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QUARTERLY POSTING OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND INTERESTS

Second Quarter, 2017: April 1st through June 30th

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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 indepth examinations of community problems, needs and issues.

McKENZIE RIVER BROADCASTING 2Q, 2017, ISSUES LIST:

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

Quarter		April 1 st through June 30 th	
Year		2017	
*Note: Major breaking news stories during the quarter that fall under these categories wi			
as is appropriate and reflected in daily news-public service postings			
1	POLITICS, ELECTIONS: Donald Trump presidency, partisan battles, Congress, the 2017 Oregon		
	Legisla	ture; National, Oregon, local elections and politics; Government funding, shutdown threats;	
1	Health	care reform, Planned Parenthood, Tax reform, Foreign relations, immigration.	
2	CRIME	-SAFETY: ; Community and school violence; Drug & alcohol abuse; Opioid addiction, crime,	
	arrests and treatment; Human trafficking; Youth protection, including child abuse; Gangs;		
	Cybersecurity, hacking, data breaches; Policing & community policing; Police shootings, targeting		
ļ	police, police-racial relations; Gun control, gun violence; Demonstrations & riots; Arsonists; Racial		
	profiling	; Public safety during severe weather, disasters, terrorism.	
3	ECONO	MY, BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, UTILITIES, COLLEGE-PRO SPORTS:	
	Econon	nic recovery; Unemployment, workforce training; Government funding; Personal finance; Gas &	
	food pri	ces; Recreational, medical marijuana; Immigration economics; Retirement concerns;	
}	Econon	nic and downtown development, urban renewal and urban density; Rural development, urban	
	growth	boundary; UO athletic facilities; Athletics funding, spending; Sports events; Civic Stadium	
	rebuildii	ng; Agriculture; Technology; Energy prices, development; Cybersecurity, hacking.	
4	ENVIR	DNMENT: Severe weather, Aftermath of winter ice and snow storms; Disaster preparedness:	
	Earthqu	akes, tsunamis, Wildfires, drought aftermath; Air quality, climate change; Agriculture;	
	Pollinate	ors; Pesticides, herbicides; Gardens, produce, Sustainable landscaping; Ocean health; Forest	
		ement; Wildlife habitat, fish recovery, fishing effects; Power generation; Alternate energy;	
		pus materials transport, toxic dumps, clean-up sites.	
5	MILITA	RY, VETERANS, WAR ON TERRORISM: the "War on terror," ISIS, al-Qaeda, related attacks;	
	Veteran	s' issues, including jobs, mental health (PTSD, suicide, etc.) and homelessness; Military	
		issues; Homeland and local security; Balancing terrorism with civil rights; National Guard	
	deployn	nents; Oregonians in the military; NSA hacking and privacy issues.	
6	HOMEL	ESSNESS, LOW-INCOME ISSUES: "The Working Poor"; At-risk youth; Community agencies;	
	Veteran	homelessness; Mental health issues; Homeless and low-income families, living wages and	
-	affordable housing; Homeless "rest stops"; Senior citizens' finances.		
7	HEALI	H: Health care overall and effects on Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid); Abortion and	
		ctive legislation; Prescription drug prices; The opioid epidemic; Immunizations and treatments;	
Recreational and medical marijuana; Mental health; Zika, measles, meningitis, Eb			
	outbreat	ks; Vaccination; Food and product recalls; Lead in school and water systems; General health	
care issues; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Drug & alcohol abuse; Pandemic risks			
8	assisted suicide.		
		BERTIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, RELIGION, COMMUNITY, DISABILITIES: Immigration; Same-	
	Sey mar	riage; Gay rights, fair housing; Families and children; Domestic violence; Youth programs;	
	Minority	issues, the growing local Latino community; Rae and racism; Civil rights, civil liberties;	
	Privacy	cybersecurity; Religion, churches; Global migrant crisis; Community and charitable events,	
	Older ac	dults, Pets and animal rights, women and campaign rhetoric.	
9	EDUCA:	TION: Local and state budgets for higher and lower education; Paying for college; Curriculum	
	and aca	demic standards; Programs and students honored for academic or civic excellence. National	
	education	on and trends; teacher contracts.	
10		PORTATION: Legislative transportation plan; Lane Transit District EmX expansion; Willamette	
•	Street m	nodifications; Highway and street improvements & safety; Drone safety and regulation;	
	Pedestri	an, biker, rider safety; Hiking-biking trails; Airlines and Eugene's airport; Hybrid, electric	
		; Fees and taxes; Oil and coal train safety.	
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The 2nd Quarter, 2017, Issues List was formulated at a public meeting on Monday, April 5th, 2017. In attendance were Tracy Berry of KKNU-FM and Mary Reilly of KMGE-FM.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	04/02/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
issue	ECONOMY, BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY
Longth Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Events and attractions, plenty of conferences and some national honors. This morning, we visit with Andy Vobora of Travel Lane County and EugeneCascadesCoast.org for an overview of what's happening with the convention, visitor and local scene. Among the highlights: We learn about a recent award for the Willamette Valley AVA wine region and the wine tralls in the western part of the valley, in the areas near Veneta, Junction City, Lorane and elsewhere. We talk about the promotional "Pinot Bingo" game that's bringing more visitors to the vineyards and wineries. We learn how it's modeled on the popular "Ale Trail" that highlights local breweries and distilleries. We talk about the Google Maps effort to showcase some of the county's most scenic trails and how staff members backpacked into the mountains with the multi-camera gear to share it with the world. We discussed the redesign of the organization's website and its new booking engine for local lodgings. We also discussed the construction boom that will is adding hundreds of hotela dn motel rooms to the area this year, as well as the continued need for more convention space. And we learn about big tourism pushes and events for the summer and the resources offered at the Travel Lane County office in downtown Eugene and the Adventure Center off Gateway Boulevard in Springfield.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	04/09/2017
Time of Pregram	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Families, Youth, Health
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	The Ronald McDonald House has been serving Willamette Valley families, whose children are hospitalized, with long term stay options in Portland for years and will now open the first home in Springfield at River Bend hospital. The new house breaks ground in the summer of 2017 and will be accepting families by spring 2018. We chat with organizers and fundraisers about the years of effort to create the facility here in the southern Willamette Valley.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	04/16/17 and 04/23/17
Time of Pregram	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Homelessness, Education, Women, Children, Families, Safety
Length 9f Pregram	30 Minutes
TOPIC	It is hard enough for some teens to stay in school but imagine if you didn't have a place to live. Here in the Eugene-Springfield area, there are hundreds of young people in that situation. Somehow, with a determination that is truly awe-inspiring, they are staying in school. Bit they need your help. This morning on Community Forum, we learn more about the effort led by the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Lane County to convert the former Cascade Presbyterian Church in South Eugene into a first-of-its kind Youth House. It will provide a safe for more than one dozen teen girls to live and study as they finish their final years of high school. It was the brainchild of St. Vinnie's executive director, Terry McDonald. And it's being spearheaded by Paul Neville, who gives us a quick tour and an update on the coalition coming together to make the renovation a reality. He also discusses plans to create more Youth Houses in the future.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	04/30/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Community, Elders, Family, Religion, Development
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	"It's like a giant jigsaw puzzle. You don't know the picture or where the pieces are. So you have to go hunting for them." So says Dorothy Brandner of Eugene, who combines her love of the past, researching history and using modern online tools to help lead restoration efforts on some of our areas historic cemeteries. She started in Corvallis, where her parents were buried, but has spent years working to detail the history and development of the Pioneer Cemetery at the University of Oregon. Along the way, she and other volunteers helped prevent the relocation of the headstones and many of the graves, which were threatened with campus expansion. Brandner is the state's historic cemetery volunteer of the year. During our conversation she explains why the work's important, how communities gain from the knowledge and how the historic research is enhancing educational efforts for schoolchildren and adults.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	05/07/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
issue	Families, Community, Safety, Youth, Health, Environment, Transportation
Length Of Pregram	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Walking, bicycling, swimming or just spending the day around the house. You want your children to have fun but be safe. And again this year, a big family safety fair sponsored by PeaceHealth and a variety of local business, law enforcement and public safety organizations are taking part. It takes place next Saturday at the Bob Keefer Center at Willamalane. Our guest is Dr. Kim Ruscher, a pediatric surgeon who helped create the event two year ago. Ruscher says the focus is on preventable accidents. She says simple safety steps: Well-fitted child seats and booster seats; bike and other helmets; and making sure your child knows how to swim are big ways to keep your youngsters safe. Many kids are hurt while walking, so we learn about crosswalk and traffic safety tips. We also talk about eliminating risks around the home, from detergent pods to small magnets and button batteries.

Hame of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	05/14/17 and 05/21/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Safety, Environment, Community, Development, Growth, Economy
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	The month of May is the time to take some steps to better prepare your home and your community from wildfires. This is Wildfire Awareness Month in Oregon. Take a look around the outside of your home and your property. Think about what you'd do if a fire broke out nearby and began moving toward your home. During the 2016 wildfire season, Oregonians were inadvertently responsible for blazes that consumed more than 159,000 acres. That's one reason the Oregon Department of Forestry, the Keep Oregon Green Association and the Oregon office of the State Fire Marshal are getting the word out about how you can prevent human-caused wildfires and create a defensible space around your home. John Flannagan and Keith Teague from the Oregon Department of Forestry offer tips on managing your burn piles, clearing brush and flammable landscaping from around your house and outbuildings, planting less fire-susceptible vegetation, thinking about trees and roofs, ensuring you have two ways to evacuate and how to play it safe when you're playing in the Oregon outdoors.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	05/28/17 and 06/04/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Transportation, Safety, Health
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	The weather's warming up and the summer motorcycle-riding season is upon us. For 33 years, Team Oregon has been offering motorcycle safety classes that help you get your motorcycle endorsement, maybe a discount on your insurance, and make everything a lot safer when you're out on your bike enjoying the open road. Team Oregon offers a mix of online classroom information and hands-on riding skills training. That includes the basic and intermediate courses and the advanced class for experienced road riders. Program leader Aria Minu-Spehir discusses the program and the most common causes of motorcycle injuries and fatalities. Among them, single-cycle accidents where a n inexperienced or distracted rider usually misses and curve or cuts across it and strikes an oncoming vehicle; not keeping eyes far enough ahead on the road to anticipate problems with slowing traffic or vehicles entering at driveways and intersections; and problems with improper spacing and organization on group rides. And he offers tips for getting your bike—and yourself—in shape for the spring and summer season.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	06/11/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
issue	Safety, Crime, Economy, Growth
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Driveways, patios, roofs, general remodels: If you have a home or other property in Oregon, the Construction Contractors Board or CCB can help guide you through the process. If you go to www.oregon.gov/ccb you'll find all sorts of resources to help you choose a good contractor, recognize bad ones or scam artists, plan your home projects, get a proper estimate, create a fair work agreement or contract, and understand how to pay for the job. Stan Jessup with the Construction Contractors Board joins us to offer tips and talk about the latest problems and scams in the area. And he outlines what to do if a project goes sideways or doesn't produce the results you wanted.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	06/18/17
Time of Pregram	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	Safety, Environment, Health
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	After a very wet winter and spring we're finally heading into some sunny days. And that means Oregonians are going outdoors, especially to enjoy some of our rivers and lakes. Safety is something that's critically important this time of year. Our guest this morning is Tim Chase, the Search & Rescue coordinator for the Lane County Sheriff's Office. It's an organization that relies on more than skilled volunteers who are experts in swift water, mountain and backcountry safety, mounted posse and four-wheel drive units, many with advanced emergency medical training. They put in a combined 27,000 hours last year to help people around the county and around the state get home safely. We've had a really wet winter with a lot of snow in the mountains but it means rivers are cold and the hydraulics are very strong. There are many submerged obstacles and higher water levels mean not much of a bank. Those factors have already contributed to a couple of spring drownings. Chase offers tips on navigating rivers, what craft and gear are best, what is required, and how to ensure people know when and where to look for you if you don't return home on time.

Kame of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	06/25/17
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
ISSUE	LOW-INCOME, FAMILIES, EDUCATION, HEALTH, COMMUNITY, YOUTH
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Kids eat free again this summer across Lane County. We learn more about the dozens of sites taking part in the weekday Kids Summer Meals program. More than half of all children in Lane County—those under the age of 18—qualify for the free or reduced lunch program during the school year. But what happens when school is out for the summer? The USDA funds the program managed by our local food bank, FOOD for Lane County, along with other school and non-profit organizations. It offers a free nutritious meal to all children, regardless of income, to ensure they remain healthy as they grow and play during the summer months. Karen Roth from FOOD for Lane County joins us explain how the program works, what parents and kids need to know, how families can save a few dollars and, if adults pack a lunch of their own, enjoy a nice summer meal together. She also talks about efforts to ensure there is enough funding available next year should there be anticipated program cuts. And she discusses why kids need to feed their bodies and their brains so they stay smart and healthy and ready for school.

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DATE OF BROADCAST 04/03/17

TIME OF BROADCAST

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

NAME OF PROGRAM

Morning News

LENGTH OF PROGRAM

30 Seconds

ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED

ELECTIONS, POLITICS: A Senate panel is opening a weeklong partisan showdown over President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee. This comes as Democrats are steadily amassing the votes to block Neil Gorsuch and force Republicans to unilaterally change long-standing rules to confirm him. The Republican-led Judiciary Committee meets today and is expected to back Gorsuch and send his nomination to the full Senate, most likely on a near-party line vote. / POLITICS, ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT: As the Oregon Legislature considers four bills that would tighten regulations around pesticides, the state's Agriculture Department says the dollar amount of fines it issued for improper pesticide use quadrupled last year — thanks largely to one big penalty. The Statesman Journal reports that the department levied 37 fines totaling nearly \$86,000, up from 23 fines totaling less than \$19,000 in 2015. In one significant case last year, an aerial spraying company, Applebee Aviation, and its owner, Michael L. Applebee, were fined nearly \$54,000. Investigators said they failed to take any health or safety precautions for workers, and continued spraying after its license was suspended. Other cases that generated fines last year included a Gresham nursery that allowed pesticide spray to drift onto a nearby home, sickening its occupants. Among the measures the Legislature is considering is one that would make it easier for people sickened by pesticides to sue and another that would require the state to maintain an electronic reporting and notification system for pesticide applications, with free public access. / CRIME: Springfield police say two citizens detained a man suspected of slashing tires on at least 27 different vehicles. The suspect is the son of the city's mayor. Benjamin Daniel Lundberg faces 27 counts of criminal mischief. Springfield Mayor Christine Lundberg said Friday that she wanted to sincerely apologize to the community for the actions of her family member. Damien Czech woke up Friday to find tires slashed on his truck and trailer. He said he had two jobs that required both vehicles and he could only do one until he got the tires fixed. Police say a victim saw Lundberg slashing his tire on 10th Street and followed him. That's where police found Lundberg on the ground, guarded by two citizens.; Eugene Police say they took a stabbing suspect into custody yesterday morning with the help of some alert neighbors. The call came in shortly before 8:00 Sunday morning about an incident at a residence in the 4100 block of Dove Avenue. The caller reported his friend had been stabbed by a man and that the suspect was known to the victim. The victim was hospitalized but, after surgery, is in stable condition. As police searched for the suspect, dispatchers received calls from neighbors in the

area of Hughes Street and Wood Avenue about a suspicious subject matching the suspect's description. Officers say when they detained him, the suspect was in possession of a large knife. Police say they were also able to locate property and clothing they think was carried from the scene by the suspect. The names of the suspect and victim will be released once police wrap up the preliminary investigation. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: Some of the most thrifty, ecoconscious Oregon residents, each hauling hundreds of used water bottles and soda cans in trash bags and carts, flocked to bottle-recycling centers and grocery stores Saturday — the first day the per-bottle refund rate doubled to 10 cents. Oregon was the first state in the nation to give 5-cent refunds for recycling used soda cans and glass bottles more than 45 years ago through its so-called Bottle Bill. Today, with other recycling options now commonplace, this eco-trailblazing Pacific Northwest state is hoping to revamp the program by doubling that refund on bottled and canned water, soda, beer and malt beverages — regardless what their labels say. The most frugal of Oregonians have been hoarding bottles for months in anticipation of the roll-out. Even the press pool at the state Capitol in Salem has been buying cases of water bottles and stockpiling the empties to pay for a pizza party. Many grocery stores and the 20 or so bottle redemption sites across the state were bustling with activity, as expected, on Saturday. A newlybuilt BottleDrop redemption site in north Portland, Oregon experienced heavy foot traffic steadily throughout the day that employees say is usually only seen during peak hours on the typical Saturday.; Despite vocal opposition from environmentalists and small farm advocates, Oregon regulators have agreed to permit the state's second-largest dairy in eastern Oregon. The East Oregonian reports that The Oregon Department of Agriculture and Department of Environmental Quality on Friday announced that they have issued a wastewater and manure permit for Lost Valley Farm, which plans to add 30,000 cows on 7,288 acres in Morrow County. The mega-dairy can now start milking cows sometime in the next few weeks. Oregon regulators received more than 4,200 public comments about Lost Valley's proposal. Many opponents criticized the effect the dairy would have on air and water quality. Environmental groups argued that the dairy could produce as much waste as a mid-sized city. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation will begin collecting soil samples early this month at the Ochoco Dam in Prineville to ensure the stability of the dam in an earthquake. The Bend Bulletin reports that the work is part of the federal bureau's Safety of Dams program, which is focused on the integrity of its dams. Dam safety drew nationwide attention in February when nearly 200,000 people were evacuated due to the threat of a breach at the Oroville Dam in California. Crews will work in April near the toe of the dam's downstream face. Crews will collect soil samples from the embankment and foundation at six drill sites to refine existing Ochoco Dam studies for seismic stability. The dam holds back Ochoco Creek water and stores winter snowmelt for the Ochoco Irrigation District, which provides irrigation to the surrounding area. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Ford is recalling 53,000 2017 F-250 trucks because they can roll away even when they are parked due to a manufacturing error. Ford says drivers should use the parking brake to make sure that parked cars don't move. Dealers will also replace the defective part for free, but Ford doesn't have the replacement parts yet. It will notify owners when the parts are available. The recalled trucks have 6.2-liter engines. They were built at a Kentucky

plant from October 2015 through Thursday and sold in North America. The company says it is not aware of accidents or injuries due to this defect. / HEALTH. SAFETY: The maker of Hunt's Chili Kits says it is recalling some because they might be contaminated with salmonella. Conagra Brands Inc. said Sunday that it is cooperating with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to recall "a limited amount" of the kits. The company says there have been no reports of people getting sick. Conagra says there could be salmonella in a raw material used in the chili-seasoning packets. The company says consumers should return kits to the store where they bought them. The recalled 44.8-ounce kits have "best by" dates of April 4, April 5 and May 1, and product codes 3534619500, 3534619600 and 3534622200 below the barcode. Conagra says consumers can call the company at 1-800-921-7404 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central time, Monday through Friday. / POLITICS, TRANSPORTATION, RELIGION, MINORITIES: Attorneys general from 16 states, including Oregon, and the District of Columbia say letting President Donald Trump's revised travel ban go into effect would amplify "the message of fear and intimidation" sent to Muslims. In a brief filed Friday in the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, the states urged the judges to reject the administration's request to let the ban take effect while it considers its appeal. A judge in Hawaii has extended his previous block of Trump's travel ban. Even if the 4th Circuit approves the administration's request, it would remain blocked by the Hawaii ruling. The attorney generals criticizing the travel ban are from: Virginia, Maryland, California, Oregon, Connecticut, New York, Delaware, North Carolina, Illinois, Rhode Island, Iowa, Vermont, Maine, Washington, Massachusetts, New Mexico and the District of Columbia. / ECONOMY, ATHLETICS: Want to give a quick shout-out to Churchill High School graduate Kaytianna McMillan and the rest of the OSU Women's Gymnastics Team. Over the weekend, she led her squad in the regionals in Champaign, Illinois, as they nailed down one of two berths to the NCAA Championships. They're coming up in two weeks. McMillan won the allaround title and tied for first in floor exercise and second in vault.; The Oregon softball team's winning streak continued on Sunday in Eugene as the Ducks walked off in the eighth inning to defeat Arizona State, 1-0. The Ducks are ranked Number Three in the nation and are now 33-0 on the season and 8-0 in Pac-12 play. Their next game is tomorrow against Portland State.; The top-ranked Oregon State baseball team etched itself into the school's record book on Sunday. And just 25 games into the 2017 season. The Beavers swept No. 11 Stanford Sunday at Sunken Diamond, winning the finale, 7-0, and in the process, set a school record with the team's 19th consecutive victory. The Beavers surpassed their previous school record of 18 straight victories, set in both 1951 and 1962. Oregon State's (24-1 overall, 9-0 Pac-12 Conference) current win streak started Feb. 25 with a 5-2 win over Nebraska in Surprise, Ariz. It has included 10 victories at Goss Stadium at Coleman Field, seven on the road and two at neutral-site games. The streak is the longest active in the nation, and one shy of tying Missouri's season-long of 20. The Beavers are tied with Louisville and South Florida for the second longest. / ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT, IMMIGRATION: Oregon's agricultural sector raises everything from cattle to Christmas trees, and employs approximately 87,000 workers. But the Oregonian and OregonLive reports farmers and orchardists are bracing for the effects of a nationwide immigration crackdown that they fear could worsen an already chronic labor shortage. The state's agricultural economy is valued at \$5.4 billion dollars.

Industry leaders say the Trump administration's vows of aggressive enforcement against undocumented workers -- many of whom are longtime residents of the state -- and the companies that employ them could create chaos from farm to market and all points in between. Providers of fruits and vegetables, nursery stock, produce, and meat products say the skilled workers who put food on our tables and plants in our yards cannot be easily be replaced. They point to the workers' speed, dexterity, and knowledge of crops, as well as their willingness to work long hours and unpredictable schedules in isolated areas. Officials with the Oregon Employment Department say they have no way of knowing how many of the state's agricultural workers are undocumented. But a Pew Research Center analysis of federal data estimates that immigrants accounted for one-third of all agricultural employment in 2014. The report estimates that of that pool, just over half are undocumented.

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CRIME: He was spotted driving erratically on some busy local streets, including the Beltline and Delta Highways and Sixth Avenue. A witness says the driver of a taxi then struck a median and ran head-on into a parked vehicle near Madison Street and Broadway before being stopped near the University of Oregon campus at 14th and Alder Streets. Now, 33-year-old Fred Brittan Zieger is facing charges of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, Reckless Driving and Hit-and-Run after being arrested Monday afternoon. Investigators say Zeiger's blood-alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit. The good news: No passengers were riding in the cab.; Police say a Eugene man has been arrested for trying to rape his female renter using a homemade restraint system in his basement. The Register-Guard reports 61-year-old Charles Salamone was arrested after the alleged February attack that was interrupted when the renter's adult daughter knocked on the door. Police said in a search warrant affidavit made public last week the 49-year-old renter told them the restraint system was made from dog collars and cables. The affidavit says police found a mattress on the basement floor and cables and collars in a locked garage, outbuildings and Salamone's pickup truck. Salamone has also been indicted on charges of sexual abuse, attempted rape and coercion, in addition to the domestic violence charge filed in February. Court records show Salamone posted \$12,500 bail March 29.; A registered sex offender in Oregon has made his first appearance in federal court after being accused of enticing girls from multiple states to engage in sexual activity online. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Larry Lewis Hudson of Sandy was arraigned Monday on several charges, including child pornography and attempted online enticement of a minor. The FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force says Hudson contacted minors in Louisiana and Illinois and undercover officers posing as minors in Texas and Arizona. He is accused of engaging in sexually explicit conversation and sending nude photos. Hudson was previously convicted in Clackamas County of attempted sexual penetration with a foreign object stemming from the sexual abuse of a 5-year-old girl. He was represented by Attorney Mark Ahlemeyer on Monday and deferred arguing for release. / ECONOMY, CRIME: Governors from the first four states to legalize recreational marijuana are asking the Trump administration to let the pot experiments continue. The governors of Oregon, Washington, Colorado and Alaska say that marijuana legalization has expanded their economies. The governors also say in Monday's letter that legal weed can be regulated to protect public safety. They contend legalization reduces what they term "inequitable incarceration," as well as

the number of people of color being disproportionately jailed for pot crimes. The letter was addressed to Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin. The governors say they opposed legalization at first, but warn that a federal pot crackdown now, quote, "would divert existing marijuana product into the black market." The governors also ask for the Treasury Department not to change instructions to banks for handling marijuana money. / ECONOMY: Officials are investigating nine Oregon hotels who travelers claim cancelled their room reservations and inflated prices ahead of this summer's total solar eclipse. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports more than a dozen people filled complaints against nine hotels to the Oregon Department of Justice, ranging from Lincoln City to Baker County. Consumers said on TripAdvisor they had made advanced reservations at the one Central Oregon motel, the Stafford Inn in Prineville, for about \$170 for the mid-August event. But they said the reservations were later cancelled and the rooms' prices raised to between \$600 and \$635 per night. The consumer complaints said hotel workers told them it was due to, quote, "new ownership" or "rebranding" of the property. Contacted by a reporter, the property's manager said the same thing is going on at properties across the eclipse's U.S. path. A state Justice Department spokeswoman says hotels are allowed to charge any price for rooms, but they cannot be deceptive in their advertising or marketing. She says hotels who do that face the possibility of a \$25,000 fine. / ENVIRONMENT: To protect and to serve and—to reunite! On Saturday, an Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division Senior Trooper Casey Hunter and a recruit were dispatched to a call that a pair of ducklings were trapped in a storm drain along a busy street near Salem's Airport. Witnesses say a mother duck and her 10 ducklings were crossing the street when two of the babies slipped through a safety grate and were swept into the underground drain system. Salem Public Works crews removed several storm grates and a manhole cover so the trooper could reach the ducklings with a net. The troopers, along with an Oregon Department of Transportation worker who stopped to help, plucked the ducklings from the storm drain and reunited them with their mother and siblings. The ducklings appeared unharmed and a few minutes later the family waddled away. / SAFETY, CRIME, FAMILIES, YOUTH: It is the start of a new statewide effort to find more foster homes in Oregon. Officials with the Department of Human Services (DHS), the Oregon Association of Broadcasters (OAB), and the new statewide campaign known as "Every Child" is launching a public service campaign to publicize the need and recruit new foster families. The organizers say the need is great: That. right now, nearly 8,000 Oregon children are in foster care, and communities do not have enough foster homes to ensure children are placed with the best family match for their safety and well-being. Beginning today, and continuing through June, the effort is sharing public service announcements on 35 television and 245 radio stations across Oregon. / GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT: One of Eugene's longtime golf courses might become a housing development containing hundreds of homes. The Register-Guard reports a Seattle-based company, Evergreen Housing Development Group, wants to turn part of northeast Eugene's RiverRidge Golf Complex into a development with up to 480 housing units. Reporter Elon Glucklich writes that a few years from now, if approved, RiverRidge might sport just a single nine-hole course on its north end with the subdivisions on the south end. This, in addition to a previously-announced development by spring Capital Group for a 192-lot subdivision of high-end houses

on the eastern 55 acres of RiverRidge property. The Register-Guard reports signs detailing the project were recently placed around the perimeter of the course, which lies off the north end of Eugene's Delta Highway. Neighbors have been invited to a meeting at five this evening at Gilham Community Church to learn more about the plan. The Register-Guard notes that demand for single-family homes in the Eugene-Springfield area has boomed in the past several years, with the national economic upswing. Home prices have risen sharply, driven in part by a tight supply of available, residential-zoned land. The RiverRidge site is among the largest single tracts of empty land in Eugene designated for housing.; A legal fight over a \$510 million casino in southwest Washington is over. The U.S. Supreme Court yesterday declined to hear an appeal from opponents who challenged the Cowlitz Tribe's claim to land near La Center, which allows it to build a casino just a short drive north of the Portland metropolitan area. The Cowlitz tribal chairman, William Iyali, called it a triumphant moment. The tribe's liani Casino Resort is scheduled to open this month. The Columbian newspaper reports that several groups had challenged the federal government's decision to take the land into trust and to allow casino gaming. But the city of Vancouver, along with Clark County, Washington, and the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, which operates a competing Northwest casino. dropped out of the lawsuit last year. / HEALTH, POLITICS: Conservative House Republicans are spending part of today considering a White House offer to revise the party's failed health care bill. Participants in a closed-door meeting last night with members of the House Freedom Caucus say Vice President Mike Pence and two top White House officials made the offer. Opposition from the close to threedozen members of the hardline caucus forced House Speaker Paul Ryan to withdraw the bill in the face of certain defeat. Under the White House offer, states would be allowed to apply for waivers from several coverage requirements that President Barack Obama's 2010 health care law imposed on insurers. States would be able to seek an exemption to the law's requirement that insurers must offer coverage to people with serious diseases. Conservatives have argued that such requirements have the effect of inflating insurance costs. There would also be waivers allowing insurers to drop coverage of so-called "essential health benefits," including mental health, maternity and substance abuse services. The most recent version of the GOP legislation would give states the option to reimpose those requirements on their own. While the changes are designed to please conservatives, it is unclear whether GOP moderates will accept them. Last month, moderate GOP lawmakers were upset with proposed cuts to Medicaid coverage, and greatly increased premiums for many lower-income earners and people in their 50s and 60s. / ENVIRONMENT: Wild horse advocates in Nevada scored a victory Monday in an ongoing legal battle with rural interests they say want to round up federally protected mustangs across the West and sell them for slaughter. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco denied an appeal by the Nevada Association of Counties and the Nevada Farm Bureau Federation representing ranchers and others. They argued that overpopulated herds are damaging the range and robbing livestock of forage. But lawyers for the American Wild Horse Campaign and others argue the courts have no authority to order the agency to gather horses in violation of the U.S. Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act. The Nevada suit filed in 2014 demanding the Bureau of Land Management sell older horses deemed unadoptable without the usual

prohibition on resale for slaughter. One year ago, the BLM estimated a year ago that there were more than 67-thousand wild horses and burros roaming federal land across 10 Western states - 40,000 more than the agency maintains the range can sustain. While some are in southeastern Oregon, about half are in Nevada. BLM removed about 8,000 of the horses and burros from the Western range in 2012, but fewer than 4,000 in each of the past two years, due in part to budget constraints. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: Ride-hailing companies Uber and Lyft are lobbying for a bill that would allow only the state — not individual Oregon cities — to regulate them. Uber and Lyft operate in Portland and some surrounding suburbs. But city rules have kept them out of Eugene and Springfield. A streamlined set of statewide rules would help both companies expand their reach in Oregon, company representatives said at a Monday public hearing. That would be a big potential win for consumers, they said. But the proposal, House Bill 3246, is opposed by Oregon local governments, including the city of Eugene, because they say it would impinge on their long-standing authority to regulate taxis and other vehicles for hire. Eugene oversees taxi and ride-hailing services in Eugene and Springfield. Uber pulled out of Eugene in April 2015, objecting to the long-standing rules city officials said applied to the company and its drivers. In addition to setting some insurance requirements, HB 3246 would define all ridehailing drivers as "independent contractors," not employees. For independent contractors, employers don't have to pay payroll taxes or provide mandatory minimum wages and benefits, or workers' compensation insurance. In a 2015 advisory opinion, Oregon's Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian said he believed Uber drivers should be considered "employees" under current state law. A total of 18 lawmakers, both Democrats and Republicans, have signed on to sponsor the bill. But it faces strong opposition from traditional taxi companies, which say it would give ride-hailing firms an unfair advantage, and labor unions, which object to the looser worker protections for drivers. The timing is bad for the companies. Just last month, The New York Times reported that Uber has for years used a software tool, called "Greyball," to allow its drivers to identify and avoid local regulators who were trying to spot Uber drivers. The article highlighted Uber's use of Greyball to outwit 2014 sting operations in Portland after the company had decided to operate there illicitly. But Bryce Bennett, Uber's general manager in Oregon, said similar statewide laws have been passed in most other states. During Monday's hearing, he stressed the work opportunities that ride-hailing provides. Over 6,000 drivers have worked with Uber in Portland since its 2015 legal launch, Bennett said. With HB 3246, "thousands of additional Oregonians will be able to take advantage of this flexible working opportunity, helping to get fellow residents from A to B," he added. Added Lyft lobbyist Laura Bisesto: HB 3246 would provide a "clear, workable regulatory framework that can be applied to all ride-sharing companies regardless of size and cities of operation to ensure that safe, reliable and affordable rides are available for all in Oregon." In Eugene and Springfield, regulations require traditional taxi drivers as well as ride-hailing services to meet a variety of requirements, including regular vehicle inspections by the city, driver certification, and review of the driver's criminal history. Meanwhile, taxi companies, led by Portland-based Radio Cab, are proposing several other bills aimed at tightening regulations on ride-hailing companies. One would require all ride-hailing drivers to undergo a criminal background check using their fingerprints. Another would require all drivers to pass a drug test before they can

be allowed to pick up passengers. But Uber's Bennett said the policies were "poison pills" designed to target the ride-hailing industry. The company already does background checks, using their drivers' Social Security numbers and driving records, he said. The fingerprinting requirement is unnecessarily cumbersome and expensive, he said. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: Registration is now open for the 7th Annual "Business Commute Challenge." This year's challenge takes place the week of May 13 - 19th. The Business Commute Challenge is a friendly competition between businesses and other workplaces to see who can get the most employees to walk, bike, bus, carpool or telework during the week of the event. The workplace that has the highest participation wins bragging rights, with great prizes throughout the week for individuals. The challenge will be launched with a kickoff event at Oakshire Brewery on Thursday, April 27, where team captains can pick up their Business Commute Challenge kit and mingle with their teams while enjoying live music and great refreshments. Some of the fun events that are taking place during the week of the challenge include Poker Walkabouts, happening in both Eugene and Springfield, wrapping up with a party on Thursday, May 25, where the prize winners will be announced. Top prizes include fishing trip, a commuter bike and a bike cargo trailer with many more prizes awarded based on how many days a person participates in the challenge. In addition to LTD/Point2Point, sponsors of this year's challenge include the City of Eugene, the City of Springfield, Arriving by Bike, Burley, Hutch's Bicycles, Collin's Cycle Shop, Paul's Bicycle Way of Life, Oakshire Brewery and Pacific Cascade Federal Credit Union. Benefits to those participating in the Business Commute Challenge include teambuilding among employees, reduces commuter stress, saves employees money on parking, gas and other car-related expenses and is great for the environment. Longer term benefits (if the participants continue their efforts) are better overall health and reductions in healthcare costs to the employers. The Business Commute Challenge is sponsored by Point2Point at Lane Transit District (LTD) and the Central Lane MPO. Visit www.commutechallenge.org / WOMEN, ECONOMY: Today is Equal Pay Day, marking the additional months into 2017 it takes women to catch up with men's salaries from 2016. Nationally, women are paid 80 cents for every dollar men are paid for the same job. Women in Oregon fare only slightly better than the nationwide average, receiving only 81 cents for every dollar men receive. That's according to a study from the American Association of University women. However, the group says the differential still stacks up to a loss of more than \$9,000 annually. Brenda Eichelberger, a committee member of Mercy Corps' Northwest Women's Business Center, says the pay gap can lead to job-hopping for women who want to find competitive pay. /

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CRIME, HEALTH: A Eugene pharmacist has been arrested and charged with tampering with drug records in connection with what investigators are terming a "significant theft" of Class Two narcotics from the River Road Bi-Mart, his place of employment. Police say Bi-Mart officials had already conducted a thorough internal investigation which resulted in the questioning and subsequent termination of the pharmacist, 33-year-old Benjamin O'Rourke of Eugene. During the course of the investigation, Eugene Police developed probable cause to arrest O'Rouke for 42 counts of each of the following: Tampering with Drug Records; Computer Crime; Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance; Controlled Substance Fraud; and Theft. Eugene police say computer records allegedly showed that Benjamin O'Rourke electronically altered drug records during the receiving process accounting for an aggregate loss of nearly 54-hundred Class II narcotics between April of 2016 to January of this year. The loss to the company at cost was over 46-hundred dollars. Police estimate the street value at more than 100thousand dollars. O'Rourke was arrested and jailed yesterday. / SAFETY: A lawn mower accident in Corvallis on Monday afternoon sent a seven-year-old boy to the hospital with severe leg injuries. Corvallis Police say the child had been riding on the back of his parents riding mower while his dad drove. But the boy fell off and into the mower blade. The child was first taken to Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis, and later flown to Legacy Emanuel Hospital in Portland for treatment. The Register-Guard is reporting that a former arborist who fell headfirst into a wood chipper last year has filed a \$16.7 million lawsuit against the machine's manufacturer. 35-year-old Noly Chouinard of Eugene filed the lawsuit Monday in Multnomah County Circuit Court against the , Vermeer Manufacturing Company. The Register-Guard reports the suit alleges personal injuries and negligence and asks for a jury trial. It claims the wood chipper should have an automatic shut-off switch in the event a person falls or is pulled into the frame of the machine. The incident occurred in February 2016 when investigators say a utility rope used to lower large branches from a tree in Leaburg got caught in the machine, pulling Chouinard in headfirst. The Register-Guard reports the suit notes that he was in a coma for four days, now has a metal plate in his head and has undergone three knee surgeries, totaling more than \$700,000 in medical bills. He also suffered skull fractures, hemorrhages, hematomas, ligament tears and other injuries, the lawsuit states. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Inspectors have found almost 24,000 safety defects over the past two years along U.S. railroad routes used to ship volatile crude oil. Data obtained by The Associated Press shows many of the

defects were similar to problems blamed in past derailments that caused massive fires or oil spills in Oregon, Virginia, Montana and elsewhere. The safety gaps were discovered during targeted federal inspections on almost 58,000 miles of oil train routes in 44 states. The program began two years ago following a string of oil train accidents across North America, including a 2013 derailment in Lac-Megantic, Quebec, that killed 47 people. The inspections resulted in 1,118 recommended violations. Federal Railroad Administration spokesman Marc Willis says the targeted inspections have improved safety by making railroads more responsive to concerns raised by agency officials. / CRIME, SAFETY: Oregon's only maximum-security prison has been placed on modified lockdown after fights involving about 60 inmates broke out. KPTV-TV reports the fights started outside the Oregon State Penitentiary dining room Monday afternoon. Department of Corrections spokeswoman Betty Bernt says no one was seriously injured, and all activities and visiting hours were canceled until further notice. Staff had used chemical spray to control the fighting inmates, including some prisoners who were taken to restrictive housing. The men's prison in Salem houses more than 2,000 inmates. / POLITICS, ECONOMY, FAMILY, LOW-INCOME, HOMELESSNESS: A controversial proposal to ban most no-cause evictions has passed the Oregon House. House Bill 2004 was approved Tuesday by a 31-27 vote and now heads to the Senate after weeks of contentious debate. It attempts to address Oregon's housing crisis by creating protections for tenants living month-to-month, who are often most vulnerable to sudden rent hikes and abrupt lease terminations. The proposal offers many exceptions, but it generally bans no-cause evictions for month-to-month tenants after the first six months and requires 30 days' written notice. If 90 days-notice is provided, landlords would owe tenants payment equal to one month's rent if they provide reason or three months' rent if no cause is stated. Cities would also be allowed to set their own rent-control programs within their jurisdictions. / ECONOMY: The Department of Revenue reminding you that you have a couple of extra days this year, but the deadline to file your 2016 personal income tax return—April 18th—is quickly approaching. The department is expecting 2.2 million returns this year. About half usually arrive before April 1st. The rest aren't mailed or filed electronically until the tax season deadline is coming down to the wire. Oregon honors filing extensions issued by the IRS, but an extension to file is not an extension to pay. Interest on your tax due starts accumulating on April 19, the day after the return is originally due. If you cannot pay your taxes, please contact the department. Based on your financial situation, they might be able to set you up on a monthly payment plan. If you owe taxes and need to make a payment, the department's field offices can no longer accept cash, but they do still accept payments by check, money order, or credit or debit card. If you need to make your payment in cash, you'll need to go to the department's main office in Salem. You can make electronic payments directly from your checking or savings account or by credit or debit card through Revenue Online, the department's self-service site. You'll need a valid email address to make a credit or debit card payment online or in their offices. For information or to set up a Revenue Online account, visit www.oregon.gov/dor / POLITICS: He started his filibuster last night and wrapped it up this morning, 15-and-a-half hours later. Oregon Democratic senator Jeff Merkeley made the move to highlight his party's opposition to President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee, Neil Gorsuch. But Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell claims he now has the

votes necessary to change Senate rules and thwart the filibuster in a showdown that could alter the course of the Senate and the court. Merkley says he's concerned that Gorsuch will side with corporations over individuals. Analysts say Merkley's lengthy speech makes for good Senate drama but had no chance to change the outcome. In votes set for Thursday, forty-four Democrats intend to vote against proceeding to final confirmation on Gorsuch, which would be enough to block him under the Senate's existing parliamentary rules that require 60 votes to advance a nomination. But McConnell intends to act unilaterally with the rest of the 51 other members of the GOP Senate conference and change the rules to eliminate the 60-vote threshold so that it would require just a simple majority to install Gorsuch on the high court bench, as well as all future Supreme Court nominees. / CIVIL RIGHTS, ECONOMY: Gay rights organizations are hailing a Chicago appeals court ruling as a "game changer." The court says the landmark Civil Rights Act protects LGBT employees from workplace discrimination. But the issue may have to be settled by the Supreme Court, as the majority opinion and dissent showed sharp differences between judges saying the interpretation of laws can change over time and those who say judges should apply them as written. / SAFETY: Springfield Police say a Good Samaritan helped save the life of a distraught man who had climbed over a bridge abutment 90 feet above a railway line. It happened shortly after 1:30 Tuesday afternoon in the 5200 block of Old Franklin Boulevard. Police say two motorcycle officers were alerted by citizens about the situation involving a man who was threatening to jump from the overpass. Officers say the Good Samaritan, Brandon Rapolia, pleaded with the distraught man, who not only was over the bridge rail, but was hanging on by his toes and fingers. Police say the Samaritan helped distract the man while officers moved in to grab him and drag him to safety. The man was taken to a nearby hospital for a mental health evaluation. Police thank all of the people who stopped and helped to save the man's life. / ECONOMY: U.S. private businesses added the most jobs in more than two years last month, a private survey found, a third straight month of robust gains. Payroll processor ADP said Wednesday that businesses added 263,000 jobs in March, the most since December 2014. That is up from 245,000 in February, which was revised lower. The figure is much higher than economists' forecasts for the government's jobs report, to be released Friday. Analysts predict that report will show 178,000 jobs were added, according to data provider FactSet. The job gains in the ADP survey were led by big increases in construction, manufacturing, and professional and business services, which includes high-paying fields such as accounting and engineering. The ADP covers only private businesses and often diverges from official figures. / CRIME: Eugene Police are investigating a suspected kidnapping that witnesses say occurred shortly after 12:30 yesterday afternoon on the 1200 block of Echo Hollow Road. Investigators say they were told an unknown man contacted the female victim from his vehicle, then exited his vehicle, grabbed her arm and attempted to force her inside the vehicle. The 20-year-old woman was assisted by unknown bystanders who transported her from the area. Police would like to hear from those bystanders and anyone else who witnessed the incident. Police say the suspect is described as a black male in his 40s, medium build, short black curly hair. The suspect vehicle is described as a white GMC Yukon with tinted windows. If anyone has any further information about this incident, please contact Officer Will Stutesman at 541.682.5111.; A Springfield police officer narrowly escaped

serious injury when his patrol vehicle was struck from the rear by an alleged DUII driver on 35th Street between Industrial and Olympic Streets Sunday evening. The accident occurred at about 8:30 pm Sunday when the officer was driving on 35th Street and saw a vehicle approaching him to the rear at a high rate of speed. The officer turned in an evasive attempt to avoid the impending collision but the vehicle nonetheless struck the patrol car sending it spinning into the intersection with enough force to deploy all of the air bags within the police car. Police detained 39year-old Timothy Robert Scott of Springfield at the scene. Officers later learned Scott had been involved in a dispute moments earlier and that his mother had phoned police to report Timothy Scott allegedly had tried to run over his brother and left the nearby scene on 32nd Street at an estimated speed of 100 MPH. A witness to the accident estimated Scott's speed to be approximately 80 MPH when his vehicle struck and totaled the police car. Oregon State Police conducted the investigation, ultimately charging Scott with DUII, Assault II and Reckless driving in connection with the crash. Scott was lodged at the Lane County Jail. Officer Brian Bragg, a 5 year veteran of the Springfield police department was treated for head and back injuries and released from McKenzie Willamette Hospital. Scott was not injured. There were no criminal charges resulting from the alleged family dispute on 32nd Street. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: A major Northwest private utility is moving more deeply into renewable energy resources to meet future needs, including a big investment in wind farms in Wyoming. PacifiCorp's new long-term, \$3.5 billion energy plan also includes construction of a segment of a major transmission line to facilitate the wind expansion. The private utility serves customers in six Western states, including Oregon. By completing the wind upgrades and new wind developments by 2020, PacifiCorp officials say the company will be able to use federal production tax credits and provide a net savings for customers over the life of the projects. / HEALTH, ECONOMY: At a time when health advocates see sugary drinks as one of the biggest obstacles in their drive to promote health, The Oregonian and OregonLive reports there's a new effort to tax soda sales in Multnomah County, which includes the populous Portland area. If they gather enough signatures, voters will decide in November whether to add a tax of 1.5 cents per ounce on sugary drinks, including soda, energy drinks and sweetened teas. That means an 18 cent tax for the average 12 ounce can of soda or a 51 cent tax per liter. The proposal suggests using revenue from the tax to help pay for early childhood education, reading and literacy initiatives and programs in schools to promote healthy food and lifestyle choices. The group needs to gather 17,381 signatures from Multnomah voters to get the measure placed on the ballot. Organizers say they aim to gather 25,000. The measure could raise \$28.4 million per year, according to the Childhood Obesity Intervention Cost-Effectiveness Study conducted by researchers at Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health and paid for by health policy advocacy groups. / ECONOMY, ATHLETICS: The top-ranked Oregon State baseball team had a 4-3 win at Portland last (Tuesday, 4/4) night. The win extended Oregon State's win streak to 20 games, tying Missouri for the longest in the nation this season. The win also pushed Oregon State to three shy of Arizona State's conference record of 23, set in 1988. The Beavers improved to 25-1 overall, and 16-1 in nonconference games. Brandon Eisert led an Oregon State pitching staff that tied a school record with 18 strikeouts on the night, matching a 1941 performance against Idaho. Next Up: Oregon State returns to Goss Stadium at Coleman Field

to open a three-game series with Utah Friday at 5:35 p.m. PT. The first 250 fans at Goss, starting 90 minutes before first pitch, will receive a commemorative patch honoring the 2007 national championship. /

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CRIME, HEALTH: Eugene Police say it was discovered almost by accident: A pharmacy manager went to fill a prescription, reached for a bottle of oxycodone tablets and it felt light. The container should have held 100 doses and had only four. The pharmacy manager reported that and began finding other oddities and anomalies. Now, 33-year-old Ben O'Rourke, who was terminated earlier this year from his job with the Bi-Mart Pharmacy on River Road, faces charges related to the disappearance of more than 5,000 doses of Class II narcotics. O'Rourke was arrested earlier this month in connection with the disappearance of the tablets of oxycodone, hydrocodone and amphetamine. Investigators say O'Rourke worked at with the company for eight years and had a "spotless record." They do not believe he tampered with any personal prescriptions—there were just fewer tablets in the storage bottles on pharmacy shelves. Police still don't know whether O'Rouke allegedly took the pills to support a personal drug habit, someone else's habit, to fund another addiction—such as gambling, or simply to make some quick cash. The Eugene Police officer who led the investigation, Brad Hanneman, discussed the case yesterday. Officials say that as near as they can determine, the alleged theft occurred between April of last year and January of this year, during the process where drugs are checked in to the pharmacy inventory and then checked out ahead of preparation for prescriptions. While the "at cost" value of the missing meds was placed at roughly \$4,600 dollars, the street value was estimated at more than \$100,000. Potentially adding to the investigation: Officer Hanneman says O'Rourke was hired by another local pharmacy after being terminated in late January from his first job-and prior to this month's arrest was working in a position that would be considered a promotion. He suspects that pharmacy is now conducting an inventory of its Class II narcotics and its drug inventory records. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A developing storm over the eastern Pacific will swing toward the Pacific Northwest late Thursday night and track from south to north off the Oregon and Washington coast Friday. As the storm nears it will likely bring gusty winds. The coast and coastal mountains areas may have gusts of 40 to 50 mph Friday morning through afternoon. Also depending on the eventual track of the storm, the Willamette Valley could see gusts of 30 to 40 mph Friday afternoon into early evening. Cooler and showery weather behind this storm will bring snow levels down to around 3,000 to 3,500 feet. Expect snow-covered roads crossing the Cascade passes this weekend with around 5 to 10 inches of snow is possible at pass levels from Friday night through Sunday.; Juvenile salmon and steelhead migrating out of the Columbia River

Basin in unusually high flows this year face a potentially lethal problem in spillways at dams where increased nitrogen in the water can cause tissue-damaging gas bubble trauma. But fisheries managers say special features at dams meant to reduce nitrogen will help young fish make it to the ocean and predict survival this year will be about average based on previous high-flow years. Like natural waterfalls, water going over a dam's spillway increases total dissolved gas in water. That includes nitrogen that can cause bubbles to form inside fish. The standard for total dissolved gas considered safe for fish is 110 percent, but dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers in recent weeks have been near or above 120 percent. / EDUCATION, SAFETY: The University of Oregon has added bikers with beards to its police force. The Register-Guard reports the campus police department last week unveiled two Kawasaki KLR650 motorcycles. They are black-and-green bikes and include yellow "O" stickers. The addition coincides with a relaxation of grooming rules. Officers can now grow trimmed beards. Officer Chris Waggoner and Cpl. Jared Davis are among the first UOPD officers to grow beards and ride motorcycles. Davis says the new facial-hair policy allows officers to express some individuality. Waggoner says the motorcycles have attracted a lot of thumbs up. Department officials made the changes to make officers more approachable and accessible. The department of 20 sworn officers also has cars, trucks, bicycles, two small electric vehicles and two all-terrain vehicles. / POLITICS: A Senate showdown is at hand over President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee, and it could change the Senate and the court for years to come. Democrats have escalated their attacks against Judge Neil Gorsuch ahead of key votes set for Thursday, portraying him as an ally of the powerful and an enemy of the weak. Republicans are accusing Democrats of trying to block Gorsuch out of frustration over Trump's election victory. The confrontation will play out Thursday as 44 Democrats and independents try to block Gorsuch by denying Republicans the 60 votes needed to proceed to final passage. Republicans intend to respond by unilaterally changing Senate rules to remove the 60-vote requirement for Gorsuch and all future Supreme Court nominees, reducing it to a simple majority. / HEALTH: Researchers at Oregon State University say they have determined that a compound called rapamycin has unusual properties that might help address the neurologic damage caused by Alzheimer's disease. The justpublished study outlines a new understanding of how the compound works. Principal investigator Viviana Perez says it's possible a better understanding of rapamycin and its properties could provide a new therapeutic approach to a number of neurological diseases. As our cells age, they begin to break down and secrete damaging substances that lead to inflammation. That creates a toxic environment linked to aging that scientists believe disrupts the ability of adjacent cells to function properly, compromising both their structure and function. The OSU researchers say rapamycin appears to help stop that process. Earlier studies indicated rapamycin might also be able to "turn on" up to 200 genes responsible for cell repair, detoxification of carcinogens, and more. Laboratory mice that have received rapamycin have demonstrated more fitness, less decline in activity with age, improved cognition and cardiovascular health, less cancer, and a longer life. But more study is needed before treatments are developed in humans, in part because doses of rapamycin appear to also increase the risk of diabetes.; A new study says that losing and regaining weight repeatedly may be dangerous for overweight heart patients. Heart attacks, strokes and death were more common in

patients whose weight changed the most over four years. Doctors involved in the study say the best advice is lose the weight and don't gain it back. For some, weight changes might have reflected yo-yo dieting, which some previous studies have suggested may be unhealthy for people without heart problems. That means a hefty but stable weight might be healthier than losing but repeatedly regaining extra pounds. Weight fluctuations in normal-weight patients were not linked with heart problems or deaths. Other experts question the study, saying it doesn't prove anything unless you know what caused the weight change -- whether it was deliberate or due to some other kind of health issue. / ECONOMY: A big retail addition at Eugene's Fifth Street Public Market. Market officials say Pendleton Woolen Mills will be their newest tenant, occupying a retail space just downstairs from the Sweet Cheeks wine bar on the south side of the complex. Pendleton Woolen Mills is headquartered in Portland and is in its sixth generation of family ownership, having been in business for more than 150 years. Pendleton's woven fabrics are featured in clothing, blankets and home décor. Renovation of the retail space is underway with an opening expected early next month. / CRIME, SAFETY: On Friday, March 31, 2017, a hiker discovered a deceased subject in the Siuslaw National Forest near Mapleton. The Lane County Sheriff's Office is investigating the death with the Lane County Medical Examiner's Office, and is working to determine the identity of the victim. Currently the Sheriff's Office is considering this death suspicious in nature; however cause and manner of death have not yet been determined. If anyone has information related to this case please contact the Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4141. / MILITARY, VETERANS: President Donald Trump is thanking wounded veterans and soldiers for their service as he welcomes them to the White House. Trump calls service members "real heroes." He addressed them Thursday as part of the annual Wounded Warrior Project's Soldier Ride. The service members gathered in the White House with Trump, Vice President Mike Pence and their wives. Trump says he hopes to participate in the annual event for "about seven more years." The ride is a four-day event in the Washington, D.C., area.; Thousands of people have gathered at a Kansas City, Missouri, memorial to mark the 100th anniversary of the day the U.S. entered World War I. A sellout crowd of 3,000 onlookers snapped up tickets for Thursday's event on the grounds of the nation's official World War I monument, the Liberty Memorial. The day of remembrance kicked off with patriotic music and a video piece about a soldier narrated by the actor Gary Sinise. It will also feature speeches and readings from the time America declared war on Germany. Matt Naylor, who heads the city's National World War I Museum and Memorial, says the event has been years in the making and "is commemorating, not celebrating" the day the U.S. was drawn into the war. / EDUCATION, ECONOMY: Here's a great, rare chance to see middle-schoolers wearing ties! Nearly 800 Springfield students from four middle schools will learn about careers this Thursday and gain interviewing practice at the Springfield Chamber of Commerce's annual Career Day. Students begin to arrive at 9:00 a.m., running through 12:40 p.m. at the Bob Keefer Center, 250 S 32nd Street, Springfield. A host of area businesses and organizations will be on hand to speak with students from Agnes Stewart (9 a.m.), Briggs (9:55 a.m.), Thurston (10:55 a.m.) and Hamlin (11:50 a.m.) middle schools about career opportunities, then volunteers will conduct mock interviews with students to coach on interview skills. Students are encouraged to dress accordingly. / SAFETY: Listeners kept us updated on a fatal accident that

occurred early this morning on Marcola Road near Milepost 13.5. State Police investigators tell KEZI-TV that it is being treated as a criminal investigation and that alcohol might be a factor. At least one man is dead, another was hospitalized in critical condition.

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A High Wind Warning remains in effect this afternoon along the Central Oregon Coast. South winds 35 to 45 mph with gusts 60 to 70 mph along the beaches and headlands, and 25 to 35 mph with gusts 50 to 60 mph in coastal communities. Possible impacts include tree damage and power outages. Winds of this magnitude may also make driving hazardous. A Wind Advisory for lower-speed wind gusts is in effect in the Willamette Valley. ; A spring storm will bring cooler showery weather in the Oregon Cascades from Friday night into the weekend. Snow levels will drop close to 3000 feet. Snow-covered roads crossing the Cascade passes can be expected this weekend. About 4 to 7 inches can be expected at pass levels from Friday night through Sunday. Snow showers will taper off late Saturday night and Sunday. ; This morning's wind storm brought widespread power outages, road closures and school delays and closures. Wind gusts reached 62 mph in North Bend, 41 mph here in Eugene. More high winds are expected throughout the day. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Yesterday's early-morning crash near Marcola killed one man and seriously injured another. It happened around 3:30 a.m. Thursday, when investigators for the Oregon State Police and Lane County Sheriff's Office were called to a single-vehicle crash on Marcola Road near milepost 13. Their preliminary investigation revealed a red 1999 Ford Mustang, operated by 24-year-old Chadley Crespo and carrying a passenger, 27-year-old Rian Moore, both of Marcola, were traveling southbound on Marcola Road. Officials say it appears the Mustang raveled over the oncoming lane, crashed into a driveway access, and ended on its passenger side. The driver, Crespo, was transported to a Springfield area hospital for serious injuries. The passenger, Moore, was killed. Investigators say it appears he was not wearing safety restraints at the time of the crash. Officials say this is an ongoing criminal investigation and they are looking into whether alcohol was a contributing factor. / POLITICS: President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee, Neil Gorsuch, is heading for confirmation after Republicans tore up the Senate's voting rules to allow him to ascend to the high court over furious Democratic objections. Democrats have denounced the GOP's use of what both sides dubbed the "nuclear option" to put Gorsuch on the court, calling it an epic power grab that will further corrode politics in Congress, the courts and the United States. Many Republicans bemoan reaching that point, too, but they blame Democrats for pushing them to it. Democratic Minority Leader Chuck Schumer of New York calls the rules change "a turning point in the history of the Senate and the Supreme Court." Republican Lindsey Graham of South Carolina says it's "not for the better, but for the worse."; Neil Gorsuch's confirmation as the 113th Supreme Court justice is expected on Friday. It won't be long before he starts revealing what he really thinks about a range of hot topics he repeatedly sidestepped during his confirmation hearing. In less than two weeks, the justices will take up a Missouri church's claim that the state is stepping on its religious freedom. It's a case about

Missouri's ban on public money going to religious institutions and it carries with it potential implications for vouchers to attend private, religious schools. Other cases the court could soon decide to hear involve gun rights, voting rights and a Colorado baker's refusal to design a cake for a same-sex couple's wedding.; Who Wants to be a Lane County Commissioner? Apparently, a whole bunch of people. The application period for those interested in serving the remainder of departing East Lane Commissioner Faye Stewart's term ended yesterday at 5:00 p.m. Stewart is leaving to take a job with the City of Cottage Grove. There are 29 total applicants, and officials say 27 meet the minimum qualifications and will move forward in to the interview process. Those interviews will be conducted on Wednesday, offering each applicant up to five minutes to answer an initial question from the Board of County Commissioners. The field will be narrowed for the afternoon round of questions. Then the board will deliberate and appoint someone to Stewart's remaining term. The applicants come from across the District, including Cottage Grove, Creswell, Pleasant Hill, Dexter, Lowell, Fall Creek, Blue River, Springfield and Eugene. / CRIME: Did you win the Publisher's Clearing House sweepstakes? Probably not. But scammers hope you'll think you did. Springfield Police received a series of calls and in-person inquiries Wednesday afternoon and evening concerning a telephone scam during which the caller claims to represent Publisher's Clearing House with a significant prize award giveaway. To claim the prize, the "winners"—who are actually the scam's potential victims—are asked to send a MoneyGram to cover shipping and prize handling. Police say it is a bogus call that appears to be targeting older adults. Aided by employees, Springfield police were able to thwart two MoneyGram transactions before potential victims made a payment totaling \$1,000 at a pair of local stores. But investigators fear others have not been so lucky. Police say telephone scams like this typically prey upon the elderly using the lure of a prize from a recognizable prize distributor. But they say any caller asking for cash funds in exchange for prize winnings should be treated with suspicion. And family members: You are encouraged to discuss these scenarios with elderly family members and friends in order to safeguard against loss or injury. / ECONOMY, ATHLETICS: Making plans to watch/attend November's Civil War game in Eugene between Oregon and Oregon State? Update your calendars. The date just changed. The Civil War football game, originally scheduled for Friday, November 24th, has been moved back one day to Saturday, November 25th, in coordination with ESPN. It's part of an effort to ensure that fans of Oregon's football and men's basketball teams will having an easier time watching both squads during Thanksgiving weekend. ESPN is televising the "P-K 80" basketball tournament in Portland, which is an eight-team tournament that includes the University of Oregon's men's basketball team. It takes place on Thursday, Friday and Sunday of that holiday weekend with participating schools that include national Champion North Carolina and runner-up Gonzaga. The basketball squads won't play on Saturday, which leaves the day open for football at Autzen stadium in Eugene. The kick-off time and broadcast details will be announced later. But officials hope it gives fans of both teams a chance to adjust any travel arrangements well in advance. The change does present the possibility of something of a sports doubleheader in Eugene featuring the U-of-O's football program at Autzen and the women's basketball program in a game at the Matt Knight Arena that same day. The Oregon women are hosting their own four-team event event called the "P-K Invitational" that weekend and will face Oklahoma while Connecticut will play Michigan State. / HOMELESS, LOW-INCOME. POLITICS: A Portland homeless camp known as Right 2 Dream Too has found a new location. The camp has been at the entrance to Chinatown since 2011. Recently given an eviction notice, it will move to a piece of city-owned land between the Willamette River and the arena that's home to the Portland Trail Blazers. Mayor Ted Wheeler said Thursday the move will be completed within 60

days. He says the camp will stay at the new location for up to two years while the city looks for a longer-term solution. / SAFETY: Oregon safety officials have fined a company nearly \$5,000 for its role in a Portland natural gas explosion that caused an estimated \$17 million in damages and seriously injured a firefighter. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Division faulted Loy Clark Pipeline Co. for digging on the north side of a street near where the October explosion took place after notifying authorities it intended to dig on the south side. Loy Clark spokeswoman Andrea Fonkert says the Tualatin-based company is reviewing the citation. The Oct. 19 error caused a NW Natural gas pipeline to become disengaged, which led to explosions that destroyed a building and damaged several others. Several people were injured, including a firefighter who underwent surgery for a broken leg. / ENVIRONMENT: Fishing and conservation groups are threatening to sue the Oregon Department of Forestry, alleging it has failed to reform logging practices in the Tillamook and Clatsop state forests that harm coho salmon. One of the groups filing the intent to sue Thursday is the Center for Biological Diversity. It filed a similar notice three years ago, but held off on the lawsuit. Its endangered species director, Noah Greenwald, says the group was assured by the Forestry Department in 2014 that it would work with conservationists and the timber industry on a new management plan that would potentially protect salmon and streams. He says that has not materialized. A Forestry Department spokeswoman did not immediately return a message seeking comment. / POLITICS, CRIME, ECONOMY: CBS News is reporting that a crime reduction task force created by Attorney General Jeff Sessions will review how the Department of Justice enforces marijuana laws, among other things. That's according to a memo Sessions issued Wednesday to 94 U.S. attorneys. Sessions has not explicitly laid out his stance on marijuana, But he said in February that the Department of Justice will try to adopt "responsible policies" for enforcing marijuana laws. Marijuana is illegal under federal law, but many U.S. states allow medical marijuana and Oregon is one of eight states and the District of Columbia where recreational marijuana is legal. The Justice Department under Obama encouraged prosecutors not to be overly aggressive in enforcing violations. But sessions has hinted he might challenge states that allow legal cannabis. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A Winter Weather Advisory remains in effect until noon in the Cascades: Snow showers will continue this morning then taper off around midday. Snow level in the 2,500 to 3,000 foot range today. Snow accumulation: An additional 2 to 4 inches today, for a storm total of 5 to 10 inches. Roads above 3,000 feet in elevation will become snow- covered and slippery tonight and Monday morning. Cascade passes such as Willamette Pass along Highway 58 will be affected with periods of reduced visibility in heavy snow.; Strong winds knocked out power to more than 100,000 homes and businesses in western Oregon. Pacific Power says outages were reported Friday morning in cities from the Willamette Valley down toward the California state line, including Albany, Bandon, Grants Pass, North Bend, Roseburg and many other communities. The utility says crews have restore power to thousands of customers, but more than 60,000 homes and businesses still had no lights at 9 a.m. The lights were also going out in Portland, as gusty winds tossed debris across downtown streets and forced construction workers to hold on to their hard hats. Portland General Electric reports nearly 100,000 customers were without power at 9 a.m. in the three-county metro area. Another 13,000 customers were without power in the county that includes Salem. Some schools canceled classes or delayed bus routes because of outages and downed trees. ; Authorities say a 67-year-old Oregon man was killed when he was struck by a tree limb. The Washington County Sheriff's Office says a neighbor found Ronald Kibert of Tigard under the large limb Friday morning. The neighbors performed CPR until paramedics arrived, but Kibert was pronounced dead at OHSU hospital. The sheriff's office says Kibert liked to take walks in the area where the tree fell. Winds gusts of 60 mph were reported in the Portland area Friday, sending trees into homes, streets and power lines.; Authorities say one of four people rescued from an overturned boat that sank on the Columbia River near Multnomah Falls has died. Gresham city spokeswoman Jili Bradley says rescue personnel initially thought the waters were too rough to reach the boat. They changed their minds when the boat sank, forcing three men and one woman into the frigid river. The rescuers pulled them aboard while providing CPR and treating them for hypothermia. Ambulances took three of them to hospitals with injuries not considered life-threatening. A fourth, seriously injured man was taken by helicopter to a Portland hospital. KATU-TV reports the man succumbed to his injuries Friday afternoon. The rescued adults were identified as technicians with the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. In a statement, the commission

said those aboard spend hundreds of hours on the river each year and are highly trained. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT: Delta Air Lines said it canceled another 150 flights on Sunday as it tries to get back on schedule after severe thunderstorms that disrupted flights into and out of its hub in Atlanta. Delta said Sunday afternoon that its operations are stabilizing, but there aren't enough crews available to staff its flights, in part because of federal regulations on rest for crews. Delta advised travelers to check its website and mobile app because more flights may be canceled. It's offering waivers to help people rebook their flights without charge. The airline canceled more than 3,000 flights this week as powerful thunderstorms moved across Georgia and other states in the Southeast. It canceled another 275 flights Saturday morning. / POLITICS, HEALTH, IMMIGRATION, RELIGION: With a divisive confirmation process behind him, Judge Neil Gorsuch is about to take his place as the newest Supreme Court justice. The 49-year-old appeals court judge from Colorado will be sworn in today after a bruising fight that saw Republicans change the rules for approving high court picks—over the fierce objection of Democrats. First up is a private ceremony in the Supreme Court's Justices' Conference Room, with Chief Justice John Roberts administering the oath prescribed by the Constitution. That will be followed by a public White House ceremony, where Justice Anthony Kennedy will administer the oath. Gorsuch, who once clerked for Kennedy, will be the first member of the court to serve alongside a former boss. Gorsuch replaces the late Justice Antonin Scalia, part of the court's conservative wing for nearly three decades before he died unexpectedly in February 2016. In nominating Gorsuch, President Donald Trump said he fulfilled a campaign pledge to pick someone in the mold of Scalia. During 11 years on the federal appeals court in Denver, Gorsuch mirrored Scalia's originalist approach to the law, interpreting the Constitution according to the meaning understood by those who drafted it. Like Scalia, he is considered a gifted writer with a flair for turning legal jargon into plain language people can understand. Gorsuch will be seated just in time to hear one of the biggest cases of the term: a religious rights dispute over a Missouri law that bars churches from receiving public funds for general aid programs. Gorsuch is the youngest nominee since Clarence Thomas, who was 43 when confirmed in 1991. The Colorado native went to high school in Washington, D.C., while his mother served as EPA administrator in the Reagan administration. He's the sixth member of the court who attended Harvard Law School; the other three got their law degrees from Yale. As an associate justice, Gorsuch will earn \$251,800 a year - more than 15 percent higher than his \$217,600 salary as an appellate judge.; It was a ceremony filled with meaning. Neil Gorsuch this morning took the first of two oaths as he prepared to take his seat on the U.S. Supreme Court and restore its conservative majority. The 49-year-old appeals court judge was at the center of a private gathering in the Justices' Conference Room, with Chief Justice John Roberts administering the oath. Gorsuch placed his hand on the family Bible held by his wife, Louise. His two daughters watched, along with all eight of the current iustices and most of their spouses. Also in attendance was Maureen Scalia, widow of the late Justice Antonin Scalia, and her eldest son Eugene. Later today, Gorsuch will appear at a public White House ceremony, where Justice Anthony Kennedy is to administer a second oath in which Gorsuch will pledge to administer justice impartially. Gorsuch, who once clerked for Kennedy, will be the first member of the court to serve alongside his former boss. Gorsuch will fill the nearly

14-month-old vacancy created after the death of Antonin Scalia, who anchored the court's conservative wing for nearly three decades before he died unexpectedly in February 2016. In nominating Gorsuch, President Donald Trump said he fulfilled a campaign pledge to pick someone in the mold of Scalia. During 11 years on the federal appeals court in Denver, Gorsuch mirrored Scalia's originalist approach to the law, interpreting the Constitution according to the meaning understood by those who drafted it. Like Scalia, he is considered a gifted writer with a flair for turning legal jargon into plain language people can understand. Gorsuch will be seated just in time to hear one of the biggest cases of the term: a religious rights dispute over a Missouri law that bars churches from receiving public funds for general aid programs. His 66-day confirmation process was swift, but bitterly divisive. It saw Senate Republicans trigger the "nuclear option" to eliminate the 60vote filibuster threshold for all future high court nominees. The change allowed the Senate to hold a final vote with a simple majority. / POLITICS, ECONOMY: President Donald Trump is going back to the drawing board. He has scrapped the tax plan he campaigned on and is searching for Republican consensus behind legislation to overhaul the U.S. tax system. The administration's first attempt to write legislation is in its early stages and the White House has kept much of it under wraps. But it has already resulted in consideration of a series of unorthodox proposals including a drastic cut to the payroll tax, aimed at appealing to Democrats. Some view the search for new options as a result of Trump's refusal to set clear parameters for his plan and his exceedingly challenging endgame: reducing tax rates enough to spur faster growth without blowing up the budget deficit. / POLITICS, HEALTH: Something new is happening in the health care debate. For seven years it's been dominated by the twists and turns of former President Barack Obama's signature law. But now the focus has shifted to ideas from President Donald Trump and the GOP Congress, and most people don't like what they see. Republicans' health care proposals — as currently formulated have generated far more concern than enthusiasm. Even rank-and-file Republicans oppose letting insurers charge higher premiums to older adults, and many disapprove of cuts to Medicaid. That's according to a recent poll by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. March polls by Fox News and Quinnipiac University showed overall margins of opposition to the GOP plan nearing or exceeding those of Obama's law at its lowest points. / ECONOMY, CRIME: Wells Fargo's board of directors has blamed the bank's most senior management for creating an "aggressive sales culture" at Wells that eventually led to the bank's scandal over millions of unauthorized accounts. The report released Monday morning also called for millions of dollars in compensation to be clawed back from former CEO John Stumpf and community bank executive Carrie Tolstedt. The report has been in the works since September, when Wells acknowledged that its employees opened up to 2 million checking and credit card accounts without customers' authorization. Trying to meet unrealistic sales goals, Wells employees even created phony email addresses to sign customers up for online banking. Wells Fargo has already paid \$185 million in fines to federal and local authorities and settled a \$110 million class-action lawsuit. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: The three members of a California family killed in an Oregon plane crash are being described as fun-loving go-getters with a zest for life. The Friday crash killed 42-year-old John A. Zitting; his wife, 37-year-old Karen Blackmore Zitting, and their 17-year-old son John "Brendan" Zitting. Also killed

was the pilot, 67-year-old Mark Aletky of Acton, California. Mark Zitting of Heber City, Utah, described his brother John as a man who lived life to the fullest, loved to travel and loved the ocean. Mark Zitting told the Los Angeles Daily News that the family members from Thousand Oaks, California, were good people and set great examples for others. The crash occurred as the family was flying to Eugene, Oregon, so that Brendan, their only child, could tour the University of Oregon. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: The airlines are getting better at sticking to their schedules and are losing fewer bags. Their customers seem to be complaining less often. Those are the findings of an annual report on airline quality being released Monday by researchers at Wichita State University and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. The researchers use information compiled by the U.S. Department of Transportation to rate the airlines for on-time performance, baggage handling, bumping passengers off oversold flights, and complaints filed with the government. They planned to release their list of the best airlines later Monday. / ECONOMY: Anyone eager to buy a home this spring probably has reasons to feel good. Job growth has been solid. Average pay is rising. And mortgage rates, even after edging up of late, are still near historic lows. And then there's the bad news: Just try to find a house. The national supply of homes for sale hasn't been this thin in nearly 20 years. And over the past year, the steepest drop in supply has occurred among homes that are typically most affordable for first-time buyers and in markets where prices have risen sharply. In markets like San Diego, Boston and Seattle, competition for a dwindling supply has escalated along with pressure to offer more money and accept less favorable terms. Experts say sellers have an advantage this year. About 1.75 million homes were for sale nationally at the end of February, according to the National Association of Realtors. That's down 6.4 percent from a year earlier and only slightly up from January, when listings reached their lowest point since the association began tracking them in 1999. All told, the supply of homes for sale has fallen on an annual basis for the past 21 months. / SAFETY, POLITICS: In the next general election, Oregon voters may be asked to make an usual change to the state Constitution that harkens back to that famous summer day in 1804 when a bitter rivalry between Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton and U.S. Vice President Aaron Burr was settled with a fatal gunshot. Senate Joint Resolution 44 would repeal Article II, Section 9 from the Oregon Constitution, which says anyone who offers, accepts or knowingly participates in a duel can't hold public office. The proposal had its first hearing Wednesday and Republican Sen. Brian Boquist, its chief sponsor, said it's one of several archaic laws that just don't make sense in modern times. That measure and other proposals in Salem have an April 18 deadline to clear their initial committees. / CRIME, ENVIRONMENT: A theft charge has been dropped against California man who was accused of stealing climbing ropes that had been stashed at Smith Rock State Park. Most state parks ban the practice of stashing gear, but Smith Rock has an exception for gear that is left in a discrete place. Shawn Snyder had been charged with second-degree theft after the victims reported the missing equipment in late 2013. Court records show the charges were dismissed after the victims changed their minds and declined to press charges. Snyder tells The Bulletin newspaper he's disappointed he won't have his day in court, saying the victims who cried wolf are now losing their voices. Snyder says he threw the ropes away because they were a hazard, and he will keep removing equipment until Smith Rock bans the practice of stashing gear.

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CRIME, ECONOMY: Oregon lawmakers have given final approval to a bill that would shield the names, birthdates and other identifying information of marijuana users from being accessed by federal drug agents amid worries of heightened enforcement. The bill was approved 53-5 by the Oregon House on Monday and is largely in response to mixed signals about the new White House administration's stance on the federal marijuana prohibition. Democratic Governor Kate Brown is expected to sign it into law. Oregon cannabis shops would have 30 days to purge recreational pot customers' personal data from their records and would be banned from keeping such records in the future. Data collection about marijuana clients is already illegal or discouraged in Alaska, Colorado and Washington state, where recreational pot also is legal and sold at retail locations. / CRIME, SAFETY, HEALTH: Seeking to stem the opioid epidemic, lawmakers in the Oregon House yesterday unanimously approved a proposed law that would provide safe-use recommendations to those who prescribe such drugs. But provisions that would have limited many prescriptions to a seven-day supply and would have criminalized improperly prescribing opioids were stripped from the bill in committee after the Oregon Medical Association lobbied against those provisions. In 2015, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 15,000 people died in America from overdoses involving prescription opioids and countless others became addicted. The Oregon Health Authority estimates an average of three Oregonians die every week from prescription opioid overdose. The bill now goes to the Oregon Senate. / ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT: Portland and Multnomah County have pledged to completely transition to renewable energy sources by 2050. Monday's announcement from Mayor Ted Wheeler and County Chair Deborah Kafoury places the Portland-metro region alongside 25 other cities that have committed to 100-percent renewables. Nearly 90 major U.S. companies have also committed. Portland has been working on climate change since it became the first U.S. city to adopt a carbon reduction strategy in 1993. In addition to making its own moves to use clean energy, the city said in a statement that it plans to resist any federal policy changes that increase carbon emissions. Kafoury described the effort as a pledge to children, allowing them to have a future with cleaner air and more economic opportunity.; Federal fishery managers voted Monday to keep the U.S. West Coast Pacific sardine fishery closed for the upcoming commercial season. This will be the third year in a row there have not been enough sardines to support a fishery. Sardines were a thriving fishery on the West Coast from World War I through World War II. But their numbers, and the

fishery, crashed in the late 1940s. The conservation group Oceana lauded the decision. Oceana officials say leaving more sardines in the water before fishing is allowed to occur will help ensure there is enough of the critical food for wildlife while allowing the sardine population to rebuild more quickly. Much of the catch, landed from Mexico to British Columbia, is exported to Asia and Europe, where some is canned and the rest goes for bait. ; An historic mill that operated in southern Oregon for 73 years is being taken apart to make way for a new owner. The Daily Courier reports contractors were working on dismantling the Rough & Ready Lumber mill Wednesday. One of the mill's owners Link Phillippi says he can't say who the prospective owner is, but can say the space will not be converted into a marijuana processing plant, as it is rumored. Phillippi also says although the new owner is not a lumber producer, they will be creating jobs. The mill was the Illinois Valley's largest employer for the last 50 years. Phillippi and his staff are expected to vacate the property by the end of the month. They will continue operating their forestry company, Perpetua. / CRIME, CIVIL RIGHTS: The cities of Portland and Gresham have settled a federal lawsuit filed on behalf of a woman whose cell phone was seized by a police officer as she recorded an arrest. The cities agreed to new policies and training regarding the public's right to film police activity. Gresham also agreed to pay \$85,000 in legal fees. Since Carrie Medina's attorneys worked the case for free, the money goes to the ACLU Foundation of Oregon. Medina said a Gresham officer seized her phone in 2013 as she livestreamed the arrest of a young man at a light-rail stop in downtown Portland. She said Monday that bystanders should not feel afraid to exercise their rights. Gresham spokeswoman Elizabeth Coffey says the city adopted new procedures shortly after the incident and is thankful the matter is resolved. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, POLITICS: An early warning system for earthquakes is expanding to Oregon and Washington. That three West Coast states will now test a prototype that could give people a few seconds or up to a minute of warning before strong shaking begins. The warning system detects earthquakes using a network of ground motion sensors. Yesterday, Oregon governor Kate Brown visited Leaburg Dam, operated by the Eugene Water and Electric Board, to see the first earthquake sensor installed at the facility. It went in last month and EWEB expects to install a second sensor later this spring. The state, the University of Oregon and the U.S. Geological Survey are among the partners in the effort to create a regional early-warning system. USGS officials say the system is not ready to issue public quake warnings yet. But what's known as the ShakeAlert system allows early adopters, including EWEB crews at Leaburg Dam, to get a few seconds early warning to shut down crucial systems and minimize any earthquake damage. In 2015, Governor Brown signed a bill approved in the Oregon legislature allocating \$670,000 to purchase the sensors to help make the project a reality. / POLITICS, ELDERS, LOW-INCOME: In addition to her visit to Leaburg Dam, Governor Kate Brown made two stops in Eugene yesterday. She visited Ya-Po-Ah Terrace, the 222-unit senior retirement building on the south side of Skinner Butte. Ya-Po-Ah has been in danger of losing some of its government funding, risking the displacement of hundreds of low-income seniors. But Brown announced that the state has awarded \$13 million in grants and loans to help keep rents stable. / TRANSPORTATION, POLITICS: The governor ended her visit with a tour of the most congested highway interchange in Eugene-Springfield: the junction of the Beltline and Delta Highways. She was joined by Eugene Mayor

Lucy Vinis, Lane County Commissioner Jay Bozievich and others as she got a closer look at the safety and congestion challenges at the interchange. It was their chance to lobby the governor as state lawmakers consider a transportation funding package that could include money to fund a multi-year re-engineering of the interchange. / CRIME, ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: Testimony is over and closing arguments are scheduled Wednesday in the trial of six men accused of wielding weapons against federal agents during a 2014 standoff involving Nevada cattleman and states' rights advocate Cliven Bundy. Idaho resident Eric Parker, whose photo as an armed protester on a freeway overpass was widely seen, finished his testimony Monday in Las Vegas. He was the only defendant to take the stand. Gregory Burleson of Arizona, Richard Lovelien of Oklahoma, and Idaho residents Scott Drexler, Todd Engel and Steven Stewart declined to testify in their defense. Their attorneys are expected to argue the government didn't prove conspiracy, weapon and assault on a federal agent charges carrying the possibility of decades in federal prison. Jurors heard during two months of testimony from nearly 40 prosecution witnesses, three defense witnesses and Parker. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ECONOMY: The treatment of the passenger dragged off an overbooked United Express flight at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport has prompted outrage and scorn on social media. The incident risks a backlash against United from passengers who could boycott the airline as the busy summer travel season is about to begin. For Chicago, it is another public relations nightmare following a crime wave in parts of the city that has been highlighted by tweets from President Donald Trump. United Airlines' parent company CEO Oscar Munoz defended his employees, saying they followed proper procedures in dealing with the situation. But the Chicago aviation department suspended the security officer who dragged off the flight a man who refused to voluntarily leave. / HEALTH: An influential U.S. government health panel is dropping its opposition to routine prostate cancer screening. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force now says men should decide for themselves after discussing the pros and cons of testing with their doctor. Those conversations should start at 55. The panels says its latest recommendation is based on new evidence indicating that routine PSA blood tests can slightly reduce some men's chances of dying from prostate cancer. The group also notes that drastic treatment can be avoided with close monitoring when cancer is detected. The new draft guidelines echo those of several leading medical groups. They replace the panel's 2012 guidance, which said the tests did more harm than good. The new recommendations were published Tuesday. / TRANSPORTATION: Federal regulators say they want to maintain the ban on in-flight cellular calls. The Federal Communications Commission is looking to kill an effort it started in 2013 to give airlines the option of installing on-board cellular equipment for calls and other services. Though telecom industry groups have supported lifting the ban, polls have shown that many passengers, particularly frequent fliers, oppose allowing cellphone calls by passengers. FCC Chairman Ajit Pai appears to have enough votes to ax the in-flight cellular plan, which he considers "ill-conceived." Pei says keeping the cellular ban, quote, "will be a victory for Americans across the country who, like me, value a moment of quiet at 30,000 feet." / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: On February 12th, 2017, Fish and Wildlife Troopers from the Tillamook Oregon State Police office received multiple complaints of an abandoned boat along scenic Highway 6 near Milepost 31. The boat was overflowing with household

trash and tires. Some of the trash was scattered down the embankment and into the Wilson River. All of the boat's identifying numbers had been altered or scratched off to avoid detection, making the boat's original owner extremely hard to track down. After a long and thorough investigation, taking the Troopers into various cities outside their normal area of operation, they discovered that the suspect had moved from St Helen's to Beaverton and could not keep the boat at his new residence. The suspect was identified as 28-year-old Justin Lee Savage who was criminally cited and released for littering within 100 yards of a waterway. The Oregon Department of Transportation crews removed the boat from the highway right of way and picked up trash from the Wilson River. Restitution for costs accrued during the removal of the vessel and trash will be sought, upon conviction. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Emergency managers along with state, county and tribal preparedness personnel from across Oregon gather this week for the fourth annual Oregon Prepared Workshop. The event is hosted by Oregon Office of Emergency Management and the Oregon Health Authority. More than 400 emergency management staff will attend a wide variety of educational that cover a range of topics, presented by individuals and panel groups. A sampling of workshop topics include: HazMat emergencies, public health emergency response, utilizing Oregon's Medical Reserve Corps, public and private partnerships in emergency preparedness, Oregon's Fuel Action Plan, 2 Weeks Ready, and overcoming language and other access barriers to emergency preparedness and response. The success of Oregon Prepared is indicated by a significant growth in attendance over the years. Approximately 100 people participated in the first workshop in 2014. Last year registration reached 250; this year more than 450 emergency response personnel are expected to attend. / LOW-INCOME, COMMUNITY, FAMILIES, HOMELESSNESS: Have you purchased any Girl Scout cookies this year? Ever wonder how the proceeds from the sales are being used? The members of Girl Scout Troop 20221 have decided to use the money they raised—all \$155 of it—to help meet the needs for basic hygiene supplies for families at the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County's First Place Family Center. This afternoon, at the First Place Family Center, the six fifth-grade girls and their troop leaders will present the center with shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, razors, diapers, baby wipes and laundry soap. They're also donating a case of assorted Girl Scout cookies that were purchased and then donated by customers. First Place assisted 643 families, including 1,255 children and 980 adults in 2016. The center offers homeless families with case management, as well as access to food, kitchen facilities, showers and personal hygiene items, laundry and supplies, computers and phones. It also provides a place for parents and their children to rest and be together in a safe, supportive environment. / CRIME, SAFETY, EDUCATION: Eugene Police Crime Prevention investigators say they've received reports of another rash of burglaries in a neighborhood near the University of Oregon campus. In every case, the thief or thieves entered through unlocked doors, often while the victims were asleep inside. The burglaries happened early in the morning on Friday, April 7 in the neighborhood off East 19th Avenue between Harris Street and Emerald Street. Each burglary had the same M.O.: The entry was through unlocked door; The victims, all UO students, were asleep in the house; The burglars took either a Macbook Pro or Macbook Air; The suspect(s) disregarded other valuables in plain sight and within easy reach; All of the involved

location are off of East 19th Ave between Harris Street and Emerald Street. In the early morning hours of March 11, police received reports about a similar spate of burglaries on East 19th Avenue between Potter and Agate Streets. In those cases, the suspect or suspects took advantage of unlocked front or back doors and entered the homes, stealing computers. In each incident there was more than one resident present during the burglaries. Ensure your doors and windows are locked and that garage door openers are not left where thieves can get them and use them to enter your home through the garage. Keep an eye out for your neighbors and report any suspicious activity to the proper authorities.

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EDUCATION, ECONOMY, LOW-INCOME: Oregon Governor Kate Brown is urging members of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to any reject in-state undergraduate tuition increases greater than five percent unless the public university provides clear and substantial justification along with a plan by the university to control costs and protect low-income Oregon students. The board of trustees at each of Oregon's seven public universities sets tuition for their students. Under Oregon law, the HECC has the authority to approve any public university board request for a tuition increase greater than five percent from the prior academic year. In her letter to HECC commissioners, Governor Brown endorsed five criteria to be stringently applied in evaluating and deciding upon tuition increases expected to be brought forward by some public universities for Commission approval, beginning in May. University of Oregon trustees recently approved a tuition increase of 10.6 percent for in-state students. Oregon State University trustees plan to vote on a proposal to boost in-state tuition by 4 percent. Portland State University trustees voted to increase tuition for in-state students by 9 percent this fall. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Nearly 500 emergency managers and first responders from almost every Oregon city and county, as well as tribal. state and federal agencies, are gathering this week outside Bend, Oregon, A three-day convention began on Tuesday and will feature presentations on lessons learned from recent disasters, including the oil train derailment last June in Mosier. The third annual event is intended to build relationships between first responders in a relaxed setting for a more coordinated response in a real crisis. Attendees can also attend sessions on how to harness social media for updates during a disaster and how to get ahead of rumors that can spread online and hamper an emergency response. The event is co-sponsored by the Oregon Office of Emergency Management and the Oregon Health Authority. / ENVIRONMENT: Want to watch this summer's total solar eclipse from a nice campsite in Oregon? Then mark your calendars for next Wednesday, April 19th. That's the day Oregon State Parks officials say they're making another 1,000 campsites available for reservations for the days leading up to the August 21st eclipse. All sites will have a three-night minimum, with check-in on Friday, Aug. 18 and check-out Monday, Aug. 21. Customers can make reservations beginning at 8 a.m. April 19 at oregonstateparks.org or reserveamerica.com or by calling the reservation line at 800-452-5687. The sites are in addition to those state parks campgrounds that are already booked solid ahead of the eclipse. These new spots include campgrounds that would ordinarily be "first come, first served sites" but are being offered for reservation because of the interest in the eclipse. State Parks managers are also creating temporary eclipse camping areas at some of their parks. About two thirds of the new sites are inside the path of totality, where visitors will see the total solar eclipse. Most of the others are within 30 miles of totality, which will offer a view of a partial eclipse. Prices range from \$10 a night for a basic spot in a field or parking

lot to \$31 a night for an RV site with full hookups. All sites include an \$8 nonrefundable reservation fee. And while your reservation will secure a campsite. state parks officials warn they can't guarantee clear skies the day of the event. The number of wolves in the wilds of Oregon increased slightly last year. according to state wildlife officials. But they lost track of the South Snake Pack because none of its members wears GPS collars. Furthermore, four of the 11 tracking collars that were placed on other wolves last year failed within six months. In its draft wolf report covering 2016, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife described the challenges of monitoring the state's growing wolf population. The species returned to Oregon in 1999 when one wolf that had been re-introduced into Idaho walked across the state line. The draft report released Tuesday says the minimum known wolf population in 2016 was 112, a 2 percent increase from 2015.; State officials say they will begin a campaign to kill Japanese beetles that are destructive toward commercial nurseries, vineyards, orchards and crops next week. The Capital Press reports the Oregon Department of Agriculture says the action, which will start April 17, could become an annual treatment for the next five vears. The department says an infestation of the bug was confirmed last summer. Under the campaign, contractors will apply a granular insecticide to the lawn of 2,500 private properties in the Cider Mill area, west of Portland. The department has informed homeowners in the area of the action through direct mailings, community presentations, door-to-door canvassing and social media posts. The department says it may need a judge to issue an order allowing its contractors to work on the private properties if many owners object to the treatment. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, ECONOMY: Researchers at Oregon State University say over the past three decades the areas annually affected by forest fires have slowly grown across the Pacific Northwest. And in some areas, the blazes are growing more severe and account for a higher proportions of acreage burned than in the past. They say those hotter and more destructive fires are changing the region's ecology in unexpected ways, killing trees outright rather than simply scorching many of them, and opening up new habitats in longtime forested areas. That is not all bad news: Lead author Matthew Reilly with OSU's College of Forestry says that, in some cases, the fires are enhancing regional biodiversity by creating new areas dominated by grasses and shrubs that provide important habitats for species that depend on open conditions and fire-killed trees or snags. Among the new areas: the sites of recent big, hot wildfires in places like southwestern Oregon, Santiam Pass, and the Blue Mountains where the Canyon Creek Complex fire scorched forests near the town of John Day. / CRIME, SPORTS: A former assistant football coach at the University of Oregon has pleaded no contest to a charge of driving while intoxicated. David Reaves entered the plea Monday and must complete a court-ordered diversion program in his home state of Florida. The Register-Guard reports he declined comment following his court appearance in Eugene. Reaves came to Eugene this year to serve as the Ducks' co-offensive coordinator and tight ends coach. He was arrested Jan. 22 — five days after his hiring was announced. Reaves was placed on administrative leave after his arrest, and he resigned as university officials were in the process of terminating his contract. / ENVIRONMENT, MINORITIES: A bill introduced in Congress would allow some Northwest Indian tribes to kill a limited number of sea lions that prey on endangered salmon in the Columbia River. The bipartisan bill was introduced last weekend by U.S. House members Jaime Herrera Beutler, R-Wash., and Kurt Schrader, D-Oregon. If passed, the bill would allow the Warm Springs, Umatilla, Yakama, and Nez Perce tribes to kill some sea lions that are decimating salmon during their return from the ocean to inland spawning grounds. Currently only the states of Washington, Oregon and Idaho can kill sea lions. Last year, approximately 190 sea lions killed over 9,500 adult spring chinook within sight of Bonneville Dam, according to the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission in Portland, Oregon. That represented a 5.8 percent

loss. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ECONOMY: The CEO of United Airlines' parent company is pledging to review policies after a passenger was dragged off a full fight in Chicago. In his most contrite apology yet, Oscar Munoz said Tuesday that no one should be mistreated that way. He described the removal by airport police as "truly horrific." Munoz also said the company would reassess policies for seeking volunteers to give up their seats, for handling oversold flights and for partnering with airport authorities. Meanwhile, details emerged about the passenger, who was identified as 69-year-old Kentucky physician David Dao. The doctor was seen on cellphone videos recorded by other passengers at O'Hare Airport. He was convicted more than a decade ago of felony charges involving his prescribing of drugs and spent years trying to regain his license. / HEALTH, WOMEN, SAFETY: A widely shared story that U.S. health officials are recommending a delay in breast-feeding to improve vaccine effectiveness is false. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the agency named in the false reports, encourages breast-feeding. The CDC says breast milk is best for all infants except in rare cases such as when a mother has active, untreated tuberculosis. "There is no recommendation from the CDC or the (American Academy of Pediatrics) that mothers delay breast-feeding to enhance vaccine efficacy," said Dr. Joan Younger Meek, a Tallahassee, Florida, physician who chairs a breast-feeding panel for the pediatricians group. "Breast milk contains multiple immune protective factors, including whole cells which fight infection," Meek said. All breast-fed infants should receive vaccines according to the regular schedule, and there is no need to interrupt or delay breastfeeding, Meek said. Breast-fed babies sometimes respond better to immunizations than do infants on formula, she said. Versions of the false story link to a 2010 study that looked at how a vaccine interacted with breast milk samples in a test tube or culture dish. Based on results on tests of breast milk from women in India and other countries. researchers suggested it was possible that the milk could make the vaccine less effective. But the study wasn't the final word. Later studies showed no reason to restrict breast-feeding in the hours before and after rotavirus vaccination. The World Health Organization has said that breastfeeding does not significantly impair the response to the rotavirus vaccines. / SAFETY, ELDER: The Lane County Sheriff's Office is asking for your help in locating a 70-year-old Cottage Grove-area woman who was reported missing on Monday evening by her husband. Investigators say Velda Cosier was last seen Monday morning around ten a.m. at her house in the Cottage Grove area. Her husband says when he returned home later Monday he found the garage door open and his wife's purse and umbrella on the front porch, with her vehicle and cell phone also still at the residence. Family members say this is not normal behavior for her. Velda Cosler is described as a 70-year-old white female, about five-foot-five, 125 pounds, with red hair and blue eyes. I've placed a link to the Sheriff's office news release on my Tracy KKNU Facebook page. If you know anything or have spotted her, give the Sheriff's Office a call. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that Portland's Mayor, Ted Wheeler, intends for Portland to join Seattle in a lawsuit challenging President Donald Trump's executive order on sanctuary cities that decline to assist with federal immigration enforcement. Portland's City Council will vote today on the action. Seattle's lawsuit alleges Trump's executive order is unconstitutional. One section of the January order says the federal government will withhold grants from cities that refuse to cooperate with federal law enforcement. The Seattle lawsuit alleges the executive order violates the Tenth Amendment, which prohibits the federal government from directing state and local governments to do the work of the federal government. The suit also argues the order violates the U.S. Constitution's Spending Clause. which blocks the federal government from coercing state or local action through the denial of funds. / IMMIGRATION, EDUCATION: Should Oregon students be required to correctly answer the questions on the U.S. Citizenship test to qualify

for a high school diploma? The Oregonian and OregonLive report some Oregon lawmakers think it would be a good idea and that a state senate committee will debate the issue and vote on whether to advance it tomorrow. Reporter Betsy Hammond writes that under the proposed bill, Oregon public school students would have to get at least 60 percent of the civics questions put to would-be U.S. citizens correct before they would be issued a diploma. Students would retake the test as many times as they need. Backers say the questions are generally pretty easy and the students would become better citizens with a better awareness of American government and civics. Among the questions would be "Who makes federal laws?" (that would be Congress) and "What are the two major political parties in the United States?" (those would be the Republicans and Democrats). But some lawmakers and school advocates questioned the fairness and practicality of withholding diplomas from young people who don't pass the exams. Even longtime politicians admit they don't know everything on the test, admitting to missing a question or two when they took a sample exam earlier this week. / ELECTIONS: In Oregon — where our first-in-the-nation automatic-voter registration system has been hailed as a pioneer in knocking down voter-access barriers — it takes just five years of failing to participate in an election before a registered voter gets knocked from the active voter rolls and no longer receives a ballot in the mail. Roughly 400,000 registered Oregonian voters have been flagged as inactive at some point in time, a number that this year is expected to grow by another 30,000 who registered during the 2012 general election when President Barack Obama was up for re-election. For Secretary of State Dennis Richardson, five years isn't long enough. So this year, he's doubling that timeline to 10 years. Richardson, the state's first Republican secretary of state in more than 30 years and the first Republican to hold a statewide elected office in 14 years, says that will immediately preserve the statuses of those soon-to-be-inactive voters this year. The change will also be applied retroactively, potentially reactivating another 30,000 or so currently inactive voters by leveraging DMV databases that Richardson's agency already uses to administer the so-called Oregon Motor Voter program. Richardson says it doesn't make sense to be adding thousands of new voters through Motor Voter every year, while simultaneously purging thousands from that same active-voter list because they didn't cast a ballot for five years. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A state judge has issued a gag order to prevent officials from discussing the high levels of a cancer-causing chemical they found in the air near a battery parts maker in the city of Lebanon. The Oregonian and OregonLive report that Linn County Circuit Court Judge Thomas McHill issued the order on Friday at Entek International's request. In the order, then judge said the preliminary findings by state environmental and health regulators could cause the battery company irreparable harm. Public records indicate that regulators found high levels of a cancer-causing chemical called trichloroethylene near Entek by using computer modeling. Officials argued the chemical's level is more than 70 times higher than what is considered safe. But in a lawsuit filed against the Department of Environmental Quality last week, Entek argued the emission is within its permitted limits and said the state would only "unnecessarily alarm Entek employees and members of the community by distributing information." A DEQ spokeswoman says the judge's order is unprecedented in the state. Entek and state environmental officals return to court today. / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: Two Oregon men have entered pleas in connection with a poaching investigation in western Oregon. Here are the details from the Oregon State Police news release: Brandon J. Yamanaka (age 30) of Toledo entered a guilty plea in the Benton County Circuit Court to one count of Taking, Angling, Hunting, or Trapping in Violation of Wildlife Law or Rule as a Class A Misdemeanor. Christopher J. Martin (age 33) of Albany entered a no contest plea in Benton County Circuit Court to one count of Taking, Angling, Hunting, or Trapping in Violation of Wildlife Law or Rule as a Class A Misdemeanor. Multiple additional wildlife offenses were

dismissed as part of the plea bargain. Subject to the plea deal Yamanaka was sentenced to: 24 months of Bench Probation; Perform 80 hours of community service; Forfeit all wildlife seized during investigation; Forfeit firearm / weapon seized during investigation; Pay \$15,650 in fines, fees, and restitution; Hunting privileges suspended for a period of 5 years. Subject to the plea deal Martin was sentenced to: 24 months of Bench Probation; Perform 80 hours of community service; Forfeit all wildlife seized during investigation; Forfeit firearm / weapon seized during investigation; Pay \$8,150 in fines, fees, and restitution; Hunting privileges suspended for a period of 3 years. The charges stemmed from an investigation which resulted in the service of several search warrants by the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division Mid-Valley Team. As a result of the investigation multiple trophy class black tailed deer taxidermy mounts, turkey parts, bows and a shotgun were seized. The subjects had taken animals closed season and had been involved in taking multiple animals a season without the proper or sufficient number of tags. Yamanaka had a previous wildlife offense conviction. A violation of any provision of the wildlife laws (such as the unlawful take of deer), or any rule adopted pursuant to the wildlife laws, is a Class A misdemeanor if the offense is committed with a culpable mental state in Oregon. If convicted, a person can be charged with the maximum penalty of \$6250, have their hunting privileges suspended and forfeit weapons or other items used in the commission of the crime(s). The Oregon Hunters Association offers rewards to persons, through their T.I.P. fund, for information leading to the issuance of a citation to a person(s), or an arrest made of a person(s) for illegal possession, killing, or taking of bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose, elk, deer, antelope, bear, cougar, wolf, fur-bearers and/or upland game birds and water fowl. T.I.P. rewards can also be paid for the illegal taking, netting, snagging, and/or dynamiting of game fish, and/or shell fish, and for the destruction of habitat. In addition rewards may be paid for information leading to the issuance of a citation to a person(s), or an arrest made of a person(s) who have illegally obtained Oregon hunting/angling license or tags. People who "work" the system and falsely apply for resident license or tags are not legally hunting or angling and are considered poachers.; David Bruce Maxfield Jr. (age 26) of Dallas entered a guilty plea in the Benton County Circuit Court to one count of Taking, Angling, Hunting, or Trapping in Violation of Wildlife Law or Rule as a Class A Misdemeanor. Allen Craige Boal (age 26) of Dallas entered a no contest plea in Benton County Circuit Court to one count of Taking, Angling, Hunting, or Trapping in Violation of Wildlife Law or Rule as a Class A Misdemeanor. Additional wildlife offenses were dismissed as part of the plea bargain. Subject to the plea deal Maxfield was sentenced to: 12 months of Bench Probation, Perform 40 hours of community service; Forfeit all wildlife seized during investigation; Forfeit weapon seized during investigation; Pay \$7,600 in fines, fees, and restitution; Hunting privileges suspended for a period of 3 years; Subject to the plea deal Boal was sentenced to: 12 months of Bench Probation; Perform 40 hours of community service; Pay \$7,600 in fines, fees, and restitution; Hunting privileges suspended for a period of 3 years. The charges stemmed from an investigation by the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division Mid-Valley Team which concluded both subjects engaged in the unlawful take of a trophy 6x6 bull elk in the Kings Valley area of Benton County. The bull elk was killed by Maxfield and neither subject possessed the proper tag. The subjects left the bull elk to waste, only recovering its head/antiers. As a result of the investigation the trophy class bull elk and Maxfield's bow were seized. Boal had a previous wildlife offense conviction. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A strong frontal system for June will move through Northwest Oregon later today, producing strong winds for June across the area. While high winds are not expected, winds along the coast are expected to gust between 40 and 50 mph, with the strongest gusts along the beaches and headlands. Over the higher terrain of the coastal mountains and the Cascades, winds could gust up to around 45 mph. In the inland valleys, south winds could reach 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. While these are not normally speeds sufficient for a wind advisory, with trees now having leafed out, some tree and limb damage is possible which could lead to a few power disruptions. In addition, this weather will make outdoor activities in the mountains difficult. Mountain climbing is not recommended.; A Coast Guard team rescued a 40-year-old Lane County man who became stranded while on a hiking trip in southern Oregon. The Register-Guard is identifying him as City of Eugene employee Matt Denberg. The U.S. Coast Guard said in a news release that the man had been last seen and heard from on Friday before a planned 45-mile hike in the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest to the Kalmiopsis Wilderness. Authorities say during the hike Denberg came upon a rain-swollen river and couldn't safely cross it. He said he didn't have supplies to make the return trip to his car so he stayed put. A Coast Guard helicopter crew from North Bend, Oregon was requested to help in the search Wednesday morning and the crew quickly spotted him. The Coast Guard says he was in good condition when he was hoisted into the aircraft. / CRIME: An 80-year-old man on trial for murder has told jurors he killed his landlady in selfdefense. The Register-Guard reports Howard Stull took the stand Wednesday and said 59-year-old Kathy Braun confronted him a large knife, forcing him to act. He said the incident likely stemmed from a months-long feud he had with Braun's boyfriend. Stull's testimony came one day after the jury heard an audio recording of the altercation that happened July 23, 2015. The incident was captured on a digital recorder police found in Braun's bedroom. In the recording, a woman's prolonged shrieks can be heard. A medical examiner testified last week that Braun suffered more than 50 stab and slash wounds. / ECONOMY: Portland's tallest building is being sold. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Wells Fargo announced Wednesday it is selling the Wells Fargo Center and will lease back some office space. Wells Fargo said the sale is part of a strategic realignment of real estate. Completed in 1973, the skyscraper is 546-feet tall - 10 feet higher than the U.S. Bancorp Tower. Portland real estate has grown increasingly valuable in recent years as tech companies and others move from the suburbs

into Portland's core. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: After receiving criticism, the U.S. Forest Service now plans to reopen Cultus Lake Campground for at least part of summer. The Forest Service recently announced the popular recreation spot in Central Oregon would be closed for the entire summer because scores of dead and diseased trees pose a safety hazard for campers. It said a large-scale removal operation couldn't occur until after the Northern spotted owl's breeding season. Congressman Greg Walden and area businesses complained about the decision. District Ranger Kevin Larkin says the Forest Service will still consider the presence of spotted owls, but the agency will hire private contractors for tree removal while working through the legal process required for a large-scale removal. The Bend Bulletin reports Larkin could not specify when the campground might re-open, but he said he hopes it will be for a "substantial" part of summer. / ECONOMY, AGRICULTURE: Washington, Oregon and Idaho are on pace to set another record in hop acreage, but reports indicate supply is catching up to demand. The Capital Press reports USDA's National Agriculture Statistics Service estimates the three states will harvest 54,135 acres (85 sq. miles) this year, 6 percent more than the 2016 crop of 50,857 acres (79 sq. miles). According to the NASS, Washington accounts for 72 percent of the national average with 38,921 acres (61 sq. miles). Oregon, with 8,045 acres (13 sq. miles), is 15 percent of the acreage, and Idaho, with 7,169 acres (11.2 sq. miles), is 13 percent of the estimate. Hop Growers of America officials say acreage has caught up with the needs of small, craft breweries and big brewers are losing market share worldwide. / CRIME< TERRORISM: The business of the U.S. House is resuming a day after a rifle-wielding attacker opened fire on Republican lawmakers practicing for a charity baseball game. The attack critically wounded House GOP Whip Steve Scalise of Louisiana and also injured two Capitol police officers, and a current and former congressional aide. The assailant had nursed grievances against President Donald Trump and the GOP — and was shot by police and later died. Scalise had been fielding balls at second base when he was shot and wounded in the hip. Investigators identified the gunman as 66-year-old James T. Hodgkinson, a former home inspector from Illinois who had apparently been living in a converted van for the past six weeks in the Alexandria, Virginia, area near the site of the shooting.; The lobbying effort for gun safety and a related hearing were canceled in the aftermath of a shooting of a congressman and several others in the Washington suburbs. But gun control advocates aren't going far. Dozens of family members of those killed by past gun violence had gathered in the capital Wednesday to lobby against Republican-backed legislation to make it easier to buy gun silencers. Gun control advocates are pushing ahead, hopeful for action. But they are pragmatic enough to know the latest shooting doesn't dramatically alter the dynamics of their uphill battle. Wednesday's shooting at a congressional baseball practice marked the first high-profile test of Trump-era gun politics.; Survivors of the 2011 mass shooting in Arizona at an event hosted by former U.S. Rep. Gabby Giffords say the recent attack on lawmakers at a congressional baseball practice in Virginia shows how vitriolic political discourse has become. Ron Barber, who took over Giffords' seat in Congress, called for an end to the harsh rhetoric and personal attacks in politics. Other victims said the recent shooting reignited strong feelings about the need for gun control. Giffords was holding a constituent event outside a grocery store in 2011 when gunman Jared Loughner opened fire, killing six people, including a federal judge and a 9-year-old

girl, and shooting Giffords in the head, severely wounding her. Wednesday's shooting happened in a similarly public place — a popular park and baseball complex in Alexandria, Virginia. / ECONOMY, ELDERS: Aging experts and advocates are telling a government commission that age-related discrimination in the workplace still exists 50 years after the enactment of legislation designed to prevent it. Laurie McCann, senior attorney for the AARP Foundation Litigation, says the law "should not be treated as a second-class civil rights statute." She is urging the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to be more aggressive in pursuing age discrimination cases. The EEOC's acting chair, Victoria Lipnic, is pledging to do so, to ensure that job opportunities are based on ability not age. During Wednesday's meeting, EEOC commissioners listened to McCann and other experts and asked questions about discrimination and possible solutions. The agency receives about 20,000 age discrimination complaints a year. Lipnic says women are more likely to file complaints than men. / ECONOMY: Credit card holders will soon pay more. So will people with adjustable-rate mortgages or home equity lines of credit. The cumulative impact of another Federal Reserve interest rate hike - its fourth in 18 months - will range widely for individuals and businesses with loans or income-producing accounts. Most would-be home buyers needn't worry. And auto loan rates won't likely change much. For savers? Rates should creep up, at least for the highest-yielding CDs and saving accounts, though on average they'll still pay a pittance. Fed policymakers have raised their benchmark rate to a range of 1 percent to 1.25 percent and indicated that they foresee one additional hike this year, assuming that the economy remains on solid footing. For someone with a \$5,000 credit card balance who makes a minimum payment each month, the Fed's four rate increases since December 2015 equal an additional \$700 in payments over the life of the loan, according to Greg McBride, chief financial analyst at Bankrate.com. But home and auto loan rates are another story: Despite the Fed's moves, they've barely budged since December 2015, when the central bank announced its first increase after seven years of near-zero rates. / SAFETY: It did not contain explosives. It was filled with school books and toys. But for a time yesterday afternoon, there were concerns in Junction City after a report of a suspicious backpack left abandoned against the corner of the building housing the St. Vincent DePaul retail store on Ivy Street. The building was evacuated as a precaution while bomb technicians examined the backpack via photos and X-rays but couldn't be certain of its contents so the experts, in explosives tech parlance, "rendered it safe," which means they used a controlled detonation on the backpack. Once they determined the pack contained only the books and toys they allowed people back into the area. But they say the employees who reported the incident are to be commended for taking the immediate and decisive action and being cautious. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: More than one week after he was struck by a hit-and-run driver in a work zone on Interstate five near Wilsonville, state police say a 57-yearold highway crew member has died from his injuries. Ronald Davis of Powell Butte was one of two workers with contractor Knife River who was injured when the driver of a box truck went into a closed construction lane, behind traffic barrels, and struck the vehicle in which the two were sitting. The hit-and-run driver, a 27year-old man from Fairview, east of Portland, was arrested later and faces multiple charges. The crash is the latest, chilling reminder of the importance of being safe, paying attention to signs and closures and slowing down when you

travel through highway construction zones. / HEALTH, EDUCATION: It's perhaps not surprising that marijuana use by college students rose in Oregon after voters legalized recreational pot. But now, researchers at Oregon State University have evidence to prove it. But they add that the increase is largely among students who also report recent heavy use of alcohol. The study compared marijuana usage among college students before and after legalization and found that usage increased at several colleges and universities across the nation but it increased more at the unidentified Oregon public university. The researchers also found that Oregon students under age 21 - the minimum legal age for purchasing and using marijuana - showed higher rates of marijuana use than those over 21. The study is believed to be the first to examine marijuana usage patterns following legalization of recreational marijuana in Oregon and the first to examine the effects of any state's legalization on college students. Voters in Oregon approved legalization in 2014 and the law took effect in 2015. The results were published this week in the journal Addiction. / CRIME, EDUCATION: He was a top pitcher for the nation's top college baseball team. But The Oregonian and OregonLive is reporting it's no longer clear whether Oregon State ace Luke Heimlich will travel with the Beavers to the College World Series. It comes after the Major League Baseball draft concluded Wednesday without the junior left-hander being selected. Heimlich did not pitch for OSU during its super regional sweep of Vanderbilt after The Oregonian and OregonLive reported last week that, as a teenager, Heimlich pleaded guilty to felony child molestation of a six-year-old female family member. Heimlich registered as a sex offender in Benton County after arriving at Oregon State. But when he was cited in April for missing an annual update and failing to re-register, it put the case into Oregon court records for the first time. Heimlich released a statement through his attorney Friday that said he did not want to be a distraction to his team and had asked to be excused from playing, quote, "at this time." OSU, which has won 21 games in a row, leaves this morning for Omaha, Nebraska, and first plays Cal State Fullerton at noon Saturday. / TRANSPORTATION: Oregon Department of Transportation crews need to do some more blast work along the final rebuilt curve of U.S. Highway 20 between Pioneer Mountain and Eddyville in the Coast Range. So they'll be closing that stretch of the highway for two hours at a time several times each night and into the early morning hours of the following day on Wednesday, June 14, and Thursday, June 15. The multiple closures will allow crews to safely move piles of material removed from nearby hillsides and stabilize the slope before traffic resumes. U.S. 20 full closure times at the west end curve the nights of Wednesday, June 14 and Thursday, June 15 will be: 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. (open 9:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.), 10 p.m. - 12 a.m. (midnight) (open midnight - 12:30 a.m.), 12:30 a.m. - 2:30 a.m. (open 2:30 a.m. - 3 a.m.) and 3 a.m. - 5 a.m. (one lane open from 5 a.m. on through the day). If additional cleanup time is needed, crews will use Monday night, June 19 on the same schedule. The road will be open between full closure times to clear traffic. Message boards are advising drivers of the closures and the need to plan alternate routes at those times. The message boards have been placed in Philomath at U.S. 20/OR 34, in Newport on U.S. 20 and on boards located near each end of the project (one east, one west). Background: The west end curve is the last half mile of roadway to be built for the U.S. 20 Pioneer Mountain – Eddyville Project and is scheduled to be completed in September. The curve in the existing roadway is being straightened by moving the roadway away

from the river. The main portion of the project, a 5.5 mile new alignment, opened on October 11, 2016. ; The City of Springfield's Public Works crews have changes to the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon crossings located on Gateway Street and Harlow Road. This change is expected to reduce driver confusion, decrease unnecessary driver delay, and continue to provide the same level of pedestrian information and safety. The City has changed the signal light sequence to a standard red, yellow and green. Currently, the signal light sequence is a flashing yellow, steady yellow, red and flashing red. The change is being made after observing many drivers remain stopped when it is not required to do so, thereby missing the opportunity to legally proceed when the crosswalk is clear and the solid red light transitions to the flashing red light. This signal light change will not occur at this time at the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon crossing located on Franklin Boulevard in Glenwood because it is used less and the city is still gathering data about how pedestrians and traffic react to the crossing. / ECONOMY: Nike is cutting its global workforce by two percent in a broad restructuring. The Oregonian and Oregon Live quotes Nike officials who released a written statement this morning, saying they are responding to competitive pressure from Adidas and Under Armor. Nike had 70,000 employees at the end of last year, so this morning's announced cuts work out to about 1,400 jobs. The company had 10,000 or more working at its headquarters near Beaverton, so Oregon might stand to lose roughly 200 jobs in the restructuring. Nike is the largest company headquartered in Oregon, with \$32.4 billion in sales last year and a reported \$3.8 billion in profits. It's in the process of building a major expansion to its headquarters campus. / SAFETY: Crews with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office have recovered the body of a 34year-old Riley Rappe Roseburg man who was last seen after jumping into the North Umpqua River from a bridge near the community of Glide. A citizen spotted the body of Riley Rappe about one mile downriver from where he was last seen on May 22nd. Investigators say Rappe was apparently experienced with that stretch of the river and had reportedly jumped off of the bridge and swam to shore for years. But he was presumed drowned after a passerby spotted him being swept downstream and Rappe's vehicle was found parked nearby with Rappe's Oregon Driver's License inside. Crews searched by water, from land and by air in the days following his disappearance. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT: The Old McKenzie Pass Highway (OR 242) will officially open to all traffic on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 8AM. The highway has been closed due to winter snows. Motorists driving on this curvy road need to be aware of bicyclists and pedestrians on the roadway and take proper precautions. Vehicles longer than 35 feet are prohibited from using the highway. The first route over the McKenzie Pass, known as Craig's McKenzie Salt Springs/Deschutes Wagon Road, was completed in 1872. This toll road connected the Willamette Valley with Camp Polk, near what is now Sisters. The charge was \$2 for a wagon drawn by two horses, \$2.50 for a wagon with four horses, \$1 for a man on a horse and 10 cents each for loose cattle and horses. The Old McKenzie Pass Highway became a seasonal scenic highway in 1962 with the completion of the Clear Lake-Belknap Springs section of OR 126. Even during its tenure as the main route between the southern Willamette Valley and Central Oregon, the narrow, twisting roadway and high elevation (5,325 feet) made the highway too difficult to maintain and keep clear during the winter months. / CRIME, FAMILIES, COMMUNITY: For years, neighbors complained of negative behavior and illegal activity, saying they didn't want their kids around it. Now,

they're celebrating the grand opening of the renovated and revitalized Charnel Mulligan Park. The park is located at 17th and Charnelton Streets in Eugene. And there's a dedication with a parade, music, games and a potluck set for this evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Charnel Mulligan Park's renovated and expanded playground opened to good reviews from the kids earlier this spring. It features a larger grassy play area, a sand and water play feature, and 37 new trees. In addition, a berm around the edges of the park was removed for better visibility, sidewalks were repaved, and new irrigation and landscaping were added. The effort had strong backing from the Jefferson Westside Neighbors. Funding for the \$785,000 project included a \$200,000 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant, as well as money from Eugene's System Development Charge and General Funds, and private donations. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Periods of rain Thursday and Friday will cause rises of 2 to 4 feet on the Willamette River from Harrisburg downstream to Salem and Willamette tributaries such as the Santiam River. Although there are no concerns about flooding or high water impacts, predicted rises could threaten electric pump installations along the river banks. Irrigators who have river pumps in place are advised to take necessary precautions to protect their equipment. Also, caution for people playing or walking or working along riverbanks. The higher water means less beach and often a more abrupt slope. / POLITICS, HEALTH: In Salem, a \$670 million health care tax has cleared the Oregon House. The package designed to help sustain Medicaid services for the next two years and avoid the shuttering of a newly-built psychiatric hospital. The measure now goes to the Oregon Senate. Supporters say the bill goes a long way toward addressing a forecasted \$1.4 billion shortfall for the next biennium. Without the additional funding, they say the psychiatric hospital in Junction City with its 100 beds and 400 workers would be on the chopping block and that more than 350,000 lowincome Oregon residents covered under the federal Medicaid expansion could lose health insurance almost immediately. / CRIME: A jury has determined that a teenager found guilty of killing a woman at a suburban Portland apartment complex in August 2014 should spend the rest of his life in prison. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the jury took about 45 minutes to make the decision Thursday in the case of 20-year-old Jaime Tinoco-Camarena. On Tuesday, the same jury found Tinoco-Camarena guilty of aggravated murder and unlawful use of a weapon. Tinoco-Camarena was 17 when he fatally stabbed Nicole Laube once with a kitchen knife while she was hanging lease renewal filers outside at the Commons at Timber Creek Apartments, where she worked. Court documents show he confessed to stabbing Laube. One month after the fatal attack, Tinoco-Camarena raped a woman near Eugene Autzen Stadium after a football game outing approved by the Washington County Juvenile Department. He was sentenced to 14 years in prison in that case. / ECONOMY: Nike wants to be more nimble on its feet and sell more shoes directly to customers online as part of a restructuring in which it plans to cut about 1,400 jobs and reduce the number of sneaker styles it offers by a quarter. The company announced several changes to its business structure Thursday, saying the moves will help it offer more products to customers faster. Nike, which is based in Beaverton, Oregon, says the jobs cuts represent about 2 percent of its 70,000 employees around the world. It also says a main focus will be the 12 key cities in 10 countries that it

expects to represent more than 80 percent of its projected growth through 2020. Shares of Nike Inc. fell more than 2 percent to \$53.35 on Thursday. / CIVIL RIGHTS: Oregon has approved a new "gender neutral" rule for its drivers licenses. It gives residents the option of not specifying their gender on driver's licenses, learner's permits and identity cards. Instead of an "M" for "male" for "F" for "female," an "X" would be listed in the gender field on the licenses. The new rule takes effect July 1st and makes Oregon the first state in the nation to allow such a designation. / HEALTH: Oregon health officials are warning of an outbreak of the mumps in Eastern Oregon's Union County—the first in at least a decade. The La Grande Observer reported this week there are four confirmed mumps cases in Union County and five presumptive cases in which patients have symptoms of the disease, but lab tests have not yet confirmed. Health officials are working to determine the origin of the outbreak. Statewide, at least six other counties have been hit by mumps during the first four months of the year, for a total of 38 cases. Compare that to 2016, when State Health Authority records indicate there were 21 mumps cases in Oregon and just three in 2015. / SAFETY, EDUCATION: Officials evacuated the Medford branch of Rogue Community College because of a threat against a faculty member. College spokesman Grant Walker tells the Mail Tribune the employee received a "credible written threat" early Thursday afternoon. School officials closed the campus for the rest of the day as a precaution. The threat mentioned the 2015 massacre at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, when a 26-year-old gunman fatally shot nine people before killing himself. / EDUCATION: Oregon State University will graduate a record 6,807 students during its 148th commencement ceremony at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 17, at Reser Stadium in Corvallis. Gates will open at 9 a.m. for the event, which is free, open to the public and held rain or shine. Tickets are not required. The 6,807 graduating students will receive 7,097 degrees. Of those, 276 students will receive two degrees and seven will receive three degrees. They will add to the ranks of Oregon State alumni, which have earned 243,081 degrees over the university's history. The commencement address will be given by Hüsnü M. Özyeğin, who arrived at Oregon State in 1963 with only \$100 in his pocket. He graduated and went on to become a highly successful business leader and philanthropist in Turkey and Europe. He also will receive an honorary doctorate in civil engineering. Some facts and figures about OSU's Class of 2017: Of the 7,097 degrees that will be awarded, 5,590 will go to students receiving baccalaureate degrees; 1,066, master's degrees; 311, doctor of philosophy degrees; 76, doctor of pharmacy degrees; 51, doctor of veterinary medicine degrees; and and three doctor of education. (The doctor of pharmacy and doctor of veterinary medicine degrees are awarded at separate ceremonies.) OSU's 2017 graduates represent all 36 Oregon counties, all 50 states and 68 countries. The oldest graduate is 74 years old; the youngest is 19 years old.

The graduating class includes 159 veterans of U.S. military service. Nearly 1,000 Oregon State distance students completed degree requirements online this year through OSU Ecampus, the university's online education division. The graduates hail from nearly all 50 states and more than a half-dozen countries.; Duck grads will convene on Matthew Knight Arena at 9:30 a.m. Monday, June 19, for the University Commencement Ceremony to celebrate the entire Class of 2017. Keynote speaker Greg Bell will give the main address; ASUO President Quinn Haaga, master's degree recipient Kena Gomalo and bachelor's degree recipient

Emily McAlindin will deliver student remarks and reflections. Following the University Commencement Ceremony, the Erb Memorial Union will host GradFest, an open party for all graduating Ducks and their families. The first members of the Class of 2017 have already walked in their department ceremony; masters of fine arts grads in creative writing received their diplomas June 10. The 49 department ceremonies are spread out over an eight-day period, with the majority taking place on June 18 and 19. / CRIME: The Register-Guard is reporting that a Lane County jury has convicted 80-year-old Howard Richard Stull in the murder of Kathy Kay Braun. Stull had rented a room in the victim's Bethelarea home for ten months prior to the killing. He claimed the 59-year-old Braun's death was self-defense after the two had an argument. But investigators said the victim suffered at least 55 knife wounds. The Register-Guard reports the jury unanimously rejected the self-defense claim and convict Stull both of murder and of unlawful use of a weapon. He will be sentenced to life in prison when he returns to court next Tuesday. / CRIME, EDUCATION: The Oregon State baseball team opens its run in the College World Series tomorrow in Omaha, Nebraska, when the Beavs meet Cal State-Fullerton. First pitch is at noon on ESPN. But topseeded Oregon State will be without ace pitcher Luke Heimlich. Heimlich and university officials said yesterday he is not making the trip. It comes on the heels of this month's revelation that, as a teenager, Heimlich pleaded guilty to molesting a six-year-old girl. The 21-year-old left-hander made the announcement in a statement released through a representative for his family. He called going to the series something that he and his teammates have worked toward all year, but that he does not want to create further distraction for his teammates or more turmoil for his family. Heimlich also had been projected to be an early round pick in Major League Basebail's draft. But the draft ended Wednesday without him being selected. Details about the molestation were revealed last week in a story published by The Oregonian/OregonLive. In an editorial accompanying the article, the newspaper said it learned about Heimlich's 2012 conviction in Washington state after running a background check that it routinely does for in-depth profiles. Prosecutors in Washington state initially charged Heimlich with two counts of molestation for abuse that began when the girl was four, The Oregonian said. He ultimately pleaded guilty to one count of molestation between February 2011 and December 2011, a period during which he was 15. Prosecutors dismissed the other charge as part of a plea bargain. He entered a diversion program, received two years of probation and was ordered to attend sex offender treatment for two years, according to court records. He was sentenced to 40 weeks of detention at Washington's Juvenile Rehabilitation authority. But that sentence was suspended and he served no time, according to court records, because he successfully completed probation. Heimlich of Puyallup, Washington, was classified in Washington as the lowest-level sex offender with little risk of repeating the behavior. He finished his probation and court-ordered classes in fall 2014, around the time he moved to Corvallis to attend Oregon State. / ECONOMY: Online juggernaut Amazon is buying Whole Foods in a deal valued at about \$13.7 billion, a strong move to expand its growing reach into groceries. Amazon.com Inc. will pay \$42 per share for Whole Foods Market Inc., including debt. That marks an 18 percent premium to Whole Foods' closing price on Thursday. The deal comes a month after Whole Foods announced a board shake-up and cost-cutting plan amid falling sales. The grocery store operator was also under pressure from

activist investor Jana Partners. The grocery chain, known for its organic options. had been facing increased pressure from rivals, including European grocery chain Lidl, which is planning to enter the East Coast market, along with Aldi and Trader Joe's. Amazon, meanwhile, has been expanding its reach in goods, services, and entertainment. Whole Foods will keep operating stores under its name and John Mackey will as CEO, with headquarters in Austin, Texas. The company, founded in 1978, has struggled to differentiate itself as competitors also now offer a plethora of fresh and organic foods, and has said customers may be choosing "good enough" alternatives closer to home. In addition to other natural and organic grocers, it has cited pressure from restaurant chains, meal-delivery companies and traditional supermarkets such as Kroger. The deal is expected to close in the second half of 2017. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, MILITARY: The U.S. Energy Department's top official at Washington state's severely contaminated Hanford Nuclear Reservation says future accidental nuclear radiation releases are likely. Doug Shoop says that's because the aging site's infrastructure is breaking down amid inadequate funding to quickly clean up millions of gallons of radioactive waste. Shoop made the comments in an interview with The Associated Press after workers were twice evacuated because of safety concerns. He manages the department's Richland Operations Office. Hundreds were evacuated May 9 when the roof of a 1950s rail tunnel storing a lethal mix of waste from plutonium production collapsed. Tests show no radiation was released. Demolition work on June 8 at a 1940s plutonium plant sent 350 workers seeking cover inside. Radiation was emitted but not deemed at a level harmful to people. / ECONOMY; The Oregon Divisional Chainsaw Carving Championships have been held every year since 2000 on Father's Day Weekend in downtown Reedsport next to the Umpqua Discovery Center. Come to Reedsport, where you will be greeted by fantastical chainsaw carvings and sculptures virtually everywhere you look. The art includes bears, eagles, totem poles, fish, and fantasy scenes. The carvers come from all over the world and begin with ten foot sections of log and a chainsaw. The rest is loud and amazing, as they sculpt their vision using block and tip cutting and carving. To see what can be done with a chainsaw is nothing short of amazing. The "Quick Carve" competition is a crowd favorite with artists donating their work to an auction that is used to support the event. The quick carve lasts only 90 minutes, compared to the main event in which carvers have several days to complete their sculptures. Carvers are allowed to use different tools, but the chainsaw is the main tool being used. The event features area food and beverage vendors and auctions are held nightly offering hundreds of unique and signature pieces from participating carvers at a fraction of the price in galleries. Events start at 7:30 a.m. each day. The daily auctions begin at 5:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 2:00 p.m. on Sunday. And don't miss the BigFoot and Little Piggy's pastry-eating contest for men and women after the auction on Sunday! / YOUTH, HEALTH: Researchers with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say teen use of tobacco products, including conventional and electronic cigarettes, declined last year. That's good news, according to the study's authors. But they not e that 3.9 million young people still use tobacco products and about half of them use two or more products. Still, cigarette smoking among middle school and high school students continued its two-decade decline. falling to the lowest level ever recorded in the CDC's National Youth Tobacco Survey. Just 8% of high school students (6.9% female, 9.1% male) reported

smoking cigarettes in the 2016 NYTS, compared to 36.4% of high school students surveyed in 1997. And after dramatic increases in e-cigarette use among youth in recent years, use among middle school and high school students fell in 2016 for the first time since the products were first included in the NYTS in 2011. Among middle school students, 4.3% reported e-cigarette use, while roughly 2% reported smoking traditional cigarettes or cigars or using smokeless tobacco. In 2016, one in five high school students and one in 14 middle school students reported current use of a tobacco product on one or more days in the past 30 days. E-cigarettes remained the most commonly used tobacco product among high school (11.3%) and middle school (4.3%) students. Between 2011 and 2015, use of e-cigarettes among high school students responding to the NYTS increased from 1.5% to 16%. Use of the products among high school students fell to 11.3% in the 2016 survey, but King told MedPage Today that it is too soon to say if the decline in youth e-cigarette use represents a trend. A separate report published in the latest MMWR adds to the evidence that e-cigarette use is associated with greater uptake of cigarette smoking among teens. In the 2015 Oregon Healthy Teens survey of 8th and 11th graders, e-cigarette use was commonly reported as the first tobacco product used among responding teens who currently smoked cigarettes or used any tobacco product. / EDUCATION: Another week of high school graduations. Kalapuya High School held its ceremony last night. Lowell High has commencement this evening. And Oak Hill School holds its graduation tomorrow. /

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EDUCATION: Duck grads will convene on Matthew Knight Arena at 9:30 a.m. Monday, June 19, for the University Commencement Ceremony to celebrate the entire Class of 2017. Keynote speaker Greg Bell will give the main address; ASUO President Quinn Haaga, master's degree recipient Kena Gomalo and bachelor's degree recipient Emily McAlindin will deliver student remarks and reflections. Following the University Commencement Ceremony, the Erb Memorial Union will host GradFest, an open party for all graduating Ducks and their families. The first members of the Class of 2017 have already walked in their department ceremony; masters of fine arts grads in creative writing received their diplomas June 10. The 49 department ceremonies are spread out over an eight-day period, with the majority taking place on June 18 and 19. In all, there are 5,121 graduates, 53 percent of whom are women. The oldest degree earner is 68, the youngest is 19-a 49 years age difference. Graduates hail from 58 countries, 46 states and two territories. Among the undergraduates, 369 are double majors, and seven overachievers have completed the requirements for a triple major. The most popular undergraduate major? Business administration. Tickets for the University Commencement Ceremony have all been claimed. Tickets have no monetary value and cannot be resold. Ticket barcodes can only be used once for entry to the ceremony in Matthew Knight Arena. Any solicitations to sell tickets for the University Commencement Ceremony are fraudulent. Commencement day parking is available at Autzen Stadium with free shuttles to campus. Accessible parking is located on the main campus but space is limited. Grad Parade opens Monday's events. Graduates and faculty will gather at the corner of 13th Avenue and University Street in front of Erb Memorial Union at 8:30 a.m. in their commencement regalia. They parade down 13th Avenue to Matthew Knight Arena for the main event. / CRIME: Oregon officials say the number of untested rapes kits have quadrupled over the past two years despite efforts to process them faster. The Statesman Journal reports half of the 2,800 untested rape kits sent to Utah last year have been processed, but that work was not enough to put the state back on track. Oregon State Police reported a backlog of 884 newly submitted assault forensic evidence kits as of April. Marion County Deputy District Attorney Katie Suver says the increase might be due to a new state law which requires all untested kits, even those prepared years ago, be tested. Oregon lawmakers set aside \$1.5 million to hire nine crime lab analysts. Public Information Officer Bill Fugate says the new analysts will complete their training by the end of December. / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION: The Old

McKenzie Pass Highway (OR 242) will officially open to all traffic on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 8AM. The highway has been closed due to winter snows. Motorists driving on this curvy road need to be aware of bicyclists and pedestrians on the roadway and take proper precautions. Vehicles longer than 35 feet are prohibited from using the highway. The first route over the McKenzie Pass, known as Craig's McKenzie Salt Springs/Deschutes Wagon Road, was completed in 1872. This toli road connected the Willamette Valley with Camp Polk, near what is now Sisters. The charge was \$2 for a wagon drawn by two horses, \$2.50 for a wagon with four horses, \$1 for a man on a horse and 10 cents each for loose cattle and horses. The Old McKenzie Pass Highway became a seasonal scenic highway in 1962 with the completion of the Clear Lake-Belknap Springs section of OR 126. Even during its tenure as the main route between the southern Willamette Valley and Central Oregon, the narrow, twisting roadway and high elevation (5,325 feet) made the highway too difficult to maintain and keep clear during the winter months. / TRANSPORTATION, EDUCATION: With school out for summer vacation, some of Lane Transit District's bus services will be adjusted including routes that serve the University of Oregon (UO), Lane Community College (LCC) and 4J Schools. The service changes will take place beginning on Sunday, June 18 for the LCC and UO routes, with changes for the 4J schools beginning on Friday, June 23. Below is a list of the impacted routes. For specific route schedules, please check the Rider's Digest or visit www.ltd.org . / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Sitting around a campfire is one of the special times we all enjoy, but campfires are also a major cause of wildfires. Visit the Keep Oregon Green website, www.keeporegongreen.org for other wildfire prevention tips. KNOW BEFORE YOU GO -- Call your local forestry or fire district or check online to learn if there are any current campfire restrictions at your recreation destination. The Oregon Department of Forestry maintains up-to-date maps on fire restrictions. KICK THE CAMPFIRE HABIT THIS SUMMER -- Portable camp stoves are a safer option to campfires at any time of year. Areas that prohibit campfires outside maintained campgrounds with established fire pits often will allow the use of camp stoves. SELECT THE RIGHT SPOT -- Where campfires are allowed, avoid building the fire near your tent, structures, vehicles, shrubs or trees, and be aware of lowhanging branches overhead. Clear the site down to mineral soil, at least five feet on all sides, and circle your campfire with rocks. Store your unused firewood a good distance from the fire. KEEP YOUR CAMPFIRE SMALL -- A campfire is less likely to escape control if it is kept small. A large fire may cast hot embers long distances. Add firewood in small amounts as existing material is consumed. ATTEND YOUR CAMPFIRE AT ALL TIMES -- A campfire left unattended for only a few minutes can grow into a costly, damaging wildfire. Staying with your campfire from start to finish until dead out is required by state law, to ensure that any escaped sparks or embers can be extinguished quickly. NEVER USE GASOLINE or other accelerants (flammable or combustible liquids) to start or increase your campfire. Once the fire is ignited, wait until the match is cold and then discard it in the fire. ALWAYS HAVE WATER AND FIRE TOOLS on site --Have a shovel and a bucket of water nearby to extinguish any escaped embers. When you are ready to leave, drown all embers with water, stir the coals with the shovel, and drown again. Repeat until the fire is DEAD out. If it is too hot to touch, it is too hot to leave. Burn ONLY wood - State regulations prohibit the open burning of any material that creates dense, toxic smoke or noxious odors. /

CRIME: Saturday morning, Eugene Police responded to the report of what a passerby believed to be a body in the Willamette River approximately one and a quarter miles downstream of the Greenway Bike Bridge. The Lane County Sheriff's Office conducted a water rescue of the body and discovered a deceased subject. The medical examiner is working to determine the person's identity and cause of death. / MINORITIES, ECONOMY: The U.S. Supreme Court says the government cannot refuse to register trademarks that are considered offensive. The ruling today is a win for the Oregon-based Asian-American rock band called the Slants and it gives a major boost to the Washington Redskins in their separate legal fight over the team name. The justices said part of a law that bars the government from registering disparaging trademarks violates free speech rights. The Slants tried to trademark the name in 2011, but the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office denied the request on the ground that the name disparages Asians. A federal appeals court in Washington later said the law barring offensive trademarks is unconstitutional. The Redskins made similar arguments after the trademark office canceled the team's trademark in 2015. / SAFETY: Over the weekend, the Sweet Home Fire and Ambulance District responded to an apartment fire that investigators say was sparked by the spontaneous combustion of oil-soaked cleaning rags. These fires can occur when rags saturated seedbased oils heat up in enclosed spaces. In this case, investigators believe the rags were used to treat furniture, then placed in a bucket for later cleaning. The blaze spread to a nearby freezer, then up some ceiling joists where it caused some copper water lines to rupture and spray enough water on the fire to prevent it from spreading further. The fire is a reminder that if you are going to use rags to apply or clean up oils, especially seed-based oils, never store them in a pile. Used rags should be spread out in a safe flat, area to dry. If you lay them out on your garage floor or driveway, weight them down so the wind doesn't blow them away. Once they're dry, check with your city or municipality for disposal instructions. Store the rags in an airtight, non-combustible metal container. If you plan to use your rags later, this step is critical. The metal container should be filled with a solution of water and an oil breakdown detergent. And if you are using oils and oil-based products, follow the manufacturer's recommendations, warnings and disposal instructions. Different products come with different recommendations. / LOW-INCOME, YOUTH, FAMILIES, EDUCATION: Kids eat free again this summer. FOOD for Lane county is operating its free summer meals sites again this year with South Lane sites opening today and others next Monday. /

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EDUCATION: Congratulations, University of Oregon graduates! Great weather for yesterday's Spring Commencement events on campus. Lots of moving trucks leaving town afterward as students begin their new lives and careers. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: A federal judge has given the Trump administration more time to review federal monument designations made by previous presidents before it has to respond to a lawsuit brought by two timber companies against President Barack Obama's expansion of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument. Judge Mark D. Clarke ruled in Medford on June 13 that all pending deadlines are stayed while Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke "conducts his review of the designation for the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument." President Donald Trump recently called for the review of 27 national monuments established by three former presidents. Zinke is to issue a final report in late August for all the monuments. Clarke said that on Sept. 23, all parties in the Oregon lawsuit should submit a joint status report. / ENVIRONMENT: Fisheries managers say steelhead fish in Santiam and Willamette rivers in northwestern Oregon have hit low levels not seen in over 40 years. The Statesman Journal reports typically about 5,600 wild winter steelhead crossing through Willamette Falls annually, Officials said this year, it was around 800. Numbers for hatchery-raised summer steelhead also came out low. This year, the count came out to 1,100 compared to the regular average of 18,000 fish per year. Bruce McIntosh with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says the low counts are due to years of poor ocean conditions and drought. He says those factors have limited the steelhead's food supply. McIntosh says sea lions have also become a significant threat to the fish. / SAFETY: Divers recovered the body a 13-year-old boy who drowned in the Little North Santiam River. The Marion County Sheriff's Office said Kendall Alexander of Tigard was swept downriver Sunday afternoon while swimming with friends at the Elkhorn Valley Campground near the unincorporated community of Mehama. Adults tried to reach him, but were unsuccessful. The Statesman Journal reports two people have drowned in the Little North this spring, and nine have drowned there since 1999. The water is high, swift and cold after heavy precipitation and chilly temperatures in the first of the half of the year. / SPORTS: Bryce Fehmel limited LSU to two hits in eight innings, KJ Harrison hit the first College World Series grand slam at TD Ameritrade Park, and Oregon State beat LSU 13-1 for its 23rd straight win Monday night. The top-seeded Beavers (56-4), who matched the school-record win streak they set earlier this season, took control of Bracket 1. They don't play again until Friday, and need one more win to advance to next

week's best-of-three finals. LSU (49-18) had its 17-game win streak end with its most lopsided CWS loss since a 20-6 throttling by Cal State Fullerton in 1994. The Tigers face elimination when they play Florida State on Wednesday. / HEALTH, POLITICS: Congressional Republicans are struggling to figure out a budget for the next fiscal year. But despite weeks of behind-the-scenes negotiations, they remain stuck. Tea party conservatives are demanding spending cuts, while supporters of the military want even more money for the Pentagon than President Donald Trump has requested. Meanwhile, GOP pragmatists are balking at Trump's cuts to popular domestic programs. And committee chairmen are guarding their turf. A key conflict among Republicans involves setting a spending "cap" for the 12 appropriations bills passed by Congress each year. Trump wants to increase spending on defense by \$54 billion, or 10 percent, above the existing cap. But defense hawks in the House are demanding \$37 billion more. The budget impasse is endangering a GOP priority, an overhaul of the tax code. / MINORITIES: The Supreme Court says the government can't refuse to register trademarks that are considered offensive. The ruling today is a win for a Portland Asian-American rock band called the Slants and it gives a major boost to the Washington Redskins in their separate legal fight over the team name. The justices said part of a law that bars the government from registering disparaging trademarks violates free speech rights. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: Oregon's Congressional delegation is united in pressing for a reversal of the Trump administration's decision that denied federal disaster relief to Oregon communities following severe winter storms. It comes after a series of winter storms brought high winds, heavy snowfall, ice accumulations, extreme rainfall, flooding, and extended freezing temperatures. In many places, the continuous blows of ice and rain and low temperatures created extremely heavy ice sheets that compromised or collapsed roofs. We had a lot of damage in the Willamette Valley. Things were even worse in Central Oregon. For instance, the Bend School District reported \$8.5 million in roof damages across 123 buildings. But despite the severe damage, FEMA and Trump administration officials denied the state's initial request for a disaster declaration ten northern and eastern Oregon counties. Governor Kate Brown has appealed that decision and has added three more counties to the application. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden, joined by Representatives Peter DeFazio (OR-4), Earl Blumenauer (OR-3), Greg Walden (OR-2), Kurt Schrader (OR-5) and Suzanne Bonamici (OR-1), added their support to Governor Kate Brown's appeal of the decision, pointing out that "our state's rural communities lost critical facility, school, and shelter space that is extremely expensive to replace, and is essential to the recovery of impacted communities." / CRIME: On Sunday afternoon, Eugene Police were contacted after a 14-year-old teen reported becoming the victim of a social media hacker and possible child pornographer. The teen was contacted by a person on their social media sites by someone the teen thought was a friend. The "friend" asked for the teen's sign-in information for the purpose of adding friends to the teen's site. The problem was, this person was not a friend and threatened to send some revealing photos to the teen's parents if the teen did not take nude photos and provide them. The teen found that other friends had received similar requests, and at least one other had been hacked as well. Police are investigating and say tis is another reminder of the dangers of the Internet and social media. But you can protect yourself: Protect your log-ins: Use a secure log-in, which does not contain words, but instead a

series of letters, numbers and characters. Think of a phrase you can remember, with some upper case and some lowercase letters, some numbers and some characters. Don't leave your log-ins where people can find them (in a notebook, computer, or on an unlocked device). Find a trusted security app for storing passwords. Use a passcode to secure lock your phone when you are not using it. Verify friend requests. Don't share intimate photos on social media, as recipients can take screenshots and resend to others. Check your mobile phone's privacy settings and location services on each social media on a regular basis. Be careful about allowing a site to provide your location or tag who you are with. / MILITARY, VETERANS: Governor Kate Brown has ordered all flags at public institutions to be flown at half-staff in honor of Oregon native and Medal of Honor recipient, Arthur Jackson. Flags will remain lowered until sunset on Tuesday, June 20. Arthur Jackson enlisted in the United States Marine Corps from Portland in 1943. As a Private First Class, Arthur Jackson received the Medal of Honor for his courageous actions in the battle for the Pacific island of Peleliu in 1944. "Arthur Jackson represents the best of Oregon and I ask all Oregonians to pause to remember his service and sacrifice," said Governor Brown. "Jackson embodies the incredible spirit of our Greatest Generation that served heroically in uniform and returned home to continue to help build our state and country." Arthur Jackson, 92, died June 14 in Boise, Idaho. His legacy of service is commemorated with a plaque on Oregon's Medal of Honor Memorial at the base of the state Capitol's flag pole in Salem. / CRIME: A federal grand jury has returned an eight-count indictment against a missionary worker from Oregon who is accused of molesting six underage boys while in Cambodia between 2005 and 2013. The Eugene Register-Guard reports 39-year-old Daniel Stephen Johnson pleaded not guilty to the charges on Monday during his arraignment. One of the charges listed in the indictment, aggravated sexual assault, carries a minimum prison sentence of 30 years upon conviction. Johnson was arrested in the case in December 2014, after authorities in Cambodia handed him over to a team of FBI agents who brought him to Oregon. At the time, Johnson had just completed a one-year prison sentence in Cambodia for sexually abusing five boys who were in his care at an orphanage that he operated there. /

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SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: On this first full day of summer, a cautionary tale from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office about heading into the mountains, the conditions you might encounter, and the importance of being prepared. On Sunday night at 10:00 p.m., Douglas County Search and Rescue received a distress message from two lost hikers, who had planned on hiking the North Umpqua trail from Maidu Lake to the Swift Water trail head, which they had done several times before. The pair began their hike in favorable conditions. But as they gained elevation, they began to confront problems: The snow was still several feet deep. After some time, the two were unable to locate the trail and became lost. But the hikers had planned ahead and were carrying enough food for seven days. along with good sleeping gear and shelter. However, they did not have a map and compass. The pair stayed overnight until rescue crews could be deployed in Monday morning. When searchers found the hikers it took another six hours to get them to safety because the shortest route was not the easiest one in the conditions. Are you planning to hike and camp in the backcountry this summer? Be prepared with knowledge and gear. Become self-reliant: Learn about the terrain, conditions, local weather and your equipment before you set out. Share your plans. Tell someone where you are going, where you plan to hike or recreate. when you will return and your emergency plan. Leave a map, if possible. Stay together. When you start as a group, stay as a group and end as a group. Pace your adventure to the slowest person. Know when to turn back, Weather changes come quickly in the mountains. Fatigue and unexpected conditions can also affect your adventure. Know your limitations and when to postpone the trip. The outdoors will be there another day. Plan for emergencies. Whether you are out for an hour or a multi-day trip, an injury, severe weather or wrong turn could become life threatening. Don't assume you will be rescued; know how to rescue yourself. Always carry equipment in case you have to spend the night. Have food, water, shelter, weather appropriate clothing and carry a first aid kit. A cell phone alone is not an emergency plan. Many remote parts of Oregon do not have cell phone coverage. Cell phones and other mobile devices won't work unless you carry enough batteries or a means to recharge. An alternate power supply is a good idea. Are you recreating alone? Personal locator beacons are a valuable tool and provide rescuers a better opportunity to find you. / POLITICS, TRANSPORTATION: As new developments this week continue shrouding the 2017 legislative session in uncertainty, local leaders and special interest groups are trying to pressure on Oregon lawmakers to pass a transportation measure. On

Tuesday, more than two dozen mayors, county leaders and mass transit officials from the metro Portland area signed a letter to lawmakers urging them not to leave Salem without having approving a long-term \$8.2 billion transportation infrastructure package. That bipartisan proposal, and top priority for Gov. Kate Brown, is the culmination of almost two years-worth of work that many assumed would've been a done-deal by now. Yet it remains in limbo today, as Democrats. Republicans, environmentalists and others argue over details such as the lowcarbon fuel standard. As a tax measure, it needs supermajority support in both chambers. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: Oregon's Legislature has taken a step closer to defying a federal government crackdown on illegal immigration, with the House passing a bill that seeks to restrict the ability of state and local agencies, including law enforcement, to inquire about a person's immigration status and prohibiting public agencies from disclosing information to federal officials except in certain circumstances. The bill, passed Tuesday and introduced at the request of Gov. Kate Brown and Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, has sharply divided lawmakers, with Republicans opposed and Democrats in favor. The House Republican Office called it "an attempt to subvert federal immigration policy." House Democrats said it "will strengthen privacy protections for vulnerable populations." / ECONOMY, CRIME: Some legal experts say states with legal marijuana have an ethics problem. They say it stems not just from violating federal drug law. But they also have to look out for pot regulators who might have improper dealings with an industry still emerging from the black market. Two recent cases in Colorado and Washington state are the first known instances of current or former pot regulators being accused of misdoings with the pot industry. Two cases might not seem like much, but they give a black eye to all marijuana regulators and fuel old fears about the criminal element's influence. They also underscore the need for the next round of states adopting legal marijuana to get oversight right. / HEALTH, POLITICS: The Republican drive to roll back Barack Obama's health care law is on a collision course with a national opioid epidemic that's not letting up. Medicaid cuts resulting from the GOP legislation would hit hard in states deeply affected by the addiction crisis, according to state data and lawmakers in both parties. The House health care bill would phase out expanded Medicaid, which allows states to provide federally backed insurance to low-income adults previously not eligible. Many people in that demographic are in their 20s and 30s and dealing with opioid addiction. According to data compiled by The Associated Press, Medicaid expansion accounted for 61 percent of total Medicaid spending on substance abuse treatment in Kentucky, 47 percent in West Virginia. 56 percent in Michigan, and 59 percent in Maryland. / ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT: Can you create a solar eclipse with your bare hands? The answer is yes — sort of — if you make a trip to your local post office. The U.S. Postal Service has unveiled a first-of-its kind stamp that transforms with the touch of a finger and is dedicated to this summer's total solar eclipse. The 49-cent stamp has temperature-sensitive ink on it. And when a person touches it, the body heat changes the image of the blacked out sun into the moon. Once your finger is removed, the eclipse comes back. This is all in advance of the Aug. 21 solar eclipse, which will be the first visible in the contiguous U.S. since 1979. / ECONOMY: A Springfield couple this week claimed a \$7 million lottery jackpot. Oregon Lottery officials say it came after Michelle Sutherland, a retired U.S. Postal Service worker, went to the nearby Mohawk Boulevard Dari-Mart to buy milk and

picked up a "quick pick" Megabucks ticket. The next morning, she and her husband couldn't believe it when they checked the newspaper for the winning numbers and saw their matched. They double-checked on her phone and computer and even scanned the ticket at a local store. Sutherland described herself and her husband as "casual" players. They say they plan on "spoiling their grandkids" over the summer with the winnings and might travel this fall. The couple opted to take the lump-sum payment and after taxes took home \$2.3 million. Dari-Mart will receive a 1-percent selling bonus of \$70,000 for selling the winning ticket. / CRIME: The Register-Guard is reporting that convicted killer Howard Stull will spend the rest of his life behind bars for the murder of his landlady, Kathy Kay Braun. The 80-year-old Stull murdered Braun in a July, 2015, knife attack in her Eugene home. The Register-Guard reports Braun's family sat together in court on Tuesday as a Lane County Circuit Court Judge sentenced Stull to life in prison. The hearing came five days after a jury returned a guilty verdict in Stull's murder trial.; The Register-Guard is reporting that a 53-year-old man is accused of attempting to kill a Eugene police officer earlier this year in the course of allegedly robbing and kidnapping another man at gunpoint. The suspect, Eric Allen Dobbs, pleaded not guilty Tuesday to charges of attempted murder, first-degree robbery with a firearm, first-degree kidnapping with a firearm, being a felon in possession of a firearm and unlawful possession of methamphetamine. Reporter Chelsea Deffenbacher writes that Lane County prosecutors and court documents allege Dobbs used and threatened to use physical force against another man in the incident in early March while armed with a .38-caliber revolver. The charging document also states that Dobbs attempted to cause the death of Eugene police officer Aron Lindsay on the same date while Lindsay was performing his official duties in the justice system. No further details were provided. Dobbs has been an inmate of the Lane County Jail since his arrest in March. His next court hearing is scheduled for July 26. / ELECTIONS: Republican Karen Handel has declared victory in Georgia's 6th Congressional District, winning the most expensive House race in U.S. history. Handel won about 52 percent of the vote to defeat Democrat Jon Ossoff in a race seen as a possible bellwether for the 2018 midterm Congressional elections and an early referendum on the Donald Trump presidency. It's estimated that donors and political action committees poured more than \$50 million dollars into the campaign and related advertising. Georgia's Sixth Congressional District is a traditional Republican stronghold. But after Tom Price vacated the seat to become President Trump's Health Secretary. Democrat Ossoff emerged with a narrow edge in the open primary, prompting yesterday's run-off with Handel. Handel said in her victory speech that she'll work to gain the confidence of voters who backed her Democratic opponent. She also thanked President Trump, who tweeted his congratulations overnight. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: ODOT eclipse update: T minus 2 months: Don't be a luna(r)-tic: Arrive early, stay put and leave late. Oregon will experience quite a show two months from today, when the moon's shadow cast by a solar eclipse begins its 2,500-mile-per-hour journey across the United States. But if the predicted one million visitors in Oregon's path of totality for the Aug. 21 eclipse don't properly prepare or aren't paying attention, that show won't be the celestial dance they came for: It'll be a cosmic traffic jam on the roads. Managers with the Oregon Department of Transportation expect that many Oregon highways will be especially crowded in the days around the eclipse. **When you're traveling, you keep your hands on the wheel, your mind on the task, and your eyes on the road—not on the sky.** Statistics show that many crashes are the result of distracted driving and traveling too fast for conditions. Safety officials encourage you to avoid unnecessary distractions during your travels—and especially when Oregon highways will be very crowded during the time of the eclipse. That means planning your travel well in advance; knowing where you're going; and for long trips, knowing where you're going to go when the need arises! The Oregon Department of Transportation will have crews posted along critical travel routes to keep motorists mobile and safe, and will be providing travel updates via Tripcheck.com and 511 so you can be prepared with the most current travel information available. Properly supplied and informed, we all can avoid becoming "highway luna(r)-tics" during the eclipse. "Eclipse Tips": Expect traffic changes. ODOT does not plan to close any state highways. But as traffic volumes increase, ODOT may restrict some left turns to and from highways in order to keep traffic moving. Cities and counties may choose to do the same thing on their streets and roads. Help keep roads clear. Staying off the roads helps make sure emergency service vehicles can get through. Take care of errands well before Aug. 21. Limit your trips to help keep the roads clear. Ride your bicycle! Travel with friends. Joining friends and family for the trip to totality will reduce the number of cars on the road. Find carpool information at www.drivelessconnect.com. Caution friends, family and other visitors: Tell them to #DriveHealthy: Arrive early, stay put during the eclipse and leave late afterwards. If everyone jumps on the highways all at once right after the eclipse, no one will go very far very fast. Remember, all travelers have a shared responsibility to stay safe. Be prepared. Plan ahead for your basic needs such as food, water, gas for the car and bathroom breaks in case you're stuck in traffic. Plan to get to where you need to be before you need to go! We're all in this together! Be prepared. Help your neighbors and other

travelers to be prepared. And please enjoy Oregon! For updates, visit www.Tripcheck.com; As the summer construction season continues, crews are close to wrapping up work on the repaving of the Northwest Expressway and work is entering the final stages for the West 11th Avenue improvements related to the Lane Transit District Em-X line expansion. ; Oregon State Police say a car accident sparked a wildlife along a Central Oregon highway yesterday evening. It happened on Highway 26, between Madras and Prineville. Investigators say the vehicle traveled off the roadway for an unknown reason and struck a tree. One man died from his injuries at the scene. But a passing motorist stopped and helped extricate five others who were injured-a man, woman and three children— before the vehicle caught fire and sparked a blaze in nearby dry grass. The fire scorched fewer than four acres.; An insurance study links increased car crash claims to legalized recreational marijuana. The Highway Loss Data Institute. a leading insurance research group, released the results Thursday saying the study found collision claims in Colorado, Washington, and Oregon went up 2.7 percent in the years since legal pot sales began when compared with surrounding states. Marijuana advocates question the study's comparison of states with such varied populations. Researchers accounted for factors such as the number of vehicles on the road in the study and control states, age and gender of drivers, weather and even whether the driver making a claim was employed. Neighboring states with similar fluctuations in claims were used for comparison. Insurance industry groups have been keeping a close watch on claims when auto accidents across the country began to go up in 2013 after more than a decade of steady decline. ; A bill recently signed into law in Oregon allows drivers who crash into deer and elk on the road to harvest the animals' meat for food. It's not as rare as you might think. About 20 other states also let people take meat from animals killed by vehicles. And advocates say roadkill can be high-quality, grass-fed grub. Washington state began allowing the salvaging of deer and elk carcasses a year ago. In Pennsylvania, people can take deer or turkeys that are killed on the road if they report the incidents to the state Game Commission within 24 hours. In Oregon, Governor Kate Brown signed the roadkill measure with little fanfare last week after lawmakers passed it without a single "nay" vote. / POLITICS, HEALTH: A \$670 million health care tax package has officially passed the Oregon Legislature and now heads to Governor Kate Brown. Lawmakers in the Oregon Senate gave final approval on Wednesday in a 20-10 bipartisan vote. The package raises tax revenue from hospitals and insurers over the next two years so that 350,000 low-income Medicaid recipients won't lose health care and a recently-built psychiatric hospital with hundreds of patients and workers in Junction City will not be shut down. House Bill 2391 is also one of the most important pieces of legislation lawmakers need to finish writing the 2017-19 budget that begins July 1 and must be balanced no later than July 10. It also helps the upcoming \$1.4 billion shortfall by about one-third.; Senate Republican leaders are ready to release their plan for rolling back much of President Barack Obama's health care law. Congressional aides and lobbyists say it would cut Medicaid, end penalties for people not buying insurance and erase tax increases Obama imposed to help expand coverage. McConnell is unveiling the measure after weeks of closed-door meetings that angered Democrats and some Republicans, It represents the Kentucky Republican's attempt to quell criticism by party moderates and conservatives and win the support he needs in a vote he hopes to

stage next week. The measure would drop the House's waivers allowing states to let insurers boost premiums on some people with pre-existing conditions. The sources described the bill on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to make the disclosures. / POLITICS: President Donald Trump spent part of yesterday leading a big rally in lowa with some of his loval supporters. The president touched down Wednesday evening in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and headed to a local community college, where he got a look at agriculture technology innovations before leading the campaign-style event. He celebrated the GOP win this week in Georgia's Sixth Congressional District and touched on other administration actions before returning to Washington, D.C. / COMMUNITY: Oregon museum officials are investigating a recently discovered wooden object that may be a boat keel from a shipwreck. The Daily Astorian reports the wooden object that could be mistaken for an ordinary log was identify as a possible ship part by visitors at Cannon Beach Wednesday. According the report, shipwrecks are frequently found along the Oregon coast. The Cannon Beach History Center and Museum has partnered with another museum and the Maritime Archaeological Society to identify the object. Officials say the object may be from mid-1800s but will need an evaluation from the state's archaeologist office in Salem to confirm its exact age. Once the investigation is over, officials will decide whether the artifact is valuable enough to be moved and conserved.; There will be multiple work zones with lane closures along Oregon Highway 126 through the end of this week and continuing into next week to finish cleanup of the fuel spill area from a June 13 gasoline truck crash as well as some paving projects in the area. Highway message boards with paving dates are posted along the route. Work zone details: Wednesday, June 21, and Thursday, June 22, there will be a work zone from milepost 21 through milepost 21.6 to continue cleanup of the spill; Friday, June 23, crews will be paving from milepost 50 through milepost 49 (near McKenzie Bridge), and spill cleanup will continue from milepost 21 through milepost 21.6; Saturday, June 24, there will be a work zone from milepost 21 through milepost 21.6 to continue cleanup of the spill; Sunday, June 25, the road will be open with no lane closures expected; Monday, June 26, there will be a work zone from milepost 21 through milepost 21.6, and a work zone at milepost 45 near Vida where workers will be paving. In each work zone, travelers should expect lane closures and delays up to 20 minutes. Travelers are advised to use alternate routes to avoid delays and be aware of crews in the area. / SAFETY: Fire damaged an exterior wall of a home on the 5200 block of Donohoe Avenue in Eugene's Danebo neighborhood yesterday evening. The Register-Guard is reporting that neighbors spotted the flames and used garden hoses to knock down much of the fire before fire crews arrived and before the blaze could spread to the rest of the home. The residents were away when the fire broke out. But disaster responders with the local chapter of the American Red Cross say they assisted the five occupants—two adults and three children—by providing temporary housing, food, clothing, and toiletry items. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Authorities say a 72-year-old Corvallis man who was hospitalized after an aluminum boat capsized on Detroit Lake has died while fishing with members of his family. It happened yesterday around 12:30 p.m. Marion County Sheriff's Office investigators say two men and a woman were fishing on the Hoover Arm of Detroit Lake when one of them stood up, causing the 15-foot boat to flip and throwing all three into the water. Other boaters saw and heard the commotion and came to

their aid, and an off-duty firefighter performed CPR on Chester Correll of Corvallis until a LifeFlight helicopter arrived. But authorities say he died Wednesday evening at a hospital. Investigators say nobody aboard the capsized boat was wearing a life jacket when they went into the water. Marion County officials say this is the area's third drowning since the weather started to warm. And in each case, life jackets might have made the difference between life and death. With the warm weekend weather coming, water safety experts across Oregon are encouraging you to use caution in open water, know your swimming ability and always wear a life jacket.; Federal and county forestry officials are concerned that this year's large outbreak of the invasive cheatgrass could lead to increased wildfires. Deschutes County Forester Ed Keith says a wet winter and spring has led to taller, thicker patches of the grass. Cheatgrass is common throughout the Western U.S. It dries out and becomes very flammable around summer after sprouting anew starting in December. The Bend Bulletin reports that the grass tends to grow along roadways, which in 2015 sparked a 105-square-mile (272square-kilometer) wildfire when a vehicle struck the grass. Keith says cheatgrass is in Deschutes County's lowest-priority class in part because it's so widespread. He said he talks to landowners about how to manage growth on their properties, but doesn't focus on removing it because of its abundance. / SAFETY, CRIME: Friday, June 23rd, marks the opening of the season for fireworks sales in Oregon. Legal fireworks may be purchased only from Oregon-permitted fireworks retailers and stands. Oregon law forbids possession, use, or sale of fireworks that fly, explode, or travel more than six feet on the ground or 12 inches in the air, without a permit issued by the Oregon State Fire Marshal. Bottle rockets, Roman candles, and firecrackers are ILLEGAL in Oregon. All fireworks are prohibited on all Oregon beaches, in parks, and campgrounds. Illegal fireworks can be expensive: Under Oregon law, illegal fireworks may be confiscated and offenders fined up to \$500 per violation for possession of illegal fireworks and endangering life and property. Offenders may also be arrested. Any fireworks causing damage, or misuse of fireworks carries a liability for the offender, who may be required to pay for resulting fire or other damage. Parents are liable for fireworks-caused damage by their children. Costs may include assessed fines as well as the cost of suppressing fireworks-caused fires. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: Americans are expected to hit the road in record numbers for the July 4th weekend. Automobile club AAA says it expects 44.2 million people will travel at least 50 miles from home, a 2.9 percent increase over last year's record for the holiday. The vast majority will go by car. But airline travel over the holiday is also expected to rise for the eighth straight year. / HEALTH: Are you seeking steps to keep your brain healthy in old age? There are no proven ways to stave off mental decline or dementia. But a new report says there are hints that exercise, controlling blood pressure and some forms of brain training might offer some help. The report says that because there's no proof, the government shouldn't begin a public health campaign on possible strategies for aging brain health. But the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine says the public should be told the evidence is "encouraging" — though inconclusive — for those three strategies. That would help people decide whether to invest time and money on different interventions. The panel is not backing costly computer-based cognitive training programs, but urges research into what strategies might have lasting benefit. / SAFETY, YOUTH, FAMILIES: Those wildly popular fidget

spinners are also potentially dangerous, according to a consumer watchdog group. The Boston-based group, WATCH, notes in its report on summer safety hazards that a child in Oregon and one in Texas were hospitalized recently after choking on small plastic and metal pieces after some spinners fell apart. One youngster required surgery. Just last week, German customs officials destroyed 39 tons of poorly manufactured fidget spinners because of safety concerns. The industry group Toy Association last month issued its own guidelines for parents thinking of buying fidget spinners, including following age recommendations on the packaging, buying only from reputable retailers, and inspecting them frequently for loose parts. WATCH, the consumer group, also warned about the fire dangers posed by lithium batteries in hoverboards; the potential for blunt force injuries from plastic weapons based on superhero movies; and impact injuries from nonmotorized scooters. But not all the possible summer safety hazards on the W.A.T.C.H. list had to do with children's playthings. It also includes warnings about water safety, and the risks posed by clothing drawstrings. / CRIME, SAFETY: Eugene police officers have something new on their uniforms today: body cameras. They began appearing this spring after some tests with a number of downtown officers beginning in 2013. Officers say the body cameras enhance their ability to capture evidence while investigating criminal activity and during interviews with witnesses, suspects and others. In 2015, the Eugene Police department was among 73 agencies nationwide to receive a Department of Justice grant of close to a quarter-million dollars to help purchase the devices. / ECONOMY: Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 3.8 percent in May, a new record low since comparable rates began in 1990. In May, 2016, the rate was 5.1 percent. Oregon's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.6 percent and the national rate was 4.3 percent in May. There were healthy seasonal gains in construction (+200) and leisure and hospitality (+400). Elsewhere, there were relatively large gains in retail trade (+300), professional and business services (+300), and education and health services (+200). / ENVIRONMENT< SAFETY: The hottest weather of the year so far is likely across much of Oregon this weekend. The warm-up will take hold Friday with high temperatures in the valleys reaching into the lower to mid-90s, then peaking Saturday and Sunday in the 95 to 100 degree range. Temperatures Monday might fall back into the 80s. The coast is expected to reach into the 70s on Friday and the 80s on Saturday. Temperatures in the 80s and into the 90s will be common at higher elevations, as well. Safety officials encourage you to prepare now for the coming hot weather: Stay hydrated, avoid exertion in the heat of the day, and find an air conditioned building if possible. And remember: Rivers are still running high and swift, while river temperatures remain cold. Use extreme caution around rivers and lakes. We've already seen a number of warm weather drownings this season. /