of the Parade parking garage. Police say a quick response and some helpful bystanders enabled them to quickly locate and arrest the men. It happened shortly after 10:00 p.m. and investigators say a 19-year-old Cottage Grove man, Travis Scott Rich, and a 23-year-old Eugene man, Devon Matthew Bolton-Coulter, were intoxicated when Rich, for an undetermined reason, fired a couple of rounds from a handgun. Officials say the two men fled on foot and were spotted by a patrol officer, who pursued them on foot. The males ran toward the Park Blocks from Willamette Alley where other officers were waiting. When police confronted the pair, they say Rich put his hand down to his waistband as he approached the officers. Officials say both males eventually complied with orders to get on the ground and were taken into custody without incident. They say a search revealed Travis Rich had a loaded firearm concealed in his waistband. Rich was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, Unlawful Use of a Firearm, three counts of Reckless Endangering, Interfering with a Peace Officer, Criminal Trespass II. Bolton-Coulter was charged with Interfering with a Peace Officer, Criminal Trespass II. ; Eugene Police say a fight downtown late Saturday night appears to have ended with a 47-year-old man being stabbed and hospitalized with non-life threatening injuries. Investigators contacted a 36-year-old man who was involved in the incident, which remains under investigation. It happened shortly before 10:30 p.m. Saturday, when officers responded to reports of a stabbing at E. 10th Avenue and Oak Street and located the victim lying in a flower box in front of a building at 112 East 10th Avenue. He was hospitalized. Police contacted another man in connection with the incident and say they are continuing to investigate the circumstances of the case. ; Eugene Police say a 32-year-old man accused of menacing his housemates with a gun was stabbed during the incident and later arrested. It happened shortly before four this morning at an apartment complex in the 1100 block of West 15th Avenue. Police responded amid reports of both the stabbing and a suspect armed with a handgun. Officials say Central Lane 911 Dispatch managed the difficult process of sorting out information and officers went to the involved apartment and immediately encountered about five people in the

courtyard, including one person with a knife and gun. Once everyone was detained, officers had to force entry into the building to get to the person who had been stabbed. They say 32-year-old Steven Shaffer had menaced his roommates with the handgun to force them out of the unit and was stabbed by one roommate during this incident. That roommate wrestled the gun from Shaffer and left with his friends. Shafer was taken to the hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries and ultimately arrested and cited in lieu of custody for Unlawful Use of Weapon, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, and Menacing /

HEALTH, YOUTH: A new study released this morning shows growing use of e-cigarettes by high school students, raising long-term health concerns. The survey released by the National Institute on Drug Abuse finds 21 percent of high school seniors used e-cigarettes in the last 30 days—nearly double the numbers from last year. And the increase in vaping by 10th and 12th graders was the largest year-over-year jump for any substance ever measured by the survey, which started 44 years ago. The annual survey, which also measures use of other substances including marijuana, alcohol and opioids, questioned more than 44,000 students from 8th, 10th and 12th grades in U.S. public and private schools. E-cigarettes have been a divisive topic in the public health community. Some focus on the potential benefit of shifting lifelong smokers to less harmful nicotine products, while others fear it will create a new generation addicted to nicotine. Last month, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), facing mounting pressure to act on the rising popularity of vaping devices, announced sweeping new restrictions on flavored tobacco products, including e-cigarettes. More 8th and 10th graders also reported that vaping devices and e-liquids containing nicotine were easier to obtain in 2018 than in 2017. E-cigarette makers, including Juul Labs, have also faced scrutiny from the FDA amid the increase in teenage use of the devices, which look like a USB flash drive and vaporize a flavored liquid containing nicotine. Juul officials said in November they would pull popular flavors such as mango, cucumber and fruit from many retail store shelves to reduce teenage use of its products. /

ELECTIONS: A report compiled by private researchers and expected to be released today by the Senate intelligence committee says that "active and ongoing" Russian interference operations still exist on social media platforms, and that the Russian operation discovered after the 2016 presidential election was much broader than once thought. The report was compiled by the cybersecurity firm New Knowledge with data provided by the Senate committee from major tech companies Facebook, Twitter and Alphabet, the parent company of Google. Along with another report expected to be released by the panel, it is the first comprehensive analysis of the Russian interference on social media beyond what the companies themselves have said. The report says that there are still some live accounts tied to the original Internet Research Agency, which was named in an indictment from special counsel Robert Mueller in February for an expansive social media campaign intended to influence the 2016 presidential election. Some of these accounts have a presence on smaller platforms as the major companies have tried to clean up after the Russian activity was discovered. One major takeaway of the study is the breadth of Russian interference that appeared on Instagram, which is owned by Facebook and was not as frequently mentioned when its parent company testified on Capitol Hill. The study says that as attention was focused on Facebook and Twitter in 2017, the Russians shifted much of their activity to Instagram. The study says that there were 187 million engagements

with users on Instagram, while there were 77 million on Facebook. / POLITICS, ENVIRONMENT: Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, facing federal investigations into his travel, political activity and potential conflicts of interest, will be leaving the administration at year's end, President Donald Trump said Saturday. In his resignation letter, obtained by The Associated Press, Zinke said "vicious and politically motivated attacks" against him had "created an unfortunate distraction" in fulfilling the agency's mission. Trump, in tweeting Zinke's departure, said the former Montana congressman "accomplished much during his tenure" and that a replacement would be announced next week. The Cabinet post requires Senate confirmation. Zinke, a University of Oregon graduate, is leaving weeks before Democrats take control of the House, a shift in power that promises to sharpen the probes into his conduct. His departure comes amid a staff shake-up as Trump heads into his third year in office facing increased legal exposure due to intensifying investigations into his campaign, business, foundation and administration. Zinke's resignation letter, obtained from a Zinke aide on Saturday, cites what he calls "meritless and false claims" and says that "to some, truth no longer matters." The letter, dated Saturday, said Zinke's last day would be Jan. 2. It was not clear whether Zinke had already submitted the letter when Trump tweeted. Zinke, 57, played a leading part in Trump's efforts to roll back federal environmental regulations and promote domestic energy development. He drew attention from his first day on the job, when he mounted a roan gelding to ride across Washington's National Mall to the Department of Interior. On Tuesday, Zinke appeared on stage at an Environmental Protection Agency ceremony for a rollback on water regulations. Mentioning his background as a Navy SEAL at least twice, he led the audience in a round of applause for the U.S. oil and gas industry. As interior secretary, Zinke pushed to develop oil, natural gas and coal beneath public lands in line with the administration's business-friendly aims. But he has been dogged by ethics probes, including one centered on a Montana land deal involving a foundation he created and the chairman of an energy services company, Halliburton, that does business with the Interior Department. Investigators also are reviewing Zinke's decision to block two tribes from opening a casino in Connecticut and his redrawing of boundaries to shrink a Utah national monument. Zinke has denied wrongdoing. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: High winds and heavy rainfall are causing problems for Oregon travelers who should be on the lookout for downed trees and debris, downed power lines and high water caused by clogged storm drains. Strong winds hit the Oregon Coast, Willamette Valley and Cascades overnight and are continuing this morning. The wind has created many traffic hazards, including downed trees, broken tree limbs and other debris on area roads. The heavy rainfall has caused areas of high standing water. Slow down: High winds can make it harder to control your vehicle or bicycle. Reduce speed and be especially wary when moving into an unprotected area and when coming alongside a large vehicle. Slow down, especially through high water. Driving through several inches of water at high speed can cause you to lose control of the car; it could also splash water into the engine and stall it. Lowering your speed helps you prepare for sudden stops caused by disabled cars, debris and other wet-weather hazards. Keep your distance. A car needs two to three times more stopping distance on wet roads. Turn on your headlights to improve visibility. Use your low beams! Disengage your cruise control. Allow more time to reach your destination. In severe weather, closures and crashes can cause long delays. Hydroplaning occurs when your front tires ride on a film of water. It can occur at speeds as low as 35 miles per hour, especially if tires are worn. If you hydroplane, ease off the gas, gently apply the brakes and steer straight ahead. Travelers should also be prepared for unexpected road closures so keep alternate routes in mind. High wind, especially after periods of rain, can cause landslides or push rocks, trees or brush into the roadway. Travelers should be especially vigilant in areas prone to slides, including hilly areas. Downed trees can cause power outages which can knock out traffic signals. When traffic signals are off, treat intersections like a four-way stop. Remember, keep both hands on the wheel and pull over if conditions get too rough. ; The National Weather Service Wind Advisory remains in effect until noon across the Southern and Central Willamette Valley. Strong winds may blow down limbs and trees onto powerlines. Spotty power outages are expected. Gusts could reach 45 mph in the valley, 70 mph in coastal communities. The High Surf Advisory remains in effect through this afternoon. Breakers of 20 to 30 feet. Stay out of the surf zone. Large seas will maintain a risk for sneaker waves, but the risk will not be as severe as observed on Sunday and Monday. Do not walk or climb on jetties, rocks or low coastal cliffs as it will be extremely hazardous. Stay out of the surf zone. Large drift logs and</p>

other floating debris could be hidden in the surf zone and could be tossed onto the beach or rocks with little if any warning. / ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION, SAFETY: A couple of school notes this morning: The Siuslaw Schools are on a two-hour delay while crews clear debris from some roads. The Alsea Schools are closed because of a boiler failure. The Philomath Schools are running on-time but some buses might be delayed by high water and storm debris. / CRIME: Investigators say a Thanksgiving evening fire at the Creswell Super 8 Motel was deliberately set, as was a second blaze two days later. Now, they've arrested the motel owners and charged them in connection with the case. Inder and Satinder Singh were arrested and jailed Sunday on charges of arson. Investigators with the Oregon State Police, South Lane Fire and the Lane County Sheriff's Department are continuing to develop their case. During the Thanksgiving Day fire, there were six rooms rented at the motel and a minimum of 7 people in them who had to be evacuated. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT: Looking for a fun gift for a driver in your family? How about a voucher for Oregon's newest license plate design? The group Keep Oregon Green, in partnership with the USDA Forest Service and the Oregon Department of Forestry, is launching the sale of an Oregon plate that will feature the iconic image of Smokey Bear set against a green forested backdrop and the words "Keep Oregon Green." The goal is to remind other drivers to protect Oregon's scenic landscapes from careless human-caused wildfires. The plates are expected to go into production next year, once Oregonians have purchased 3,000 vouchers to ensure there's enough demand. The vouchers are \$40 dollars. The effort coincides with a year-long, nationwide celebration of Smokey Bear's 75th Anniversary in 2019. Keep Oregon Green is promoting the license plate on social media using the hashtag #DriveWithSmokey" and will partner with other fire-fighting and emergency response organizations to help spread the message. Close to two-thirds of Oregon's wildfires are human-caused, which means they're completely preventable. The leading culprits behind a number of these fires included illegal burning, driving poorly-maintained vehicles that spark fires, and failing to extinguish campfires properly. Other fire causes include power lines, mowing dry grass, fireworks, and smoking. To purchase a \$40 voucher and contribute to Keep Oregon Green's fire prevention message, visit drivewithsmokey.com For more on wildfire prevention information and the Keep Oregon Green Association, visit www.keepporeongreen.org / BUSINESS, HEALTH: Oregon lawmakers will consider making it illegal for businesses to fire employees who flunk drug tests for using marijuana off the clock, reviving a workers' rights campaign that failed in the statehouse last year. The Statesman Journal reports that a proposed bill would also change state law to protect job seekers who use substances like pot that are legal here. The proposal reflects a debate over whether Oregon workers should be forced to abstain from marijuana use — which is allowed under state law but remains federally illegal — for fear of getting fired or losing an employment offer. Senate Bill 301, which represented a previous attempt to loosen employment restrictions, failed in 2017. That bill generally dealt with discrimination against medical marijuana cardholders who tested positive for the cannabis. / ENVIRONMENT: Two endangered sea turtles rescued in separate incidents after being stranded on the Oregon coast last week have died after attempts to rehabilitate them were unsuccessful. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the first turtle, a female olive ridley, was spotted by a resident on a beach north of Coos

Bay. When an Oregon state trooper found her, she had shell cracks and was lethargic. Analysis showed her kidneys were severely compromised. On Saturday, people on a Waldport beach spotted the second turtle, also a female olive ridley, and called the Oregon Coast Aquarium. Aquarium Curator of Fish and Invertebrates Evonne Mochon-Collura says that turtle was suffering from cold-stun, which is rough on internal organs. Both animals died Sunday. Winter months can prove perilous for sea turtles off the Pacific Northwest coast as the creatures can end up in water much too cold for them. / CRIME: Two Oregon jail inmates have been incarcerated longer following an escape attempt that Deschutes County Circuit Court Judge A. Michael Adler says was "one of the dumbest things I've seen in a while." The Bulletin reports 30-year-old Christopher Turre was sentenced Monday to 90 days in jail, and 34-year-old Shawn McCallister was sentenced last week to 18 months in prison. The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office says the two men stole an all-terrain vehicle while on a work detail at the county's horse rescue ranch in early November. They drove through a gate and led police on a pursuit before crashing on a field. Prosecutor Steve Gunnels says both men "were visibly intoxicated and admitted to drinking hand sanitizer." He says Turre was one week from release before the escape attempt. / POLITICS, IMMIGRATION: Few if any signs of progress are emerging as President Trump and Democratic lawmakers continue their standoff over funding the government and avoiding a partial shutdown at midnight Friday. The main sticking point is Trump's demand for \$5 billion to build a border wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. Even a partial shutdown would leave hundreds of thousands of federal employees furloughed or working without pay over the holiday season. Costs would likely be in the billions of dollars. Trump doesn't have the votes from the Republican-led Congress to support his demand for border wall construction. Democrats are offering to continue funding at current levels, \$1.3 billion, not for the wall but for fencing and other border security. / POLITICS, AGRICULTURE: President Trump has authorized the Agriculture Department to launch the second and final round of \$11 billion in trade mitigation payments to farmers hard hit by tariffs. In a tweet on Monday, Trump said he is fulfilling a promise to protect farmers against "unjustified trade retaliation by foreign nations." The Trump administration in July announced it would provide up to \$12 billion to offset losses from Trump's trade disputes with China and other countries. The first round of checks went out in September. In total, producers of almonds, corn, cotton, dairy, hogs, sorghum, soybeans, fresh sweet cherries and wheat will receive roughly \$9.5 billion. Soybean farmers will get the largest share. Roughly \$1.2 billion is earmarked for a food purchase and distribution program and \$200 million to promote trade. / POLITICS, CRIME, SAFETY: The Trump administration is moving to officially ban bump stocks, which allow semi-automatic weapons to fire rapidly like automatic firearms. A senior Justice Department official says bump stocks will be banned under the federal law that prohibits machine guns. It will take effect in late March. After that, it will be illegal to possess bump stocks. The official wasn't authorized to discuss the matter publicly and spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. The devices became a focal point in the national gun control debate after they were used in October 2017 in the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history. Gunman Stephen Paddock rained a hail of bullets from his 32nd-floor Las Vegas hotel room, killing 58 people at a country music concert. / HEALTH, YOUTH: The government's top doctor is taking aim at the best-selling electronic

cigarette brand in the U.S., urging swift action to prevent Juul and similar vaping brands from addicting millions of teenagers. In an advisory this morning, Surgeon General Jerome Adams said parents, teachers, health professionals and government officials must take "aggressive steps" to keep children from using e-cigarettes. Federal law bars the sale of e-cigarettes to those under 18. For young people, Adams says "nicotine is dangerous and it can have negative health effects." He warns it can "impact learning, attention and memory, and it can prime the youth brain for addiction." Federal officials are scrambling to reverse a recent explosion in teen vaping that public health officials fear could undermine decades of declines in tobacco use. An estimated 3.6 million U.S. teens are now using e-cigarettes, representing 1 in 5 high school students and 1 in 20 middle schoolers, according to the latest federal figures. Separate survey results released Monday showed twice as many high school students used e-cigarettes this year compared to last year. E-cigarettes and other vaping devices have been sold in the U.S. since 2007, growing into a \$6.6 billion business. Most devices heat a flavored nicotine solution into an inhalable vapor. They have been pitched to adult smokers as a less-harmful alternative to cigarettes, though there's been little research on the long-term health effects or on whether they help people quit. Even more worrisome, a growing body of research suggests that teens who vape are more likely to try regular cigarettes. The surgeon general singled out Silicon Valley startup Juul. The company leapfrogged over its larger competitors with online promotions portraying their small device as the latest high-tech gadget for hip, attractive young people. Analysts now estimate the company controls more than 75 percent of the U.S. e-cigarette market. The surgeon general's advisory notes that each Juul cartridge, or pod, contains as much nicotine as a pack of cigarettes. Additionally, Adams states that Juul's liquid nicotine mixture is specially formulated to give a smoother, more potent nicotine buzz. He says that effect poses special risks for young people. Juul said in a statement that it shares the surgeon general's goal: "We are committed to preventing youth access of Juul products." Last month, San Francisco-based Juul shut down its Facebook and Instagram accounts and halted in-store sales of its flavored pods. The flavors remain available via age-restricted online sales. That voluntary action came days before the Food and Drug Administration proposed industrywide restrictions on online and convenience store sales of e-cigarettes to deter use by kids. Adams recommends parents, teachers and health professionals learn about e-cigarettes, talk to children about the risks and set an example by not using tobacco products.

/ HOMELESSNESS, COMMUNITY: A federal report released Monday provides a possible glimmer of hope for the homeless crisis that has gripped many cities up and down the West Coast. Cities in California, Oregon and Washington have driven an overall spike in the number of homeless people nationwide in recent years. This year's count continued that trend, showing 552,800 people without homes across the country, up by about 2,000 from 2017, according to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's point-in-time tally. It was the second consecutive increase after seven straight years of declines. The number of homeless referred to as unsheltered — those living in the streets, encampments or other open places — was more than 194,000 nationwide. That also was up from last year. The homelessness data picture is incomplete because several West Coast areas with large populations, including San Francisco, Portland, Oregon, and California's Orange County, did not conduct new counts of

unsheltered homeless populations this year. Those places will do fresh surveys in early 2019. Homelessness has exploded along with a soaring economy in several West Coast cities in recent years and has become a hot local political issue. From 2015 through last year, voters on the West Coast approved more than \$8 billion in spending — most of it in tax increases — to address homelessness. In Seattle, which has the nation's largest homeless population outside New York or Los Angeles, the count this year rose to more than 12,000 — more than half of them unsheltered. The number was less than 9,000 just four years ago, and the city has been wrestling with what to do about the problem. The City Council in May passed a \$48 million tax on businesses to raise money for affordable housing. But under pressure from Amazon, Starbucks and other companies, it repealed it the next month. The number of people living on the streets in Los Angeles and San Diego, two epicenters of the homelessness crisis, fell slightly this year, suggesting those cities' efforts to combat the problem could be starting to pay off. In Los Angeles, the count fell by 3 percent after six months of stepped-up homeless services after Los Angeles County voters raised taxes to help provide more affordable housing in 2017. Nationwide, the overall increase this year was driven by a 2 percent rise in the unsheltered homeless population — those living in vehicles, tents and on the streets — along with 4,000 people in emergency shelters after hurricanes, wildfires and other disasters, according to HUD. The numbers of homeless veterans and families continued their long-term declines. At a time when rents are rising faster than wages — especially for lower-income people — an essentially stagnant count is a not a bad sign, said Steve Berg, vice president for programs and policy at the National Alliance to End Homelessness. Another place in the West with a rising number was the Phoenix area, where the total count this year was nearly 6,300, up 12 percent from the previous year. About two-fifths of people without homes there are in shelters. /

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GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMY: Lane County officials are sharing new design and cost details for a proposed new courthouse. They say the seven-story building with a \$252 million dollar price tag would be constructed on the former Eugene City Hall site and designed to last for 75 to 100 years. County officials say they're asking the state to provide \$94 million in matching funds and are working on a plan for a May bond issue that would ask voters to help fund the remaining \$158 million. The current courthouse was built in 1959. County leaders say it is outdated and doesn't have enough space for operations including the sheriff's and district attorney's offices, courtrooms, victims' services, parole and probation and more. The design proposal calls for security and seismic upgrades. Currently, officials say inmates share some of the same elevators or corridors used by judges, staff and the public. Other improvements would include upgraded HVAC and electrical systems with solid back-up features. County officials say the existing courthouse is used by 600 people daily and handles more than 33,000 cases annually. In Oregon, counties are responsible for providing the buildings in which the state circuit courts operate while the State is responsible for funding the operations. In response to the growing statewide need for new Courthouse facilities, county officials say the Oregon Legislature will provide up to 50 percent match funding for the State portions of a courthouse building. / **HEALTH, BUSINESS:** A big acquisition in the Northwest healthcare sector will give regional hospital provider PeaceHealth a stronger foothold in what are known as "on-demand" neighborhood health clinics. PeaceHealth officials yesterday announced plans to purchase financially struggling Zoom Care, which operates 37 drop-in clinics in Oregon and Washington. PeaceHealth operates clinics and laboratories in Oregon, Washington and Alaska, including Springfield's RiverBend and Eugene's Sacred Heart University hospital. The health system generated revenue of \$2.2 billion in 2016 and employs about 16,000. Besides its major hospital in Springfield, the company operates Sacred Heart University in Eugene and PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center in Vancouver. Zoom Care was founded by two doctors in 2006. Its patients book appointments at the company's storefront neighborhood clinics online or through a mobile apps or drop by to wait for an available health care provider. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports Zoom's financial wellbeing came into question in 2017, when a major investor filed a breach of contract lawsuit that claimed Zoom Care was insolvent and that a disagreement over replacing a board member had caused any action to stall. But the two companies settled their differences and Zoom was given another round of

capital investment. The existing clinics in 2017 saw about 20,000 patients a month, generating about \$50 million in annual revenue. PeaceHealth has said it wants Zoom Care to continue to expand. PeaceHealth made its own headlines last year when it laid off 500 workers after a deal to sell its outreach laboratory services to a New Jersey company. Terms of the deal were not released yesterday. But a news release from PeaceHealth notes the companies' leadership will remain separate. The deal is expected to close Dec. 31. / HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, POLITICS: Oregon U.S. Senator Ron Wyden this week asked the Federal Communications Commission to adopt a new three-digit phone number for those needing mental health and suicide prevention support. Wyden noted in his letter to the FCC that 9-1-1 has worked for decades as a quick way for Americans to access emergency services. He says a three-digit number such as 6-1-1 could do the same thing—providing access to a dedicated hotline when someone is struggling with mental health issues or having suicidal thoughts. The 6-1-1 number is recommended by the group "Oregon Lines for Life" and others. Wyden's letter cited statistics from the group Mental Health America, which found that Oregon has worrisome levels of mental illness among youth and adults. And he notes suicide rates are rising nationally. Analysts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say more than 40,000 Americans died by suicide last year. / HEALTH, YOUTH: Oregon health officials yesterday applauded the U.S. Surgeon General's advisory on e-cigarettes. The nation's top doctor declared vaping "epidemic" among youth and urged parents, educators, health care providers and others to take action now to protect the health of the nation's young people. Experts with the Oregon Public Health Division say tobacco use remains the No. 1 leading cause of death and disease in Oregon. Youth use of e-cigarette products nearly tripled in Oregon from 5 percent in 2013 to 13 percent in 2017. Health experts say the products are sweet, cheap and easy to get and are introducing a new generation of youth to nicotine addiction. They say the trend promises increased health issues and medical costs in the decades ahead unless young people hear and respond to a coordinated prevention effort. Officials with Oregon's Tobacco Prevention and Education Program and counties across the state say they continue to work on retail policies designed to discourage young people from using tobacco and nicotine products, including e-cigarettes—and support people who are trying to quit. Want to know more about the effort? Go to <http://www.smokefreeoregon.com/> to learn more. / ECONOMY, EMPLOYMENT: Oregon's unemployment rate edged up a bit last month, to 3.9 percent in November from 3.8 percent in October. Still, state analysts say Oregon's unemployment rate has been close to 4 percent for the past two years. In November, Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment grew by 2,400 jobs, including gains in the "professional and business services" and "government" sectors. The biggest losses were in wholesale trade. At the same time, the overall number of jobs has grown in the past 12 months as Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment increased by 36,600 jobs, or 1.9 percent, compared to one year earlier. During that time, construction remained the fastest growing industry, with a gain of 7,700 jobs, or 7.7 percent. Professional and business services also grew rapidly, adding 8,200 jobs, or 3.3 percent. Health care and social assistance added 4,700 jobs, or 2.0 percent. However, several of Oregon's major industries slowed recently. Leisure and hospitality (+1,500 jobs, or 0.7%) expanded at less than half the rate of overall employment. And two industries declined over the year: retail trade (400

jobs, or -0.2%) and private educational services (-300 jobs, or -0.8%). The U.S. unemployment rate held steady at 3.7 percent in both October and November. /

EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT: Over the years, it's been managed to help fund Oregon schools. But as harvests lagged amid environmental restrictions, officials considered whether to sell the Elliott State Forest. Now, the three-member State Land Board is moving forward with a new plan, to keep the forest in public ownership and with Oregon State University to turn it into a research forest. The 91,000 acre forest covers a portion of the Coast Range between Reedsport and Coos Bay. The board's members, Governor Kate Brown, Secretary of State Dennis Richardson, and Treasurer Tobias Read unanimously directed the Department of State Lands to pursue the effort. They also noted the importance of continuing to involve tribes, local governments, other state agencies, environmental organizations, and other key stakeholders in development of any plan. /

ENVIRONMENT: Two conservation groups say the federal government is violating the Endangered Species Act by failing to consider how salmon fishing off the West Coast is affecting endangered killer whales. The Arizona-based Center for Biological Diversity and the Washington state-based Wild Fish Conservancy on Tuesday notified President Trump's administration that they intend to file a lawsuit within 60 days unless officials reevaluate whether the fishing further jeopardizes orcas that frequent the inland waters of the Pacific Northwest. The population "southern resident" orcas is down to 74 — the lowest number in decades. No calf born in the last three years has survived as the orcas struggle with a dearth of their favored prey, chinook salmon, as well as pollution and vessel noise. The conservation groups note that commercial and recreational fishing claimed more than 200,000 Chinook off the Pacific Coast last year. /

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Yesterday's high winds and heavy rains knocked out power to 17,000 people in northwestern Oregon, and winter warnings went into effect in western Washington. Pacific Gas and Electric says it worked to restore power on Tuesday in Portland and surrounding areas amid rainfall and wind gusts. Another utility, Pacific Power, said some 3,700 homes lost power on the southern Oregon coast. The National Weather Service says it measured wind gusts along the coast at 62 mph. Lowlands will continue getting soaking rain that will turn to snow in the mountains. Officials say that southwest Washington and the Olympic Peninsula have an increased risk of flooding. ;

Our windstorm in Oregon this week? It was worse to the north. A rare tornado touched down in western Washington yesterday afternoon, near the city of Port Orchard. The Seattle Times reports it left a trail of mess, debris and shattered nerves, but there were no major injuries. Kitsap County sheriff's officials say 50 buildings were affected by the tornado, including some whose roofs were ripped off. Fences were leveled, trees torn from the ground. The tornado caught meteorologists, and Port Orchard, Washington, residents, by surprise. Thunderstorms were the only severe weather in yesterday's forecast. The intensity of the tornado was not immediately known. The Weather Service will survey the damage today and estimate its wind speed, path and time on the ground before making an official rating, according to a news release from the federal agency. /

RACISM: A man seen as a fixture in Oregon's white nationalist movement was hospitalized after an altercation with anti-fascist activists in Corvallis. The Oregonian/OregonLive quotes Corvallis police who said 65-year-old Jimmy Marr of Springfield suffered from a "medical event" during the Monday incident. Marr is known for driving a pickup truck around the state with

racist and anti-Semitic messages emblazoned on the sides. Police say a fight involving Marr and five other people erupted in downtown Corvallis around 4 p.m. Corvallis police Lt. Dan Duncan said four people were jailed on suspicion of disorderly conduct and later released. Duncan says he doesn't know what prompted the fight. His condition was unknown, and he did not respond to calls or an email. The Oregonian / OregonLive reports Marr has been linked with Andrew Oswald, a graduate student at Oregon State University, who is currently serving 40 days behind bars. Last month, Oswald was convicted in Benton County on multiple counts of first-degree intimidation, a hate crime, for plastering racist bumper stickers on cars parked outside a Corvallis food co-op in 2017. Marr publicly supported Oswald in the months after his January arrest, appeared several times at OSU in his pickup truck. Oswald was transferred to the Northern Oregon Regional Correctional Center in The Dalles on Dec. 13, one day after he was sentenced, under an inmate housing agreement with Benton County. In addition to his infamous truck, Marr has drawn attention — and anger — for hanging banners with pro-white messages off freeway overpasses. During Holocaust Remembrance Day in April, a small group in Nazi regalia gathered outside Marr's home. In an interview with The Oregonian/OregonLive last year, Marr advocated for the extermination of Jewish people. ; An internet cyberbully from Oregon who harassed a black college student with racist messages on social media has agreed to a court settlement requiring him to get "anti-hate training," apologize in writing and on video and publicly renounce white supremacy. Tuesday's settlement agreement would resolve victim Taylor Dumpson's claims against Evan James McCarty, one of the defendants she sued in April over an online harassment campaign orchestrated by a neo-Nazi website publisher. The suit says McCarty posted online under a pseudonym. The series of intense online attacks, known as a "troll storm," started after Dumpson became the first black woman to serve as American University's student government president. Her suit says Andrew Anglin, the publisher of white nationalist outlet The Daily Stormer, directed his site's readers to cyberbully her. / HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME, SAFETY: At noon on Wednesday, December 19, Eugene Police Department staff will be serving meals to approximately 300 people at the St. Vincent de Paul Lindholm Center, 456 Hwy. 99N. Food was donated by Bruns Apple, Rattlesnake BBQ, New Day Bakery, Hop Valley Brewery, Betty Snowden, the Eugene Police Employee Association Charitable Fund, Sweet Life Patisserie, the Emerald Bible Fellowship, and staff and friends of the Eugene Police Department. This is the fourth year of the Eugene Police Holiday Dinner at the SVdP Lindholm Center and this year is expected to have the greatest turnout. The event is an opportunity to build trust, relationships, and show compassion to those in need, and create a family environment of great food, music, conversation, and holiday cheer. The Lindholm Center serves a significant role in our community by providing hot showers, free laundry services, two meals a day year-round, food boxes, a location to receive mail, social services, and a place to stay warm. In the winter, the Center also hosts the Dusk to Dawn program where people can have a warm place to sleep during the cold months. In recognition of the incredible services that the Center provides, the Eugene Police have hosted a Holiday Dinner where the Eugene Police, local restaurants and businesses buy and donate a complete holiday meal and the Eugene Police Department serves the meal to the clients. / CRIME, POLITICS: The U.S. Senate passed a sweeping criminal justice bill

Tuesday that addresses concerns that the nation's war on drugs had led to the imprisonment of too many Americans for non-violent crimes without adequately preparing them for their return to society. Senate passage of the bill by a vote of 87-12 culminates years of negotiations and gives President Trump a signature policy victory, with the outcome hailed by scores of conservative and liberal advocacy groups. The House is expected to pass the bill this week, sending it to the president's desk for his signature. The bill gives judges more discretion when sentencing some drug offenders and boosts prisoner rehabilitation efforts. It also reduces the life sentence for some drug offenders with three convictions, or "three strikes," to 25 years. Another provision would allow about 2,600 federal prisoners sentenced for crack cocaine offenses before August 2010 the opportunity to petition for a reduced penalty. The vote also thrilled Democrats. Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., said the nation's prisons are full of Americans who are struggling with mental illness and addiction, and who are overwhelmingly poor. He said the nation's criminal justice system "feeds on certain communities and not on others," and said the bill represents a step toward "healing" for those communities. When the bill appeared to have stalled in recent weeks, Sen. Charles Grassley, the Republican chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, pleaded with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to bring it up for a vote. With Trump's urging, McConnell eventually agreed, and voted for the bill as well. An array of liberal and conservative advocacy groups rallied in support of the bill. For example, the Koch brothers-backed group, Americans for Prosperity, applauded senators for putting "policy ahead of politics." The American Civil Liberties Union said the bill was "by no means perfect. But we are in the midst of a mass incarceration crisis, and the time to act is now." Law enforcement groups were more split. It was backed by the Fraternal Order of Police and the International Association of Chiefs of Police but opposed by the National Sheriff's Association. The union representing federal prison guards also joined in supporting the measure. / CRIME, SAFETY: The Trump administration Tuesday banned bump stocks, the firearm attachments that allow semi-automatic weapons to fire like machine guns and were used during the worst mass shooting in modern U.S. history. The regulation gives gun owners until late March to turn in or destroy the devices. After that, it will be illegal to possess them under the same federal laws that prohibit machine guns. Bump stocks became a focal point of the gun control debate after they were used in October 2017 when a man opened fire from his Las Vegas hotel suite into a crowd at a country music concert, killing 58 people and injuring hundreds more. The regulation was signed Tuesday by Acting Attorney General Matthew Whitaker. It will take effect 90 days after it is published in the Federal Register, which is expected to happen Friday. Bump stock owners will be required to either destroy them or surrender them to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, a senior Justice Department official said. It is impossible to know just how many bump stocks Americans own because the devices aren't traceable, but ATF has estimated that between 280,000 and about 520,000 have been sold since 2010. Investigators expect most owners will comply with the new rule and ATF will take action against those who don't, the official said. But there's no surefire way to know whether owners are complying. The official briefed reporters on condition of anonymity. White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said President Trump was "once again fulfilling a promise he made to the American people." Trump had promised the ban in March, saying the devices

"turn legal weapons into illegal machines." Shortly afterward, the Justice Department started the process of amending firearms regulations to define bump stocks as machine guns. ATF received about 186,000 comments on the proposal. The amended regulations reverse a 2010 ATF decision that found bump stocks did not amount to machine guns and could not be regulated unless Congress changed existing firearms law or passed a new one. In the aftermath of the Las Vegas shooting, some members of Congress sought to ban bump stocks, but no legislation was passed. At least 10 states have sought their own restrictions. The amended rule was met almost immediately with resistance from gun rights advocates, including Gun Owners of America, which said it would file a lawsuit against the Justice Department and ATF to protect gun owners from "unconstitutional regulations." "These regulations implicate Second Amendment rights, and courts should be highly suspect when an agency changes its 'interpretation' of a statute in order to impair the exercise of enumerated constitutional rights," the organization's executive director, Erich Pratt, said. The Justice Department official said the government will fight any legal challenge that may be brought. The National Rifle Association called on the Justice Department to provide amnesty for gun owners who already have bump stocks. "We are disappointed that this final rule fails to address the thousands of law-abiding Americans who relied on prior ATF determinations when lawfully acquiring these devices," said spokeswoman Jennifer Baker. Police said the gunman in the Las Vegas massacre, Stephen Paddock, fired for more than 10 minutes using multiple weapons outfitted with target scopes and bump stocks. Paddock fatally shot himself after the shooting. There were 23 assault-style weapons, including 14 fitted with rapid-fire "bump stock" devices, strewn about his 32nd-floor hotel suite at the Mandalay Bay casino-hotel. The largest manufacturer of bump stocks, Slide Fire Solutions, announced in April that it would stop taking orders and shut down its website. The remaining stock of the devices is now being sold by another company, RW Arms, based in Fort Worth, Texas. / SPORTS, EDUCATION: Oregon guard Sabrina Ionescu scored 29 points, including all 17 of her free throws, as the No. 7 Ducks handed the Mississippi State Bulldogs their first loss this season 82-74 on Tuesday night. Maite Cazorla added 20 points for the Ducks. It was a match-up of top ten teams that drew a national television audience as well as a crowd of 8,951 to watch the much-anticipated women's basketball contest last night at the Matt Knight Arena. The Bulldogs (10-1) were undefeated ahead of the game and had won 46 regular-season nonconference games, but couldn't catch up once the Ducks (9-1) started to pull away in the fourth quarter, boosted by their home fans. The Ducks went into the game leading the nation with an average of 92.4 points a game, while the Bulldogs, last season's NCAA tournament runner-up, were a close second at 92.3. The nationally televised game was the first matchup between two women's teams in the top 10 at Matthew Knight. Oregon's lone loss this season came on Dec. 9 at Michigan State. Oregon rebounded from their loss to Michigan State with an 87-79 win at South Dakota last Wednesday. Ionescu remains one triple-double away from breaking the overall NCAA record of 12, held by Kyle Collinsworth, who played for BYU. The Ducks host Air Force on Thursday. ; The 11th-ranked Oregon State University women's basketball team hosts Duke Thursday evening at Gill Coliseum, a 7:00 p.m. game on the Pac-12 Networks. /

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ELDERS, LOW-INCOME, DEVELOPMENT: Eugene's tallest building will be getting a facelift and interior renovation, while preserving one of the community's larger inventories of affordable housing for low-income seniors. City officials say they're closing a deal tomorrow on a \$1.5-million Rental Rehabilitation Loan through HUD, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to update the apartments and exterior of Ya-Po-Ah Terrace. It's part of a larger effort to give the building a comprehensive overhaul. Ya-Po-Ah Terrace rises along the south side of Skinner Butte. Built in 1968 and owned by the Evergreen Union Retirement Association, the complex provides 222 units dedicated to seniors ages 62 and older. 210 of the apartments are for seniors who have very low incomes. They pay no more than 30% of their income as rent. The average Ya-Po-Ah Terrace resident is 76 years old and has an income of \$15,910 per year. The federal program that supported its construction and additional rent subsidies have allowed the units to remain affordable to seniors for nearly 50 years. Officials say the rehabilitation of Ya-Po-Ah Terrace will allow the continuation of federal subsidies to preserve these units as affordable housing for current and future residents. The State of Oregon, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), are providing critical financial resources for this project through multiple programs. The total construction project is nearly \$30 million dollars and includes: replacing the building's skin with highly-insulated roof, walls, and windows; updating the interior LED lighting, plumbing fixtures, and mechanical systems; creating additional ADA parking spaces and route to the building's entrance. During the rehabilitation, tenants will be temporarily relocated to another unit within the building or to a comparable unit off-site at no cost to them. All residents will return once phased work is complete, and no one will be permanently displaced as a result of the project. Rehabilitation will begin in early 2019. This project not only extends the life of the building, but also preserves the long-term affordability of the federal rent subsidies for future, aging Oregonians. On December 21, the City of Eugene will close its largest Rental Rehabilitation loan to date, lending \$1,500,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to benefit Ya-Po-Ah Terrace Retirement Apartments. This marks the culmination of three years of preparatory and regulatory processes which included a visit from Governor Kate Brown in 2017. The City dedicated \$1,500,000 in CDBG funds to help support the substantial rehabilitation of this Eugene landmark. Preservation of Ya-Po-Ah Terrace is part of a City goal to rehabilitate at least 350 units of affordable housing for low-income persons. /

TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME: Quick traffic safety note: Eugene's new temporary pedestrian crossing on Highway 99, north of Roosevelt Boulevard, is now open and operational. Public Works staff designed and constructed the crosswalk with the goal of creating a safer crossing for people using the busy highway and those living at the recently established Camp 99 homeless camp. Many of the people who stay at the camp cross the highway to access nearby social services. The crossing includes new sidewalk access ramps, signage and striping, a temporary pedestrian island and flashing rectangle beacons that alert drivers that someone is in the crosswalk. Drivers: Be prepared to stop for people using the newly activated crossing. With help from a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation, the City is planning to construct a permanent pedestrian crossing at the same location in 2020. The temporary crossing was constructed so elements of the curb ramps, signage and striping can all be used as part of the permanent improvement. The permanent crossing will also include the relocation of the north bound LTD bus stop. The temporary crossing cost about \$30,000 to complete. In 2017, Highway 99 was identified as a Vision Zero High Crash Corridor. Over the course of 8 years (2007-2015), there were more than a dozen minor to life-changing injury crashes on the 0.4 mile stretch of Highway 99 between Elmira and Royal. This crossing will help reach Vision Zero, the City's goal of eliminating all deaths and life-changing injuries caused by traffic crashes. / CRIME, SAFETY, EDUCATION: Springfield Police say they arrested five teens after investigating an assault at Meadow Park. Two of the teens, a 14-year-old boy and a 16-year-old boy were arrested in connection with the attack. The other three—a pair of 14-year-old boys and a 13-year-old girl—were taken into custody after officers were confronted by angry teens after one of the assault suspects resisted arrest. It began yesterday afternoon when the Springfield High School Resource Officer investigated the reported assault, which officials said was captured on another student's cell phone. The 16-year-old male suspect was located at 10th and "G" Streets and taken into custody. The second male was spotted at 7th and "G" Street. But when officers attempted to take him into custody they say he resisted their efforts. Police say that's when a crowd of students who were with the male began yelling and cussing at the officers, surrounding them while additional officers were called in. Two 14-year-old boys who refused to comply with the officers' commands were taken into custody: one for Interfering with Police, Resisting arrest and being a Minor in Possession of Marijuana, the other for Disorderly Conduct, Interfering with Police and Carrying a Concealed Weapon—a knife. Shortly thereafter the School Resource Officer received a call from the office at Springfield High School office about a 13-year-old girl banging on the front office glass and threatening physical harm to the staff over her brother being taken into custody earlier. A number of Springfield Police officers responded to the school where they encountered several teenagers outside. The girl was taken into custody for Disorderly Conduct, Menacing and Criminal Trespass 2. All teenagers were transported and lodged at the John Serbu Juvenile Justice Center. / TRANSPORTATION, BUSINESS: Heading to the Midwest for business or vacation? Starting in June of next year, United Airlines is rolling out non-stop service between Eugene and Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. Eugene Airport officials say Chicago is one of the top destinations demanded by travelers. The red-eye flight will offer two-classes of service on a regional jet and depart once each day, beginning June 6th, at 11:40 p.m., arriving

in Chicago at 5:15 the next morning. Returning flights will arrive in Eugene at 9:50 p.m. Airport Director Tim Doll says the Chicago non-stop service will arrive a few months after United begins direct service to Los Angeles in March. /

GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS, ECONOMY: An audit has found that if the state of Oregon had used a web-based procurement app in the last biennium, it could have saved more than \$1 billion. Secretary of State Dennis Richardson said Wednesday that adoption of a statewide eProcurement system, if quickly implemented statewide, could close Oregon's 2019-21 budget gap of \$623 million without raising taxes. The review of the Department of Administrative Services and the Office of the State Chief Information Officer found that Oregon has the potential for massive savings by using modern technology instead of what it called outdated procurement systems and practices. Auditors recommended acquiring a modern procurement system that would provide detailed purchase data to better analyze spending. / **ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION:** Lane County Commissioners also finalized a habitat management plan proposed for the Howard Buford Recreation Area at Mount Pisgah. It is the Lane County Parks Department's largest and most-visited park, sprawling across 2,215 acres with 28 miles of trail and more than 400,000 annual visitors. The park also contains 1,000 acres of rare prairie, oak savanna and oak woodland habitat, which is one of the largest remnants of these habitats in public ownership in the Willamette Valley. Lane County Parks officials, along with Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah (Friends), say the plan will help enhance visitors and educational experiences and guide future management and restoration of the park's diverse habitats, which include prairie, savanna, woodland, forest, and river habitats. Ultimately, the planning blueprint will result in an additional 500 acres of restored prairie, savanna and oak woodland. The plan was developed in conjunction with The Nature Conservancy and also would remove fish passage barriers from the lower mile of creeks and streams flowing into the Coast Fork of the Willamette River. ; Connect adults and kids with nature. Provide a wide range of outdoor and educational experiences. And add some economic benefits along the way. Lane County's Board of Commissioners this week adopted its new 20-year Master Plan for the county's park system. There are 68 parks covering more than 43-hundred acres. They include everything from open space, picnic and dog parks to protected wildlife and nature habitat. There are lakes and beaches with fishing, swimming and boating access, mountain trails, campgrounds and historic covered bridges. But much of this park system was built in the middle of the 20th century when the county budget was flush with shared state revenue from timber sales. Now, with harvests lower and restrictions on property tax increases, the planners are working to manage maintenance and improvements while adapting the parks for modern needs. Among the plan's priorities: continue to emphasize water access; improve educational opportunities; and enhance and interconnect portions of the county's trail network. That ranges from improvements to coastal properties such as Harbor View Park as well as working with a Friends group to develop an interpretative center and museum at the old McKenzie Hatchery. / **ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS:** Apple will spend nearly \$9 million to help the city of Prineville, Oregon build an underground water storage facility. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Wednesday that Apple is Prineville's largest water user because the company has two data centers there that use huge volumes of water to cool their facilities. The computers in the data centers are in constant

danger of overheating. It's Apple's second water conservation project in Prineville. Its first data center consumed 27 million gallons of water in 2016, based on the most recent data available, and the company has added a second large facility since then. The current project will collect water in natural underground geologic formations during cool periods and when river levels are high and tap it when needed. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: That extremely rare tornado that touched down near the city of Port Orchard was the strongest to hit Washington state since 1986, according to the National Weather Service. A Weather Service storm team surveyed the damage just south of Port Orchard, about 15 miles west of Seattle, across Puget Sound on the Kitsap Peninsula. The experts rated the twister an Ef2 on the Enhanced Fujita scale with top wind speeds of up to 130 mph. The scale rates an Ef2 as "significant." In five minutes Tuesday afternoon, the twister's 1.4 mile-path tore roofs off homes, shattered windows and toppled large fir trees, but no injuries have been reported. Washington state averages 2.5 tornadoes a year, but December tornadoes average a minute fraction, the Weather Service said. Most tornadoes in Washington are rated EF-0s that cause minor damage, Weather Service hydrologist Brent Bower said. The Kitsap County Sheriff's office called the damage "catastrophic." Dozens of structures were affected. Fire officials were working to complete an initial damage assessment. / FAMILY, ANIMALS: have a dog? Here are the most popular dog names of 2018 in Portland and likely much of Oregon. Rover.com -- a pet sitting site that collects info on dogs -- concludes 2018's top female dog names were Penny, Daisy, Luna, Lucy and Bella. Last year, the list included Luna, Lucy, Bella, Daisy and Sadie. 2018's top male dog names: Jack, Buddy, Cooper, Charlie and Max. Last year, the top names were Charlie, Cooper, Jack, Oliver and Buddy. Want to give your dog a "hipster" name? According to Rover.com, names like Brooklyn, Coffee and Mason are growing in popularity. / HEALTH: The Oregon Health Authority is expecting to lift requirements that led to rationing the use of a \$1,000-per-pill drug that can cure hepatitis C. The Mail Tribune reports most patients covered by the Oregon Health Plan had to already have liver damage in order to qualify for the hepatitis C cure. The state plans to lift that stipulation in March, allowing the treatment before people sustain liver damage from the disease. Health officials say providing the drug to everyone with hepatitis C would have likely bankrupted the Oregon Health Plan and led to unaffordable premiums. Prices of treatment are falling as more hepatitis C drugs and generics hit the market. About a quarter of the state's population is covered by the Oregon Health Plan. / MILITARY, POLITICS: President Trump is pulling all 2,000 U.S. troops out of Syria, officials announced Wednesday, as the president suddenly declared victory over the Islamic State. In doing so, Trump is contradicting his own experts' assessments and sparking surprise and outrage from his party's lawmakers who called his action rash and dangerous. The U.S. began airstrikes in Syria in 2014, and ground troops moved in the following year to battle the Islamic State, or ISIS, and train Syrian rebels in a country torn apart by civil war. Trump abruptly declared their mission accomplished in a tweet. "We have defeated ISIS in Syria, my only reason for being there during the Trump Presidency," he said as Vice President Mike Pence met with top leaders at the Pentagon. U.S. officials said many details of the troop withdrawal had not yet been finalized, but they expect American forces to be out by mid-January. Later Wednesday, Trump posted a video on Twitter in which he said is "heartbreaking" to have to write letters and make calls to the loved ones of

those killed in battle. "Now it's time for our troops to come back home," he said. A senior administration official, speaking to reporters on condition of anonymity, said Trump made the decision based on his belief that U.S. troops have no role in Syria beyond combatting Islamic State, whose fighters are now believed to hold about 1 percent of the territory they did at the peak of their power. Trump's declaration of victory was far from unanimous, and officials said U.S. defense and military leaders were trying to dissuade him from ordering the withdrawal right up until the last minute. His decision immediately triggered demands from Congress — including leading Republicans — for more information and a formal briefing on the matter. Sen. Lindsay Graham of South Carolina, just returned from Afghanistan, said he was meeting with Defense Secretary Jim Mattis late in the day. Graham, typically a Trump backer, said he was "blindsided" by the report and called the decision "a disaster in the making." He said, "The biggest winners in this are ISIS and Iran." The decision will fulfill Trump's long-stated goal of bringing troops home from Syria, but military leaders have pushed back for months, arguing that the IS group remains a threat and could regroup in Syria's long-running civil war. U.S. policy has been to keep troops in place until the extremists are eradicated. The senior administration official said American forces would still work with allies to fight the Islamic State or other extremists in the country but gave no details on what that might entail. Another official said it still is not clear to defense leaders whether U.S. airstrikes against IS insurgents will continue in Syria after the American troops leave. U.S. military officials worry that American-backed Kurdish troops will be targeted by Turkey and the Syrian government, leaving no ally on the ground to help direct the strikes. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY: The Oregonian is reporting that slower population growth pushed Oregon out of the top 10 fastest growing states last year, new census numbers show. Oregon gained just over 44,000 residents over 12 months ending in July, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, a 1.1 percent increase that brings the state's population to 4.19 million. It's now the 11th fastest-growing state in the U.S. on a percentage basis, nearly tied with No. 10 South Carolina and No. 12 Delaware, each that also saw its population grow by about 1.1 percent. The fastest-growing states were Nevada, Idaho and Utah. Nine states lost population, with West Virginia shrinking the fastest. Population growth was expected to slow with the state's economy. The rapid expansion in recent years appears to be running out of steam. That means the economy won't be churning out as many new jobs, drawing fewer people from out-of-state. Oregon is heavily dependent on migration for its population growth. In 2018, 79 percent of the population increase came from people moving into the state, while only 21 percent was attributed to natural growth from births minus deaths. Still, the increase appears to continue the trend that has Oregon poised to gain a congressional seat during the 2020 reapportionment. Forecasters have expected Oregon to add one seat, bringing its total to six. But the apportionment of congressional seats is based on the response to the 2020 census, which is intended to count every U.S. resident through a legally mandated survey. /

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POLITICS, IMMIGRATION: The federal government is careening toward a partial shutdown tonight after President Trump's quest for money for his proposed border wall left Congress without a clear plan to keep the government running past a midnight deadline. The Senate was being called back to session to consider a package approved by House Republicans late Thursday that includes the \$5.7 billion Trump wants for the border with Mexico. It is almost certain to be rejected by the Senate. Senators already passed their own bipartisan package earlier in the week to keep the government running with border security at existing levels, \$1.3 billion, but no money for the wall. Both bills would extend funding through Feb. 8. The White House said Trump will not travel to Florida today as planned for the Christmas holiday if the government is shutting down. More than 800,000 federal workers will be facing furloughs or forced to work without pay if a resolution is not reached before funding expires at midnight tonight. The shutdown would affect funding for nine of 15 Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies, including the departments of Homeland Security, Transportation, Interior, Agriculture, State and Justice, as well as national parks and forests. Many agencies, including the Pentagon and the departments of Veterans Affairs and Health and Human Services, are funded for the year and would continue to operate as usual. The U.S. Postal Service, busy delivering packages for the holiday season, would not be affected by any government shutdown because it's an independent agency. The shutdown crisis could be one of the final acts of the House GOP majority before relinquishing control to Democrats in January. Congress had been on track to fund the government but lurched when Trump, after a rare lashing from conservative supporters, declared Thursday he would not sign a bill without the funding. Conservatives want to keep fighting. They warn that "caving" on Trump's repeated wall promises could hurt his 2020 re-election chances, and other Republicans' as well. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., warned senators they might need to return to Washington, D.C., for a vote later today. Many senators already left town for the holidays. Late Thursday, the GOP-led House voted largely along party lines, 217-185, to attach the border wall money to the Senate's bill after GOP leaders framed the vote as a rebuke to Nancy Pelosi. She is poised to become House speaker on Jan. 3 and had warned Trump in a televised Oval Office meeting last week that he wouldn't have the votes for the wall. House Republicans also tacked on nearly \$8 billion in disaster aid for coastal hurricanes and California wildfires. Some Republicans senators cheered on the House, but prospects in the Senate are grim amid strong

opposition from Democrats. Even though Republicans have a slim majority, 60 votes are needed to approve the bill there. One possibility today is that the Senate strips the border wall out of the bill but keeps the disaster funds and sends it back to the House. House lawmakers said they were being told to stay in town for more possible votes. With Pelosi's backing, the Senate-passed bill likely has enough support for House approval with votes mostly from Democratic lawmakers, who are still the minority, and some Republicans. Trump has bounced back and forth with mixed messages. Just last week he said he would be "proud" to shut down the government over the wall. Earlier this week he appeared to shelve shutdown threats, with the White House saying he was open to reviewing whatever bill Congress could send him. / POLITICS, AGRICULTURE: President Trump has signed a massive \$867 billion farm bill that reauthorizes agriculture and conservation programs without any cuts to the food stamp program. Trump signed the bill Thursday after the Agriculture Department announced plans to tighten work requirements for recipients of food aid. Negotiations over the farm bill had stalled for months in Congress over a provision by the House to cut the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and over the Senate's unwillingness to go along. Trump had voiced strong support for stricter work requirements. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue says the regulation to tighten work requirements was a tradeoff for Trump's support for the bill. The farm bill will cost roughly \$400 billion over five years or \$867 billion over 10 years. / POLITICS, MILITARY: Defense Secretary Jim Mattis resigned Thursday after clashing with President Trump over the abrupt withdrawal of U.S. troops from Syria and after two years of deep disagreements over America's role in the world. Mattis, perhaps the most respected foreign policy official in Trump's administration, will leave by the end of February after two tumultuous years struggling to soften and moderate the president's hardline and sometimes sharply changing policies. He told Trump in a letter that he was leaving because the president has, quote, "a right to have a Secretary of Defense whose views are better aligned with yours." Mattis went to the White House with his resignation letter in hand to meet with the president and spoke to Trump for about 45 minutes, according to a senior U.S. official. His departure was immediately lamented by foreign policy hands and lawmakers on both sides of the aisle, who viewed the retired Marine general as a sober voice of experience in the ear of a president who had never held political office or served in the military. Even Trump allies expressed fear over Mattis' decision to quit, believing him to be an important moderating force on the president. Mattis did not mention the dispute over Syria in his letter or proposed deep cuts to U.S. forces in Afghanistan, another significant policy dispute. He noted his "core belief" that American strength is "inextricably linked" with the nation's alliances with other countries, including through NATO, a position seemingly at odds with the "America First" policy of the president. The defense secretary also said China and Russia want to spread their "authoritarian model" and promote their interests at the expense of America and its allies. The announcement came a day after Trump surprised U.S. allies and members of Congress by announcing the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Syria, and as he continues to consider cutting in half the American deployment in Afghanistan by this summer. The news coincided with domestic turmoil as well, Trump's fight with Congress over a border wall and a looming partial government shutdown. Mattis, in his resignation letter, emphasized the importance of standing up for U.S. allies — an implicit criticism of the

president's decision on this issue and others. ; The Pentagon is developing plans to withdraw up to half of the 14,000 American military personnel serving in Afghanistan, U.S. officials said Thursday, marking a sharp change in the Trump administration's policy aimed at forcing the Taliban to the peace table after more than 17 years of war. One official said the troops could be out by summer, but no final decision has been made. President Trump has long pushed to pull troops out of Afghanistan, considering the war a lost cause. But earlier this year, he was persuaded by Defense Secretary Jim Mattis and others military leaders to keep troops on the ground to pressure the Taliban and battle a stubborn Islamic State insurgency. Officials said the latest White House push for withdrawal was another key factor in Mattis' decision to resign Thursday. The U.S. stormed into Afghanistan in November 2001 in an invasion triggered by the Sept. 11 attacks. Over the course of the nation's longest war, more than 2,400 American military personnel have died and taxpayers have spent more than \$900 billion. Three U.S. presidents have pledged to bring peace to Afghanistan, either by adding or withdrawing troops, by engaging the Taliban or shunning them, and by struggling to combat widespread corruption in the government. The U.S. and NATO formally concluded their combat mission in 2014, but American and allied troops remain, conducting strikes on the Islamic State group and the Taliban and working to train and build the Afghan military. Taliban insurgents, however, control nearly half of Afghanistan and are more powerful than at any time since a 2001 U.S.-led invasion. They carry out near-daily attacks, mainly targeting security forces and government officials. In recent months, however, there has been a renewed effort to make progress on peace talks with the Taliban. Officials now worry that any move to withdraw U.S. troops this year could dampen those prospects and simply encourage the Taliban to wait it out until they can take advantage of the gaps when the forces leave. / POLITICS, CRIME: The House passed an extensive criminal justice bill on Thursday that will reduce some of the harshest sentences for federal drug offenders and boost prison rehabilitation programs. The bill passed 358-36 and now goes to President Trump for his signature. He had urged lawmakers to support it, saying the bill would provide hope and a second chance to those who earn it. The legislation addresses concerns that the nation's war on drugs led to the imprisonment of too many Americans for nonviolent crimes. The nation's federal prison population has soared by more than 700 percent since the 1980s. The bill gives judges more discretion in sentencing some drug offenders and reduces some mandatory-minimum sentences. It also enhances efforts to better prepare inmates for life outside of prison. / POLITICS, TRANSPORTATION: Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley says the U.S. Department of Transportation should conduct a new cost-benefit analysis of a canceled rule that would have required better brakes for trains hauling explosive fuels. The Democratic lawmaker's comments on Thursday came in response to an Associated Press finding that officials understated the potential benefits of the brakes by up to \$117 million. Railroads were required to begin installing electronic brakes under a 2015 rule prompted by a string of fiery derailments involving oil and ethanol shipments. The Trump administration canceled the rule in September, citing its high cost. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: The U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is investigating complaints that the steering can fail on some Ram pickup trucks. The investigation covers about 200,000 Ram 2500s from the 2015 and 2016 model years. The government

agency said Thursday that it has two complaints that the linkage between the steering box to the front wheels can come apart. One owner complained that the problem happened while rounding a curve at 65 to 70 mph. The driver lost steering and the truck went off the right side of the road, hitting ditches before stopping on the shoulder. One injury was reported. In both cases the problem was traced to a mechanism used to align the steering system. Investigators will determine how often the problem happens and whether a recall is needed. /

ENVIRONMENT: Eleven hours and 37 minutes of night, eight hours and 53 minutes of daylight. Welcome to the Winter Solstice, which brings us the shortest day and longest night of the year. Winter officially arrives at 2:23 p.m. today. Tonight, it will be accompanied by the (almost) full moon, known as the Full Cold Moon. Fun fact: The next time we have a full moon coinciding with the Winter Solstice is in 2094. /

TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: AAA projects more than 112.5 million Americans (33 percent of the population) will travel for the Christmas and New Year holidays. This is the most on record and a 4.4 percent increase compared to last year. In Oregon, roughly 1.37 million will travel. The year-end holiday travel period is defined as Saturday, December 22 through Tuesday, January 1, 2019. More Americans will drive this holiday season than ever before: One third of population will travel for the holidays. This is the seventh year in a row to set a new record for holiday travel volume, and the 10th consecutive year of growth in travel for the year-end holidays. This year's increase is fueled by steady economic growth and strong consumer confidence, as well as falling gas prices. The vast majority of travelers—91 percent or 102.1 million people—will take a holiday road trip, an increase of 4.4 percent over last year. In Oregon, about 1.2 million will drive. Gas prices have been steadily dropping in the last month. The current national average is \$2.37 while the Oregon average is \$3.01. Prices are still relatively low compared to 2010 through 2013 when gas prices averaged more than \$3 a gallon. Drivers will experience the greatest amount of congestion before the holiday week on Wednesday, Dec. 19, Thursday, Dec. 20 and Friday, Dec. 21 as commuters leave work early and mix with holiday travelers. Some trips could take two to four times longer than normal during these times. The most congested time is expected to be Thursday between about 3 and 7 p.m. Air travel is expected to increase by 4.2 percent compared to last year, with 6.7 million Americans including about 84,000 Oregonians flying to their holiday destinations. This is the seventh consecutive year of growth in the number of air travelers. Most holiday air travelers depart two or three days before Christmas and return the day after the holiday. This year, Saturday, December 22, Sunday, December 23 and Wednesday, December 26 will be the busiest days in the skies and at the airports. The lightest travel days are Christmas Eve (Monday, December 24) and Christmas Day (Tuesday, December 25). ; It's a merry forecast for holiday pump prices as millions of Americans hit the road for Christmas and New Year's Day. Prices are lower in all 50 states this week. The national average for regular drops four cents to \$2.37, the lowest price of the year so far and the cheapest price since August 2017. The Oregon average falls six cents to \$3.01, the lowest price since last March. Many Oregon markets have averages below \$3 a gallon. Eugene-Springfield's morning average stands at \$2.89 per gallon. Oregon is one of 16 states where drivers are paying more than a year ago to fill up. The national average is five cents less and the Oregon average is 22 cents more than a year ago. This is the ninth-largest yearly increase in the country. /

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EDUCATION, WOMEN: It took only 19 seconds for Sabrina Ionescu to show she's mortal after all. Her missed free throw snapped a streak of 22 makes, but that was about the only flaw Thursday. Ionescu set an NCAA record with her 13th triple-double and Ruthy Hebard had 20 points on 9-for-9 shooting to lead No. 7 Oregon past Air Force 82-36 at Eugene's Matt Knight Arena. The junior All-America guard, who had shared the career mark with former BYU men's player Kyle Collinsworth, finished with 17 points, 11 rebounds and 13 assists for the Ducks (10-1) in her 82nd game. She broke the record with her 10th rebound during the fourth quarter. Acting coach Mark Campbell subbed out Ionescu and Hebard with five minutes to play. He filled in for head coach Kelly Graves, who is serving a two-game NCAA suspension for allowing violations by an assistant strength coach during practice two seasons ago. Hebard, who came in ranked fifth nationally in shooting accuracy at 69.0 percent, was 7 for 7 in the first half. Satou Sabally added 19 points and eight rebounds for the Ducks, and Erin Boley had 11 points. Oregon showed no letdown from its rugged 82-74 win over No. 4 Mississippi State on national TV on Tuesday night. The Ducks have one more game in the two weeks before starting Pac-12 play against Washington. Graves will miss Friday's game against UC Irvine to complete his suspension. Oregon figures to move up after its home win over No. 4 Mississippi State and routing Air Force. The Ducks were third in the first five polls, their best ranking ever, before a loss at Michigan State dropped them to No. 7. Oregon hosts UC Irvine on Friday. /

CRIME: Springfield Police have arrested two alleged "porch pirates." It happened late Tuesday morning in the area of High Banks Road and 52nd Street. The suspects are identified as Brian Michael Shaver and Crystal Marie Burns. They face charges of Theft II (Lost/Mislaidd Property) and were transported to the Springfield Jail. According to the news release from police: An area resident observed these two riding bicycles and carrying Amazon packages. He called police suspecting they were stolen from an area porch and kept an eye on them. They were observed taking the packages into bushes to open them and review what was inside. Police arrived shortly after and arrested them around the corner after they left the pet supplies and books they did not want from inside the stolen packages. The Amazon boxes were recently delivered on that street. Police encourage the public to watch for similar behavior as package porch thefts have increased due to a rise in online shopping. Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact the Springfield Police Department at 541-726-3714. /

ENVIRONMENT: It was a good year for those angling for northern pikeminnow in the Columbia and Snake rivers. More than 3,000 people registered for the 2018 Northern Pikeminnow Sport Reward Program. Combined, they spent more than 23,000 angler days catching and removing 180,271 of the salmon-eating fish, protecting young salmon and steelhead from predation. While harvest was down a bit from 2017 due to higher river flows, angler success was better in 2018. Average catch per angler per day in 2018 was 7.52, up from 7.38 in 2017. Altogether, anglers were paid about \$1.4 million for their efforts. The program, funded by the Bonneville Power Administration, runs annually from May 1 through Sept. 30 for more than 20 years. Based on this year's catches, BPA is successfully meeting its annual program goal to remove 10-20 percent of the predators. Northern pikeminnow anglers caught and removed about 11.5 percent of fish more than 9 inches long. The larger fish are the portion of the northern pikeminnow population believed to eat the most salmon and steelhead smolts.

"The goal of this program is to reduce the number of northern pikeminnow in the Columbia and Snake rivers," said Eric McOmie, BPA program manager. "We've seen a substantial reduction in predation by these fish, which mean young salmon and steelhead have a better chance of making it to the ocean and eventually returning to the basin as adults." The reward program pays registered anglers \$5 to \$8 per fish, nine inches or longer. The more fish an angler catches during the season, the more their pikeminnow are worth. In 2018, state fish and wildlife biologists also released more than 1,000 specially tagged northern pikeminnow, each worth \$500. This year the top 20 fishermen who participated in the program earned an average of nearly \$29,000 each. The top angler earned more than \$71,000, reeling in more than 8,600 fish over the five-month season. Northern pikeminnow are voracious eaters, consuming millions of young salmon and steelhead every year. Since 1990, anglers paid through the program have removed nearly 5 million pikeminnow from the Columbia and Snake rivers. Biologists estimate that the program has reduced predation on young salmon and steelhead by up to 40 percent from pre-program levels. ; Winter weather doesn't mean you have to be done fishing for the year. Bundle up, adjust your techniques and consider some of these holiday recommendations in this week's Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife Recreation Report: Junction City Pond has been getting a lot of big hatchery trout recently. Check the Willamette Zone for other stocking locations. Alsea, lower Columbia tributaries, Neccanicum, N Fork Nehalem and Nestucca/Three Rivers all get early returning steelhead and conditions should be good for the weekend. Lost Creek Reservoir is the premiere trout destination in the Rogue Valley. The Deschutes, Crooked, Metolius and Bitzen rivers can be good bets for a day of trout fishing. Flow management on the Klamath River below the powerhouse continues to be ideal for a great fishing outing until late afternoon. The Ana River is spring-fed and with its constant water temperature should provide fair to good fishing. Persistent steelhead anglers are finding some success and respectable catch rates on the Grande Ronde. Warmer weather and a bit of rain has caused any ice to thaw making the river a good destination over the holiday. ; A federal judge has dismissed a third lawsuit challenging the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's experiment with killing barred owls to protect threatened spotted owls. The Capital Press reports U.S. District Judge Ann Aiken ruled that nonprofit group Friends of Animals lacked the legal standing to file the complaint in federal court. Barred owls are blamed for displacing the smaller and less aggressive spotted owls in their habitat and occasionally attacking them, contributing to the species' population decline. While protections for the spotted owl under the Endangered Species Act have greatly restricted logging in federal forests, the bird has nonetheless continued to struggle. Aiken has found that the nonprofit and its members have not demonstrated sufficient "injury-in-fact" or "cognizable injury" to give them standing to legally challenge the federal action. Friends of Animals plans to appeal. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Yesterday's wind storm brought some high winds to the northwestern Oregon and some peak wind gusts include: 94 mph at Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood; 89 mph at Cape Meares; 74 mph at Otter Rock and 53 mph in Yachats. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Pretty smooth travel for this post-Christmas morning. Some rain on the Interstate Five corridor and a couple of inches of snow on the Cascade passes. Flights departing and arriving this morning at Eugene Airport are running on time. / POLITICS, IMMIGRATION, GOVERNMENT: Christmas has come and gone but the partial government shutdown is just getting started. Today is the first full business day after several government departments and agencies closed up over the weekend due to a budgetary stalemate between President Trump and Congress. So far, the public and federal workers have largely been spared inconvenience and hardship because government is closed on weekends and federal employees were excused from work on Christmas Eve and Christmas, a federal holiday. The shutdown began at midnight last Friday. The president said Tuesday that the parts of the government that closed will remain that way until Democrats agree to wall off the U.S.-Mexico border to deter criminal elements. He said he's open to calling the wall something else as long as he ends up with an actual wall. Trump argued that drug flows and human trafficking can only be stopped by a wall. Democrats oppose spending money on a wall, preferring instead to pump the dollars into fencing, technology and other means of controlling access to the border. The stalemate over how much to spend and how to spend it caused the partial government shutdown that began early Saturday following a lapse in funding for departments and agencies that make up about 25 percent of the government. Some 800,000 government workers are affected. Many are on the job but must wait until after the shutdown to be paid again. Many rank-and-file workers have posted on social media with stories about the financial hardship they expect to face because of the shutdown. But the president claims many idled workers have communicated with him, telling him to keep things shut down until he gets funding for his wall. ; The shutdown affects funding for nine of 15 Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies, including the departments of Homeland Security, Transportation, Interior, Agriculture, State and Justice, as well as national parks and forests. Many agencies, including the Pentagon and the departments of Veterans Affairs and Health and Human Services, are funded for the year and would continue to operate as usual. The U.S. Postal Service, still busy delivering the last of the letters and packages for the holiday season, is not affected by any government shutdown because it's an independent agency. Facilities at many national parks are shuttered, if the parks are accessible at all, and thousands of federal buildings remain closed as the work week resumes, following the budget impasse between</p>

President Trump and members of Congress. A labor organization representing U.S. Treasury employees said Monday that federal workers around the country were cutting back on spending and changing holiday plans with family because of the shutdown. Federal workers at the agencies affected by the gap in appropriations go unpaid as long as the shutdown lasts. Typically, Congress approves retroactive pay once the impasse was broken. The shutdown affected national parks unevenly, some still accessible with bare-bones staffing levels, some operating with money from states or charitable groups and others locked off. Concession operations such as lodges generally remained open and some states paid to keep national park visitor centers running. Of the roughly 800,000 federal employees facing deferred pay, more than half are deemed essential, such as U.S. Secret Service agents and Transportation Security Administration airport personnel. About 380,000 are furloughed. / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Volcanos are in the news this week in Indonesia and Italy, as well as the risk of tsunamis. We might not have a major active volcano just offshore, but Oregon lies at the edge of one of the West Coast's most hazardous seismic zones. Experts have warned for years that a major offshore quake could trigger a devastating tsunami. This month, researchers, including two Oregon State University scientists, argued that a new approach is needed for assessing the risk of seismic waves to vulnerable coastal bridges. The study was driven, in part, by the challenges of rebuilding hundreds of bridges destroyed during recent tsunamis off the coast of Japan and in the Indian Ocean. Experts say by studying that damage, they learned more about the physics at work when a tsunami slams into a bridge – and that, in turn, provided insight into better ways to begin designing coastal spans that are better able to withstand inundation by the giant waves. The researchers say it is not enough just to think in terms of the overall effect of the tsunami on a bridge – designers need to think about how the waves affect the bridge's individual structural components, as well. The research, published in the Journal of Marine Science and Engineering, involved the construction of a 1:5 scale model of an open-girder bridge at the University of Nevada-Reno, a place not prone to coastal tsunamis. The finished model was then shipped to OSU for testing in the O.H. Hinsdale Wave Research Laboratory's Large Wave Flume, which is 104.24 meters long, 3.66 meters wide and 4.57 meters deep, and can mimic various ocean wave conditions. Experts learned that seismic waves exert both horizontal and vertical forces, but their peaks don't necessarily occur at the same time. That's an important finding when trying to design a more resilient span. They say often, the bridge might look good on paper, but places where load-bearing elements are connected are especially vulnerable and require a different design approach. The Federal Highway Administration, and the Oregon Department of Transportation helped fund the research. / ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION: Migrating gray whales will once again be passing along the Oregon coast this winter, where visitors and volunteers will gather for the annual Winter Whale Watch Week. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the five-day event is organized by the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and will run from Dec. 27 to 31. It coincides with the passing of some 20,000 gray whales headed south to their warm breeding grounds near Baja, Mexico. The parks department will staff trained volunteers at 24 designated whale watching locations along the coast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on each of the five days of the event. The gray whales will pass again in late March, as they head north to

feeding grounds off the shore of Alaska, with some feeding off the Oregon and Washington coast through spring and summer. ; Winter steelhead anglers are asked to return snouts from hatchery steelhead harvested in the Umpqua River basin. Workers with the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife will scan the snouts for coded wire tags in the first of a multi-year research project to improve winter steelhead fishing in the South Umpqua River. Anglers can deposit snouts in collection barrels at various boat ramps around Douglas County and at the ODFW office in Roseburg. Bags and tags with date and location of harvest are in the barrels. Fish were coded wire tagged in February 2018 and released in March and April from the acclimation sites in Canyonville. Any of those fish returning this steelhead angling season are considered "one salt fish" after spending one year in the ocean. ODFW STEP biologist Evan Leonetti said the agency will use the data collected from anglers and coded wire tags to adjust hatchery release timing to improve future hatchery winter steelhead fishing, particularly in the South Umpqua River. "Getting the data from the coded wire tags will help us determine which releases have better returns for anglers. These fish were all in the four to five-inch range when released in Canyonville," Leonetti said. Leonetti is also asking for volunteers to interview winter steelhead anglers on the North and South Umpqua rivers. Volunteers can work a very flexible schedule and will be stationed at boat ramps throughout the two basins. Leonetti is looking for people with flexible schedule that enjoy talking with anglers. He is also asking volunteers to assist with the collection of snouts. This citizen science project collects information on the winter steelhead fishery including number of fish harvested, whether they are wild or hatchery, and fishing effort. This information will be used in conjunction with the coded wire tag data to better manage the hatchery fishery. Volunteers must provide their own transportation and may be working alone or with a partner. The project runs the length of the winter steelhead season, ending about mid-April. Anyone over the age of 18 who is interested in volunteering should call Leonetti at 541-464-2175 or email evan.leonetti@state.or.us / CRIME, RELIGION: Dozens of volunteers gathered Christmas Eve with hammers and two-by-fours to repair a Portland, Oregon, church that authorities say was extensively damaged when a man intentionally drove through the doors. The workers wanted to get Our Lady of Lavang ready for holiday services The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Portland police spokesman Sgt. Chris Burley says a 35-year-old man intentionally rammed his Acura MDX through the church early Monday. Police say officers responded around 12:15 a.m. and found extensive damage to the outside and interior. Burley says the man later called 911 to report he was the person responsible for plowing the car into the building. Burley says he did not immediately know the suspect's motive. Officers arrested the man without incident. Records show the man was booked into the Multnomah County jail on suspicion of first-degree criminal mischief. Burley says an investigation into the incident is underway. The northeast Portland church draws Vietnamese Catholics from across the Portland area each week. / HEALTH: Oregon regulators will allow medical marijuana to be delivered to patients who live in areas of the state where licensed marijuana activity is prohibited. The Statesman Journal reports the rules approved last week by the state Liquor Control Commission go into effect Dec. 28. Commission spokesman Mark Pettinger says advocates and patients had voiced concerns about rules that limited access to medical marijuana. In some cases, caregivers had to travel outside restricted areas to buy medical marijuana. The commission has also

increased the amount of marijuana cardholders can buy during a single shopping trip to 8 ounces (227 kilograms). Officials had limited the amount to 1 ounce (28 grams) in August on suspicion that marijuana was being purchased for illegal means. /

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POLITICS, IMMIGRATION: Chances look slim for ending the partial government shutdown any time soon. Lawmakers are away from Washington, D.C., for the holidays and have been told they will get 24 hours' notice before having to return for a vote. And although the Senate is slated to come into session this afternoon, few senators were expected to be around for it. After a weekend and two holiday days for federal employees, Wednesday was the first regularly scheduled workday affected by the closure of a variety of federal services. President Trump vowed to hold the line on his budget demand, telling reporters during his visit to Iraq on Wednesday that he'll do, quote, "whatever it takes" to get money for border security. He declined to say how much he would accept in a deal to end the shutdown. The shutdown started Saturday when funding lapsed for nine Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies. Roughly 420,000 workers were deemed essential and are working unpaid, while an additional 380,000 have been furloughed. While the White House staff was talking with congressional Democratic leaders, negotiations dragged Wednesday, dimming hopes for a swift breakthrough. The impasse over government funding began last week, when the Senate approved a bipartisan deal keeping government open into February. That bill provided \$1.3 billion for border security projects but not money for the wall. At Trump's urging, the House approved that package and inserted the \$5.7 billion he had requested. But Senate Republicans lacked the votes they needed to force the measure through their chamber. That jump-started negotiations between Congress and the White House, but the deadline came and went without a deal. / MILITARY, POLITICS: President Trump has returned to the U.S. from an unannounced trip to Iraq, his first visit to a combat zone abroad. Air Force One landed at Joint Base Andrews, Maryland, early this morning. Trump's staff planned the trip on the heel of calls that it was past time for the president to travel abroad to have his first meeting with military personnel serving in a combat zone. The president stopped in Germany on his way back to greet personnel at a U.S. air base. / POLITICS, RECREATION: Access to Crater Lake and Mount Rainier national parks is limited due to the partial government shutdown. The Statesman Journal reports the lapse in federal funding prompted Crater Lake managers to close the visitor's center, cancel ranger-guided snowshoe trips and close the road to the lake's rim. Mount Rainier closed its road to popular winter recreation destination Paradise. Both places remain technically open but, as with most national parks and monuments, there will be almost no services, including search and rescue. The federal government shutdown will impact the more than 400

national parks and monuments. In Oregon, that includes John Day Fossil Beds and Oregon Caves national monuments, in addition to Lewis and Clark National Historical Park. / ENVIRONMENT: An Oregon man became the first person to traverse Antarctica alone without any assistance on Wednesday, trekking across the polar continent in an epic 54-day journey that was previously deemed impossible. Colin O'Brady, of Portland, finished the bone-chilling, 930-mile journey as friends, family and fans tracked the endurance athlete's progress in real time online. The 33-year-old O'Brady documented his nearly entirely uphill journey — which he called The Impossible First — on his Instagram page. He wrote Wednesday that he covered the last roughly 80 miles in one big, impromptu final push to the finish line that took well over an entire day. Though others have traversed Antarctica, they either had assistance with reinforced supplies or kites that helped propel them forward. English adventurer Louis Rudd is currently attempting an unaided solo and was competing against O'Brady to be the first to do it. O'Brady plans to stay on Antarctica until Rudd finishes his trek, hopefully in the next few days. O'Brady described in detail the ups and downs along the way since he began the trek on Nov. 3. He had to haul 375 pounds of gear largely uphill and over sastrugi, wave-like ridges created by wind. On Nov. 18, he wrote that he awoke to find his sled completely buried from an all-night blasting of wind and snow. That day he battled a 30 mph headwind for eight hours as he trudged along. There were several times he considered stopping, putting his tent back up and calling it a day. But he remembered all of the family and friends who supported his effort and said that kept him going. Though O'Brady had initially thought he'd want a cheeseburger at the end of his nearly impossible journey, his wife said he told her he'd been dreaming about fresh fish and salad because he has mostly been eating freeze-dried foods. / BUSINESS, ECONOMY, HEALTH, CRIME: The last year was a 12-month sales highlight reel for the legal marijuana industry as the global market exploded and cannabis pushed its way further into the financial and cultural mainstream. Liberal California became the largest legal U.S. marketplace, while conservative Utah and Oklahoma embraced medical marijuana. Canada ushered in broad legalization, and Mexico's Supreme Court set the stage for that country to follow. U.S. drug regulators approved the first marijuana-based pharmaceutical to treat kids with a form of epilepsy, and billions of investment dollars poured into cannabis companies. Even main street brands like Coca-Cola said they are considering joining the party. Oregon Democratic Congressman Earl Blumenauer, who has worked for years to overturn the federal ban on marijuana, says, quote, "I have been working on this for decades, and this was the year that the movement crested." He added that, quote, "It's clear that this is all coming to a head." Legal marijuana was a \$10.4 billion industry in the U.S. in 2018 with a quarter-million jobs devoted just to the handling of marijuana plants, said Beau Whitney, vice president and senior economist at New Frontier Data, a leading cannabis market research and data analysis firm. There are many other jobs that don't involve direct work with the plants but they are harder to quantify, Whitney said. Investors poured \$10 billion into cannabis in North America in 2018, twice what was invested in the last three years combined, he said, and the combined North American market is expected to reach more than \$16 billion in 2019. Nearly two-thirds of U.S. states now have legalized some form of medical marijuana. Voters in November made Michigan the 10th state — and first in the Midwest — to legalize recreational marijuana. Governors in New York and New

Jersey are pushing for a similar law in their states next year, and momentum for broad legalization is building in Pennsylvania and Illinois. State lawmakers in Nebraska just formed a campaign committee to put a medical cannabis initiative to voters in 2020. Nebraska shares a border with Colorado, one of the first two states to legalize recreational marijuana, and Iowa, which recently started a limited medical marijuana program. With all its success, the U.S. marijuana industry continues to be undercut by a robust black market and federal law that treats marijuana as a controlled substance like heroin. Financial institutions are skittish about cannabis businesses, even in U.S. states where they are legal, and investors until recently have been reluctant to put their money behind pot. Marijuana businesses can't deduct their business expenses on their federal taxes and face huge challenges getting insurance and finding real estate for their brick-and-mortar operations. At the start of the year, the industry was chilled when then-U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions rescinded a policy shielding state-licensed medical marijuana operators from federal drug prosecutions. Ultimately the move had minimal impact because federal prosecutors showed little interest in going after legal operators. Sessions, a staunch marijuana opponent, later lost his job while President Donald Trump said he was inclined to support an effort by U.S. Sen. Cory Gardner, a Colorado Republican, to relax the federal prohibition. In November, Democrats won control of the U.S. House and want to use it next year to pass legislation that eases federal restrictions on the legal marijuana industry without removing it from the controlled substances list. Gardner and Massachusetts Democratic Sen. Elizabeth Warren have proposed legislation allowing state-approved commercial cannabis activity under federal law. The bill also would let states and Indian tribes determine how best to regulate marijuana commerce within their boundaries without fear of federal intervention. If those provisions become law, they could open up banking for the marijuana industry nationwide and make it easier for cannabis companies to secure capital. Blumenauer's "blueprint" to legalize marijuana also calls for the federal government to provide medical marijuana for veterans, more equitable taxation for marijuana businesses and rolling back federal prohibitions on marijuana research, among other things. "We have elected the most pro-cannabis Congress in history and more important, some of the people who were roadblocks to our work ... are gone," Blumenauer said. "If we're able to jump-start it in the House, I think there will be support in the Senate, particularly if we deal with things that are important, like veterans' access and banking." With buzz building across the globe, the momentum will continue into 2019. Luxembourg is poised to become the first European country to legalize recreational marijuana, and South Africa is moving in that direction. Thailand legalized medicinal use of marijuana on Tuesday, and other Southeastern Asian countries may follow South Korea's lead in legalizing cannabidiol, or CBD. It's a non-psychoactive compound found in marijuana and hemp plants and used for treatment of certain medical problems. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS: Americans buoyed by a strong economy pushed holiday sales growth to a six-year high. Retail sales rose 5.1 percent between Nov. 1 and Dec. 24 from a year ago, according to Mastercard SpendingPulse, which tracked spending online and in stores across all payment types, including those who paid by cash or check. Mastercard says total sales topped \$850 billion this year. Online sales continued to grow, up more than 19 percent from a year ago. Last week, Mastercard said online sales made up 13 percent of total retail sales. Clothing

sold well this year -- up nearly 8 percent from last year, the biggest growth for apparel sales since 2010. Home furniture sales rose 2.3 percent, while electronics and appliances slipped 0.7 percent. Shoppers spent less at department stores, which Mastercard says was partly due to store closings. But shoppers did head to the websites of department stores, where sales rose 10.2 percent. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Authorities say an injured man was rescued after an SUV he was in tipped over on a beach near Pacific City. KOIN-TV reports authorities responded to a report Tuesday afternoon of a vehicle that had tipped onto its side with 3 people in it. Nestucca Fire Chief Jim Oder says two of them escaped but the third had his arm pinned and was trapped as an unusually strong tide rolled in. Oder said emergency workers kept the trapped person out of the water as they took out part of the SUV's roof and windshield. They pulled the trapped man out of the car after about 40 minutes and took him to higher ground. He was taken by helicopter to a Portland hospital. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Oregon is unlikely to reach its goal of recycling and recovering 52 percent of the waste generated in the state by 2020. The Statesman Journal reports that Oregonians recycled and recovered about 42.8 percent of all waste in the state in 2017. That's just a slight increase from the state's 42.2 percent rate in 2016. The state's lackluster performance emerged in a report released last week by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. The rate in the annual report reflects the waste that is recovered through recycling and other means, including composting and incinerating to generate energy. Peter Spendelow, waste reduction specialist with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, said it's not realistic that the state will meet the 2020 recycling goal. / ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE: Authorities say a gray wolf known as OR-7 in the Rogue Pack has killed another cow at a northeastern Jackson County ranch, marking the seventh confirmed livestock kill attributed to the pack since late October. The Mail Tribune reports that the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife reports that the dead and partially consumed cow was found Sunday on a ranch in the Boundary Butte area where the Rogue Pack has killed before, but a report did not identify the ranch. The Boundary Butte area is in the vicinity of rancher Ted Birdseye, who has lost at least four cows and a guard dog that were confirmed as wolf kills in the Rogue Pack's home range so far in 2018. In Sunday's case, a livestock producer discovered one of his 8-month-old, 550-pound calves dead in private-land grass pasture that morning, and an ODFW biologist estimated it had been dead anywhere from 12 to 48 hours, according to an ODFW report. / CRIME: Authorities say two men were surrounded by customers with guns while attempting to steal tools from a Washington store. The Daily Herald reports the men, ages 22 and 23, allegedly took four nail guns, each worth more than \$400, from the Coastal Farm & Ranch store Saturday in Marysville. The men walked out of the store and got into a Honda Civic, only to be surrounded by about six customers with guns raised. Court documents say the driver pulled forward, causing one man confronting him to land on the hood. Documents say another customer shot at the driver's side front tire, while a third fired twice at the rear tire. Marysville police found the theft suspects' car unoccupied about three blocks away, with two flat tires and the tools inside. Both men were apprehended after a search. / SPORTS, EDUCATION: Oregon quarterback Justin Herbert says he'll return for his senior season. Herbert announced his decision before the Ducks left Eugene for the Redbox Bowl in Santa Clara, California. Oregon plays Michigan

State on Monday. Herbert has thrown for 2,985 yards this season with 28 touchdowns. He's rushed for 173 yards and two TDs. /

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SAFETY, HEALTH, TRANSPORTATION: Linn County Sheriff's deputies are investigating a motor vehicle crash that injured two teen boys, one of them seriously. It happened Wednesday evening, when the youths, ages 16 and 17, were working to provide a jump start on a disabled car alongside a stretch of Diamond Hill Road near the intersection with Weatherford Road, east of Harrisburg. It was dark and rainy. A 16-year-old from Harrisburg had been driving a black 2003 Toyota Corolla, but was outside the vehicle working to get it restarted. Friends had arrived in a Ford F150 pickup to assist him. That's when the 16-year-old and his 17-year-old friend were both standing at the back of the Toyota when they were struck by a 1997 Geo Prizm. The 16-year-old was pushed into the Toyota and suffered life threatening injuries. He was transported by ambulance to Riverbend Hospital in Springfield. The 17-year-old sustained minor injuries and was transported by personal vehicle to the hospital for evaluation. Two other juveniles sitting in the Ford F-150 complained of minor pain. Investigators say the lone operator of the Geo, 24-year-old Jared Wayne Jones of Eugene, told them he was traveling west on Diamond Hill Drive at about 60 mph when he struck the two males. Jones was taken to Riverbend Hospital by medics with non-life threatening injuries. Afterward, Jones was taken into custody on charges of DUI, Reckless Driving and Assault. Investigators say he had a blood alcohol content of 0.158. The crash remains under investigation. Note: The Harrisburg community and many others in the area have rallied to create fundraisers and other support efforts for 16-year-old Jimmy Holland and his family. KGNU is actively promoting these efforts on-air and on social media. /

ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH: Another potential setback for the young people involved in a landmark climate suit against the U.S. government. This week, a federal three-judge panel on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals—in a 2-1 decision—sided with the Trump administration's effort to have its latest appeal heard before the suit goes to trial. The lawsuit was filed by 21 young activists who say the government isn't doing enough to prevent climate change. Most of the defendants are from Oregon, including six from this area. They range in age from 11 to 22. The Ninth Circuit panel also made some additional rulings yesterday that attorneys for the young people say makes it unclear whether and when pre-trial and trial proceedings may resume. Attorneys for the plaintiffs say they've filed a motion in Eugene federal court asking for clarification in hopes that will lead to Judge Ann Aiken resuming pre-trial and trial proceedings on issues not covered by the government's appeal. The case was originally set for trial on October 29th in Eugene federal court. The plaintiffs argue the government has known for decades that carbon pollution from fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas is causing climate change but has failed to protect natural resources as a "public trust" for future generations. Their suit asks a court to order the federal government to take action to reduce carbon dioxide emissions to a certain level by the year 2100 and to

develop a national climate recovery plan. / **POLITICS, IMMIGRATION, GOVERNMENT:** Three days, maybe four. That's how long many federal workers said they could realistically miss work before they're struggling. But the partial federal government shutdown has stretched into its sixth day with no end in sight. That's putting a crunch on many of the estimated 800,000 federal employees who are either working without pay or furloughed. It comes as President Trump and congressional leaders appear no closer to a resolution over his demand for \$5 billion for the border wall with Mexico that is pushing the shutdown into the New Year. The House and Senate gavelled in for a brief sessions Thursday, but quickly adjourned without action. No votes are expected until next week, and even that's not guaranteed. Lawmakers are mostly away for the holidays and will be given 24-hour notice to return, with Republican senators saying they won't vote until all parties, including Trump, agree to a deal. House Democrats tried Thursday to offer a measure to re-open government, but they were blocked from action by Republicans, who still have majority control of the chamber until Democrats take over Jan. 3. Roughly federal 420,000 workers were deemed essential and are working unpaid, unable to take any sick days or vacation. An additional 380,000 are staying home without pay. While furloughed federal workers have been given back pay in previous shutdowns, it's not guaranteed. The Senate passed a bill last week to make sure workers will be paid. The House will probably follow suit. But contractors fear they might never receive back pay. The longer the shutdown lasts, the more government activities will grind to a halt. It's already caused a lapse in money for nine of 15 Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies, including the departments of Homeland Security, Transportation, Interior, Agriculture, State and Justice. Many national parks have closed while some have limited facilities. The National Flood Insurance Program announced it will no longer renew or issue policies during the shutdown. But some key agencies and operations remain unaffected, including the Department of Veterans Affairs, TSA checkpoints and the self-supporting Postal Service. Some analysts say the shutdown could have consequences that stretch beyond a temporary suspension of salary. Many federal government jobs require a security clearance and some workers fear missed mortgage payments or deepening debt could hurt their clearance. ; It's looking increasingly as if the partial government shutdown will be handed off to a divided government to solve. This, as agreement eludes Washington, D.C., in the waning days of the Republican monopoly on power. Now nearly a week old, the impasse is idling hundreds of thousands of federal workers and beginning to pinch citizens who count on varied public services. For example, the government says it will not issue new federal flood insurance policies or renew expiring ones until the budget for them is restored. Congress is closing out the week without a resolution in sight over the issue holding up an agreement — President Trump's demand for money to build a border wall with Mexico and Democrats' refusal to give him what he wants. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, DEVELOPMENT:** Transportation planners with the City of Eugene say it's time to redesign and improve a stretch of Franklin Boulevard between Alder Street and Interstate Five. It is one of the city's busiest streets and a gateway to the community and the University of Oregon. It comes after Eugene recently completed its acquisition of Alder Street to Interstate Five portion of Franklin Boulevard from the Oregon Department of Transportation. The idea is to make that aging stretch of state highway safer for vehicles as well as people who walk, bike, and ride the bus along the eastern section of the Franklin corridor. Planners this morning jump-started the process by launching a web page on the City of Eugene's website outlining the general aspects of the project and asking for your thoughts. There will also be some public sessions, including a multi-day design workshop early next year. In the meantime, you may go online to eugene-or.gov/Franklin to review the details and sign up for a project e-newsletter. / **CRIME, SAFETY, LOW-INCOME, HOMELESS, VETERANS, FAMILY,**

COMMUNITY: Eugene Police say there are many times while on patrol that they come across crime victims, accident victims or just a set of circumstances where someone needs extra help. In many cases, officers say they've encountered people who unexpectedly find themselves hungry, out of gas, or with no place to stay. That's where the Eugene Police Foundation's "Community Cares" Fund can make a difference. The fund allows police the opportunity to offer a temporary boost to an individual or family at a time when the need is great. The fund is accepting donations. Common uses of the "Community Cares" fund are for short-term shelter, food and gasoline for a vehicle. This month, for example, a 48-year-old woman who'd been taken advantage of by others needed food and received some. A man near Highway 99 was in desperate need of shoes and now has a brand new pair. Other critical needs include: emergency shelter (hotel rooms) for homeless individuals (often with children); bus/train tickets for people in crisis to get back home to a safe place; fuel for a stranded father and his children; fuel for a homeless Veteran; replacement lock for a homeless individual's storage unit; emergency meals for homeless and in-crisis individuals. Are you able to contribute? For more information on Eugene Police Foundation's Community Cares Fund, contact Lee Lashway, lee.lashway@gmail.com / **SAFETY, GOVERNMENT:** A new state report says Bend would be the center of the state's emergency response in the worst-case scenario of a catastrophic earthquake along the Cascadia Subduction Zone off the Oregon Coast. The Bulletin reports that the Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program's Bend campus is the fallback site for the state's Emergency Coordinating Center if the current command center and two other locations in Salem are knocked out. The Bend site was listed as backup Emergency Coordinating Center in the state's newly revised Cascadia Playbook, a 100-page outline of actions to be taken in the first hours and days after the disaster. The playbook covers the first two weeks after an earthquake. Scientists have predicted a possible 9.0 scale earthquake and subsequent tsunami along the 700-mile subduction zone could kill up to 25,000 people in the Pacific Northwest. Areas east of the Cascades are expected to escape with light to moderate damage. / **SAFETY, BUSINESS:** Some CenturyLink customers across the country were without the internet as outages stretched from New York to California. The company said in a statement Thursday that its network was "still experiencing a disruption" and that it was working to restore services. It provided no other details, including how many customers were affected. Jessica Rosenworcel, a member of the Federal Communications Commission, said via Twitter that this was a "nationwide outage" and her agency needed to investigate. It appeared that most of the trouble was in the West. The Idaho Statesman reports that the internet problems led to the temporary shutdown of phone services at the Idaho Department of Correction and the state's Department of Education. There were reports of ATM machines not working in Idaho and Montana. /

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DISCUSSED** ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION: This is the final day of the annual Winter Whale Watching Week along the Oregon Coast. Volunteers from the "Whale Watching Spoken Here" program will be stationed at 24 sites along the Oregon coast during the event. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., they'll offer whale watching tips and facts about the animals. A map of the 24 volunteer whale watch sites can be found on whalespoken.org. Every winter an estimated 20,000 Gray whales migrate south from Alaska to the warm calving lagoons off the coast of Baja, Mexico. Whale Watching Week coincides with the highest frequency of whales swimming down the coast; roughly 30 whales pass by per hour. One of the goals of the event is to create awareness and compassion for whales and other marine life. Whales are a special part of the Oregon coast. Volunteers say this is a great opportunity to help visitors connect with the whales and our oceans. Want to make a longer trip of it? Camping, including rental yurts and cabins, is available at many of Oregon's coastal state parks. Visit oregonstateparks.org for information and to make a reservation. ; What are you doing on New Year's Day? For the eighth year in a row, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is partnering with America's State Parks to offer free guided First Day Hikes in state parks across Oregon on New Year's Day. This year Dexter State Recreation Site will host First Day Disc Golf. Disc golfers can register for the event at the Oregon State Parks Online Store at <http://bit.ly/ParkStoreEvents>. Registration is not required. But it will help park staff plan for the event and give park staff contact information should the event be canceled because of weather or conditions. Event time: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. The course includes a nice mixture of long, open holes and technical, wooded ones. A "Putters-Only" 9-hole course will be set up for play in addition to the established 18-hole course. Discs are available for use. Players of all skill levels welcome, although best for players age four and older. Dogs must be on a six-foot leash. Participants should dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, and bring water as well as a camera or binoculars for wildlife viewing. / ENVIRONMENT: How you dispose of your old Christmas tree this year could make a difference in whether a newly arrived tree-killing insect pest is able to spread into Oregon forests. According to Invasive Species specialists with the Oregon Department of Forestry, throwing your old Christmas tree into the woods or leaving it in your yard may spread the pest, known as "elongate hemlock scale." This insect arrived in Oregon this fall on Christmas trees brought in from North Carolina. The Oregon Department of Agriculture found the pest and ordered the infested trees destroyed, but not before some had been shipped to big box stores all along the

West Coast. The fear is that when Christmas trees are left for weeks or months in a yard or dumped in a park or the woods, eggs laid on them will hatch and the pest may escape into nearby trees. Inspect trees obtained at big box stores before disposing of them. The scale feeds on the underside of the needles, creating a yellowish-brown waxy layer that is present year-round. It may be safest to cut up such trees and place them in garbage bags for disposal in a closed container. And next year, consider buying a tree grown in your local area. That reduces the risk it will harbor a pest introduced from another part of the country. If the "elongate hemlock scale" does get established here, it could be bad news for the state's timber economy. The pest attacks not only hemlocks but several conifer species native to Oregon, such as true firs, spruce and Douglas-fir. Email the Oregon Department of Forestry's Forest Health Unit at wyatt.williams@oregon.gov if you suspect you have found the elongate hemlock scale.

/ POLITICS, IMMIGRATION: Democratic House leader Nancy Pelosi and President Trump both think they have public sentiment on their side in the battle over a border wall. That theory will be put the test this week when the new House majority led by Pelosi gavel into session with legislation to end the government shutdown. Trump is fighting for \$5 billion to build his border wall with Mexico. Democrats refuse to give him the money. As the shutdown drags into a second week, the high-stakes gamble will be the first big battle between Trump and Pelosi. And it sets the stage for a more active legislative branch ready to confront the White House.

/ POLITICS, MILITARY: Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham says President Trump has ordered a slowdown to the withdrawal of U.S. forces in Syria. Speaking after lunch Sunday with Trump, the South Carolina Republican described the slowdown as "a pause situation" and said, "I think we're slowing things down in a smart way." Graham had been an outspoken critic of Trump's announced withdrawal of about 2,000 troops from war-torn Syria. Trump had declared victory over the Islamic State group in Syria, though pockets of fighting remain. Trump's announcement earlier this month shocked lawmakers and American allies, including Kurds who have fought alongside the U.S. against the Islamic State group and face an expected assault by Turkey. National security adviser John Bolton will travel to Israel and Turkey next weekend to discuss the president's plans.

/ HEALTH, POLITICS: A federal judge in Texas who recently declared the Affordable Care Act unconstitutional has stayed his ruling to allow for appeals. That means "Obamacare" remains in effect while litigation continues. In a ruling issued Sunday, Judge Reed O'Connor in Fort Worth wrote that he stands by his earlier conclusion that the entire law is invalidated by congressional repeal of its fines on people who remain uninsured, like a house of cards collapsing. However, because "many everyday Americans would ... face great uncertainty" if that ruling were immediately put into effect, O'Connor issued a stay to allow for appeals. A group of Republican-led states brought the lawsuit. A coalition of Democratic state attorneys general, led by California's Xavier Becerra, intends to appeal. Congressional Democrats also plan to appeal.

/ SPORTS, EDUCATION, ECONOMY: Michigan St., Oregon look to salvage seasons with bowl win at today's Redbox Bowl at Levi Stadium in Santa Clara, California. Kick-off is noon on Fox. Notes for Michigan State (7-5) vs. Oregon (8-4): Both teams were ranked in the top 15 of the AP Top 25 earlier this season and had much higher aspirations than the Redbox Bowl. But ending the season with a win against an opponent with pedigree would provide a silver lining to an otherwise disappointing

campaign. A key matchup might be Michigan State's Run D vs. Oregon's offense. The Spartans rank first among FBS teams in run defense, allowing just 81.3 yards per game. But the Ducks present a tough challenge with talented freshmen CJ Verdell and Travis Dye. They are one of just six Power Five running back duos with at least 700 yards each. Player to watch for Oregon: QB Justin Herbert. The bowl season already was a big win for the Ducks when Herbert announced he would return for his senior season. Herbert has the longest streak in the nation with 27 straight games with at least one TD pass. Oregon has averaged 39.4 ppg in Herbert's 27 career starts, including 13 games with at least 40 points. Michigan State won five of its last six bowl games. Oregon has lost three straight bowl games since beating Florida State in playoff semifinal at the Rose Bowl following 2014 season. / HEALTH, EDUCATION: If quitting smoking is one of your New Year's resolutions, you might want to consider cutting back on your drinking, too. New research from Oregon State University finds that heavy drinkers who are trying to stop smoking might find that reducing their alcohol use can also help them quit their daily smoking habit. Sarah Dermody, an assistant professor at OSU and the study's lead author, says a heavy drinkers' nicotine metabolite ratio – a biomarker that indicates how quickly a person's body metabolizes nicotine – reduced as they cut back on their drinking. Past research has suggested that people with higher nicotine metabolism ratios are likely to smoke more and that people with higher rates have a harder time quitting. So if slowing a person's nicotine metabolism rate through reduced drinking could provide an edge when trying to stop smoking, it could help make a difficult goal easier to achieve. The study was just published in the journal *Nicotine & Tobacco Research*. Dermody, who is based in the School of Psychological Science in OSU's College of Liberal Arts, studies risky behaviors such as alcohol and nicotine use with the goal of better understanding factors that contribute to alcohol and nicotine use and how best to intervene with problematic use of these substances. Use of both alcohol and cigarettes is widespread, with nearly 1 in 5 adults using both. Cigarette use is especially prevalent in heavy drinkers. Drinking is a well-established risk factor for smoking, and smoking is well-established risk factor for drinking. / ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT: Fishery managers say commercial fishermen in parts of Oregon and Washington State will finally be able to set their Dungeness crab gear on Tuesday. The Daily Astorian reports fishermen can begin pulling their gear on Friday. The lucrative commercial fishery traditionally starts Dec. 1. But the fishery was delayed this year after tests showed crab had not filled out enough. Crab are still below the meat quality criteria required by the state in Oregon between Cape Arago and Gold Beach. Those areas will remain closed. Recent testing shows crab are just above the required threshold in areas of Oregon and Washington state that will reopen. / RACISM, BUSINESS: A Portland, Oregon, hotel has fired two employees it says were involved in the mistreatment of a black guest kicked out of its facility. DoubleTree Portland at Lloyd Center tweeted Saturday that the two men's "actions were inconsistent with our standards." Jermaine Massey accused the hotel of racially profiling him after a security guard called police to remove him from the lobby. The guard told Massey that if he could not provide a room number, he would be asked to leave. Massey posted an Instagram video that shows part of the interaction with the guard. The hotel's general manager said the hotel had reached out to Massey privately but attorneys for Massey said they want a public explanation on why he was told to leave. Oregon Public

Broadcasting reports Massey's lawyers intend to pursue legal action. / SAFETY, BUSINESS: Federal officials and at least one state say they've started an investigation into a nationwide CenturyLink internet outage that has caused 911 service disruptions. Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai made the announcement Friday, saying the outage that started Thursday is "completely unacceptable" because people who need help couldn't use the 911 emergency number. CenturyLink spokeswoman Debra Peterson said the outage is not related to hacking, She declined further comment. Authorities in Washington state also announced they'll open an investigation. Idaho Emergency Office Management Director Brad Richy says he didn't receive any reports of 911 service failures, but some state offices lost phone service. /