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QUARTERLY POSTING OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND INTERESTS

Third Quarter, 2018: July 1st through September 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 3Q, 2018, 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.

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*Note: Major breaking news stories during the quarter that fall under these categories will as is appropriate and reflected in dally news-public service postings			
1	POLITICS, ELECTIONS: Trump administration, Congress, the courts; Brett Kavanaugh Supreme		
	Court nomination; Immigration, ICE raids, child and family detentions, DACA, border wall; partisan and		
	budget battles, Congress; Gun control, mass shootings, school violence, mental health treatment;		
	Marijuana enforcement; Opioid epidemic; Health care reform; Affordable housing; Government		
	funding, shutdown threats; Oregon politics; National, state, local elections; Mueller investigation:		
	Wyden and others; North Korea; Cybersecurity, hacking, data breaches.		
2	ECONOMY, BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT, UTILITIES, COLLEGE-PRO		
	SPORTS: Economy; Affordable housing; Unemployment, workforce training; Government funding;		
	Personal finance; Consumer prices; Legal cannabis; Immigration economics; Retirement concerns;		
	Economic and downtown development, urban renewal and urban density; Rural development, urban		
	growth boundary; UO Athletics funding, spending; Sports events; Civic Stadium rebuilding;		
	Agriculture; Technology; Energy prices, development; Cybersecurity, hacking.		
3	CRIME, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT: Mass shootings; School violence; Community crime,		
	policing and prevention; Drug & alcohol abuse; Opioid addiction and treatment; Human trafficking;		
	Youth protection; Child abuse; Gangs; Cybersecurity; Police shootings, targeting of police;		
	Demonstrations & riots; Arsonists; Racial profiling; Public safety; Severe weather, disasters, terrorism.		
4	HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH: Mental health; Opioid epidemic, drug abuse; Illegal drugs; Legal and		
	illegal cannabis, Recreational and medical marijuana; National health care reform; Oregon Health		
	Plan (Medicaid) and CCOs; Abortion battle and reproductive debates; Prescription drug prices;		
ĺ	Immunizations and treatments; Environmental health, including wildfire smoke and overall air quality;		
	Infectious diseases including flu and STDs; Vaccines; Food and product recalls; Lead in water		
	systems and homes; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Physician-assisted suicide.		
5	WOMEN, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, FAMILY, YOUTH, ELDERS, MINORITIES, RACISM,		
	IMMIGRATION, CIVIL RIGHTS, CIVIL LIBERTIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, RELIGION, COMMUNITY,		
	DISABILITIES, EVENTS: #MeToo; Sexual violence and harassment; Brett Kavanaugh nomination to		
	Supreme Court, Immigration, DACA, Latino community; Families and children; Domestic violence;		
	Youth programs; Youth protection; Minority issues; Race, racism; Same-sex marriage; Gay rights, fair		
	housing; Civil rights, civil liberties; Privacy, cybersecurity; Religion, churches; Community and		
	charitable events, Older adults, Pets and animal rights.		
6	HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME ISSUES: Affordable housing; Homeless veterans, individuals,		
	families and youth; Homeless "rest stops"; "The Working Poor"; Minimum wage and living wages;		
	Community agencies; Mental health issues; Older adults: Protection, health, housing, finances.		
7	ENVIRONMENT, DISASTERS, AGRICULTURE: Potential drought and wildfire outlook; Snowpack;		
[Wintry weather; Disaster preparedness and response, Air quality; Climate change; Agriculture;		
i	Pollinators; Pesticides and herbicides; Agriculture, gardens, Sustainable landscaping; Ocean health;		
	Forest management; Wildlife habitat, fish recovery, fishing effects; Power generation; Alternate		
	energy; Hazardous materials transport, toxic dumps, clean-up sites.		
8	MILITARY, VETERANS, WAR ON TERRORISM: Veterans' issues, including jobs, mental health		
300	(PTSD, suicide, etc.) and homelessness; Military families issues; Homeland and local security;		
	Balancing terrorism with civil rights; National Guard deployments; Oregonians in the military; NSA		
1	hacking and privacy issues.		
9	EDUCATION: Local and state budgets for higher and lower education; Paying for college; Curriculum		
-	and academic standards; Student activism; Programs and students honored for academic or civic		
İ	excellence. National education and trends; Teacher contracts and contract negotiations.		
10	TRANSPORTATION: Infrastructure needs and projects; ; Road and gas fees and taxes; Rail safety		
.	Pedestrian, biker, rider safety; Hiking-biking trails; Airlines and Eugene's airport; Lane Transit District		
	expansion and service; Hybrid, electric vehicles.		
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Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/01/18 and 07/29/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	BUSINESS, ECONOMY, EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH
Longth Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Mary Reilly speaks with Julie Anderson and Mark Davis about Eugene Tech, a cooperative and volunteer program which works to elevate awareness of and within the local tech community. They highlight upcoming events, including the third annual Eugene Tech tour, as well as other organizations such as the Technology Association of Oregon and Eugene Women in Tech. Eugene tech also collaborates with the City of Eugene on events such as the King Pong tournament and other activities to help interest high school and college students in technology.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/08/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	COMMUNITY, FAMILY, YOUTH, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	For three days each summer, a temporary city takes shape in the woods and oak savannah just outside the city of Veneta. This is the annual Oregon Country Fair, which is in its 29 th years, attracts close to 50,000 visitors and has a multi-million dollar impact on the local economy. Charlie Rush, a longtime fair volunteer manager, talks about the evolution of the fair, its musical, cultural and commercial offerings and other highlights. He also discusses the fair's commitment to the local area, from its annual grants to nearby community projects and schools to its summer Culture Jam that gives students a stronger emphasis on the arts. He also previews next year's 50 th anniversary fair and long-term efforts to preserve and restore the historic habitat on the land where the event takes place.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/15/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	COMMUNITY, AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS, YOUTH
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	The annual Lane County Fair begins its 2018 run on Wednesday for five days. There are exhibits, entertainment, food and activities. Marketing manager and assistant fair manager Rachel Bivens joins us to provide a look at the fair's economic impact and how the event has evolved from a purely agricultural focus to one that increasingly reflects some of the area's urban trends. At the same time, we meet organizers and participants in the Lane County 4-H groups who have livestock, handcrafts and event computer coding projects on display during the fair. They discuss their interests and why 4-H helps shape the leaders of tomorrow.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/22/18 and 08/05/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	FAMILY, COMMUNITY (Animals)
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Construction got underway earlier this summer on expanded and remodeled shelter facilities at the Greenhill Humane Society. It's desperately overdue. The organization, which houses and finds homes for lost, neglected and abandoned pets has raised a large portion of the money needed toward the effort, which replaces kennel buildings that have served for close to eight decades. Greenhill's Director of Operations Sasha Elliot gives us a tour and discusses how animal care and welfare have evolved since the 1930s and how the new buildings will help bring all of Greenhill's and Lane County's lost cats and dogs to the single site off Green Hill Road rather than dividing them between there and the West First Avenue shelter. She also discusses the need for more individuals and families to foster animals, the importance of volunteers and how you may donate to support daily operations and the capital campaign.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/12/18
Time of Pregram	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	CRIME, SAFETY, FAMILY, CHILDREN
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Later this month, you can try some terrific food and drink samples while supporting the Relief Nursery, which combats child abuse and provides essential classes for parents of at-risk children. This morning, we preview "the Great Taste," the Relief Nursery's annual summer fundraiser. And we chat with Kristin Bartels and Courtney Roy about the organizations' offerings in Eugene-Springfield, including its therapeutic preschool and other outreach efforts.

Community Forum
08/19/18
6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
HEALTH, COMMUNITY, FAMILY
30 Minutes
Cancer touches many lives and for people who have survived cancer, it can sometimes be a challenge getting your mind, body and emotions back on track. The program "LiveStrong at the YMCA" offers classes and support groups at the Eugene Family YMCA. The program, which has been in town for two years, brings together cancer survivors in small support groups but combines that with nutritional and fitness training and counseling to help heal; the whole person. The YMCA is recruiting for its next couple of classes and we share how to learn more.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/26/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, FAMILY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Addiction is a complex issue and so, too, is recovery. Willamette Family works to help those in recovery change and improve their lives. Edith Baumgart, the Program Director for children and Family Services discusses how Willamette Family offers a range of inpatient and outpatient programs for men and women and have expanded offerings to help reintegrate families and work with children whose parents have struggled with addiction. She also talks about their upcoming fundraising run in which some of the program's participants and graduates will also take part in order to celebrate their new lives and lifestyles.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/02/18 and 09/09/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
issue	BUSINESS, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMY, EDUCATION
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	What does it take to start and develop a successful business? A good idea? Adequate resources? Lots of time and effort? Imagine if you had a network of mentors to help you along the way. That's where RAIN Eugene comes in. RAIN is a statewide network with a name that's an acronym for the Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network. RAIN Eugene helps new and developing businesses get off to a good start. Even before that, RAIN's staff and mentors can assist with helping entrepreneurs decide whether their good idea has what it takes to make the transition to a full-fledged business. We sit down with Executive Director Joe Maruschak to talk about the latest developments and hear about growth industries, ranging from food service to tech. He talks about the need for educated workers and growing partnerships wit local colleges, universities, trade school and high schools.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/16/18 and 09/23/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	MILITARY, VETERANS, HEALTH, POVERTY, HOMELESSNESS, COMMUNITY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Mary Reilly speaks Floyd Bard, the chairman of this year's Lane County Stand Down, which takes place on Friday, Oct. 5. The Stand Down is designed for veterans, reservists, national Guard members, active duty personnel and their families. The intent is to bring together a wide range of essential and social services to serve veterans, whether they are in permanent housing and working or living on the streets grappling with mental health, drug or substance abuse issues. The Stand Down includes a job fair with local employers. There is a range of veterans, medical, dental, housing, mental health and other services, along with a women's areas. There are services for pets. Vets may also meet with experts to ensure they are receiving all of the benefits they have earned through their military service.

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/30/18
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	CRIME, FAMILY, WOMEN'S ISSUES, YOUTH & CHILDREN, COMMUNITY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Liz Kelly speaks with WomenSpace CEO Julie Weisman about the programs offered by Lane County's longtime domestic violence prevention agency. It comes one day ahead of the start of October's observance of Domestic Violence awareness month. Weisman highlights what's on the calendar and discusses the non-profit's efforts to better educate members of the community. She talks about how domestic violence affects victims, children and others. She explains how to talk with survivors of domestic violence as well as how to start a conversation with friends or family you suspect might be victims. WomenSpace is also fundraising, accepting donations and training volunteers for its crisis line, office and other services.

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED

ECONOMY, BUSINESS, LOW-INCOME: In Lane County, one in every 13 workers is paid minimum wage or less. And on Sunday, they received a pay hike. Lane County, along with Linn, Benton, Lincoln, Deschutes and a handful of other counties got a 50 cent per hour increase to \$10.75. But in the Portland area. where housing and cost of living are more expensive, workers saw the minimum wage jump to \$12 per hour, a 75-cent increase. Workers in more rural parts of the state saw a bump to \$10.50 per hour. The Legislature in 2016 approved the tiered set of increases in the minimum wage through the year 2022, when the wage will be tied to inflation. Also effective July 1st: Oregon workers will now also pay a transit tax. It pays for public transportation projects and improvements statewide. The tax is .001 percent — \$1 per \$1,000 — and employers will withhold the tax from workers' wages. / CRIME: Eugene police shot and wounded a knife-wielding man early Saturday morning after he broke into another man's house and stabbed him, the authorities said. The name of the suspect and his victim are expected to be released later this week. The suspect survived and was taken to the hospital. The victim later died from his wounds. It came after Eugene Police said they received reports of a home invasion around early Saturday morning near 14th and Washington Streets. Investigators say the homeowner confronted the intruder and was stabbed in the neck and shoulder. The suspect was located several blocks away, armed with a knife, and resisted efforts to be taken into custody, prompting officer first to deploy a Taser, then with a least one officer firing their service weapon, striking the suspect. "This was a dangerous, rapidly evolving situation with a violent suspect. All indications are that officers gave the suspect every opportunity to comply, including use of Taser, and then were faced with the difficult but necessary decision to use deadly force," said Eugene Police Chief Chris Skinner. Involved officers have been assigned to paid leave, as is customary after police shootings. A Lane County investigative team will review the shooting, police said. / CRIME, POLITICS: Police in Portland say several people were injured and there were some arrests made during violent protests there on Saturday. Four people were taken to hospitals, including one who suffered serious injuries. One officer was also hurt after being struck by a projectile. It came after clashes broke out between the estimated 150 members of the right-wing group Patriot Prayer, which had a permit to hold an afternoon rally and march on Saturday in downtown Portland. An estimated 300 members of the anti-fascist movement, known as antifa, staged a counter-protest. The two groups continued heckling each other even as police intervened. That led to police officials declaring

a riot and revoking the marchers' permit soon after police said they witnessed several instances of assault and other criminal activity. Officers also seized weapons such as clubs and knives and said protesters hurled rocks, bottles and other projectiles. Police used flash-bang grenades to disperse crowds. Police arrested four people but said those arrests stemmed from previous criminal investigations. The more violent rallies were not related to peaceful demonstrations held earlier in the day to protest President Trump's immigration policies. That event drew close to 5,000 attendees. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: With conditions becoming drier and warmer, the Oregon Department of Forestry has declared that fire restrictions for members of the public will go into effect on Monday, July 2. While industrial operators have had some restrictions imposed on them since June 21, the public has remained unrestricted until now. As of July 2, the district will be at moderate fire danger (blue). At this level the public is allowed to use gas-powered equipment until 1 p.m. and then again after 8 p.m. No gas-powered equipment may be used during the seven-hour shutdown period in the afternoon, with the exception of mowing well-irrigated green grass lawns. The use of fireworks in rural portions of the district is prohibited and campfires are only allowed in incorporated campgrounds with built in, metal-ringed fire pits. "For the rest of fire season, we encourage you to be safe and use your best judgment in all activities conducted in and around dry grass and brush," said Public Information Officer Dave Kjosness with ODF's Western Lane District. For updates on fire season and the fire danger levels in the Western Lane District, the public may call the district's Veneta office at 541-935-2222 or check the district's Facebook page. / COMMUNITY, TRANSPORTATION: It is a popular spot to watch Fourth of July fireworks in Florence. But this year, road construction has closed the east sidewalk on the Siuslaw River Bridge, overlooking Old Town. The west sidewalk is open to all to enjoy the walk and the view. The Siuslaw River Bridge Protection Project has been repairing damaged concrete, applying a surface coating to protect the structure from corrosion, adding sidewalk features, installing seismic upgrades, and replacing bridge railings. Much of the project is complete. The east sidewalk is closed because work continues on the bridge railings and there are tripping and other work zone hazards. The project is on schedule to be completed in 2019. /

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SAFETY: We now know how many pounds of fireworks members of Eugene's Metro Explosives Disposal Unit collected during Sunday's "Fireworks Amnesty Day" event: about 100 pounds. Sixteen people turned in fireworks, including more than 150 aerial-burst shells. It was a chance to get rid of illegal fireworks you might have stored in your home, garage or maintenance shed without getting cited. This was the third year for the event. Organizers collected 50 pounds in 2016 and 150 pounds last year. Do the lower totals this year mean people are getting the message about fireworks bans and penalties? Officials sure hope so. It comes as local officials step up enforcement on illegal fireworks in an effort to increase safety and reduce the noise and risk of accidental injury or fire. The city even has a new fireworks reporting app on its website that allows people to share photos of illegal fireworks displays and their location. While officials say they can't guarantee an immediate response, the information will help target future education and enforcement efforts.; This shouldn't even need saying, but apparently it does: The Coast Guard is reminding Pacific Northwest mariners not to use emergency flares as celebration tools during 4th of July week. The days leading up to and after the Independence Day holiday are often extremely busy on waterways and beaches, keeping Coast Guard crews busy. Emergency flares are designed for just that: Emergencies. Don't use them for celebrations, which can lead to erroneous rescue calls. Other safety tips: Beachgoers are reminded to look for signs marking hazardous areas and watch out for fluctuating water currents, strong undertows and riptides including times for high and low tide. Personal locator beacons are advised for kayakers and boarders who intend to paddle the various waterways in the area. It is also recommended to utilize the buddy system when out and about. Solo-adventurers are advised to leave float plans with friends and family including estimated times of departures and arrivals. Boaters and operators are encouraged to wear lifejackets and are reminded to provide personal flotation devices for all persons aboard and be sure to check all required safety equipment. Anyone operating a watercraft should not consume any alcohol or other intoxicating substance.; The Portland Bureau of Emergency Communications mistakenly sent out a televised emergency alert Monday that warned of a nonexistent 911 outage. Agency spokesman Todd DeWeese told the Oregonian/OregonLive that the 911 service was testing the emergency alert system when the alert was somehow broadcast to residents in Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington. He says everything was done correctly in practice mode

but for some reason it didn't stay that way. The message written in English and Spanish appeared around 4:15 p.m. It said the outage was scheduled to last from 4:02 p.m. to 4:32 p.m. DeWeese said there were no issues with the 911 system. The system will be examined to determine what caused the malfunction. / COMMUNITY, FAMILY, PETS: Fourth of July fireworks can be a stressful event for your pup or kitten. Help ensure the whole family stays safe on the Fourth of July by following these five tips for pets: Leave Fido at home. Remember that dogs can hear much better than people and fireworks can be a scary event for your pet. While you may have a blast at the local celebration, your pet probably won't enjoy it. Keep pets confined. The loud noises on the Fourth of July can frighten pets and lead them to run away in fear. Keep your pets, including those that usually live outdoors, securely inside during loud celebrations and fireworks displays. Consult with your veterinarian. If your pet is seriously distressed by loud noises and there is no safe or quiet space in your home, consult with your veterinarian for alternative ways to help reduce the fear and anxiety of your pet during fireworks displays. Keep the BBQ to yourself. Not only can nosy pets be burned by getting too close to the grill, much of what we eat is not healthy for them. Foods such as onions, salt, grapes, alcohol and chocolate can be fatally toxic to dogs and cats. Tag your pet. Your pets should be wearing identification tags and/or be microchipped so that critical information is available to help reunite you with them if they do become lost. If your pet becomes lost or is missing during the holiday, please contact your local shelter. / VETERANS, COMMUNITY: Efforts to create a memorial to local veterans in Veneta got a boost this summer. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has awarded five grants totaling \$150,000 for projects across the state that create or preserve memorials to veterans or wars. Among them, planned construction of a Veneta memorial to local veterans from WWI to the present. Members of VFW post 9448 helped take the lead with Veneta officials on the grant application and have also helped collect donations toward completing the project. The state's competitive grant program was created by the Oregon legislature in 2005. Applicants must represent local or tribal governments and the memorial must be on public land. / CRIME: Five years and ten months in prison for robbing a Santa Clara-area bank. That's the sentence for 29-year-old Levi Christian McKinnon, who pleaded guilty in the May 21st hold-up at the Chase Bank branch on Division Avenue. No weapon was displayed. McKinnon was arrested after police distributed surveillance photos of the robbery and a number of people offered what investigators termed "solid tips" in identifying the suspect. McKinnon was arrested during a traffic stop in South Eugene. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: A U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokeswoman says the agency's Portland headquarters will resume normal operations today. The office was closed June 20 after protesters upset with President Trump's immigration policies blocked entrances to the facility. Federal officers removed protesters and barricades last week. ICE spokeswoman Carissa Cutrell says appointments scheduled for Monday were canceled. Deportation officers will contact those whose appointments were canceled to provide an alternate date. / ENVIRONMENT: The Oregon State Marine Board has a lot of responsibilities: It governs Oregon waterways, pays for county marine law enforcement, keeps track of river obstacles, oversees guides and outfitter programs and funds the invasive species program and "check stations" operated by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. But the Marine Board pays for all

of this through boat registrations, title fees and marine fuel taxes paid by motorized boaters. It receives no state general fund or Oregon Lottery money. When the current motorized boat fees went into place in 2016, the Marine Board had hoped it would maintain service levels for six years. But there's been a 10 percent decline in motorboat registrations and lower fuel-tax revenues. So now, the Oregon State Marine Board plans to ask the Legislature to increase registration fees paid by motorized boaters, part of a two-year, \$33 million budget request to help cover existing programs. There are public meetings planned across the state. Among the proposals being considered for lawmakers: an increase in powerboat registration fees from \$4.50 per foot to \$5.95 per foot. Another is a new waterways access permit to begin January 2020 that would cost \$5 a week, \$17 a year or \$30 for two years for non-motorized boats 10 feet and longer. It would replace the current \$5 annual Aquatic Invasive Species permit. Some of that revenue would help pay for projects that improve access for kayakers and rafters, who have generally been relegated to boat ramps and other facilities designed for powerboats. Other proposals include changes to outfitter and charter boat registrations and fees, a one-time increase to boater registration cards from \$10 to \$20, and a plan to allow the Marine Board to increase card suspensions from one year to three years for boating under the influence of intoxicants and a new one-year suspension for reckless boating. The Marine Board also wants boat-rental companies to register with it and provide information about the numbers and types of boats they rent. There would be no charge. The proposals also would require all boaters to "pull the plug" and open any vales to drain standing water while a boat is transported over land. Violations would carry a \$30 fine for a non-motorized boat and \$50 for trailered motorized boats. / HEALTH: New research offers fresh grounds for drinking coffee, showing that it may boost chances for a longer life. In a study of nearly half-a-million British adults, coffee drinkers had a slightly lower risk of death over 10 years than abstainers. Even those who drank at least eight cups daily appeared to have a longevity boost. Coffee contains more than 1,000 compounds that might explain the results, including cell-protecting antioxidants. The benefit was seen with instant, ground and decaf coffee. The study echoes previous research. But it's the first large study to show a benefit even for people with genes that cause their bodies to metabolize caffeine faster or slower than usual. The study was published Monday in JAMA Internal Medicine. / ECONOMY: Are you filing or about to file for unemployment benefits in Oregon? The weekly payments have increased. State officials say the maximum weekly benefit amount someone can receive will increase from \$604 to \$624, while the minimum amount will increase from \$141 to \$146. The change affects new unemployment insurance claims filed on or after July 1, 2018. Those with existing unemployment claims will continue to receive the same weekly amount they have been receiving. Oregon's Unemployment Insurance program provides temporary, partial wage replacement for workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own. The income provided to unemployed workers partially stabilizes the economy in local communities experiencing high unemployment during economic downturns. The Unemployment Insurance program also promotes reemployment and the preservation of a trained, local workforce for businesses during economic downturns. The Unemployment Insurance program administers unemployment insurance benefits, such as federal extensions when they are available, and other

specialized programs with partners that include the United States Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) and other state agencies. Under Oregon law, each year the Oregon Employment Department recalculates the maximum and minimum amounts of unemployment insurance benefits people can receive each week. The amounts are set as percentages of the average weekly wage earned by Oregonians. The minimum benefit amount is 15% of average weekly wage, and the maximum amount is 64%. Both dollar amounts are rounded down to the nearest dollar as required by law. Higher wage growth in 2017 resulted in a 3.5% increase to the minimum weekly benefit and a 3.3% increase in the maximum weekly benefit compared to a year ago. / ENVIRONMENT: You can spay feral. cats and dogs to help keep the population in check—why not wild horses? Researchers with the Bureau of Land Management are one step closer to trying it in southeastern Oregon. They've partnered Colorado State University and the U.S. Geological Survey to propose spaying some wild horse mares as a means of slowing population growth. The BLM has posted its Draft Environmental Assessment for the project and is seeking public comment. The research would be conducted at Oregon's Wild Horse Corral Facility near Hines. Experts say the proposed surgical procedure is the same used for domestic horses and is generally considered less invasive than a typical spay procedure for domestic cats and dogs. It takes fewer than 15 minutes to complete and is considered more cost-effective than short-term fertility control vaccines. What researchers want to do is study the impacts on a number of mares and behavior of the wild horse bands once the treated animals are returned to the range. Experts say they need to do something to control the wild horse populations, which can double in size in four years and triple in six years if not managed. Since receiving Federal protection in 1971, the nationwide wild horse and burro population has soared to nearly 82,000 animals, more than three times the number that experts believe can survive long-term along with wildlife and other uses of the land. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Eugene Police continue to investigate Saturday afternoon's fatal crash involving an SUV and a woman in a wheelchair. It happened in a crosswalk in Santa Clara near 215 Division Avenue, roughly between the Fred Mayer fuel station and the Taco Bell. The victim, 47-year-old Sheila Kay Freeman was hospitalized with injuries that were originally not believed life-threatening. But she succumbed later in the day. The driver, 90-year-old James Allyn Hayes of Eugene is cooperating with the investigation. Police say they've ruled out several factors in the crash—including speed and alcohol. / SAFETY: Four adults and one cat were displaced by yesterday's early-morning fire in Springfield's Washburne neighborhood. The blaze was reported in a detached garage around 3:30 a.m. in the 600 block of Fourth Street and spread to some nearby homes. There were no injuries. But the local chapter of the American Red Cross helped provide temporary lodging and other items to those who were displaced by the blaze. / COMMUNITY, TRANSPORTATION: It's a popular way to get to and from Autzen Stadium on game day. But it's also a money-losing service for Lane Transit District, especially with higher fuel and operating costs and driver overtime. That's why LTD is proposing changes, including some increased prices, for the Autzen Express Football Service. Between 8,000 and 10,000 fans ride the bus to Duck home games from eight park-and-ride locations across the metro area. The biggest change would be an increase in the fare to five dollars per rider, for every rider. LTD passes would no longer be accepted for the Autzen premium bus

service. One other change would be a shorter window on the front end of the games: Bus shuttle service would begin three hours prior to kick-off rather than four. Lane Transit is accepting emailed and written comments about the proposed changes and has a public hearing set for July 18th. /

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SAFETY, ANIMALS-PETS: The average speed of a 65 lb. male Tortoise is 0.13 mph. No match for pursuing Springfield police who caught "Horatio" about 10 feet on the opposite side of his fenced backyard. Horatio had been reported missing by his owner earlier in the evening. "He was asleep when we found him," said Officer Robert Rosales, who along with Officer Caitlin Gold, has no formal training in tortoise-wrangling. "He could have gotten another 20 or 30 feet if we hadn't got there when we did," Rosales said. / COMMUNITY, HEALTH, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A drinking water advisory for vulnerable populations has been lifted in and around the Oregon state capital area. The Statesman Journal reports that tests show Salem's drinking water has tested below Environmental Protection Agency health advisory levels for toxins for the past 12 days. The advisory was for children under 6 years old, people with compromised immune systems or those who were pregnant or breastfeeding. The first advisory was issued May 29, three days after the city learned toxins linked to an algae bloom were detected in Salem's drinking water. That initial alert was lifted June 2, only for another one to be issued June 6. On June 10, city officials extended the advisory during which time scientists and engineers developed a new treatment technique and added a system that allows water test results to come back the same day testing is done. / ENVIRONMENT: The daily bag limit for general marine fish (rockfish, greenlings, skates, etc.) will be reduced from 5 to 4 beginning July 1. "Participation in this fishery has been really good so far this year with effort higher than even record years seen in two of the past three years," said Lynn Mattes, Project Leader. ODFW. "Reducing the bag limit to 4 fish on July 1 is necessary to keep black rockfish, other nearshore rockfish and yelloweye rockfish catches within annual limits." Cabezon retention also opens on July 1 with a 1-fish sub-bag limit (meaning that of the 4-fish marine bag, no more than 1 can be a cabezon). Bag limits for lingcod, flatfish and the longleader fishery remain the same. Anglers this year made 40,619 bottomfish trips through May (17,750 in May alone), compared to 24,080 for January-May last year, which until 2018 was the highest effort year on record. Angler effort is only expected to increase as summer fishing peaks. Last year, recreational bottomfish closed on Sept. 18 after the annual quotas for several species were met early, the first in-season closure since 2004. The closure disrupted coastal charter businesses and anglers. (Typically, recreational bottomfish fishing is open all year, though effort significantly drops off after early fall.) ODFW has been working to avoid another early closure this year by providing effort and catch rates at more frequent intervals and modeling impacts of various

bag limit scenarios. The Fish and Wildlife Commission heard testimony from coastal sportfishing businesses before deciding on the 5-fish bag limit when it set regulations back in December, with the understanding that in-season adjustments could be necessary to keep the season open through the end of the year. ; The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will host a series of public meetings about the 2019 Big Game Hunting Regulations in July. The meetings are a great chance to come and hear about changes proposed for the 2019 season, comment on those changes and ask questions of district wildlife biologists. ODFW staff proposals to simplify big game hunting regulations will be discussed at the meetings along with tag numbers for 2019, which should be very similar to 2018 numbers. "Hunters tell us the regulations are too complicated, so we are making an effort to simplify whatever we can while still meeting the intent to conserve wildlife and ensure fair chase of game," said Nick Myatt, ODFW Grande Ronde Watershed Manager, who is leading the effort for the agency. Big game overwinter survival was good this year due to the mild winter, but herds in some areas are still recovering from the severe 2016-17 winter. In our area, there will be a session in Springfield on Wednesday, July 11th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Gateway Sizzler (1010 Postal Way in Springfield). Final 2019 Big Game Hunting Regulations will be adopted at the Sept. 14 Commission meeting in Bandon. A list of some of the major proposed changes include: Standardize the minimum draw weight for bows at 40 pounds for all big game mammals, which will both simplify the regulation and remove barriers to archery hunting for youth and other smallerframed hunters. (Currently, minimum draw weight is 50 pounds for elk, sheep and goat and 40 pounds for other big game.) Eliminate the prohibition against decoys with moving parts when big game hunting. Staff believe the regulation is unnecessary and could be reducing cougar harvest. Simplify requirements for legal muzzleloaders while maintaining the intent of a relatively short-range, primitive weapon. The requirement for muzzleloaders to have an open ignition would be eliminated; the legal bullet regulation would be simplified to, "It is illegal to hunt with or possess sabots or saboted bullets;" and the prohibition on pelletized powder would be eliminated. Change the SW Oregon first-come, firstserved spring bear hunt to a controlled hunt consistent with all other spring bear hunts in Oregon. This change simplifies regulations, may better distribute hunting pressure, and will allow hunters to purchase a point saver for spring bear. Eliminate maximum party size limits for deer, elk, pronghorn, and bear hunts. ODFW believes party size is self-regulating and the regulation unnecessary. Prohibit the import of deer, elk, or moose parts containing central nervous system tissue from any other state or province. (Currently Oregon only prohibits such imports from states/provinces with a known case of CWD. The change will simplify regulations and support Oregon's efforts to prevent this disease from entering the state.) Limit leftover tag purchases to people who have not already drawn a tag (will require legislative approval). This change would allow more people an opportunity to hunt each year. Streamline limits on non-resident tags so deer, elk, pronghorn, and bear controlled hunts will all have a maximum of 5 percent non-resident tags (will require legislative approval). While ODFW is not proposing allowing mechanical broadheads for big game archery hunters, due to interest in the topic, it will present the issue to the Commission for discussion at the meetings in Baker City and Bandon. Several other regulations have been reworded to make them easier to understand, including the regulation prohibiting

rifle hunting without a valid deer or elk tag during certain time periods and the proof of sex requirements. Other regulations deemed unnecessary or redundant have been proposed for elimination. / COMMUNITY, DISABILITIES: The Northwest Association for Blind Athletes is hosting a water sports experience for blind and visually-impaired athletes this weekend on Fern Ridge Reservoir. Look for the activity on Sunday, July 8th, near Richardson and Orchard Point Parks. Participants will have the opportunity to strengthen fundamentals and skills for kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. The program takes place Sunday from 11:00 AM- 2:00 PM but since the forecast looks good don't be surprised if those taking part spend the rest of the day enjoying the lake and the parks. The Eugene office of the Oregon Commission for the Blind is providing support for the participants, including transportation to and from the lake, as needed. This is becoming a regular summer event and the activities and number of participants is expanding each year, as are their skills. The mission of Northwest Association for Blind Athletes is to provide life-changing opportunities through sports and physical activity to individuals who are blind and visually impaired. The charitable organization formed 11 years ago and now provides more than 1,500 children, youth, adults and military veterans with opportunities to take part in activities tailored to their impairments. The goal is to improves self-confidence and selfesteem, promotes independence, and build the skills necessary to succeed in all areas of life including school and employment. / BUSINESS, SAFETY. ENVIRONMENT: Oregon OSHA has adopted rules that increase protections against the risk of pesticides drifting off their mark when spraying occurs outdoors. The rules, which exceed federal requirements, will take effect Jan. 1, 2019. The rules expand a protective zone; extend the evacuation period; require doors, windows, and air intakes to be closed during pesticide applications; and require storage for shoes and boots to prevent tracking of pesticides into worker housing, Pesticide drift outside a treated area is already illegal. However, Oregon OSHA's rules further address the risk by adding safeguards for workers and their families who rely on farm housing. The rules are part of a broader and ongoing effort to reduce incidents of unsafe pesticide exposure among agricultural workers and pesticide handlers. "Putting these rules into action means workers and their families are better protected in Oregon than they are in the vast majority of the country," said Michael Wood, administrator for Oregon OSHA. "These rules are the result of a lot of hard work by stakeholders and plenty of thoughtful public comments about the right approach to a challenging issue." At issue is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Application Exclusion Zone (AEZ). The zone is adjacent to - but outside of - the pesticide-treated area. It provides an added level of protection beyond the safeguards enforced with respect to the treated area itself. The AEZ surrounds and moves with spray equipment and must be free of all people other than appropriately trained and equipped pesticide handlers. The EPA's rule requires people to move 100 feet away from an area being treated with pesticides. However, it was designed for workers in the field. It did not account for the interaction of the AEZ with worker housing and other agricultural structures. The EPA rule also allows people to return to the zone immediately after the spray equipment has passed by. By contrast, Oregon OSHA's rules require a 100-foot AEZ when the pesticide applicator is not required to use a respirator. Moreover. people must stay out of the zone for an additional 15 minutes, either by staying indoors or remaining evacuated. This recognizes that illegal drift may occur and

allows any pesticide drift to settle. / POLITICS: Cylvia Hayes, the fiancee of former Gov. John Kitzhaber, has sought protection from her creditors in bankruptcy court. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Hayes filed for Chapter 13 bankruptcy protection Tuesday after a protracted battle over disclosure of public records with The Oregonian/OregonLive. Hayes was caught up in an influence-peddling scandal that forced Kitzhaber to resign in 2015. A judge ruled that Hayes should pay about \$125,000 for the newspaper's attorney's fees. The initial filing says Hayes owes between \$100,001 and \$500,000 to 49 creditors. She listed the value of her total assets at between \$100,001 and \$500,000. A Chapter 13 bankruptcy allows a debtor to reorganize their financial situation by extinguishing some debt and establishing a repayment plan for the balance. Chapter 13 also allows the debtor to keep their real estate. /

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CRIME, BUSINESS: Eugene Police have charged a 44-year-old man in connection with a series of incidents during the past three months in which a pellet gun was used to damage or break windows on 15 West Eugene businesses. Property Crimes detectives say they've tied the incidents to their suspect, Brian Lee Moe, with the help of surveillance cameras and tips from the public. Officers believe he is the man who drove a vehicle to or by the various businesses, where windows were shot out or damaged by projectiles from a pellet gun. Moe was arrested last Friday on several counts of Criminal Mischief and an outstanding warrant. On Wednesday, after additional investigative follow-up, several additional charges of Criminal Mischief were added. In all, Moe faces 17 felony counts of Criminal Mischief I and four misdemeanor counts of Criminal Mischief II for vandalizing 15 west Eugene area businesses. If convicted, he could also face restitution in the cases. Related Eugene Police Department cases are: 18-06876 -Putter's and Strike City; 18-08128 - Kevin Cohen Plumbing; 18-08349 - Mason Supply; 18-08353 - Oregon Paddle Sports; 18-08538 - Automotive Sheet Metal; 18-08708 - Carbide Saw; 18-08785 - 1265 S Bertelsen #7; 18-08842 - Don's Maytag; 18-08845 - Docutrak; 18-08856 - 1001 S Bertelsen; 18-08860 -Carother's and Sons; 18-08862 - Farmer's Insurance; 18-08978 - Associated Design; 18-09211 - 1541 Hwy 99; 18-10984 - 1511 Hwy 99. / CRIME, HEALTH: Investigators say he was behaving erratically, riding a bicycle and yelling words to the effect of , quote, "They're going to kill me," when officers first arrived outside of a Springfield motel. The man also was carrying a compound hunting bow on the handlebars of his bike. They say the suspect, later identified as Jordan Michael Loew, rode toward Pioneer Pacific College, prompting an officer to try to conduct a traffic stop by driving to the left of the rider and calling out of the passenger window of the police vehicle. That when officials say the bicyclist sat up, rode with no hands and nocked an arrow in the bow, turning it toward the officer. Investigators say it was a potentially lethal situation so the officer hastily used his vehicle to knock Loew from the bike. The cyclist was taken into custody. / SAFETY: A late-night house fire has taken the life of a Springfield woman and also damaged another nearby home. Springfield Police say it happened near 19th and "E" Streets and that the blaze was first reported around 10:00 p.m. The blaze was declared under control a bit more than one hour later. The woman's name has not been released. Cause of the fire is under investigation. / SAFETY. COMMUNITY: It was a busy illegal fireworks season for the Eugene Police Department. The agency received 114 illegal fireworks calls on 4th of July night

between 5 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. and were able to respond to 53 of those. No citations were issued but officers recovered 10 pounds of illegal fireworks. The 114 calls were a big increase from 2017, when there were 77 reports, and 2016, when police logged 82 calls for service. ; You know how we warn you every Fourth of July about how fireworks can hold their heat and even relight if you don't drop them into a bucket of water overnight after you use them? Investigators say it was a discarded, two-inch illegal firework on the berm surrounding a covered water reservoir that heated up and reignited in yesterday afternoon's winds, sparking that grass fire in a Santa Clara neighborhood. Investigators say the blaze was first spotted in a backyard on Canterbury Street, which backs onto the Eugene Water and Electric Board municipal reservoir. The fire spread quickly and briefly threatened close to one dozen nearby homes near Ruby and Greenwich Avenues, burning close to two acres, along with some trees and landscaping. Fire crews said cyclone fencing topped with concertina wire surrounding the reservoir briefly hampered their efforts to access and douse the flames. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Authorities say a fire that jumped across Interstate 5 south of the Oregon border in California has closed the freeway in both directions, forcing traffic to detour onto older highways and travel miles around the hazard. Officials with the Oregon Department of Transportation said Thursday evening the southbound lanes would remain closed at Ashland on the north and Yreka on the south, with no estimated time for reopening. The agency suggests motorists traveling toward California consider using Oregon 58 through Oakridge or Highway 140 out of Medford to connect U.S. 97 on the east side of the mountains, then return to I-5 in Weed, California. The agency says the fire called Klamathon started Thursday afternoon and has forced evacuations in the small town of Hornbrook, California. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection said at about 8:30 p.m. Thursday that the blaze had burned nearly 8 square miles with 0 percent containment. The department says multiple structures are threatened, damaged or destroyed. No further information was immediately available.; 8:30 a.m. update: Officials have re-opened Interstate Five, which was closed yesterday afternoon because of a wildfire burning just south of the Oregon-California border. But officials say drivers should but expect major delays and congestion. The Oregon Department of Transportation and Oregon State Police will form convoys of several hundred vehicles and escort them southbound from MP 11, south of Ashland, through the burn zone. Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol will do the same northbound from Yreka, California. The blaze, named the "Klamathon Fire," is burning near the town of Hornbrook, California, and forcing evacuations of some nearby homes. Depending on fire's behavior throughout the day, conditions could change. / CRIME, SAFETY. ENVIRONMENT: In Central Oregon, police in Bend arrested two men accused of setting off an illegal firework that ignited a Fourth of July wildfire on Pilot Butte. overlooking the city. KTVZ reports the blaze at Pilot Butte shut U.S. Highway 20. cut power to 27,000 people and led to the evacuation of some apartments. The fire damaged the east and south lower slopes of the nearly 500-foot lava dome and also ignited spot fires across Highway 20 that crews quickly extinguished. Bend police Lt. Clint Burleigh says witnesses provided excellent descriptions of the people and vehicles that were in the area just before the fire started. Investigators arrested 38-year-old Brandon Hastings and 29-year-old Alan Stout, both of Bend, on charges of reckless burning. / BUSINESS, ELDERS: An Oregon

program designed to help workers whose employers don't offer retirement plans has seen rapid growth in the months leading up to this week's first anniversary. The Register-Guard reports that OregonSaves has enrolled more than 32,000 private-sector employees who previously didn't have access to a retirement savings option at work. They've so far set aside a combined \$4.6 million of their own money through automatic payroll deductions, with an average withholding of 5.14 percent of salary. The state-run plan doesn't require any financial contribution from employers, but they must sign up their workers for OregonSaves if they don't offer a 401(k) or other retirement plan. Employees can opt out. Workers can track their accounts on a state-run online portal and keep their account when they change jobs. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY, SAFETY, HEALTH: Salem's drinking water advisory is over and the city is taking steps to try to prevent future advisories that warned that the young and sick shouldn't use area tap water. The first advisory was issued after the city learned toxins linked to an algae bloom were detected in Salem's drinking water. KATU reports that on Wednesday, the city's "powdered activated carbon system" came online. The city will use that to treat water at the Geren Island Water Treatment Facility and reduce toxins that are present. The water will then continue on through its normal filtration process. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY, BUSINESS, HEALTH: It was a burst 12-inch water main early yesterday morning that eventually sent water into the Wal-Mart store off Eugene's Green Acres Road, forcing the business to remain closed for much of the day while workers cleaned up. Eugene Water and Electric Board crews say they learned of the line break around 2:00 a.m. Thursday in the 2500 block of Norkenzie. It took several hours to repair the break and flush neighborhood water lines. In the meantime, some of the gushing water headed downhill, as water tends to do, and wound up in the nearby business area off Green Acres Road. / SAFETY. TRANSPORTATION: A La Pine man driving a St. Vincent de Paul delivery truck died in a single-vehicle accident yesterday on Highway 58 a few miles west of Oakridge. It happened shortly after noon when Oregon State Police say that, for an unknown reason, the eastbound truck, driven by 81-year-old Robert Bieler failed to negotiate a slight left hand curve. The vehicle traveled off the highway, down an embankment and across a side road before colliding with a large oak tree. Bieler died at the scene. / ENVIRONMENT: A quick response by crews with the Oregon Department of Forestry and Bureau of Land Management after smoke from a small wildfire was spotted on a hillside east of Cottage Grove Lake. The blaze was burned across several acres on steep terrain so helicopter crews scooped buckets of water from the nearby lake to help douse the fire. KVAL news reports crews remained on the scene overnight for mop-up. /

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SAFETY: It sounds like that three-block stretch of Highway 99 In Junction Citywhich is Ivy Street in town-will remain closed for most of the day between 6th and 9th Avenues following a structure fire that heavily damaged a commercial building on the southwest corner of 7th and Ivy. Junction City Fire and Rescue reports the blaze broke out just after 1:00 a.m. and that callers reported explosions followed by the blaze at the small commercial building at 691 lvy Street. Investigators say early indications are that the fire is suspicious in nature. While the investigation continues, that three-block section of Ivy Street will remain closed, meaning drivers must detour. Officials ask that you use caution when you do. In addition to Junction City Fire and Rescue, crews from Lane Fire Authority and the Harrisburg Fire District, along with the Oregon Department of Transportation and Pacific Power assisted in dealing with the blaze. / COMMUNITY, CRIME, SAFETY: The police chief in Eugene says the department has to do a better job at responding to nonemergency calls and has ordered a review of patrol operations. Police Chief Chris Skinner tells The Register-Guard that supervisors disregard about a third of average daily calls deemed low priority because there aren't enough officers to respond. Skinner also says that data show that when officers do respond, it takes them about 20 minutes longer now compared to 2014. Skinner says the department is looking at examining staffing levels and evaluating where to deploy officers. City officials are also looking at other challenges that include a need for more employees in the 911 dispatch center and the city prosecutor's office to respond to higher demand. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A wildfire on the Oregon-California border has burned more than 35,000 acres and destroyed 81 structures. The Record-Searchlight in Redding quotes firefighters who say they have the Klamathon Fire in northern Siskiyou County 25 percent contained and made good progress building fire line Sunday. But the blaze continued to pose problems with some areas with lots of dry grass and brush. Much of the fire is burning in steep terrain, making access difficult for firefighters. Dry fuel in the timber remained a concern as well. More than 27-hundred fire personnel are working on the lines. More than 15-hundred residents have been forced to evacuate as the blaze threatens more than 800 structures, hydro facilities at two nearby northern California reservoirs and a portion of the Central Oregon and Pacific Railroad lines. The fire started midday Thursday near Hornbrook, California, and quickly raced out of control, pushed by hot, dry wind. The body of one woman was found in a burned home. Three firefighters have been injured. including one hospitalized with serious burns to his face after flames overran the

fire engine on which he was riding. Fire officials said the cause of the fire is still under investigation, but on Thursday the California Highway Patrol said on its website that someone reported starting a fire that got out of control. The fire continues to burn in the direction of habitat for threatened species living in the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument and Soda Mountain Wilderness, officials said. The blaze crossed into Oregon, but by Saturday afternoon, much of the fire that had pushed across the state line just east of Interstate 5 had died down and began burning south again, said Melissa Cano, public information officer with the Oregon Department of Forestry. Some evacuation orders had been issued in some communities in Southern Oregon, including Jackson and Ashland, Two evacuation centers remain open for fire victims at Jackson Street Elementary School in Yreka and Ashland High School.; Most of the affected areas in southern Oregon are between the border with California and the Mt. Ashland Ski Road, as well as Old Highway 99 to Callahan's Lodge. And while officials don't expect the blaze to head back across the border into Oregon today, they're taking precautions should winds shift. The Oregon Department of Forestry is among the agencies with crews building fire lines and sharing advisories and evacuation notices. The Pacific Crest trail in Oregon remains closed from the California border north a few miles to Soda Mountain Road and heading into the weekend, hikers and campers were encouraged to avoid the woods and grasslands in far southern Jackson County until the threat eased. Meantime, social media is filled with photos of the smoke plume. One couple also posted photos of their wedding in northern California, which they moved up by several hours without all of the invited guests after they received an evacuation order. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY: It was a sold-out concert on what was supposed to be a relaxing Saturday evening. But The Oregonian and OregonLive report popular North Carolina roots band The Avett Brothers postponed its sold-out show at McMenamins Edgefield in Troutdale on Saturday night after a man showed up at the concert with a gun, then disappeared into the crowd. Reporter Mike Rogoway writes that, on its website, the band said the man triggered a metal detector when entering the venue. The post notes that, when confronted by the security guard and informed of the nofirearm policy of the venue, the individual stated that he was an out-of-state police officer and showed a badge. But before security could confirm his story, the man walked into the crowd and could not be located after an extended search. At concert venues across the U.S., there is heightened security following October's mass shooting at a Las Vegas country music festival. Saturday's show was the third of three the Avett Brothers were set to perform in Troutdale, east of Portland, this week. The concert is being rescheduled. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: Central Oregon has seen at least four confirmed cases and one suspected case of Colorado tick fever in just more than a month. The Bend Bulletin reports the Oregon Health Authority says eight of the 11 confirmed cases of the viral disease statewide since 2011 have been Deschutes County residents. Four of the recent cases involved Deschutes County residents, while the fifth was a resident of Jefferson County. Colorado tick fever is a sometimes painful but rarely fatal tickborne virus usually diagnosed in only one or two Oregonians per year. In rare cases, the infection has led to viral meningitis or encephalitis, and pregnant women can be at risk for spontaneous abortions or birth defects. ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: The federal government is looking to allow fishermen to catch more skates, which are caught on both coasts for use as food

and bait. Skates are bottom-dwelling fish that are often sold in fish markets as "skate wing." The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is proposing to increase the annual catch limit for skates by about 8 percent, to nearly 70 million pounds. The biggest skate producing states are Alaska, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, though the fish are brought to land as far south as California on the West Coast and North Carolina on the East Coast. The proposed rule changes would apply to a management plan for Northeastern skates. NOAA is accepting public comments about the proposal until Aug. 6. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Starbucks will eliminate plastic straws from its locations within two years, citing the environmental threat to oceans. In doing so, the company becomes the largest food and beverage company to join calls to cut waste globally. Plastic straws have become a flashpoint. The Starbucks announcement comes one week after the city of Seattle, where Starbucks is based, banned plastic drinking straws and utensils at local eateries. Starbucks and other companies are looking at shifting to straws made from biodegradable materials like paper or specially designed lids that eliminate the need for straws. Other cities, like Fort Meyers, have banned plastic straws. Similar proposals are being considered in places like New York and San Francisco. Plastic drinking straws make up only about 4 percent of the plastic trash by number of pieces, and far less by weight. But straws add about 2,000 tons to the nearly 9 million tons of plastic waste that ends up in waters around the globe each year. Other companies are taking similar steps to protect the environment. In February, Dunkin' Donuts said that it would eliminate polystyrene foam cups from its stores by 2020. McDonald's recently said it would switch to paper straws in the United Kingdom and Ireland by next year, and test alternatives to plastic straws in some U.S. locations. The burger chain also said this year that it would use only recycled or other environmentally friendly materials for its soda cups, Happy Meal boxes and other packaging by 2025. /

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POLITICS, CRIME, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT: President Trump has pardoned the two ranchers whose case sparked the 2016 armed occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in southeastern Oregon. Dwight and Steven Hammond were convicted in 2012 of intentionally and maliciously setting fires on public lands. The arson conviction carried a minimum prison sentence of five years, but a sympathetic federal judge, on his last day before retirement, decided the penalty was too stiff and gave the father and son much lighter prison terms. Prosecutors won an appeal and the Hammonds were resentenced in October 2015 to serve the mandatory minimum. The decision sparked a protest from Ammon Bundy and dozens of others, who occupied the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge near the Hammond ranch in southeastern Oregon from Jan. 2 to Feb. 11, 2016, complaining the Hammonds were victims of federal overreach. Bundy was arrested during a Jan. 26 traffic stop, effectively ending the protest. Another key occupier, Robert "LaVoy" Finicum, was fatally shot that day by Oregon State Police. In a statement Tuesday, White House press secretary Sarah Sanders called the decision to resentence the Hammonds "unjust." The pardons are the latest in a growing list of clemency actions by Trump, who has been using his pardon power with increasingly frequency in recent months. But critics say the president could be ignoring valid claims for clemency as he works outside the typical pardon process, focusing on cases brought to his attention by friends, famous people and conservative media pundits. Many have also seen the president as sending a signal with his pardons to former aides and associates caught up in the ongoing special counsel investigation into Russian election meddling or lashing out at enemies like former FBI Director James Comey, who oversaw the prosecution of lifestyle guru Martha Stewart, whom Trump has said he is thinking of pardoning.; Leaders of the Oregon Farm Bureau thanks the president, Oregon Republican Congressman Greg Walden others who lobbied for the Hammonds' pardon. The Oregon Farm Bureau supported clemency efforts both in Oregon and nationwide, at one point gathering what it said were more than 25,000 online signatures on the Hammonds' behalf. / POLITICS, WOMEN: Oregon's senior U.S. Senator, Democrat Ron Wyden, expressed grave concerns about the Kavanaugh nomination and its potential impact on future decisions affecting women's reproductive choice. With the nomination, President Trump is beginning what Wyden called a, quote, "forced march back to the days when women's health care choices were made by government." Wyden added there can be no mistaking Trump's Supreme Court nomination for anything but a direct

attempt to overturn Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortion.; Oregon U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley, a Democrat, took part in a late-night rally and protest on the steps of the Supreme Court building. Merkley opposes the Kavanaugh nomination, warning that a further shift to the right by the nation's high court could lead to the overturning of abortion rights, further erosion of Obamacare, racial inequality and voter suppression. Democrats are promising a prolonged confirmation battle that will turn a close eye to Kavanaugh's extensive history of legal opinions. But political analysts say it appears unlikely they will persuade Republican senators to cross party lines for the vote. / ELECTIONS, POLITICS, IMMIGRATION, CRIME, MINORITIES: Immigrant rights groups, law enforcement leaders and faith organizations are mobilizing against a measure that would repeal Oregon's sanctuary state law. Members of a newly formed political action group called Oregonians United Against Profiling held news conferences across the state Monday to voice their opposition to the proposed measure. Opponents of the 31year-old law limiting police coordination on immigration arrests have turned in 105,000 signatures to state elections officials and are waiting to see if Initiative Petition 22 will qualify for the November ballot. The statewide sanctuary law is the oldest in the nation. A battle over its future could put Oregon in the middle of the national immigration debate. Oregon law currently prohibits state agencies from inquiring about a person's immigration status if they haven't committed another crime.; Officials say two protesters were arrested and two federal officers suffered minor injuries in a flare up at the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement headquarters in Portland. Protesters have been stationed near the facility for weeks, seeking to end the Trump administration's zero-tolerance immigration policy. Rob Sperling, a spokesman for the division responsible for protecting federal buildings, tells KGW-TV the generally peaceful protest grew heated Monday when several protesters pulled down tape that separated demonstrators from the ICE building. Federal officers followed the protesters into a nearby camp and were soon surrounded. Other federal officers used pepper spray to get the officers out of the protest camp. Two protesters were arrested on charges of assault and trespassing on federal property. Another protester was arrested earlier Monday in an unrelated incident.; Dozens of immigrant children will be released from detention centers and reunited with their parents today. A government lawyer says at least 54 children under the age of 5 would join their parents by Tuesday's court-ordered deadline. But that's only about half the 100 or so children covered by the order. More than 2,000 children were separated from their parents at the border and sent to shelters across the country while their parents were charged criminally for illegal entry. President Trump ended the zerotolerance policy that resulted in family separations amid an international outcry. The parents will be free while their cases wind through immigration court and may be required to wear ankle monitors. A federal judge Monday rejected the federal government's efforts to detain immigrant families in long-term facilities. / CRIME: A Portland man accused of abandoning a 5-month-old baby in the Montana woods is due in court on a child endangerment charge. Missoula County officials say more charges are likely to be filed against 32-year-old Francis Crowley, who is scheduled to be in court Tuesday afternoon. Sheriff's deputies found the infant after a six-hour search buried beneath a pile of debris in the Lolo National Forest in western Montana. The baby had been there for at least nine hours but was in good condition except for scrapes and bruises. The Division of Child and Family

Services is taking custody of the baby. Missoula County sheriff's spokeswoman Brenda Bassett says two deputies plan to hold a news conference Tuesday to tell the story of how they found the child. / SAFETY, CRIME, COMMUNITY, RACISM: A three-block stretch of Highway 99 through Junction City was closed for much of the day yesterday as the investigation continued into an early-morning explosion and fire that gutted a small commercial building at the intersection of 7th and Ivy Streets. The initial blast and flames sent shattered glass and debris across nearby roads. Junction City Fire and Rescue officials said yesterday morning the blaze was suspicious in origin. The structure was unoccupied and being renovated. Investigators say that in addition to the explosion and fire damage they found a swastika and a racial slur painted on the building. / COMMUNITY, BUSIENSS: It was a larger PacificCorp outage that took down a substation yesterday midmorning in the Veneta, Elmira and Noti areas, affecting close to 3,000 customers of the Emerald People's Utility District. EPUD officials say it took about two hours for PacificCorp to restore power and that Emerald's crews assisted with patrolling the lines during the repairs. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: Are you a fan of Oregon blueberries? Good news: The Capital Press is reporting that as the 2018 Oregon blueberry harvest season heads toward its peak, all signs point to a record crop and high-quality fruit. Reporter Mitch Lies writes that projections are for a crop of perhaps 130 million pounds or more. The current record, harvested in 2016, is 116 million pounds. The one big factor growers mention when speaking of this year's blueberry crop is the weather, which has cooperated and contributed to good quality fruit. Last summer's high temperatures hurt yield and quality. Even the price for fresh blueberries has been good to date, growers said, but that could change with British Columbia's crop now coming onto the market. / EDUCATION, SPORTS: She's been part of four national championship teams and next week she'll be introduced as the new head softball coach at the University of Oregon. The Ducks have hired University of Oklahoma associate head coach Melyssa Lombardi after 21 years with the Sooners. She'll be formally introduced on Monday at Jane Sanders Stadium. This week, Lombardi is in Irvine, Calif., to coach USA Softball at the International Cup. Lombardi, the 2017 Division I assistant softball coach of the year, replaces Mike White, who left last month after nine seasons with the Ducks for a job at Texas. A former catcher, Lombardi helped coach Oklahoma's pitchers and catchers to the postseason every year during her 21 years as a coach with the team. She will take over an Oregon team that went 53-10 and was the No. 1 overall seed in the 2018 NCAA Tournament, /

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COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: Willamalane Park and Recreation District along with Disciples of Dirt will open a new mountain bike trail system at Thurston Hills Natural Area (7575 Main Street) on Saturday, July 14 at 1 p.m. The grand opening ceremony will include light refreshments and remarks from Michael Wargo, Willamalane superintendent, and Peter O'Toole, Disciples of Dirt trail work coordinator. "These are the first natural-surface mountain bike trails in the region," said Fraser MacDonald, Natural Resources Planner at Willamalane. The system boasts over five miles of trails optimized for biking. The 2.2 miles of new downhill mountain bike trails are in addition to the hiking trails that were unveiled in January. Willamalane funded this project in part from their 2012 bond measure. Additionally, they received \$154,000 in grant funding from Oregon State Parks Recreational Trails Program to support construction of this project. As part of that grant, the Disciples of Dirt pledged volunteer labor to support construction. To date, Disciples of Dirt have donated over 1,900 hours of volunteer help. They assisted with removing vegetation, armoring stream crossings, bridge building, trail digging, and leading teams of less-experienced volunteers. In addition to providing volunteer hours, the Disciples of Dirt also donated \$27,000 to the project, with \$20,000 in grant funding from REI and another \$7,000 from their members and sponsors. "It's been an incredible partnership and has allowed us to develop more miles of trail faster and less expensively than we could have without their support," MacDonald said. Willamalane also had professional support in developing mountain bike-optimized trails from trail construction contractor Ptarmigan Ptrails. "The optimized design makes the trails easier and more fun to ride," MacDonald said. "There are wider turns, grade reversals, berms at turns and a moderate grade that makes for a really fun experience." / SAFETY: Deputies from the Benton County Sheriff's Office are investigating a two-vehicle critical injury crash that occurred on Highway 99-West about one mile south of Monroe, closing the highway for more than three hours. It happened shortly about quarter-to-five yesterday evening, when officials say a woman in a southbound Prius attempted to pass another vehicle and collided head-on with a northbound minivan. The 55-year-old female driver, 55-year-old Lis Adrianna Sorrell, was hospitalized with serious injuries. The driver of the minivan, 78-year-old Eugene Francis Bilson, was transported by air ambulance with critical injuries. An earlier news release from the Benton County Sheriff's Office gave an incorrect name for the victim. Benton County investigators are seeking witnesses to the accident or the moments before it. Sergeant David Peterson: 541-766-6820. / POLITICS,

ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: The father and son convicted of intentionally setting fires on public land in southeastern Oregon and pardoned yesterday by President Trump are seen as rugged individualists to some and dangerous arsonists to others. The sentencing of Dwight and Steven Hammond to mandatory five-yearminimum terms became a rallying cry for those who oppose federal control of public lands. Others said they committed serious crimes and worried that the pardons might prompt other actions involving public lands. Their case led other ranchers to launch an armed occupation of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in rural Oregon for 41 days in 2016. The Hammonds were released Tuesday. / CRIME: Two Montana officers are recounting how they found a missing baby in the woods after a six-hour search. Missoula County Sheriff's Deputy Ross Jessop and U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer Nick Scholz say Francis Crowley of Portland, the man who is accused of leaving the 5-month-old boy Saturday, was no help. They found the site where Crowley had crashed a car with the baby inside. They followed a trail of scattered toys and baby items as they searched an abandoned mountain road early Sunday. They say they heard a faint whimper and then Jessop nearly stepped on the child. Jessop says he abandoned his police training and any thoughts of preserving evidence and scooped up the cold, soiled baby. Jessop says he kissed the child and just held him before they walked him out of the woods. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, HEALTH: A weed-killer that killed thousands of ponderosa pines near Sisters has been linked to the deaths of other trees outside Sunriver and possibly across Oregon. Dale Mitchell, the Oregon Department of Agriculture program manager, says an investigation found that the active ingredient in Perspective may have killed dozens of ponderosa pines outside Sunriver. The Bulletin reports the Deschutes County Road Department sprayed the herbicide along two main roads that lead in and out of Sunriver in 2013 and 2014. Chris Doty, the department's director, says the roadside spraying is done to reduce the amount of flammable grass. The Oregon Department of Agriculture has notified the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency of the situation. The offices are discussing the possibility of strengthening the language on the label for Perspective. / CRIME, SAFETY, RACISM: A building northwest of Eugene in Junction City exploded and burst into flames. The Register-Guard reports that authorities, including the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, and Junction City police are investigating the cause of the early Monday explosion and fire. Authorities say a swastika and a racial slur were found spray painted at the scene. Junction City Police Chief Bob Morris says the cause of the fire is suspicious. Authorities on Monday had not been able to contact the building's owners. State business records show Irene and Devon Huntley bought the building in 2015. Morris said they were renovating the building. which had been used as an insurance office, to become a restaurant. No further information was immediately available. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Federal investigators are hearing from witnesses as they look into last year's Amtrak train derailment south of Seattle that killed three people and injured dozens. The National Transportation Safety Board is taking testimony on the Dec. 18 crash in Washington D.C. Tuesday. The investigative hearing is scheduled for two days. The Amtrak train was recorded at 78 mph as it rounded a curve in a 30-mph zone and derailed from a highway overpass near DuPont, Washington, spilling cars onto Interstate 5 below. The train was on its first revenue run on a new route from Tacoma to Portland, Oregon. The Cascades runs between Eugene, Oregon, and

Vancouver, B.C. Officials with the Washington Department of Transportation, Sound Transit, Amtrak and the Federal Railroad Administration are scheduled to provide testimony. / CRIME, SAFETY: An Oregon State Police trooper who fired his weapon at an incoming vehicle during an incident in the Bethel area last month was cleared to return to duty last week. Officials with the Lane County District Attorney's Office cleared Trooper Mark Chaffin to resume his duties July 1st. He was initially placed on administrative leave, which is customary following any officer-involved shooting. It happened while the trooper attempted to stop a vehicle early on the morning of June 18th on Marshall Avenue. Dashcam video of the incident a few minutes later shows the suspect turning the vehicle onto Chase Street and quickly making a U-turn, driving straight at the trooper's cruiser. Officials say the trooper discharged his firearm in the direction of the vehicle, which drove away in an unknown direction after almost hitting the state police vehicle. The car is described as a dark-colored 1990-1997 Mazda Miata which at the time had a missing rear bumper. It is believed the vehicle might have indications of bullet strikes on the body of car and/or the windshield. / HOMELESS, MENTAL HEALTH, DISABILITIES: The Register-Guard is reporting that a first-of-its-kind project in Lane County to build a 50-unit apartment building for chronically homeless people with severe mental illness or other disabilities took another step forward Tuesday. Reporter Christian Hill writes that the Lane County commissioners authorized transferring a parcel of land next to the county's behavioral health building off Martin Luther King, Junior, Boulevard across from Autzen Stadium to Homes for Good for \$1. Homes for Good is Lane County's lowincome housing agency. The Register-Guard reports the timing of the county's endorsement is important because Homes for Good is applying for a state grant of up to \$3 million to help pay for the project. The grant submission is due toward the end of the month. Construction of the four-story, 35,000-square-foot building is due to start next year with an opening in late summer 2020. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: She had been reported missing on the Umpqua National Forest. But last night, crews rescued 43-year-old Brandy Molatore of Roseburg and her dog, Aldean, after the two were found alive yesterday near a small forest fire in the Boulder Creek Wilderness. Officials with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue team say she was located in challenging terrain. They were assisted by a number of agencies as well as an Oregon National Guard helicopter that airlifted her to safety and an ambulance, which took her to the hospital for evaluation. Molatore was last heard from on July 1st when she was 38 miles from her hiking destination of Swift Water Park. She was reported overdue when she failed to show up on Friday. Experts say it's another reminder of the importance of letting people know where you're headed, when you expect to arrive and what to do if you don't show up on time. /

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SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: Oregon health officials recommend you take steps to prevent heat-related illnesses including heat exhaustion and heat stroke: Stay cool: Stay in air-conditioned places when temperatures are high, if possible. Limit exposure to the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when UV rays are strongest. Try to schedule activities in the morning and evening. Open windows to allow fresh air to circulate, especially during morning and evening hours, and close shades on west-facing windows in the afternoon hours. Use portable electric fans to exhaust hot air from rooms or draw in cooler air. Wear loose-fitting clothing to keep cool and protect your skin from the sun. Use cool compresses, misting, and cool showers and baths. Avoid hot foods and heavy meals; they add heat to the body. Never leave infants or children in a parked car. Nor should pets be left in parked cars—they can suffer heat-related illness, too. Dress infants and children in loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing. Use sunscreen with at least SPF 15 when going outside. Stay hydrated: Regardless of your level of activity, drink plenty of fluids, even if you are not thirsty and especially when working outside. Avoid alcohol or liquids containing large amounts of sugar. Stay informed: Keep up-to-date on the temperature and heat index when planning your activities so you can find ways to stay cool and hydrated. The heat index measures how hot it feels outside when factoring in humidity with the actual air temperature. Learn how to prevent, recognize, and treat heat-related illnesses. Know the warning signs of heat stroke, heat exhaustion, heat cramps, sunburn and heat rash, and how to treat and prevent them. People with a chronic medical condition such as heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, cancer or kidney disease may be less likely to sense and respond to changes in temperature. Taking medications that can worsen the impact of extreme heat. Those who exercise in extreme heat or work outdoors are more likely to become dehydrated and get heat-related illness and should pay particular attention to staying as cool and hydrated as possible.; Thursday's forecast has high temperatures hitting 95 degrees and staying in the low 90s through the weekend: If you are outside, avoid direct sunlight; wear lightweight, light-colored clothing; and use hats to protect your face and neck. If you feel you are getting too hot, take a cool shower or bath. If you know someone that might be vulnerable to high temperatures, check on them twice a day. Hydrate to help your body cool itself: Drink more water than usual and avoid alcohol. Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink. You are likely already dehydrated if you are thirsty. Remind those around you also to drink enough water. The biggest health threats during heatwaves are heat exhaustion and heat stroke: The

symptoms of heat exhaustion are heavy sweating; weakness; cold/pale/clammy skin; a fast and weak pulse; and fainting. With the more extreme heat stroke, you'll have hot, red, dry or moist skin and a rapid and strong pulse. Heat stroke can also lead to unconsciousness. Those at most risk for a heat-related illness are people age 65 and older; people with chronic medical conditions; infants and children; athletes; people who work outdoors; and those without air conditioning. If your home does not have air conditioning, consider spending time at a public library; a community swimming pool; a senior center; a local store, restaurant or shopping mall; or other places with air conditioning. Heading to a lake or river to cool off? Remember to wear a life jacket and keep an eye on young children.; During the high temperatures this week, community members are invited to cool off at the City of Eugene's libraries, community centers, swimming pools and parks. All three Eugene Public Library locations are air-conditioned and free of charge. Eugene Rec swimming pools offer great relief from the heat. See each location's website for recreational and lap swim times. Spray play areas in City parks are a cooling resource, as well. The City operates five community centers Monday through Friday that are air conditioned.; With temperatures expected to reach the 90s this week, Eugene Animal Services is urging people to not leave their pets unattended inside a vehicle, even for a just few minutes. Temperatures inside a vehicle can rise quickly leading to heat stroke or brain damage, even with windows slightly open and the vehicle parked under shade. It is important to note animals do not have to experience distress or heat stroke for a person to be cited for animal neglect. Under 4.340 of Eugene Code, minimum care requires an animal have access to water and not be confined in an area where air temperature is not suitable. To help investigate cases of animal neglect, the animal welfare officers and police officers are all equipped with digital thermometers. Heatstroke symptoms can include: restlessness, excessive thirst, heavy panting, lethargy, lack of appetite, dark tongue, vomiting, and lack of coordination. If your animal is overcome by heat exhaustion, consult your veterinarian right away. If you notice an animal in distress or unresponsive in a parked car, call 911. If an animal is not in distress and it is quicker to locate the owner you may consider that in addition to calling for help. At home: Make sure pets have access to water bowls full of cool, fresh water. Keep pets inside during the heat of the day; do not leave them outside unattended. Dogs should not ride in uncovered pickup truck beds. The hot metal truck bed can burn your pet's paw pads. When pets are outside, be sure to provide shaded areas for them to rest in and invest in a misting hose or kiddie pool for a cool place for your pets to play. Limit or skip on exercise and time at the dog park during the heat of the day. Always test the pavement or sand with your hand before setting out (too hot to touch is too hot for your pet), walk early in the morning or late at night when it's cooler, carry water and take frequent breaks in shady spots. If you suspect your pet's paws have been burned, contact your vet immediately. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY: Law enforcement officers from agencies throughout the Eugene-Springfield area will begin running at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 13th, 2018 in support of the Law Enforcement Torch Run benefiting Special Olympics Oregon. Officers and Special Olympics athletes will be running through the streets of Springfield and Eugene carrying the torch with the Flame of Hope. The torch travels hundreds of miles throughout the state each year, normally culminating with a lighting of the cauldron at the Special Olympics Oregon Summer State

Games. This year the Oregon Special Olympics are on hiatus. But to show support for Special Olympics, the run will carry on as scheduled. The route: Torch will leave Springfield Justice Center at 10:30 a.m. The teams from the Springfield Police and Eugene Police will meet at approximately 11:00 a.m. at the John Serbu Campus off MLK Boulevard. Around 11:30 a.m., the teams arrive at Valley River Center. After a break and media interviews, the Eugene Police team will run the torch north to the team with the Junction City Police. The Law Enforcement Torch Run is celebrating 32 years of supporting the participants of Special Olympics Oregon. The Torch Run seeks to spread the word about Special Olympics worldwide, championing acceptance and inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities. As Guardians of the Flame, law enforcement officers and Special Olympics Oregon participants will carry the "Flame of Hope" across Oregon. There will be six separate legs of the Torch Run that will take place with more than 1,000 law enforcement officers and Special Olympics Oregon athletes running throughout the state. / EDUCATION: After an extensive application and interview process, Lane Community College has been selected to participate in the inaugural Oregon Pathways Project intended to improve rates of college completion, transfer, and attainment of in-demand jobs for Oregon community college students. Also participating are Chemeketa, Clackamas, Rogue, and Southwestern community colleges. The project builds on national research from the Community College Research Center and the American Association of Community Colleges. A guided pathway is a structured educational plan from admission through completion that is aligned with specific employment goals and/or additional education. "In addition to contributing to overall student success and completion, The Oregon Pathways Project will address equity gaps in access, persistence, and completion," says Dr. Paul Jarrell, who joined Lane as vice president for academic and student affairs in June. "That aligns very well with Lane's core values." Project participants will attend four institutes over the next two years to receive coaching, guidance and support in the design and implementation of structured academic and career pathways. The fourth and final institute will be held at Lane in November 2019. "This is a logical extension of our successful Career Pathways in Career and Technical Education," says Jarrell. "Our hope is that this involvement will lead to expanding that high touch, wraparound service to all of our transfer, degree, and certificate programs." / POLITICS, ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: ; Dwight and Steven Hammond, the fatherand-son ranchers, who were the focus of a battle about public lands and were freed from prison after receiving a presidential pardon, were welcomed home Wednesday in Oregon by relatives and horseback riders carrying American flags. Friction between the family and federal officials, and the sentencing of two members to five-year prison terms under an anti-terrorism statute, triggered the takeover of the nearby Malheur National Wildlife Refuge by anti-government protesters in 2016. The occupiers, who believe federal control of public lands violates the Constitution, insisted the Hammonds were victimized by federal overreach. The standoff lasted 41 days, ending after occupation leaders Ammon and Ryan Bundy were arrested and LaVoy Finicum was killed by police. A lawyer for the family, Morgan Philpot, say the Hammonds remain focused on their attempt to restore grazing rights on Bureau of Land Management acreage. The family also wants a dialogue between ranchers, politicians, federal agencies and bureaucrats, he said. Earlier in the day, Steven Hammond and his father Dwight

stepped from a private jet and into the arms of family members at a municipal airport outside the high desert community of Burns. A day earlier they were pardoned by President Donald Trump and released from a federal prison near Los Angeles. Steven Hammond thanked Trump and many people on Wednesday for writing to him and his father while they were in prison. A news conference that had been set with family members outside the high-desert town of Burns was canceled when their convoy was delayed by a roadblock set up to allow a wideload vehicle to pass. Federal anti-terrorism law called for mandatory five-year sentences for the 2012 convictions. A federal judge said those sentences wouldn't fit the crime, and instead sentenced Dwight Hammond to three months in prison and Steven Hammond to a year and one day. A federal appeals court in October 2015 ordered them to be resentenced to the mandatory prison time. / IMMIGRATION, CRIME, POLITICS: Federal officers arrested eight protesters as tensions flared again at the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement headquarters in Portland. A spokesman for the division responsible for protecting federal buildings, says protesters tossed items at officers Wednesday after ignoring warnings to stop blocking the driveway. He says officers deployed pepper spray to keep demonstrators back and protect the officers who were making arrests. Sperling says the protesters face a variety of charges, such as failure to comply and obstruction. Officers also made three arrests Monday. The activists who have been protesting since June 17 want to abolish ICE and end the Trump administration's zero-tolerance immigration policy. ; Federal officials say all eligible small children separated from their families as a result of the Trump administration's zero-tolerance immigration policy have been reunited with their parents. But officials add that nearly half of the youngsters under the age of five remain separated from their families because of safety concerns, the deportation of their parents and other issues. The administration was under a court mandate to reunify families separated between early May and June 20, when President Trump signed an executive order that stopped separations The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit on behalf of a woman who had been separated from her child, and a U.S. District Court Judge ordered all children reunited with their parents. Fifty-seven children were reunified with their parents as of this morning, according to administration officials said. The officials said 46 of the children were not eligible to be reunited with their parents; a dozen parents had already been deported and were being contacted by the administration. Nine were in custody of the U.S. Marshals Service for other offenses. One adult's location was unknown, they said. In 22 other cases, adults posed safety concerns, they said. Officials said 11 adults had serious criminal histories including child cruelty, murder or human smuggling. Seven were not determined to be a parent, one had a false birth certificate, one had allegedly abused the child. Another planned to house the child with an adult charged with sexually abusing a child. The zero-tolerance policy calls for the criminal prosecution of anyone caught crossing the border illegally. Because parents can't take their children to jail, they were separated. The move caused an international uproar. At least 2,300 children were separated from about 2,200 adults until the executive order was signed. Federal officials have been scrambling to reunite the children under a tight, two-week deadline set by the judge. Part of the issue, administration officials said, is that the systems weren't set up to reunify parents with their children, they're set up to manage tens of thousands of minors who cross the border illegally without family. Health and

Human Services manages their care inside the U.S. Homeland Security has control over adults in immigration detention, and the Justice Department manages the immigration courts. The administration faces a second, bigger deadline - July 26 — to reunite more than 2,000 older children with their families. Immigration attorneys say they already are seeing barriers to those reunifications from a backlog in the processing of fingerprinting of parents to families unable to afford the airfare to fly the child to them — which could run as high as \$1,000. / CRIME: A 28-year-old Corvallis man has been indicted on murder, identity theft and theft charges in connection with the death of a 27-year-old Russian woman who was found shot on a remote logging road outside of Alsea in April of last year. The Gazette-Times reports a Benton County Grand Jury returned the indictment against William Hargrove. The victim, Anna Repkina, arrived from Russia just one month prior to her death. An autopsy revealed she had been shot in the back of the head. Hargrove was arrested three days after the discovery of Repkina's body and has remained in jail after a judge denied bail. His trial is expected to take place next year. At the time of his arrest, prosecutors said evidence indicated Hargrove was involved both with Repkina and another woman and that that the second woman gave Hargrove an ultimatum to choose one of them.; Not a lot of details but the Lane County Sheriff's Office is investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred during an early-morning incident southeast of Cottage Grove. It appears there are roadblocks in place in the area on Cedar Park Road, off Row River Road. We'll have more details tomorrow. / EDUCATION: Bargainers for the Eugene School District and its non-teaching or "classified" employees union have a tentative agreement on a new, four-year contract. The workers, who are represented by the Oregon School Employees Association, include educational assistants, custodians, bus drivers, and food service workers. Among the highlights of the deal: A 2.2 percent cost-of-living increase for the 2018-2019 school year; two percent each of the following school years; and a cost-of-living hike to be negotiated for the final year. The district is modestly increasing its contribution to employees' health insurance during a couple of contract years and will negotiate benefits for the final year at a later date. Union members are set to ratify the deal in early September with a vote by members of the Eugene school Board shortly after that. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY, CRIME, TERRORISM: Don't be surprised if you see a lot of emergency and military vehicles outside Autzen Stadium today. Members of the Oregon National Guard's 102nd Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) - Civil Support Team (CST) are scheduled to participate in a full-scale emergency management exercise in coordination with the University of Oregon and first responders, July 12, 2018, at Autzen Stadium, in Eugene. The exercise is designed to facilitate planning and operational communications between the University of Oregon's Safety and Risk Services staff and local first responders. This full-scale exercise is scenario-driven and focused to challenge the university and the Eugene community's incident response and management capability, integrating the Oregon National Guard's 102nd WMD Civil Support Team's capabilities into a unified Joint Hazard Assessment Team (JHAT). This training exercise will support the University of Oregon's and City of Eugene's Emergency Operations Plans for jurisdictional response, and serves as a Training and Evaluation for the Oregon National Guard's 102 Civil Support Team. It also supports essential objectives to facilitate interagency coordination and critical communication while partnering with local

responders and the CST. U.S. Army North (US ARNORTH) will be working closely with University of Oregon's Safety and Risk Services and jurisdictional responders, and will jointly plan and coordinate the exercise to support all participants. Local and specialized controllers will evaluate the efforts of university and Eugene jurisdictional responders using seasoned subject matter experts, while ARNORTH will evaluate the efforts of the 102nd WMD Civil Support Team. The scenario and setting are designed to support mobilization and response of local and specialized state resources and capabilities, while the scope will enhance interagency relationships and capabilities with incident management beginning and sustaining at the local level, communicating with external resources as the situation dictates. Other agencies participating in the exercise are the Eugene Police Metro Explosive Disposal Unit, the Eugene Fire HazMat 2, the University of Oregon Police Department, and the Federal Protective Services (Explosive Detection K-9).

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SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH: Deputies shot and killed a man after responding to a dispute involving gunfire at a commercial marijuana facility southeast of Cottage Grove. The incident began shortly before midnight on Wednesday night and culminated shortly before four a.m. Thursday. A spokesperson for the Lane County Sheriff's Office said Thursday that deputies initially couldn't find the suspect on the large parcel of land off Cedar Park Road. They say they eventually discovered a building where they believed the man was hiding, and used a loudspeaker to try to persuade him to come out. Officials said the man left the building at 3:45 a.m. and, quote, "engaged deputies with a firearm." Two deputies fired rounds, striking the suspect who was taken to a hospital where he died. Investigators identified the man as 40-year-old Joey K. Loop. No deputies were hurt. The deputies will remain on paid administrative leave during the investigation into the use of force in the incident. / BUSINESS, CRIME, HEALTH: State health officials say more than 40,000 Oregonians depend on medical marijuana to treat their qualifying medical conditions. But in the two decades years since the state began its medical marijuana program, it has been challenged by the growth of the legal cannabis industry and the challenges of keeping legally-grown marijuana from winding up on the lucrative black market. Yesterday, the Oregon Health Authority, which oversees the medical marijuana system, released a report that highlights the need for better oversight of growers and others in the industry. That includes improved reporting and tracking, grow site validation, grow site inspections and laboratory testing—including destruction of products that fail tests for pesticides and other chemicals. The blunt internal review echoes complaints from federal authorities that Oregon has not adequately controlled its marijuana businesses, and that overproduction of cannabis is feeding the illegal market in states that have not legalized it. Oregon was one of the first states to legalize medical marijuana in 1998, and in 2014 voters approved allowing recreational use. The state's struggle to transform a business that for decades had operated illegally in the shadows into a regulated industry sets an example for other states moving toward legalization. The review showed there were more than 20,000 grow sites, but only 58 inspections were carried out in 2017. The report concludes the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program has far too few inspectors, while the tracking of growers and the pot they produce has been inadequate and inaccurate. In a statement, the health authority said the confidentiality of grow site addresses is protected by law, but added it's exploring ways to work more closely with law enforcement to ensure medical marijuana grow sites are operating legally. Law

enforcement authorities say they often have trouble identifying which marijuana growers are legal. In Deschutes County, the sheriff and district attorney in February went public with their frustrations, saying the state was allowing black market operations to proliferate through lack of oversight. They asked the Health Authority to provide a list of medical marijuana grow sites, but the agency refused, saying the law doesn't permit it to provide such a list. The agency could only respond on a case-by-case basis. / CRIME, HEALTH: U.S. health authorities say there's a new scam involving fake government warning letters being sent to people who tried to buy medicines online or over the phone. Officials with the Food and Drug Administration say the fake letters also might be part of a larger extortion scam designed to coerce consumers into turning over money to the fraudsters. The forged letters claim to be from the FDA or the Federal Trade Commission, but those agencies almost never issue such warnings to private individuals. The letters falsely claim that the government is investigating the drugs the consumers attempted to purchase. It comes as FDA officials have repeatedly warned about the risks of buying medicines through unverified online pharmacies. / BUSINESS: Alaska's last two Blockbuster video stores are calling it quits, leaving just one store open in the rest of the nation. Kevin Daymude, general manager of Blockbuster Alaska, says the stores in Anchorage and Fairbanks will close for rentals after Sunday night. The stores will get rid of their videos in a liquidation sale that starts Tuesday. The closures come just two months after the host of HBO's "Last Week Tonight with John Oliver" sent a jockstrap worn by Russell Crowe in the 2005 movie "Cinderella Man" to the Anchorage store, which displayed it in an effort to ramp up business. Daymude says the buzz from the Oliver connection brought business to the store. But it wasn't enough to counter a planned lease increase. The closures will leave the Blockbuster in Bend, Oregon, as the sole holdout. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Due to extreme heat and dry conditions, the Oregon Department of Forestry has raised the fire danger level to high (yellow) in all of rural Lane County, southern Linn County and parts of northern Douglas County. At this level the public is only allowed to use gaspowered equipment until 10 a.m. and then again after 8 p.m. No gas-powered equipment may be used during this ten-hour shutdown period, with the exception of mowing well-irrigated green grass lawns. The use of off road recreational vehicles in rural portions of the district is prohibited and campfires are only allowed in incorporated campgrounds with built in, metal-ringed fire pits. "While temperature does affect fire behavior, it is not as much a danger to the fire as it is a danger to firefighters" said District Forester Link Smith with ODF's Western Lane District. "Fighting fires in cooler conditions is always difficult, but fighting fires in extreme heat is especially taxing on those who are trained to protect our lands from fire. We are asking that our public remain mindful of this as they conduct activities during the coming days." / HEALTH, SAFETY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says a popular Kellogg's cereal has been linked to a salmonella outbreak that has infected 100 people in 33 states. The CDC announced Thursday that customers should avoid Honey Smacks, tweeting, "Do not eat this cereal." The agency says it found salmonella in samples of Honey Smacks, which has been subject to a voluntary recall by Kellogg since mid-June. It says that regardless of expiration date, the cereal should be thrown away or returned to a retailer for a refund. The CDC says at least 30 of the people infected in the outbreak have been hospitalized. It says most people infected with

salmonella develop a fever, cramps or diarrhea within 12 to 72 hours of being exposed to the bacteria. / BUSINESS: The Build-A-Bear Workshop, which lets people craft customized teddy bears and other stuffed toys, let people who brought a child in purchase a bear and pay the kid's current age. But yesterday's promotion proved too popular — and stores had to turn people away and close locations early due to overcrowding. There were big lines in Eugene's Valley River Center. Customers took to social media to complain. And Build-A-Bear did the same to apologize. The company says it's distributing vouchers to customers who were sent home from stores that are valid through Aug. 31. / TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY: Attendees heading to and from the Oregon Country Fair may ride FREE on any Lane Transit District bus or EmX route, courtesy of the fair. Just show your Oregon Country Fair ticket on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 13, 14 & 15. Tickets to the Oregon Country Fair need to be purchased in advance at all TicketsWest outlets and online. Fair tickets are not available at the gate. Parking at the Oregon Country Fair is \$15 per vehicle. But show your fair admission ticket to ride free this weekend on any bus in the Lane Transit District system. Lane Transit also is operating special express buses to the Oregon Country Fair depart from LTD's downtown Eugene Station and from the temporary bus shuttle lot located in the northwest parking lot at Valley River Center behind Crossfit. The first bus leaves Eugene each morning at 10:00 a.m. The last bus of the day leaves the Oregon Country Fair site at 7:30 p.m. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION: Oregon's U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley say Oregon State University has received a nearly half-million dollar U.S. Department of Agriculture grant to research the durability of crosslaminated timber. Cross-laminate timber is an innovative product that industry backers say is helping to advance the use of wood as a construction material in tall buildings. OSU's College of Forestry and the Tallwood Design Institute have been leading forces in the research and development effort. Already, the state is at the forefront of developing what are known as "mass timber" products, including cross-laminated timber, mass plywood panels, nail laminated timber, glue laminated timber, laminated strand lumber, and laminated veneer lumber. But U.S. building codes do not currently recognize mass timber products as official construction materials, leaving the products without a standard rating system for quality, fire resistance, earthquake resistance, moisture accumulation and more. The long-term goal of the research is to help pave the way for those standards, create longtime jobs in Oregon and grow the cross-laminated timber industry, both in engineering and manufacturing, as well as architectural design. /

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COMMUNITY, AGRICULTURE: Sunday was National Ice Cream Day, which also kicked the "Scoop It Forward" week of celebration. Supported by Oregon's dairy farmers and processors, the weeklong campaign—through July 22—encourages people to show appreciation for one another through "random acts of ice cream." The Oregon Dairy and Nutrition Council sponsors the event. Oregon has plenty of popular ice cream brands, including: Lochmead, Umpqua, YoCream, Tillamook, Alpenrose, Cascade Glacier and more. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Authorities say a couple on a camping trip came upon a missing Oregon woman who survived nearly a week after her car went over a cliff in coastal California. The Sacramento Bee reports Chelsea and Chad Moore were hiking near Big Sur on Friday when they spotted a Jeep Liberty at the bottom of a 200-foot coastal bluff. They gathered items from the scene, including the Jeep's license plate, to bring to authorities. About 30 minutes later they located the driver, Angela Hernandez, who was injured but stable. The 23-year-old had been missing since July 6. Chad Moore stayed with Hernandez on the beach, while Chelsea Moore ran to call 911. Hernandez was taken to a hospital. She tells authorities she lost control after swerving to avoid an animal. / CRIME: Eugene Police yesterday released the description of the man a woman says attacked her as she was walking on the East Bank Bike Path Saturday night. The woman says she was headed south on the path behind Keifer Mazda shortly after 11:00 p.m. Saturday when she passed a man who greeted her as he passed, heading north. The suspect is described as a white male, in his 60s, 5'5" tall, 140-150 pounds, with shoulder length wavy or curly hair. A short time later the woman said she looked over her shoulder and saw the man had turned around to follow her and was catching up to her quickly. The woman said she'd already pulled out a container of pepper spray. She said the suspect began talking to her, but then pushed her to the ground, causing abrasions. The woman said she began screaming and the suspect put his hand over her mouth and threatened to kill her. The woman that's when she sprayed the suspect with pepper spray and continued to scream and the suspect ran off. The Eugene Police and Lane County Sheriff's Officer K-9 conducted an extensive search but they were unable to locate the suspect. Investigators commended the woman for her handling of the attack, from fighting back, to calling 911 and helping to provide suspect descriptions. If anyone has suspect information, they are asked to contact the non-emergency line at 541-682-5111.; Eugene Police are seeking leads that might help identify the man who on Saturday afternoon robbed the U.S. Bank branch inside the Albertson's store at 18th and Chambers

Streets. It happened shortly after 3:00 p.m. Saturday. Witnesses said the suspect handed a teller a note and left with an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect is described as an older, white male with darker skin that appeared tanned. He was estimated to be about 5'5" to 5'6" tall, with a thin build, brown/black two-inch long curly hair, brown eyes, and last seen wearing a black short-sleeved shirt. /

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VETERANS: It is a 19 day, 3,500 mile cross-country motorcycle ride. It gets underway this morning in Eugene and ends early next month at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. Organizers of the "Tribute to Fallen Soldiers" Northwest "Memorial Torch" Motorcycle Ride say participants in the escorted ride will travel through states and stop at the homes of 60 fallen soldiers to present their families with plaques honoring the loved one's service. The riders begin gathering at 7:30 this morning at the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant at Valley River Center. There's an Opening Ceremony at 9:00 a.m. and then the riders depart at 10:00 a.m. There's no fee to ride and participate. The Eugene Police Traffic Enforcement Unit will be providing an escort for the Tribute to Fallen Soldiers. Want to see the first moments of the ride? Watch for the motorcycles heading south on the Delta Highway to Interstate 105, and then the Jefferson Street Bridge onto Seventh Avenue. The procession will make its way along Seventh through downtown to the Ferry Street Bridge, and then back east on I-105 to Interstate 5 north, meeting up with the Benton County Sheriff's Office escort at the Brownsville exit. / SAFETY, AGRICULTURE: As canning season gets underway, the Food Preservation hotline from Oregon State University Extension Service starts taking calls July 16. The toll-free hotline at 800-354-7319 runs until Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. When the hotline is closed, callers can leave a message. The hotline is staffed by certified Master Food Preserver volunteers in Lane and Douglas counties, but it's available statewide. Thousands of callers use the hotline each year and approximately half the questions are about food safety. That's a good thing, said Jeanne Brandt, Master Food Preserver program coordinator. "There is a tremendous amount of misinformation on the internet, so it's hard to figure out what is reliable and what is unsafe," she said. "That's partly why the hotline is so important. Our volunteers know we have reliable, researchbased information and they can guide people to success." While food preservation continues to be popular, it is less of a family tradition than it used to be, Brandt said. "We aren't learning from our family and friends much anymore and we don't have them to call for directions and advice," she said. "That's where the hotline comes in. We step in for the information that used to be distributed - correctly or not – among canners." Most commonly, people ask about preserving salsa. tomatoes and tuna. OSU Extension offers publications on each: Salsa Recipes for Canning, Canning Seafood, Canning Tomatoes and Tomato Products and Safely Canning Foods: Pressure Canners, Pressure Cookers and Electric Pressure Cookers. Search the catalog for "Food Preservation" and you'll find more

publications, including some in Spanish. Extension's Ask an Expert, an online question-and-answer service, is another way to get information. Post a question and an expert will get back to you within 48 hours. They can offer information about anything related to food preservation from safety concerns to recipes. There's also an app - Canning Timer & Checklist - for more experienced canners that provides reminders of essential steps in the canning process. Additionally, many Extension offices offer free pressure gauge testing. / CRIME: The former advancement director of Eugene's O'Hara Catholic School has been indicted for embezzling close to \$55,000 from the school and a scholarship organization. A Lane County grand jury returned the indictment against 42-year-old Sean Thomas Jones. He faces one dozen criminal charges, including multiple counts of aggravated theft, forgery and computer crime. Eugene police say Jones embezzled \$3,900 from O'Hara Catholic School and \$50,800 from the Open Door Foundation, an organization that provides scholarships for children to attend the school. Police say Jones used his position to forge documents and fraudulently obtain access to finances, diverting funds for his personal use over three years. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: She says she sipped water from a small cliffside spring through a radiator tube she salvaged from her wrecked vehicle and recalled awakening some nights with ocean waves smacking her legs. A 23-year-old Portland woman is recounting how she survived a week stranded on a remote beach in California's Big Sur after her vehicle plunged 250 feet down a steep coastal bluff. Angela Hernandez says she was driving the coast route to visit relatives in Southern California when she swerved her Jeep Liberty to avoid a small animal and lost control of her vehicle. Hernandez wrote on her Facebook page from her hospital bed that she remembered waking up from the crash with sea water rising over her knees, an aching head and blood on her hands. She said she used a multi-tool to break a window on her car, jump into the ocean and swim to higher ground. Unable to travel far, she spent the next week looking for ways back up the cliff or screaming for help, slept on the beach, found water where she could and hoped for rescue. Two campers hiking at low tide on Friday said they'd climbed down another cliff to beachcomb and look for surfing spots. Chelsea and Chad Moore said they spotted debris from the crash, including a license plate, car bumper and some personal belongings. A quarter-mile later spotted the wrecked Jeep, they heard a faint call for help and found Hernandez, shoeless with her clothes in tatters, scraped and bruised with two black eyes and burst blood vessels in her eyes. / CRIME, TRANSPORTATION: The Eugene Police Department's "bait bike" program has led to some recent arrests, but officials say the goal of the program is to plant a seed of doubt in the minds of would-be thieves. Sgt. Wayne Dorman says police leave the bait bikes equipped with tracking technology in high-crime areas or places where people are likely to leave their bicycles. Police receive an alert when a bike gets moved. One bait bike was taken twice one night last week. A 22-year-old man was arrested for taking the bike where police initially planted it. Officers then leaned the bike against a bike rack at the public library, and it was allegedly snagged by a 42-year-old man. Eugene police statistics show the number of reported bike thefts is down significantly from 2015, but it's unknown if bait bikes have played a role in the drop. / ENVIRONMENT: The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife plans to use electronic licensing system that will allow hunters and anglers to buy licenses and tags online. The Mail Tribune reports hunters and anglers also will be able to

download an app that will allow them to use their smartphones to tag their salmon, steelhead, halibut, deer and other species that require tagging. The new system is scheduled to go live in December, when the agency begins selling licenses and tags for 2019. Fish and Wildlife says the change will save the agency about \$1.4 million a year, in part because the licenses and tags won't be printed on special paper. The current point-of-sale system handles about 2.2 million transactions each year. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY, SAFETY: The Register-Guard is reporting that firefighters pounced on a wildfire near Vida on Monday afternoon, holding the blaze to six acres. The fire started around 1:30 p.m. and burned on private timberland north of the McKenzie River close to Highway 126 and Goodpasture Road, according to the Oregon Department of Forestry. Two large helicopters dropped water on the fire from above while 40 firefighters and a bulldozer fought it on the ground, he said. On Tuesday, 30 firefighters are set to fight the fire, extinguishing any hot spots. The cause of the fire remains under investigation. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Oregon State University Athletics has suspended its sponsor relationship with Papa John's following derogatory comments made recently by the corporation's Founder and Chairman, Beaver Vice President and Director of Athletics Scott Barnes announced Monday. "The derogatory and insensitive comments made by Papa John's founder John Schnatter are not reflective of Oregon State University's values and the inclusive environment we strive to foster throughout the university community and within OSU Athletics for all student-athletes and fans," Barnes said. /

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POLITICS, ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH: The Trump administration has gone to the U.S. Supreme Court in its effort to stop a lawsuit filed by young activists who say the government is failing to protect them from climate change. Solicitor General Noel Francisco asked the court Tuesday to block further legal proceedings until the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals rules on the government's latest request to have the lawsuit dismissed. The lawsuit brought by 21 children and young adults originated here in Oregon and asserts the government has known for decades that carbon pollution causes climate change but has failed to curb greenhouse gas emissions. They are seeking various environmental remedies. A non-jury trial is scheduled to begin Oct. 29 in Eugene. / ECONOMY: Oregon enjoyed another month of job growth, with strong hiring reported in several major industries. The state Employment Department said Tuesday the jobless rate for June was four percent, slightly lower than it was in May. The state says strong hiring occurred in leisure and hospitality. Other industries adding at least 500 jobs were construction, health care, manufacturing and private educational services. The retail sector lagged, shedding 1,000 jobs. Another unemployment measure, known as U-6, fell to 7.8 percent in June. The figure includes discouraged workers who stopped looking as well as part-time workers who want but can't get full-time jobs. The state says the number of people working part time for economic reasons is at its lowest since at least 2002, when comparable records began. / ELECTIONS: Petitioners have collected enough signatures to place a pro-Second Amendment measure on the November ballot in Klamath County. The Herald and News reports the measure — if passed — would create an ordinance making it illegal for the county to infringe on a person's right to bear arms. The ordinance would direct the sheriff to determine if any such laws were in violation. Supporters of the measure collected 1,382 valid signatures, 11 more than required. It was proposed by Timothy Harris of Sprague River. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: The Register-Guard is reporting that Eugene officials have approved a ban on feeding wildlife in an attempt to contain the growing rat and wild turkey populations. Reporter Saul Hubbard writes that the city council enacted the nuisance code ordinance Monday, prohibiting the intentional feeding of wild animals and the storing of food or garbage in a way that could attract wildlife. The wildlife feeding ban includes rats, turkeys, raccoons, deer, cougars, bears, coyotes and wolves. It doesn't apply to other birds or stray cats and dogs. People found in violation will be visited by city officials, who will issue notices to correct any identified problems. Officials say fines could be issued if the problems are not

addressed within 10 days. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Wildfire season is heating up across the Northwest. Just north of Medford, in Central Point, at least two senior living facilities, a veterinary clinic, a Sonic Drive-In, multiple hotels and gas stations were evacuated as police cleared a two-mile radius in advance of the wind-driven, three-alarm brush fire. The Mail Tribune reports it charred 100 acres and destroyed nine structures before being brought under control yesterday evening. The fire started near the Rogue Valley Family Fun Center, just south of the Jackson County Fairgrounds, and spread quickly through a large field behind the Central Point Costco toward the Rogue Valley International-Medford Airport. Crews used a busy Biddle Road, a major arterial, as a firebreak during the battle. The Mail Tribune reports 14 residents of one the assisted living facility were evacuated by family members and staff and were sheltered overnight at a Medford hospital.; Just southeast of the city of The Dalles on the eastern end of the Columbia River Gorge, authorities say a fast-growing grass fire has prompted a series of evacuations. The Dalles Chronicle reports the blaze closed a portion of U.S. Highway 197 yesterday evening as crews worked to contain its spread.; The Bend Bulletin is reporting that a 1,000-acre wildfire is burning along the northeast border of the Maury Mountains in the Ochoco National Forest and on private land about 30 miles southeast of Prineville. ; The Cemetery Fire is one of more than 24 wildfires started by lightning Sunday and Monday across Central Oregon. All the other fires have been contained to less than an acre. But officials with the Ochoco National Forest estimate more than 1,300 lightning strikes occurred during thunderstorms between Sunday and Monday. ; Authorities say 770 homes in the Spokane, Washington, are under evacuation notices because of a wildfire. Close to half-a-dozen structures have already burned. / HEALTH, POLITICS: A workaround by states to counter Trump administration cuts to Affordable Care Act subsidies has largely succeeded in protecting consumers from higher costs in Oregon, California and 16 other states said. The assessment came this week in a court filing asking a federal judge to put a lawsuit involving the cuts on hold. The filing says states have mostly protected subsidized consumers by allowing insurers to raise premiums on some plans offered on health care exchanges. The assessment concludes those increases triggered additional tax credits for users who qualify for subsidies on copays and deductibles. The U.S. Department of Justice said it had no comment. President Trump announced last October that he was ending government payments intended to reimburse insurers for providing low-income people with discounts on out-of-pocket costs. He said then that former President Obama's health care law was imploding, and he criticized the subsidies as insurance company bailouts. The White House also said Congress had not formally authorized the government to make the payments. States filed the lawsuit and began working on ways to protect consumers in anticipation of the administration's decision. Last year, the federal judge hearing the case rejected the lawsuit's push for him to force the Trump administration to resume paying the subsidies right away. The states said they want the suit to remain alive in case the administration moves to ban the workaround. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The quickest and easiest route to Terwilliger Hot Springs from Eugene is expected to reopen sometime next month after being blocked by a landslide since before Christmas. The Register-Guard reports that earthmovers have been pushing massive boulders into Cougar Lake since late last week. While removing the rock has gone quickly, it took months for state and

federal officials to determine the best solution. The key concern was fish. Cougar Lake holds federally protected Chinook salmon and bull trout — as well as rainbow and cutthroat trout. Dropping the boulders into the lake turned out to be OK for the fish, and cheaper than paying to haul them away. Crews will next repair and repave the road known as Aufderheide Drive. Willamette National Forest spokeswoman Chiara Cipriano says the road should reopen in mid- to late August. / POLITICS: The Oregonian is reporting that Oregon's two U.S. senators, along with members of the Senate's Democratic Caucus, held the Senate floor Tuesday night for hours in protest of Oregon prosecutor Ryan Bounds' nomination to fill a 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals vacancy. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley refused to return the traditional blue slips to the Senate Judiciary Committee in support of Bounds' nomination after learning Bounds withheld information from Oregon's judicial selection committee. They say Bounds had not disclosed inflammatory college writings about sexual assault, the rights of workers, people of color and the LGBTQ community to the committee. Wyden and Merkley both read extensive passages from the articles. Wyden said Bounds showed disdain for multicultural values' in the writings. Wyden added that if Bounds had been candid and apologized for the articles before the bipartisan selection committee in Oregon, Wyden said he would have different feelings about the nomination. Republicans in the Senate are expected to vote to confirm Bounds' nomination later this week. Bounds is a conservative who has worked since 2010 an assistant U.S. attorney in Oregon. He has insisted that he was instructed to provide only material dating back to law school to the state selection committee. He later provided articles from The Stanford Review to the Senate Judiciary Committee and to the White House. In May, Bounds apologized before the Judiciary Committee for what he called the, quote, "often highhanded and overheated tone" of his Stanford commentary about campus politics. Wyden on Tuesday said he didn't accept Bounds' apology as sincere, but one issued to save his nomination. / IMMIGRATION, ELECTIONS: The Register-Guard is reporting that an effort to repeal Oregon's "sanctuary" law has qualified for the Nov. 6 ballot. Officials with the state Elections Division announced Tuesday that the initiative had more than enough signatures to go before voters. Oregon, which enacted the first statewide sanctuary law in 1987, likely will be the only state voting on the issue this year, after a repeal effort in California failed to qualify for the ballot. Reporter Saul Hubbard writes that sets the stage for a divisive fight over immigration in Oregon in the coming months and a potential test case for so-called "sanctuary" laws around the country. Those laws prohibit local and state law enforcement agencies from assisting federal immigration agents and are on the books primarily in liberal cities and counties around the country. The laws drew little public attention for years but were thrust into the limelight during the 2016 presidential campaign and are often criticized by the Trump administration as abetting illegal immigration. The backers of the initiative want to get rid of the law they say shields immigrants who have arrived illegally in this country and committed crimes from potential deportation. For example, local jails cannot hold people wanted by federal immigration officials if they're due to be released from custody. But opponents say the law protects immigrants, and Latinos in particular, from profiling by local law enforcement. They say it also helps ensure people aren't afraid to report crimes or talk to law enforcement out of fear that they or a family member will be deported. / CRIME: Eugene Police investigators say they arrested a couple of bank robbery

suspects this week. They say 55-year-old William Joseph Newman of Veneta was taken into custody on Sunday and charged in connection with Saturday's hold-up of the U.S. Bank branch inside the Albertson's store at 18th and Chambers in Eugene. And detectives on Monday arrested 36-year-old Eamonn Isaiah Martinez-Wenzl in connection with the robbery of the U.S. Bank branch on Royal Avenue earlier in the day. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A 67-mile stretch of U.S. Highway 97 is closed this morning in Eastern Oregon's Wasco and Sherman counties because of a wildfire that has burned more than 50,000 acres in a bit more than a day. Officials with the Oregon Department of Transportation say the north end of the closure stretches from Biggs Junction on the Columbia River to the junction with U.S. Highway 197 on the south. And authorities say it appears a tractor operator died while trying to cut a fire break to contain the flames as they raced across wheat fields and ranchland south and east of the city of The Dalles. The Substation 2018 Fire, as it's known was first reported Tuesday afternoon. Its wind-whipped flames quickly destroyed nine structures as it spread across sprawling wheat farms and threatens rural parts of Wasco and Sherman Counties. Dozens of homes have been evacuated because of the blaze. And farmers, preparing for the summer wheat harvest after a good spring, are now concerned that work might be delayed and their crops threatened. Governor Kate Brown yesterday declared a state of emergency because of the continued threat of wildfires across the state and declared the substation 2018 Fire a conflagration. That frees up resources from across the state to help battle the blaze, if needed. and even draw on crews and equipment from outside Oregon. By yesterday afternoon, 178 firefighters from 32 agencies across Oregon were battling the blaze or protecting threatened structures. The Red Cross had opened a shelter at The Dalles Middle School while The Salvation Army was helping to provide food. water and ice for the fire crews.; Authorities say a tractor operator died while trying to contain a wildfire that scorched more than 50,000 acres south and east of The Dalles. Authorities suspect the person died while trying to create a fire break. The fast-growing blaze in the hills was first reported Tuesday afternoon but the wind-whipped flames quickly destroyed nine structures as it spread across vast wheat fields and now threatens parts of Wasco and Sherman Counties, Dozens of homes have been evacuated because of the conflagration. The Oregon Department of Transportation closed Highway 97 late Wednesday afternoon from the Biggs Junction to the interchange with Highway 197 because of the fire. Gov. Kate Brown declared a statewide wildfire emergency, activating a standing agreement with the Oregon National Guard - Operation Plan Smokey - that makes helicopters and troops available to fight fires at the request of the Oregon Department of Forestry. The declaration also allows the Office of Emergency Management to coordinate with other states if additional assets are needed. The Oregon Military Department did not immediately say how many troops or

helicopters would be made available, or how many troops had received the mandatory fire training needed to deploy. In an emailed statement, Brown said wildfire season had escalated in Oregon much earlier than normal, and that Oregonians should be prepared for an intense season. The Guard troops supplement regular firefighting crews and are used in everything from logistical support to front-line firefighting, though they generally take a back seat to more specialized and experienced firefighting crews and help with establishing fire lines and mop up when fires are contained. Many troops have specialized skills like mechanical and medical training that can supplement those from other agencies. Last year, wildfires burned 665,000 acres in Oregon, above average but far short of a record. Gross suppression costs were \$453 million, according to the Oregon Department of Forestry. / DEVELOPMENT, POLITICS: Seems like everyone in town has an opinion about how the city should develop the former Eugene Water and Electric Board parcel along the Willamette River. The city closed the deal on the 16-acre site this spring-which will include a new park. Now, members of the Downtown Riverfront Park design team say they've received feedback from more than 1,700 community members about how that planned four-acre park should look. The first set of designs will be revealed at a public meeting this evening. Attendees will be asked to weigh in on the designs presented with live audience polling in addition to taking part in an audience question-and-answer session. The meeting runs from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the EWEB headquarters off East 4th Avenue in Eugene. Organizers say it is a family-friendly event with activities for kids and light refreshments provided. There will also be guided tours of the site following the presentation. Can't attend this evening's meeting? The city's riverfront web page will post the park's design concepts online and offer an online survey, as well. Detailed information and project updates can also be found at that website. In late September, the Downtown Riverfront Park Design Team will unveil the final design concept and hold a celebration. City officials hope to have the park completed ahead of the start of the 2021 World Track and Field Championships. Meantime, the Riverfront Urban Renewal Agency continues to work with a private developer to transform the longtime utility operations yard into a mix of housing and retail space, while better connecting downtown Eugene to the Willamette River. The City is also working to redevelop the old Steam Plant building on the property. / CRIME: They've charged him in connection with two cases but are concerned there might be more incidents and victims. A seasonal ranger who works at the Jasper State Recreation Site was arrested on Saturday and changed in connection with a report of inappropriate contact with a female juvenile while she and her family were visiting the park with a large group. After additional investigation, Lane County Sheriff's detectives also charged 32-year-old Paul Buchanan of Eugene in connection with an indecent exposure complaint in late June filed by two juvenile females at Dexter Lake. Buchanan has been placed on unpaid leave. Sheriff's investigators are concerned there might be additional victims of or witnesses to Buchanan's behavior and are asking anyone who has information about the two incidents or any additional events to contact them. Detective Greg Jones: 541-682-2342. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: It has been a bad week for fresh produce on Interstate Five south of Ashland, On Tuesday, a semi-truck hauling pallets of fresh green and purple grapes rolled in the northbound fast lane seven miles north of the California border, on that steep downhill coming off Siskiyou Summit. It took most of the day for crews to offload

and salvage what they could of the grapes, then right the truck and clear the roadway. / EDUCATION, POLITICS: Oregon students and others helped raise more than \$100,000 to restore original Oregon Constitution. Now, history buffs may get a closer look when they visit the Oregon History Museum in Portland through September 3. This is the first time the restored document has been on exhibit outside of the Oregon State Archives in Salem. The restoration included repairing pages that were loose from the binding (while preserving the original binding), as well as giving the pages a "bath" in order to clean the ones that were starting to discolor due to the type of ink that was used in writing the document. The full effort took a single conservationist four months to complete. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS, DEVELOPMENT: It's clean, it's green and it's getting wider use in Central Oregon. Officials with Facebook and Pacific Power said Wednesday they are teaming up to construct solar projects that will produce enough power to offset what the social media giant consumes at its data centers in Prineville. The Oregonian and OregonLive report the solar projects — two near Prineville and four in Utah — will generate 437 megawatts of power when completed by the end of 2020. Facebook, drawn by tax breaks, has three data centers in the Central Oregon community and is adding two more. Such data centers use large amounts of energy to run and cool the computers inside. The solar power for Facebook's Prineville campus is roughly equivalent to the energy use of 100,000 Northwest homes. The company declined to say how much it will cost to build the solar projects or how the cost of the clean energy will compare to what it pays now. / EDUCATION, YOUTH, HEALTH, SAFETY: College students in Oregon are reporting more marijuana use since the drug was legalized. And the study from Oregon State University researchers finds that includes increased cannabis use among those who are underage. The research concluded that marijuana use rates were higher in Oregon even before marijuana was legalized and that marijuana use rates had been on the rise both in Oregon and other states before any states legalized use. But rates of use over a 30-day period rose more in Oregon after legalization than in states where it was not legal. The study's lead author, David Kerr, says usage increased at colleges and universities across the nation. Kerr says that's a concern for some because marijuana use, particularly in young people, is linked to negative health outcomes and lower rates of achievement. On the other hand, Kerr notes that alcohol and tobacco take a huge toll on public health and it is possible that marijuana legalization will affect how many people use other substances. The results of the study from Kerr and fellow OSU researchers Harold Bae and Andrew Koval were published this week in the journal "Psychology of Addictive Behaviors." Kerr and Bae also found that at colleges across the country, marijuana use is more common among white students, males, those living off campus and those under 21. Voters in Oregon approved recreational marijuana legalization in 2014 and the law took effect in 2015. / EDUCATION: State officials say the Oregon College Savings Plan is getting some new, low-cost investment options, including the popular Vanguard funds, for participants saving for a future education for themselves or their loved ones. A new contract approved this week by the Oregon 529 Savings Board helps enhance the state's oldest savings program, which provides tax deductions and tax-free investment growth for people who set aside money to pay for college at universities, community colleges and vocational education programs. More than 100,000 Oregonians participate in the Oregon College Savings Plan and the

program's assets were close to \$2 billion at the end of March. State managers say statistics show that if a student has a 529 college savings plan account in his or her name, he or she is three times more likely to enroll in a higher education or job training program - and four times more likely to graduate. In addition to adding the option of investing through low-cost Vanguard mutual funds, the Oregon College Savings Plan has also added an FDIC-insured fund that has more conservative investment options; and funds with investments geared toward a beneficiary's projected college enrollment. Accounts can be opened with as little as \$25. / POLITICS: Democratic senators are voicing opposition against an Oregon federal prosecutor nominated to fill a judicial vacancy in the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Oregon U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden, Jeff Merkley and other members of the Senate's Democratic Caucus held the Senate floor Tuesday night for hours in protest of Ryan Bounds' nomination. Wyden and Merkley say Bounds did not disclose to Oregon's judicial selection committee that he had a history of writing inflammatory pieces on sexual assault, the rights of workers, people of the color and the LGBTQ community. Merkley says it's unprecedented for a judge to be confirmed without the support of a single homestate senator. Republicans in the Senate are expected to vote to confirm Bounds' nomination later this week. /

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SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: The Oregon State Marine Board, in partnership with 32 county sheriff's offices and the Oregon State Police will be focusing their enforcement efforts on boaters with lapsed boat registrations during the weekend of August 4-5 for "Operation Ship Shape." Officials say that so far this year, marine law enforcement officers are reporting unusually high numbers of unregistered boats. This means that those registered boaters who are playing by the rules are carrying the load for everyone else.

Without adequate revenue from registrations, the Oregon Marine Baord, the agency is forced to cut funds to law enforcement programs which ultimately mean fewer patrol boats on the water and longer response times in emergency incidents. Marine Board officials say Oregon is at a five-year high for fatalities so far this year, and that we cannot afford to reduce the agency's important services. Any boat with any mechanical propulsion, whether gas, electric, diesel or solar, and all sailboats 12 feet or longer, needs to be registered. The fine for lapsed boat registration is \$265, which is far more than the cost of the boat registration itself. Motorboat registrations are \$4.50 per foot, rounded to the highest foot plus \$5 for the aquatic invasive species prevention program. For example, a 16 foot outboard motorboat would cost \$77. Registrations are valid for two calendar years. Boaters may print a temporary permit after successfully completing their transaction online or will be issued a temporary permit through an agent for an additional fee.; Investigators with the Benton County Sheriff's Office have released the name of the victim of Monday afternoon's drowning in the Willamette River at Irish Bend Park. They say 34-year-old Matthew Mark Schill of Corvallis was supervising a group of young people with a community group when witnesses say he began struggling in the water. Several members of the group went in to try to assist him but were unsuccessful and witnesses said Schill did not resurface. Benton County Sheriff's deputies, Harrisburg Fire, Monroe Fire and Corvallis Fire responded and crews were able to recover Schill's body. Officials say they're investigating what caused the accident but add the death does not suspicious.; Officials in Douglas County say a Roseburg man drowned Sunday afternoon at South Umpqua Falls. Douglas County 9-1-1 received a call around 3:30 p.m. Sunday reporting the possible drowning. Witnesses reported seeing the victim, 18-year-old Samuel R. Alford at the top of the falls alone and then later finding him in the water. Emergency crews joined Forest Service personnel and bystanders in trying to revive Alford but he died at the scene.; From the Harrisburg Fire District: Two members are on the front line in the firefight at the Taylor Creek Fire near

Grants Pass. Lieutenants Michael Christensen and Devin Smith deployed with a Task Force made up by Linn and Benton County fire departments on July 21st. They headed south with the district's 3,500 gallon Water Tender 41 to assist in keeping fire engines and porta tanks filled. The Taylor Creek Fire, west of Grants Pass in the Kalmiopsis, has burned more than 25,000 acres. Fire officials remind you: Resources are stretched thin in many parts of the state. Do your part and be cautious during these extreme fire conditions.; Based on the recommendation of fire officials managing the 6,000 acre Sugar Pine fire, about 20 miles northeast of Grants pass, the Jackson County Sheriff's Office has increased the evacuation advisory for residences near the community of Trail in the Elk Creek Road area from Level 2 "Be Set" to Level 3 "Go." A Level 3 "Go" advisory is now in effect for the following addresses: 8800 to 17600 Elk Creek Road; Sugar Pine Road, all addresses; Dodes Creek road, all addresses. A Level 3 "Go" evacuation means you should not delay leaving to gather any belongings or make further efforts to protect your home. This may be the last notice you receive. Deputies and search and rescue volunteers will deliver notices to these residences in person; however, residents do not need to wait for a notice to vacate their homes. Citizen Alert notifications will be sent to those in the affected area. The nearest Red Cross shelter currently in operation is at Grants Pass High School. An animal shelter is set up at the Josephine County Fairgrounds.; Close to 150 members of the Oregon National Guard and Air National Guard are preparing to assist in the battle against the Graves Creek Fire, which part of the Garner Complex burning east of Cave Junction in southern Oregon. They are among a group of Guard members who received special training though funds secured by Oregon's congressional delegation. Their fire duties will range from traffic control and evacuation assistance to other logistical needs. They have already been trained thanks to federal funding through Oregon's congressional delegation.; Over the weekend, Eugene Police received information of cougar tracks near the fourth hole at Laurelwood Golf Course, 2700 Columbia Street. This is a reminder for people in that area to be observant and keep their pets close when recreating in natural areas. Eugene has many natural areas and parks that are home to a wide variety of wildlife. These natural areas are one of the many attractive aspects of Eugene. Deer, squirrels, and birds live in these areas, but there may also be occasional, stray visits from cougars and other predators. Eugene has areas that are close to forested and rural areas where bears and cougars reside. People should always be respectful of the fact that all wildlife is in fact "wild" and should be given a wide berth. / HEALTH, YOUTH, EDUCATION: An Oregon Health Authority (OHA) report released this week found that the rate of retail tobacco sales to underage people increased slightly over the past year, as a new law took effect that raised the minimum age to buy tobacco. Enforcement of Oregon's new tobacco sales law, which raised the age for a person to buy tobacco products from 18 to 21, began Jan. 1, 2018. The Public Health Division, in collaboration with the Oregon State Police, checks on tobacco retailers across Oregon to make sure retailers are following the law. Data from the first six months of 2018 show that since enforcement of the new sales age began, the retailer violation rate was 18 percent statewide. That's slightly higher than the 16 percent retailer violation rate for the previous year, when the legal age being enforced was 18. "Selling tobacco to people under 21 years old is illegal, but these data show that nearly one out of every five tobacco retailers in Oregon still sells to people under the legal age," said

Tom Jeanne, MD, deputy state health officer at the OHA Public Health Division. "Tobacco remains the number one preventable cause of death and disability and kills nearly 8,000 people in Oregon each year." It also costs the state \$2.5 billion per year in medical costs and lost productivity. A key part of ending tobacco addiction in Oregon is making sure youth don't start. Oregon was the fifth state to raise the legal age to purchase tobacco products to 21. Retailer owners that sell tobacco to underage persons face up to a \$500 fine for the first or second violation and up to \$1,000 for three or more violations. For the first time, the OHA Public Health Division has taken the added step of publicizing the list of tobacco retailers that violated the tobacco sales law. / DEVELOPMENT, POLITICS: Congressman Peter DeFazio this week announced more than \$11 million in Department of Transportation grants for airport improvements in Eugene, Albany, Corvallis, Gold Beach, and North Bend. A total of \$2.5 million in DOT grants will go to the Eugene Airport for safety improvements, including replacement of an aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle, and acquisition of new snow removal equipment. The Corvallis Municipal Airport will receive nearly \$8 million in funding to rehabilitate more than half a mile of runway lighting systems to enhance airfield operations during low-visibility conditions, and reconstruct runway and taxiway pavement that has reached the end of its useful life. The Gold Beach Airport will receive \$230,000 in funding to install a new precision approach path indicator and an airport rotating beacon, making nighttime landings at the airport safer. More than \$760,000 will fund improvements to airfield lighting systems and an environmental study evaluating any potential environmental impacts of runway safety improvements at the Southwest Oregon Regional Airport in North Bend. The Albany Municipal Airport will receive \$950,000 in order to rehabilitate the pavement on the airport's runway. / POLITICS, ECONOMY, FAMILY: Oregon U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-Oregon) has reintroduced the American Savings Act. Modeled on the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) used by federal workers and members of Congress, it would give every worker who does not already have access to a retirement savings plan through their employer their own personal retirement savings account. Most notably, workers would be able to take these savings accounts with them seamlessly as they switch jobs. "It shouldn't matter whether you work part-time or full-time, as an employee or a contractor, or for a huge corporation or a tiny business," Merkley says. "Every American worker deserves access to a financially secure retirement. With private-sector pensions becoming rarer and rarer, Social Security and retirement savings are more important to retirement security than ever. That makes our mission clear. We need to strengthen Social Security, and we also must expand high-quality retirement savings options to all workers." Merkley notes that 55 million Americans do not have access to a retirement savings plan. The legislation would enable employers to send employees' savings to the federal government in an American Savings Account (ASA) alongside the employee tax withholdings they already process, thereby not saddling employers with new administrative processes. It would initially defer 3% of workers' salaries, but participants could change that to 2%, or contribute a maximum of \$18,000 a year. ASAs would offer the same investment options as TSPs, at the same low cost. Workers would be able to control their accounts through a website. They would be able to roll any previous individual retirement accounts (IRAs) into the ASA, and well as roll their ASA into an employer-sponsored 401(k) or 403(b) plan. The main benefits of ASAs is that they

would be universal, portable, simple and personal—workers would be able to decide how much to save and how to invest. / CRIME: A 32-year-old Oregon man has denied charges that he abandoned a 5-month-old baby in the woods of western Montana after a car crash. Francis Carlton Crowley of Portland pleaded not guilty Tuesday in District Court to assault on a minor and criminal endangerment. He remains jailed in Missoula County with his bail set at \$200,000. Prosecutors say Crowley was under the influence of drugs when he caused a disturbance at Lolo Hot Springs on July 7. Crowley told responding officers the baby he had been caring for was buried in the mountains, but he was unable to be more specific. Deputies searching the Lolo National Forest found the baby — cold, hungry and covered in debris— at about 2:30 a.m. on July 8. Crowley later told investigators he left the baby after the crash because the baby was very heavy. / SAFETY, POLITICS, CRIME: A federal judge in Seattle yesterday issued a temporary restraining order to stop the release of blueprints to make untraceable and undetectable 3D-printed plastic guns. It came after eight Democratic attorneys general, including Oregon's, filed a lawsuit Monday seeking to block the federal government's settlement with the company that makes the plans available online. They also sought a restraining order, arguing such 3D guns would be a safety risk. The company behind the plans, Austin, Texas-based Defense Distributed, had reached a settlement with the federal government in June that allows it to make the plans for the guns available for download on Wednesday. The restraining order puts that plan on hold for now. But some blueprints are already online. In the meantime, Congressional Democrats have urged President Trump to reverse the decision to let Defense Distributed publish the plans. Trump said Tuesday that he's "looking into" the idea and has spoken to the National rifle Association, adding in yesterday's tweet that making 3D plastic gun blueprints available for free online, quote, "doesn't seem to make much sense!" / EDUCATION, ELECTIONS: The Register-Guard is reporting that the Eugene School District is set to hold one final community forum before the board decides whether to put a \$385 million bond measure before voters in the fall. The forum is scheduled from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Eugene School District Education Center, 200 N. Monroe St. The board then will discuss potential bond options at its regularly scheduled 7 p.m. meeting Wednesday. A work session is scheduled for Aug. 8 for more discussion. A final decision is expected to be made at a board meeting Aug. 15, just two days before the deadline to file the ballot wording with the Lane County Elections Office. If the bond measure is approved by voters in the Nov. 6 general election, the property taxes in the Eugene School District on a median assessed house of \$204,147 would increase by about \$167 a year. District property owners with a median assessed home already are paying about \$1,600 a year to support Eugene school operations and to pay debt on previous voter-approved bond measures. If voters approve a \$385 million bond. the district intends to tackle a number of building projects, including the replacement of four schools. Rebuilding North Eugene High School is at the top of the district's list and would cost about \$150 million. The bond also would allow the district to construct another elementary school in north Eugene's Sheldon region, at an estimated cost of \$53.5 million. The replacement of Edison Elementary School in south Eugene is listed as a priority and would cost about \$45 million. Camas Ridge Elementary School in south Eugene would be reconstructed, at an estimated cost of \$43.2 million. Other likely expenditures include \$16 million worth

of school safety, security and seismic upgrades; \$12 million to provide equitable facilities; \$8 million for curriculum; \$6 million for career technical education; \$6 million for technology; and \$4.8 million for school buses. / HEALTH, LOW-INCOME: Oregon has made gains on important measures to improve health in the state, including reducing rates of opioid-related deaths and HIV infections, a new report finds. But social factors such as housing affordability, food insecurity and educational outcomes are undermining improvements in health outcomes. The State Health Assessment (SHA), published every five years, says Oregon has made strides by pursuing state health improvement efforts aimed at priority health problems, as well as by expanding Medicaid and launching coordinated care organizations. Yet Oregon "lags far behind many other states in measures of the social determinants of health, which are social factors that influence health." The State Health Assessment is the first step toward updating Oregon's State Health Improvement Plan, which guides state and local public health interventions. Katrina Hedberg, MD, state health officer and epidemiologist at OHA's Public Health Division, says Oregon has made strides in addressing its opioid crisis and tamping down HIV infections, teen pregnancies, and smoking rates among adults and teens. But those advances are being stymied by low standings in education, housing affordability and food insecurity that contributed to a decline in the state's relative rank in national scorecards of health measures, she says. Since Oregon published its last State Health Assessment in 2012, Oregon has made progress on key measures, including: Reductions in opioid-related deaths—from about nine deaths per 100,000 population in 2011 to six deaths per 100,000 in 2016. Reduction in rates of HIV infection—from about eight diagnoses per 100,000 in 2006 to five per 100,000 in 2016. Lower rates of teen pregnancies—from 32 pregnancies per 1,000 females ages 15 to 17 in 2001 to 10 per 1,000 in 2016. Lower smoking rates among adults and youths—from 20.7 percent in 2010 to 17.1 percent in 2016 among adults, and from 12.3 percent in 2011 to 3 percent in 2017 among eighth-graders. In addition, Oregon reduced the uninsured rate and launched Medicaid reforms that enrolled nearly 900,000 Oregon Health Plan members in coordinated care organizations (CCOs), which are rewarded for providing better quality care and lowering Medicaid costs. However, some measures of health in Oregon have worsened, including rates of obesity, diabetes and suicide. In addition, Oregon's low standing in education, housing affordability and food insecurity have contributed to a decline in the state's relative standing in national scorecards of health measures. According to the United Health Foundation's Annual Health Rankings, Oregon was the 20th healthiest state in the country in 2017 (Massachusetts is first and Mississippi is 50th). This is down from 13th in 2012 and eighth in 2011. /

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SAFETY, COMMUNITY, FAMILY: Emergencies happen when we least expect it. Could you live on only the contents of your disaster preparedness kit? What if you couldn't access the necessities after a 9.0 Cascadia earthquake or other major disaster? Test your preparedness kit and your readiness by camping out in your own backyard on the night of Saturday, August 4, for Camp Prepare. The "Red Cross: Camp Prepare!" event is a regional coordinated camping experience the whole family can participate in - at a campground or in your own back yard. It's a chance to prepare your emergency kit and take it on a trial run before the 'Big One'. Prepare for "Camp Prepare!" Common items used for camping such as water, canned food, flashlights, extra batteries and first aid supplies are just a few of the items that should be in a disaster preparedness kit. The Red Cross recommends at least a three-day supply of food and water in case of a disaster. Larger disasters, like a Cascadia earthquake, might require supplies for several weeks. Need a kit list? The Red Cross has you covered. Visit redcross.org/PrepareGuide for a full supply list. How to participate: 1. Camp out and take a photo to document your preparedness. Show your campsite, campers and supplies. 2. Share your "Camp Prepare!" Experience on the Red Cross' Facebook, Instagram or Twitter page. Did it all work out? Did you need additional supplies? Either way, share the details with a photo or selfie that tags the Red Cross and you'll be entered to win one of ten prizes based on your level of preparedness and the quality of your photo. Prize packs will contain items from Leatherman, Mountain House and the Red Cross. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A new fast-moving fire south of The Dalles forced mandatory evacuations and prompted Gov. Kate Brown to invoke the Emergency Conflagration Act. The Wasco County Sheriff's Office told residents near the community of Dufur Wednesday afternoon to leave the area immediately. The Oregon Department of Forestry says the South Valley fire started at about 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and at about 8:30 p.m. had burned across nine square miles. Brown's declaration Wednesday evening authorizes the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal to mobilize resources to assist local firefighters and others battling the fire. She says the fire was threatening about 100 homes. Forestry spokeswoman Christie Shaw told KATU-TV that the fire likely was human caused. KATU-TV and other television stations appeared to capture structures burning. The sheriff's office also closed part of Highway 197 Wednesday evening.; At 6:44 a.m. today (Wednesday, August 1), a person delivering newspapers in the Hendricks Hill Drive / Riverview area called Eugene Police to say they'd spotted what appeared

to be a cougar. The caller said the cougar disappeared into bushes near homes. Oregon State Police were contacted by Central Lane Communications Center. The Oregon State Police and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife are the agencies that investigate these sorts of "urban wildlife" sightings. Eugene Police say this is the second incident they've been informed about in recent days: Over the weekend, they received information about apparent cougar tracks near the fourth hole of Laurelwood Golf Course, 2700 Columbia Street. Eugene Police say they're sharing information about the sighting to advise residents and travelers in the area. Police say this is a reminder to be observant and keep pets close when relaxing outdoors in semi-rural neighborhoods and natural areas. Eugene has many natural areas and parks that are home to a wide variety of wildlife. These natural areas are one of the many attractive aspects of Eugene. Deer, squirrels, and birds live in these areas, but there may also be occasional, stray visits from cougars and other predators. Eugene has areas that are close to forested and rural areas where bears and cougars reside. People should always be respectful of the fact that all wildlife is in fact "wild" and should be given a wide berth. ; KVAL is reporting that wildlife biologists do not believe the animal seen Wednesday morning in Eugene by a newspaper carrier was a cougar. The person who saw the animal describe it as being a foot or two in length, said biologist Christopher Yee with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. That's a fraction of the size of a cougar. However, Yee said the witness did the right thing by reporting the sighting to local police. Eugene Police notified the media and public Wednesday about the possible sighting. "A lot of people are very concerned," said Yee. "They pay a little extra attention, and some of them actually see cougars. Others see things they think are cougars and we get all kinds of calls." Yee said it's better to warn people than ignore a possible sighting. This is the second time in a week people have reported a possible cougar sighting in Eugene. Earlier this week, tracks found in a sand trap at Laurelwood Golf Course were initially believed to be those of a cougar. Yee later examined photographs of the tracks and determined the tracks belonged to a dog - and that at least one of the "tracks" had been made in part by a human hand. But just last week, police in Springfield shot and killed a cougar seen stalking children in a backyard swimming pool. And a property owner in Corbett, Oregon, shot and killed two of the big cats after a warning shot failed to deter the cougars from going after his chickens. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS, POLITICS: The Oregon Court of Appeals has ruled that the sale of a tract of the Elliott State Forest to a private timber company was illegal. The ruling Wednesday overturns the sale of 788 acres to the Seneca Jones Timber Company and is a victory for environmental groups who had sued to stop it. The Elliot State Forest was intended to be managed to generate money for public education. But logging on the land was curtailed by environmental lawsuits. The state backed away last year from a plan to sell the forest to timber interests. Instead, the Oregon Legislature allocated \$100 million in bond revenue last year to help keep the forest public. The East Hakki Ridge tract was considered a test case for selling to private timber. / ENVIRONMENT: Whale researchers are keeping close watch on an endangered orca that has spent the past week carrying and keeping her dead calf afloat in Pacific Northwest waters. The display has struck an emotional chord around the world and highlighted the plight of the declining population of southern resident killer whales that has not seen a successful birth since 2015. Researchers have observed the 20-year-old whale known as J35 for over a week

now pushing her dead young along and propping it up while swimming for miles in the waters of Washington state and British Columbia. The whale was seen Tuesday night still clinging to the dead calf off British Columbia. Experts say the orca and other family members traveling with her are grieving or mourning. / MILITARY: The U.S. military is beginning the painstaking process of analyzing and identifying remains from the Korean War now that they are back on American soil. North Korea handed over 55 boxes last week. Vice President Mike Pence formally received the remains during an emotional and solemn ceremony in Hawaii on Wednesday after they arrived by military cargo jet from South Korea. Each container was covered in an American flag and carried off the aircraft by one Marine, one sailor, one soldier and one airman. The homecoming comes 65 years after an armistice ended the conflict and weeks after President Trump received a commitment from North Korean leader Kim Jong Un for their return. / ECONOMY, CRIME, HEALTH, POLITICS: Lawmakers from Oregon say state legislators from across the nation are urging Congress to legalize marijuana. In a joint statement, they said a directive they crafted was approved Wednesday by the National Conference of State Legislators at its annual meeting in Los Angeles. It calls on Congress to help legal cannabis businesses access banking services. Oregon Senate Republican Leader Jackie Winters said the cannabis industry is making big contributions to her state's economy, and giving it access to secure banking is critical to their success. Marijuana remains illegal under federal law, so financial institutions are reluctant to provide it with banking services. Oregon Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick, a Portland Democrat, said operating as a cashonly business invites crime. This policy directive will help guide NCSL's advocacy efforts in Washington, D.C. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: A U.S. appeals court says President Trump's executive order threatening to withhold funding from "sanctuary cities" that limit cooperation with immigration authorities is unconstitutional. But the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said Wednesday that a lower court went too far when it blocked the order nationwide. U.S. District Judge William Orrick said in November that Trump's order threatened all federal funding and that the president didn't have the authority to attach new conditions to spending approved by Congress. The ruling came in lawsuits filed by two California counties — San Francisco and Santa Clara. The Trump administration said the order applies to a relatively small pot of money that already requires compliance with immigration law. An email to a spokesman for the U.S. Justice Department wasn't immediately returned. / HEALTH, YOUTH: An Oregon Health Authority report released this week found that the rate of retail tobacco sales to underage people increased slightly over the past year, as a new law took effect that raised the minimum age to buy tobacco from 18 to 21. Enforcement of Oregon's new tobacco sales law began January 1st as the state became the fifth in the U.S. to raise the legal age to purchase tobacco products to 21. Data from the first six months of 2018 show that since enforcement of the new sales age began, the retailer violation rate was 18 percent statewide—close to one out of every five retailers. Officials say retailers that sell tobacco to underage persons face up to a \$500 fine for the first or second violation and up to \$1,000 for three or more violations. State health officials say tobacco remains the number one preventable cause of death and disability and kills nearly 8,000 people in Oregon each year. They estimate it also costs the state \$2.5 billion per year in medical costs and lost productivity. Oregon Health Authority leaders say a key part of ending tobacco

addiction in Oregon is making sure youth don't start using the products. / HEALTH, SAFETY: If you ask health and food safety officials, they'll tell you some of the most difficult recalls to manage are those involving a range of products that share a common ingredient but were distributed by different retailers under different labels across the U.S. Such is the case with this week's recall involving close to two dozen salad products, many of which include beef, pork or poultry, that might be tainted with Cyclospora. Cyclospora is a parasite that has an incubation period of up to two weeks. It's believed it entered the food chain on the Romaine lettuce grown in the Midwest and used in the products. Stores are pulling the recalled items from their shelves. But federal food safety officials are urging you to check your refrigerator at the home and/or office to make sure you don't have any products with the affected USDA inspection marks and affected "Best By," "Enjoy by," Best if Sold By" or "Sell By" dates. I placed a link on Tuesday on my TracyKKNU Facebook page. The Agriculture Department's Food Safety and Inspection Service says the products, distributed by Indianapolis-based Caito Foods may be contaminated with cyclospora. The parasite causes intestinal illness. The USDA says Caito Foods was notified from their lettuce supplier, Fresh Express, that the chopped romaine used in some of the salads was being recalled. The products were sold by grocery stores including Trader Joe's, Walgreens and Kroger. They have the establishment number "EST. 39985 or P-39985." The USDA has posted a complete list online. Consumers are urged to throw them away. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY, POLITICS: The Trump administration is proposing to roll back Obama-era mileage standards that were designed to make cars more fuel efficient and reduce pollution. The administration also filed notice today that it wants to revoke the authority of California and other states, including Oregon, to set their own, stricter mileage standards independent of federal ones. The proposal would freeze an effort by the Obama administration intended to promote auto fuel efficiency and curb tailpipe emissions of climate-changing pollutants. Those rules were to take effect after 2020. The Environmental Protection Agency said in a statement that relaxing mileage standards in the years ahead would give "the American people greater access to safer, more affordable vehicles that are cleaner for the environment." The EPA and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said the administration supports freezing the mileage standards after 2020, but would seek public comment now on that proposal and a range of others, including leaving the tighter, Obama administration fuel standards in place. Fred Krupp, president of the Environmental Defense Fund, called the proposed rule "a massive pileup of bad ideas" that would increase pollution and raise fuel costs for consumers. He said in a statement that the organization would challenge the administration's action "in the court of public opinion and the court of law." California, Oregon and 15 other states sued in the administration over the fuel efficiency standards in May, anticipating the new regulation. /

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DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMY, EDUCATION, SPORTS, COMMUNITY: Good news for the University of Oregon and City of Eugene: The city will host the 2020 U.S. Olympic Team Track and Field Trials. USA Track and Field-the sport's governing body, made the announcement yesterday, making this the fourth consecutive time the Olympic Trials and the first major event that will be held in the newly-renovated Hayward Field. In the announcement from city officials, Mayor Lucy Vinis noted the community has a long track record of holding worldclass sporting events. City Manager Jon Ruiz (reece) also credited TrackTownUSA and the hundreds of volunteers who make the events happen. In all, the University of Oregon and City of Eugene have served as the host city for the Olympic Trials six times, most recently in 2016. Fast on the heels of the 2020 Olympic Track and Field Trials, the U-of-O and Eugene will host the 2021 World Track and Field Championships. USA Track and Field originally awarded the trials to Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, California. But the bid was reopened following uncertainty over the Los Angeles-area stadium's planned renovation. which has been the target of two lawsuits. Hayward Field, located at the University of Oregon, is undergoing major renovations of its own which are set for completion by the spring of 2020. The U.S. Olympic Team Track and Field Trials track trials are scheduled for June 19-28, 2020. Athletes who make the team will head for the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo, Japan. Hayward field will also host the 2021 world championships. Hayward Field has been the setting for many big track and field events, including several previous Olympic trials, the 2014 IAAF world junior championships, NCAA outdoor championships and the Prefontaine Classic. / CRIME: One thing you see a lot of at weddings are cameras. Seems everyone wants to capture photos of the happy couple and the guests at the reception. A photograph of an uninvited guest that was posted on social media helped lead to yesterday's arrest of a 42-year-old Eugene man. Lane County Sheriff's investigators say he faces charges in connection with the thefts of gift cards, checks, cash and other items during at least four Junction City-area weddings and receptions during the past month. The incidents included a wedding on Sunday, July 15th, as well as three events on Saturday, July 28th. Brian Keith Starr faces charges multiple of theft, being a felon in possession of a weapon and unlawful possession of methamphetamine. Detectives say personal property that was stolen from one of last weekend's weddings was recovered and returned to two victims. But investigators say they're still working to determine whether additional weddings and receptions were targeted and whether there are

additional victims. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone who may have additional information about this case to call 541-682-4141.; Springfield Police and Lane County Sheriff's deputies say a man who led police on a high-speed chase Monday morning had a reluctant passenger; his wife. According to the woman, she pleaded with her husband to stop throughout the 18-minute pursuit that reached speeds in excess of 100 mph. Officers said they tried to stop the car, a 1996 Acura Integra, near Bob Straub Parkway and Jasper Road for traffic infractions. Instead, they say the driver, whom they identified as 31-year-old Kaleb Karl Crandall of Springfield sped away. The vehicle chase ended on a dead-end logging road near the Fall Creek Reservoir and investigators say Crandall ran from the car. While Lane County Sheriff's deputies established a perimeter, Springfield Police K9 Falko searched a wooded area and located Crandall hiding in a thicket of blackberry bushes. As the news release phrases it, quote, "He was seized by K9 Falko." Crandall was taken to the hospital for treatment of a bite wound to his right leg. Then he was taken to jail on charges including: Elude by Vehicle, Elude by Foot, Reckless Driving, Driving While Suspended (Misdemeanor), and Recklessly Endangering As for Crandall's wife, investigators say she was given a safe ride home. / CRIME, ECONOMY: A new report law enforcement report on marijuana production and sales in Oregon concludes that the market is reeling under a vast oversupply that has forced down prices and left 70 percent of the cannabis produced for the legal recreational marijuana market unsold. But authors of the study from the Oregon-Idaho High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area—a coalition of local, state and federal agencies—say it means Oregon still has a serious problem with out-of-state trafficking and black market grows. The Oregon study includes the medical and general-use markets and the illegal market, despite gaps in data assessing the scope of the illicit marijuana grows. The top federal law enforcement officer in Oregon-U.S. Attorney Billy Williams—issued a strongly-worded statement about the study, demanding more cooperation from state and local officials. Analysts say a look at two of the first states to broadly legalize marijuana took different approaches to regulation underscore how it left Oregon with a vast oversupply and Colorado with a wellbalanced market. But in both states prices for bud have plummeted. / ENVIRONMENT: Conservation groups have sued the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission for failing to strengthen protection for the marbled murrelet. The groups petitioned the commission in 2016 to change the bird's status from threatened to endangered under the state Endangered Species Act. The commission denied the petition in June, reversing course from an earlier position. The marbled murrelet was listed as threatened by the state and federally in the 1990s, and habitat protection has meant less logging. The tiny seabirds venture inland to raise their young and depend on old-growth forests for nesting. Conservation groups say the listing as threatened hasn't really helped the bird. A listing as endangered would require the state to develop a management plan and survival guidelines. The lawsuit was filed in Eugene.; A bill that would make it easier to kill sea lions that gobble endangered salmon in the Columbia River has cleared a key committee in the U.S. Senate. The measure allows the federal government to issue permits to Washington, Idaho and Oregon, and several Pacific Northwest tribes, allowing up to 100 sea lions to be killed a year. Supporters including the governors of those three states, fishing groups and tribes. They say the bill is needed to protect declining runs of salmon and

steelhead. Critics say it's won't solve the problem of declining salmon. The measure is co-sponsored by Sens. Maria Cantwell, a Washington Democrat, and James Risch, an Idaho Republican. It awaits a vote by the full Senate. It's similar to legislation the House passed last month. That was sponsored by Reps. Jaime Herrera Beutler, a Washington Republican, and Kurt Schrader, an Oregon Democrat. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A wildfire in north-central Oregon that nearly tripled in size overnight has continued to grow although officials said the fire was holding study by Thursday evening. The South Valley Fire near the town of Dufur, about two hours southeast of Portland, had charred more than 31 square miles (80 square kilometers) by Thursday evening. The Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office says dozens of structures remained threatened — some have burned — and at least 400 people have been told to evacuate. Gov. Kate Brown declared the blaze a conflagration Wednesday evening, which authorizes the mobilization of state-wide resources. The cause of the fire is under investigation, but officials believe it was caused by people and not by lightning. It's the third major wildfire in the area this summer. One scorched 125 square miles and killed a man.; New research shows that a big earthquake can not only cause other quakes, but large ones, and on the opposite side of the Earth. The findings, published today in Scientific Reports, are an important step toward improved short-term earthquake forecasting and risk assessment. Scientists at Oregon State University looked at 44 years of seismic data and found clear evidence that tremblors of magnitude 6.5 or larger trigger other quakes of magnitude 5.0 or larger. It had been thought that aftershocks - smaller magnitude quakes that occur in the same region as the initial quake as the surrounding crust adjusts after the fault perturbation - were the only seismic activity an earthquake could lead to. But the OSU analysis of seismic data from 1973 through 2016 - an analysis that excluded data from aftershock zones - provided the first discernible evidence that in the three days following one large quake, other earthquakes were more likely to occur. Each test case in the study represented a single three-day window "injected" with a large-magnitude (6.5 or greater) earthquake suspected of inducing other quakes, and accompanying each case was a control group of 5,355 three-day periods that didn't have the quake injection. "The test cases showed a clearly detectable increase over background rates," said the study's corresponding author, Robert O'Malley, a researcher in the OSU College of Agricultural Sciences. "Earthquakes are part of a cycle of tectonic stress buildup and release. As fault zones near the end of this seismic cycle, tipping points may be reached and triggering can occur." The higher the magnitude, the more likely a quake is to trigger another quake. Higher-magnitude quakes, which have been happening with more frequency in recent years, also seem to be triggered more often than lower-magnitude ones. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is seeking public comment on proposed rules that would allow the agency to implement flexible rates for state park campsites. The proposed rule would allow OPRD to vary campsite rates within a set range. Under the rule, OPRD could charge a slightly higher rate at high-demand campgrounds and a lower rate at less popular campgrounds. Lisa Sumption, OPRD director, says the proposed flexible rates would help the state parks system serve more people during peak camping season. "Many of our parks have capacity, but people just don't know about them," said Sumption. "With the ability to vary campsite rates, we could entice people to explore new

parks and hopefully discover their new favorite campground." Under the proposed rule change, OPRD would be able to adjust campsite rates for each park individually. Specific rates for each park or campsite would be posted on the state parks website and in the parks. Once a visitor makes a campsite reservation, their rate would not increase. / HEALTH, WOMEN: The Oregon Health Authority commemorates World Breastfeeding Week to raise awareness of the state's breastfeeding law. The celebration is held every year from August 1-7 in more than 120 countries. OHA is a supporter and proponent of breastfeeding. The health benefits associated with breastfeeding are significant. Because of this, Oregon Revised Statute 109.001 protecting a mother's right to breastfeed in public has been in place since 1999. But WIC officials say they still receive numerous complaints each year from breastfeeding mothers who are asked to stop breastfeeding, cover up, or breastfeed behind closed doors in a bathroom or other private area. "We want businesses around the state to remember that, as families visit their facilities, they can help breastfeeding mothers feel welcome and comfortable," says Sue Woodbury, MBA, RD, manager of WIC for the OHA Public Health Division. "They can help their employees and patrons understand that breastfeeding is not just a lifestyle choice, but an important - and legally protected - health practice." WIC recommends businesses such as restaurants, pools and clinics provide training to their staff so they know not to interfere with breastfeeding mothers. Knowing about the law will help employees deal with any complaints from other patrons about a breastfeeding mother. They can simply inform them that Oregon law allows mothers to breastfeed in a public place. WIC, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, is designed to improve health outcomes and influence lifetime nutrition and health behaviors. Nutrition education is the cornerstone of the WIC program, which serves all 36 Oregon counties through 30 county health departments, two tribal organizations, one migrant health center and one Head Start organization. Medical experts agree that feeding an infant formula instead of breastfeeding increases a baby's risk of infections, diarrhea, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), obesity, diabetes, asthma, and childhood leukemia. Mothers who formula feed have greater risk of breast and ovarian cancers. They also are 10 to 15 percent more likely to have high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, and cardiovascular disease compared to mothers who breastfeed. Nationally, more than \$13 billion in health care costs could be saved each year by reducing barriers to breastfeeding, including harassment in public places. WIC distributes wallet cards to new mothers to educate them about their right to breastfeed in public. The card has a 211 number for community support listings, and directs mothers to the Oregon WIC breastfeeding webpage for information and the state Bureau of Labor and Industries to report problems regarding breastfeeding employee law. / TRANSPORTATION, DEVELOPMENT, SAFETY: The Beltline Highway weekend work zone will be between Highway 99 and the Northwest Expressway the next two weekends, 9 p.m. Friday until 5 a.m. Monday. Travelers should plan extra travel time and check TripCheck.com for detours and delays. This weekend (August 3-5), westbound Beltline travelers who are heading to the Eugene Airport, Junction City, and other points north will take Northwest Expressway to Irving Road to Oregon 99 to reach those destinations. Next weekend, work will be in the eastbound lanes. In the work zone, one lane of traffic flows in each direction on one side of Beltline. Traffic is separated by temporary plastic drums and the speed

limit is reduced to 40 mph. Closing sections of the road is safer for work crews and saves time. The closures allow multiple shifts of crews to work continuously through the weekend for 54 hours. When the road reopens it will be completely finished with new pavement and striping, saving several weeks of work in each area. Both directions of Beltline Highway between Roosevelt Boulevard and OR 99 were finished over the past two weekends. The remainder of the project between Northwest Expressway and Coburg Road is being paved overnight, Monday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. TripCheck is updated daily with construction locations and ramp closures. Travelers should know before you go and plan to adjust routes and travel times. Slow down, expect delays, and watch for crews in the work zone. The project began in late May and is scheduled to be completed by October. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, POLITICS: Attorneys general from 19 states and the District of Columbia say they'll go to court to stop a proposed White House rollback of vehicle mileage standards. Oregon is joining California, New York an others in signing a statement Thursday pledging legal action against the Trump administration's action on fuel efficiency. The state attorneys general says in a statement that relaxing the nation's mileage standards will make Americans "breathe dirtier air and pay higher prices at the pumps." The Trump administration says it wants to freeze mileage standards at 2020 levels. The administration argues that should make new cars cheaper, and get newer, safer cars on the roads more quickly. Citing safety, the Trump administration on Thursday proposed rolling back car-mileage standards, backing away from years of government efforts to cut Americans' trips to the gas station and reduce unhealthy, climate-changing tailpipe emissions. If the proposed rule becomes final, it could roil the auto industry as it prepares for new model years and weaken one of the federal government's chief weapons against climate change — regulating emissions from cars and other vehicles. The result, opponents say, will be dirtier air and more pollution-related illness and death. The proposal itself estimates it could cost tens of thousands of jobs - auto workers who deal with making vehicles more fuel efficient. The administration also said it wants to revoke an authority granted to California under the half-century-old Clean Air Act to set its own, tougher mileage standards. California and 16 other states already have filed suit to block any change in the fuel efficiency rules. The proposal would freeze U.S. mileage standards at levels mandated by the Obama administration for 2020, when the new vehicle fleet will be required to hit an average of 30 miles per gallon in real-world driving. The proposed change, halting further improvement requirements, stakes its case on consumer choice and on highway safety claims challenged by many transportation experts. The administration says waiving requirements for greater fuel efficiency would make cars and light trucks somewhat more affordable. And that, it said, would get vehicles with the latest technology into the hands of consumers more quickly. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: The Trump administration and the American Civil Liberties Union are proposing widely divergent plans on how to reunite hundreds of children with their deported parents after being separated at the U.S.-Mexico border. The administration puts the onus on the ACLU in a court filing Thursday in San Diego, asking that the organization use its "considerable resources" to find parents in their home countries. It says the State Department has begun talks with foreign governments on how the Trump administration may assist. The ACLU. which has sued on behalf of separated parents, calls for the administration to take

"significant and prompt steps" to find the parents on their own. As of July 26, 431 children were in U.S. custody whose parents were outside the country. / MILITARY, FAMILY: A U.S. government scientist who has seen the contents of 55 boxes of remains turned over by North Korea says the remains are "consistent with being Americans." John E. Byrd, director of the laboratory in Hawaii that is working on identification of the remains, told reporters at the Pentagon on Thursday that it is too early to know how many people are represented in the remains. Byrd says the bones appear to have been preserved from the Korean War era of 1950-53, and military equipment such as canteens and boots that were provided along with the remains are consistent with that used by U.S. forces. Byrd says the only identification item provided by the North Koreans was a single military ID tag. He says that person's family has been notified. /

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CRIME: Eugene Police investigators say over the past few weeks you've probably received a scam phone call. Here's a list of the types of scams that have recently been reported: Publisher's Clearing House: They never call winners and you certainly can't win if you don't enter. IRS: They don't call either. If you think you owe taxes, contact IRS independently through a number you have verified. Costco Travel Voucher: It's not Costco calling. They don't offer free travel vouchers. Vague Government Agency: With "serious matters pressed against you" and threatening arrest by "local police'. No government or law enforcement agency will call you in this manner. Grandparent Scam: "Hi Grandma, I've been arrested". Call a friend or family member to check this out. Better yet, just hang up! In all these cases, there has been a threat, a need to act urgently or a promise of wealth. Resist the urge to act immediately and independently verify if you have concerns. Better yet, just hang up! Everyone who called the Crime Prevention Unit over the past few weeks to report these phone calls had enough awareness to not lose money. These considerate members of the community and EPD want to make you aware of the types of scam phone calls you might receive so that you can also avoid fraud and not become a victim. / SAFETY. TRANSPORTATION. TERRORISM: After the spectacular theft of a 76-seat plane from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport by a ground crew employee, authorities there are talking to counterparts around the country about how to prevent such insider security breaches. Port of Seattle Commissioner Courtney Gregoire said Monday that what happened was "truly a one-in-a-million experience," but added "that doesn't mean we can't learn from it." Seattle-Tacoma International Airport has some of the tightest security in the nation for airport and ground crew workers, including background checks, screening of their bags and fingerprinting. But there's now talk of adding occasional psychological screenings and more. Calling himself "a broken guy," a 29-year-old Horizon Airlines employee stole an empty Bombardier Q400 turboprop Friday night and flew loops and rolls before he was killed in a crash on a remote island outside Seattle. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A 44-yearold man drowned Sunday afternoon while swimming at Fern Ridge Reservoir. Lane County Sheriff's officials say Kenneth Lance Hill died while swimming with a woman and two juveniles. Lane County Marine Deputies were on patrol when they received the call of four people in the water near their boat. Deputies got the two juveniles onto the boat and rescued the two adults but said Hill was unresponsive. Emergency medical crews met the Marine Patrol at Orchard Point Park and attempted to revive Hill for the next hour but he did not recover. ; Searchers in

Douglas County returned to Toketee Falls yesterday to continue the search for a California man whom witnesses said fell from above the falls on Sunday afternoon. The man has been identified as 23-year-old Brian Lewinstein of Berkeley, California. His family has been notified. Investigators say Lewinstein crossed a safety fence shortly after 2:30 Sunday afternoon to take a photograph from above the falls when he slipped and fell down the steep embankment. Search crews say, given the terrain, the recovery mission is a complex one. / SAFETY: One person is dead and another injured after a late-night crash off Dillard Road near Brightstar Lane. Lane County Sheriff's investigators say it happened sometime before 2:00 a.m. when the vehicle carrying two men crashed, then caught fire. Sheriff's deputies say the vehicle was fully engulfed as fire and emergency medical crews from Creswell, Goshen and Pleasant Hill responded with them to the scene. As fire units worked to control the vehicle fire and the surrounding brush off the roadway, deputies contacted one of the vehicle's occupants who had burns to his lower extremities. He was hospitalized. A second man was located deceased in the vehicle. The men's identities are not being released until relatives are notified. The investigation is continuing with the assistance of the Oregon State Police Crash Reconstruction Team. Investigators say alcohol might be a contributing factor to the crash. ; Lane County Sheriff's investigators have released the name of Eugene man who died in a single-vehicle accident Saturday morning near the intersection of Highway 36 and Highway 99, south of Junction City. Officials say they believe it happened when the vehicle driven by 82-year-old James Allen Guse slowly drifted off the road and crashed into a concrete bridge pillar. The vehicle caught fire after the crash. / ECONOMY: The number of visitors staying in a hotel or rental home on the Oregon Coast dipped slightly last year, but overall spending grew to nearly \$2 billion. Many hotel operators say they haven't really noticed the slight decline in bookings and add that they consider 2017 was an exceptionally good year. The Daily Astorian is reporting that's, in part, because of higher room and transportation costs and travelers who are choosing to stay longer. The findings are drawn from a recent Oregon Travel Impact study. The report shows tourism spending has increased 2.2 percent overall, while bookings for hotels and rentals dropped 1.3 percent. Analysts say daytrippers might be making up for some of the loss of overnight visitors and that more coastal visitors might be dining at restaurants and spending money at stores—helping to offset any declines in lodging. At the same time, the coast has seen the number of international visitors increase by 5.9 percent in recent years. Those travelers tend to stay longer and spend more, Travel Oregon and the Oregon Coast Visitors Association are working to attract more overnight visitors to the coast in the offseason. / COMMUNITY: Lane County Waste Management is hosting a free plastics roundup for clean #2, #4 and #5 (Polyethylene and Polypropylene) tubs, jugs, bottles, lids and beverage handles at Glenwood Transfer Station on Sunday, September 30. Collected plastics will be taken to Denton Plastics and made into resin that can be used in new products. The resin from recycled plastics is used to make products such as park benches and decking, flower pots, and electronic component parts. Residents are encouraged to collect #2, #4 and #5 plastics that are CLEAN, free of debris and sorted by resin identification code (chasing arrow number). Any contamination (wood, dirt, rocks, metal, food, etc.) can damage the equipment that processes plastics. If there is no resin identification symbol or number on the plastic

materials, it will not be accepted. This event is in response to recent changes in the international recycling market that have driven changes in recycling rules throughout Lane County, including prohibiting tubs in the commingle mix. During this uncertainty, Lane County Waste Management will continue to encourage recycling as much as possible. These challenges present an opportunity to develop long-term plans to strengthen local processing capacity, identify and grow new markets, reduce contamination and deepen partnerships. / POLITICS, HOMELESS: The Oregonian and OregonLive is reporting that the Republican candidate for governor, Knute Buehler, released a seven-point plan to combat homelessness during a Monday news conference in Portland. Buehler is promising to lead with compassion and a little tough love if he's elected, along with his plan that he says will solve homelessness. Buehler is a state representative and orthopedic surgeon from Bend. He says he would hiring a "chief homeless solutions officer" to coordinate efforts and holding a summit in December to identify solutions to end "unsheltered homelessness" in five years. Buehler also would seek changes in state and federal rules to allow Oregon to spend Medicaid funds to provide more physical and mental health services, as well as addiction treatment, to people living in shelters and supportive housing. He would ask the Legislature to approve \$10 million in the state's next two-year budget cycle for a grant program that would also rely on federal, local government, nonprofit and private funding to build 4,000 additional temporary shelter beds and 4,000 supportive housing beds. And he says he would back legislation that would allow cities and counties to pass so-called "sit-lie" ordinances, which allow local law enforcement to remove people who are sitting or lying on public sidewalks. Those ordinances have been challenged in court in many cities.

Other elements of Buehler's plan include encouraging the Legislature to approve \$10 million a year in new rental assistance funds for working individuals and families. He also proposes offering some state lands and coax local governments into using their zoning, land use regulations and other tools, with the goal of adding 20,000 new units of housing targeted at low- to middle-income renters and buyers.

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SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Commuting over Eugene's 30th Avenue Hill this morning? You'll notice a stretch of blackened grass and some burned trees near the Spring Boulevard exit. There was a grass fire yesterday just before 4:00 p.m. that prompted some quick action to contain. Crews battled several small fires in the area and closed 30th Avenue for close to an hour. There were no evacuations. The cause of the blazes remains under investigation. / COMMUNITY, BUSINESS: Online registration reopens today for the 2019 Eugene Marathon. And if you're planning to take part in the event, just a quick operational note: Since Hayward Field has been demolished and the new track and field venue is under construction at the University of Oregon, the marathon will start and finish at Autzen Stadium—with some reworking of the course to accommodate the shift. Eugene Marathon weekend is Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 26, 27 and 28. The events and festivities feature full and half marathons, a 5k and the Kids' Duck Dash. / IMMIGRATION, CRIME, POLITICS: Federal officers arrested six people at the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility in southwest Portland. KGW-TV reports that the arrests came as a group of clergy and others marched to building Tuesday morning and blocked a driveway. The group sought a meeting with the regional ICE director and the release of more than 100 asylum seekers who are being held at a federal prison in Sheridan, Oregon. Authorities arrested three people during a similar clergy protest action last week. The arrests come three weeks after a 38-day, round-the-clock protest came to an end outside the facility. Unlike last week, the protesters were not handcuffed in public, but were taken inside the ICE building and arrested. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: Publichealth officials are warning of unhealthy air across parts of the Pacific Northwest as smoke from wildfires move across the region. Nearly 600 wildfires are burning across British Columbia, sending smoke and haze into Washington state. Several agencies in Puget Sound say air quality was at unhealthy levels for children, the elderly and other sensitive groups Tuesday. In Spokane, officials say air quality could reach the unhealthy range Tuesday and Wednesday. In Oregon, fires in Washington state and in the southern part of the state are also causing smoky, hazy conditions. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality on Tuesday issued several air quality advisories. It says air quality was unhealthy in the Portland region, as well as in areas including Pendleton, Grants Pass, Medford and Pendleton. / ECONOMY: Oregon analysts say the state's unemployment rate for July was the lowest in 42 years of keeping comparable records. The state reported Tuesday that the July rate was 3.9 percent, a slight dip from June's rate

of 4.0 percent. That's the lowest rate since 1976. The U.S. unemployment rate exactly matched Oregon's rate in both months. During the past two years, Oregon's unemployment rate has been remarkably low and steady. The rate was either 4.1 percent or 4.2 percent each month stretching from January 2017 to May 2018. In July, Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment rose by 5,400 jobs, following a revised over-the-month gain of 6,600 jobs in June. Monthly job gains were concentrated in retail trade, construction and health care and social assistance. / SAFETY: Oregon State Police have released the name of the victims of Monday afternoon's fatal crash on territorial Road north of Elmira. They say a white 2004 Cadillac sedan driven by 85-year-old Gina Laracy of Salem was traveling south when, for an unknown reason, it left the roadway and struck a tree. The vehicle's airbags failed to deploy. Officials say Laracy died from her injuries. Her passenger, 36-year-old Jeffrey Jones of Salem, was hospitalized for his injuries. / TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT: It was a December accident that closed a stretch of Oregon Highway 22 in the mountains east of Salem for weeks, then restricted traffic for months after that. Now, eight months later, crews have finished the environmental cleanup of 10,000 gallons of unleaded gasoline spilled in Santiam Canyon east of Idahna following the winter crash of a tanker truck. Workers took care of most of the spill during the winter but challenging terrain meant some of the tainted soil could not be replaced until this month. / EDUCATION, AGRICULTURE: A new face at the heim of Oregon State University's College of Agricultural Sciences. OSU has hired Alan Sams as the new dean. Sams has helped expand prominent agricultural programs at both Texas A&M and Clemson universities. He'll also serve as director of the Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station at OSU. He succeeds Dan Arp, who is retiring after six years as dean. Sams will begin his new duties at Oregon State on Oct. 31. As associate dean at Texas A&M's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for the past nine years, Sams helped coordinate programs and research involving 350 faculty, 7,800 students and a budget of more than \$69 million. At Oregon State, Sams will oversee a college that has more than 2,600 students, 250 faculty and \$90 million in research expenditures, and that has been ranked among the top agricultural programs in the world. The college offers 13 undergraduate and graduate degree programs and works closely with agencies including U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Science Foundation, U.S. Forest Service. National Institutes of Health, U.S. Agency for International Development. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Navy and others. / CRIME, VETERANS: The Douglas County Sheriff's Office is seeking tips that will lead to the arrest of two men responsible for burglarizing the home of a deceased war hero. It happened on July 22, when deputies were called to the Glide area to investigate a burglary former home of the late Marion Carl, a Retired Major General in the Marine Corps. In 1998, Major General Carl was murdered inside of his residence during a home invasion robbery. His family still owns the home and it housed personal items and memorabilia belonging to Major General Carl. Marion Carl saw action in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. He was the recipient of numerous medals including the Navy Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross, Legion of Merit, Air Medal amongst others, and had 18.5 enemy kills to his credit while flying combat missions. He was later a test pilot, who flew with other notable veterans such as General Chuck Yeager. The airport in Roseburg is named after him. Deputies say the burgiars stole knives, ammunition, fishing gear, and Major General Carl's

campaign ribbons. In recent weeks, investigators say they've developed information on persons who were connected to the burglary and gone to two separate residences in the Glide area to contact persons of interest, arresting three suspects and recovering evidence related to the burglary, as well as the stolen fishing gear. But Major General Carl's campaign ribbons and knives were not recovered. Sheriff's deputies say they're looking for the lead suspect in the case, 41-year-old Soren Sorensen of Glide and a second male known only to them as "Matt". Know where to find them or the location of the stolen military memorabilia? Contact the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: Now that plastic straws are being phased out at many restaurants and fast food places, might Americans' love of balloons be deflated? Unlike plastic straws, balloons are considered a very small part of overall environmental pollution. The joyous releasing of balloons at various parties and events has long bothered environmentalists, who say the pieces that fall back to earth can be deadly to seabirds and turtles-who sometimes mistake them for jellyfish and eat them. This year, college football powerhouse Clemson is ending its tradition of releasing 10,000 balloons before games. In Virginia, a campaign that urges alternatives to balloon releases at weddings is expanding. And a town in Rhode Island outright banned the sale of all balloons earlier this year, citing the harm to marine life. Those behind the moves say there are plenty of alternatives to balloons, including posters, piñatas and decorated paper. Already, a few states restrict balloon releases to some extent, according to the Balloon Council. including guidelines to keep them weighted and tethered so there are never uncontrolled releases into the air. /

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ENVIRONMENT: The National Weather Service in Portland has posted a Fire Weather Watch for Thursday afternoon and evening on the Willamette National Forest. Isolated thunderstorms will develop Thursday afternoon, continuing into this evening. Any storms that develop will be prolific lightning producers. Any rainfall will be spotty, with wetting rains unlikely. Any thunderstorms will produce very gusty and erratic winds, potentially gusting up to 35 mph. Frequent lightning and critically dry fuels might result in numerous fire starts. Thunderstorm winds might result in erratic fire spread. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: Unhealthy smoky air from wildfires is blanketing the Northwest. The National Weather Service says Washington state had the worst air quality in the country Wednesday. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality also said Wednesday that the air quality in Portland and Medford was unhealthy. The weather service says cleaner air will begin pushing onshore in the western part of Washington and Oregon on Wednesday night. / COMMUNITY, DISABILITIES, BUSINESS: Special Olympics of Oregon has canceled statewide athletic events and laid off about half its staff as it struggles through a financial crisis. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the organization's financial report for last year has not been finalized but it ended 2014, 2015 and 2016 with deficits. The most recent annual report from 2016 shows its expenses exceeded revenue by \$325,280. CEO Britt Carlson Oase. who was hired in June, says the organization's financial condition has worsened since the last report. The organization has implemented a spending freeze and "suspended the summer, fall and winter games." Oase says she has reached out to "some of the pillars of the community" for support. The organization operates athletic competitions for 14,000 athletes statewide and oversees 30 local volunteer organizations that offer sports training. / ENVIRONMENT: A wolf known as OR-7 that established the first gray wolf pack in western Oregon in six decades has sired at least one pup for his fifth consecutive year. Wildlife biologists said Wednesday that three wolf pups were captured frolicking in front of a remote camera set up in southwest Oregon by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The footage was captured in the Rogue-Siskiyou National Forest, just north of the California border. OR-7 made international headlines in 2011 when he traveled across Oregon and ventured into California, making him the first known wolf in that state since 1924. He returned to Oregon and has successfully reproduced each year since. One of his offspring has become the breeding male of the only known wolf pack in California.; The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says melting snow east of Bend has revealed the carcasses of 19 elk which it believes

were killed by an avalanche. The Bulletin reports hikers near No Name Lake and Broken Top mountain peak found the carcasses last week. Wildlife biologist Jamie Bowles says the dead elk included bulls, cows and calves. He says they were noticeably injured in the avalanche. The elks' bodies had broken limbs and antlers and torn hides. Their bodies were twisted and contorted. Biologists are not exactly sure when avalanche happened, but they suspect it occurred last summer after historic snowfall in the winter 2016-17. Bowles says all the elk will be left in place since it's unnecessary and dangerous to move them. / CRIME: A man suspected of fatally stabbing two passengers on a Portland light-rail train in 2017 has been charged with assaulting a black inmate behind bars. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Jeremy Christian was charged with assault in an incident July 29 that involved Aundre Dupree Mills in the Multnomah County jail. A criminal complaint provides no additional details. Lawyers for both men did not respond to calls seeking comment. Christian is facing aggravated murder charges after police and witnesses say he stabbed three people aboard a MAX train in May 2017 after they tried to intervene as Christian spewed anti-Muslim threats at two black teenage girls. Ricky Best and Taliesin Namkai-Meche died from their wounds. Christian has pleaded not guilty and told investigators he wasn't motivated by racism. Weeks before, Christian was seen at a right-wing rally making racist comments and delivering a Nazi salute. / HEALTH: If you quit smoking and gain weight, it might seem like you're trading one set of health problems for another. But a new U.S. study finds you're still better off in the long run. The Harvard-led study found that compared with smokers, even the quitters who gained the most weight had at least a 50 percent lower risk of dving prematurely from heart disease and other causes. The nicotine in cigarettes can suppress appetite and boost metabolism. Many people who guit find they eat more and gain weight. A lot of weight gain is a cause of the most common form of diabetes. The researchers tracked more than 170,000 men and women over roughly 20 years. The New England Journal of Medicine published the study Wednesday. / HEALTH, YOUTH, SAFETY: Perhaps adults should be giving teens more credit. New University of Oregon-led research finds most teenagers do have the sorts of internal behavioral brakes that help keep their risk-taking experiments in check. The study, by Atika Khurana and others-found that only a subset of teens - those with weak cognitive control - engage in excessive levels of impulsiveness, such as acting without thinking. But those young people are the ones who end up struggling with addictions or other behavioral problem as young adults. So the challenge is to figure out who they are early on and work with them on what's known as cognitive control and offer other prevention strategies to help them avoid problems such as substance abuse. The findings were published in the Journal of Youth and Adolescence. The researchers say the findings challenge traditional thinking that adolescence is a time of universal imbalance, with kids lacking cognitive control and taking risks to reap instant rewards. The study was funded by the National Institutes of Health. / DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION: With demolition completed and construction underway, the University of Oregon is moving forward with a community effort to determine how best to reuse materials salvaged from Historic Hayward Field. Many of the salvaged items will be used in the new 12,500-seat stadium, which is set to be completed in time for the USA Track and Field Olympic Trials in 2020. For most of the remaining materials, an advisory committee made up of campus and

community representatives is being formed to develop a process for distributing the items, which include seats, benches, signs and more. University officials say the salvaged materials are currently being stored and inventoried and categorized. It is anticipated that the construction team will determine which elements will be used within the new project by early 2019. The committee will include representatives from the Oregon and Lane County Historical Societies, the cities of Eugene and Springfield, Lane County, Travel Lane County, and U-of-O interests from the faculty, running club, track and field and special Collections and Archives. / EDUCATION: Voters in the Eugene School District will cast ballots in November on a bond issue to replace three aging schools, upgrade three more and provide funding for a range of maintenance, security and seismic improvements—as well replacements for some aging school buses. Members of the Eugene School Board last night forwarded the close to \$319 million bond measure to the fall ballot. If approved, the owner of a median-priced home would see an increase in Eugene School District taxes of close to \$11 per month. What would the bond measure contain? There would be money to replace the aging North Eugene High School with a smaller, 1,000-student building. The money would also pay for replacements for Edison Elementary and Camas Ridge Elementary. Targeted for additions and renovations are facilities at Gilham Elementary, Yujin Gakuen, Corridor, Chinese immersion, ECCO and the NATIVES program. There would be money to enhance school safety and security district-wide, as well as improve seismic safety in the school buildings. There would be upgrades to better provide Career and Technical Education and other Technology. And there would be money to replace a number of older school buses. / GOVERNMENT: Governor Kate Brown said yesterday she is appointing Eugene attorney Debra Velure to the Lane County Circuit Court. Velure will fill the vacancy created by Judge Karsten Rasmussen's retirement. The appointment is effective immediately. In a news release, the governor says Velure brings a wealth of civil litigation experience, an even-keeled approach, and a deep commitment to her community. Velure is a trial attorney in the Law Office of Julie Elkins, where she represents Farmers Insurance. During her twenty-five year legal career, Velure has litigated a wide range of matters, including personal injury cases, tort claims, complex business litigation, and employment law issues. She also served as a pro tem judge for the Lane County Circuit Court from 2014 to 2016. Debra Velure earned her bachelor's degree from Oregon State University, and her law degree from the University of Oregon. She is past president of Oregon Women Lawyers, was a member of the City of Eugene's Civilian Review Board, and currently serves on the Oregon State Bar's Local Disciplinary Board and Board of Accountancy. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: They know where he fell but they're not certain where he ended up. Douglas County Sheriff's officials say the search continued yesterday for 23-year-old Brian Lewinstein of Berkeley, California. Lewinstein is presumed dead after falling from a cliff above Toketee Falls on Sunday. Witnesses say he climbed over a safety fence to take a photograph at the top of the falls but slipped down a steep embankment. Search and Rescue personnel believe Lewinstein fell into the top pool of the falls. But they say there is a possibility he was washed down to the second pool or even into the North Umpqua River. Divers are unable to search the pools due to dangerous water conditions. / TRANSPORTATION, BUSINESS, DEVELOPMENT: The Register-Guard is reporting that after 78 years of picking up and dropping off passengers

from the East Tenth Avenue and Pearl Street depot in downtown Eugene, Greyhound is moving its buses to the Lane Transit District downtown Springfield station this fall. Reporter Elon Glucklich writes it's because the downtown Eugene building housing Greyhound has been put up for sale with a listed price of \$1.7 million, and the site might be demolished to make way for a large redevelopment project such as apartments. Greyhound officials say by moving operations to the Springfield LTD station they'll be able to retain access for Lane Transit passengers who use local buses to get to the Greyhound buses. The Register-Guard quotes LTD officials who say Greyhound began talks several years ago about shifting its buses to Lane Transit's downtown Eugene location but that the bus bays were so busy LTD officials couldn't figure out how to make it work. Negotiations for the Springfield move began about two years ago. Greyhound's Springfield lease starts Sept. 1, but the transit company won't move service there until it renovates a roughly 400-square-foot retail space in the adjacent LTD building to create ticket counter and small lobby. / SAFETY, HEALTH: Marsee Foods, the company that provides popular cookies to Cafe Yumm restaurants is recalling the chocolate chip, ginger spice, and oatmeal raisin cookies sold at those locations between August 9th through 15th. Marsee Baking officials say the cookies might contain undeclared peanuts—which can trigger a life-threatening reaction in those who are allergic. If you do not have a peanut allergy, the cookies are safe to consume. The cookies are prepared as both a chocolate-dipped and undipped version and are served on a plate for dine-in restaurant guests or offered in a pastry bag for take-out orders. The affected cookies are not labeled and do not bear any lot codes. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Two nights, two construction zones, one flagger killed and one seriously injured. The common factor - people are putting themselves on the line to protect travelers and employees in the work zone. Wednesday night, a work zone flagger on Oregon Highway 99-West was hit and seriously injured at a project midway between Corvallis and Monmouth. The night before, a fatal crash occurred in a work zone in Eastern Oregon near the Umatilla County city of Athena. Oregon Department of Transportation officials say they are tremendously saddened. Their thoughts are with the fallen and injured workers and their families. They say it is a sad reminder that safety should be drivers' first priority on the road so everyone gets home safe. Please travel safely in work zones. Give driving your complete attention, especially in the transition zone before the work area. An inattentive driver is the most common cause of work zone crashes. Orange is your clue! Pay attention when you see orange signs, barrels, cones and barricades. Obey all speed signs, because speed may be reduced for your safety and the safety of workers. Work zone traffic lanes often are narrow, without shoulders or emergency lanes. When possible, move over to give workers more room between them and your vehicle. Expect delays -- plan for them and leave early so you can drive safely through the work zone. Know before you go! Call 511 or visit www.TripCheck.com to check routes, work zones and road and weather conditions before you head out. ; Eugene Police this week unveiled their newest tool against speedsters: A pair of new radar-enforcement trailers. They're small enough to tow to various neighborhood streets but large enough that all but the most distracted drivers can't miss them. The trailers record your speed and display it for you in large numbers to let you know to slow downnow. Eugene Police Traffic Enforcement teams will be able to download each day's data to get a sense of how much drivers are breaking the law and whether it happens more during certain times of day. If you blow by one of the radar trailers, you won't be sent a ticket. But the data on passing traffic will make it easier for Eugene Police to figure out where to place speed enforcement officers in the following days and weeks. So consider this fair warning. The radar trailers will be deployed on request, meaning neighbors unhappy about people speeding past their homes and playgrounds may contact Eugene Police to get on the list for a visit by one of the radar trailers. The trailers are made by an Arizona company. Cost for the two, including shipping, was \$13,000. The Eugene Police Traffic Enforcement Unit number is 541-682-5157. / HEALTH: Lane County Public Health officials say a bat found in a Cottage Grove-area home has tested positive for

rabies. They say it underscores the importance of avoiding contact with stray animals and wildlife and ensuring all pets are up-to-date on their vaccinations. A resident of the rural Cottage Grove area discovered a bat, which was sent to the Oregon State University Veterinarian Laboratory for testing. Oregon Health Authority experts say bats are the most common carriers of rabies in this state. Experts say they receive positive results for rabies in about ten percent of the bats tested each year. Ten bats have tested positive for rabies so far this year in Oregon-including this first positive case for 2018 in Lane County. If you find a bat, stray animal or other wildlife outside on your property, take children and pets indoors and call the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife at (866) 968-2600. If you spot one inside your home, public health officials advise taking extreme precautions before attempting to handle it. If it is necessary to pick up a bat, it is best to wear heavy gloves and use a shovel to handle it. I'm assuming that's to pick it up and not to swing at it. In the event of bat contact such as a bite or scratch, an attempt should be made to safely capture the bat for testing for the rabies virus. Try to collect the bat without destroying the head and keep the dead bat in a cool place. After any bat bites or scratches, immediately seek medical attention and report the incident to Lane County Environmental Health at (541) 682-4480. / COMMUNITY, HEALTH: The Eugene Family YMCA is moving onestep closer to starting construction on its planned new facility. "Y" officials say they're making their first significant payment—more than 700-thousand dollars on the Eugene School District property this week and are exercising their second option to purchase the former site of Roosevelt Middle School. The Eugene Family YMCA plans to build a 65,000 square foot-facility at the site, near 24th and Hilyard Streets. The current YMCA building on Patterson Street, across the street from South Eugene High School, was built in 1955 to serve a 1950's community that numbered fewer than 50,000 people. The population has grown in the past six decades and so has the Y. Officials say they served 14,700 people last year from across Lane County at their current location on Patterson Street, across from South Eugene High School. They say the Eugene Family YMCA is the largest afterschool childcare provider in Lane County, with 17 afterschool programs throughout the 4J District. And the YMCA has expanded its health and wellness programs beyond basic fitness, including comprehensive efforts to help those battling obesity, living with diabetes or recovering from cancer. Sunday morning at 6:30 a.m. on "Community Forum," we're taking a closer look at the Livestrong at the YMCA support group, which offers a range of services to cancer survivors. That's right here on New Country 93.3—or stream us at www.kknu.fm / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: The Trump administration is pledging to work more closely with state and local officials to prevent wildfires and fight those choking Oregon, Washington, California and other western states. But there's no promise of additional funding. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue says officials are targeting wide swaths of land — including cutting down small trees and underbrush and setting controlled fires — to reduce the frequency and severity of fires now burning across the western United States. Perdue, who toured the California fires this week, said at a news conference Thursday the new effort will strengthen stewardship of public and private lands throughout the West. California and other states face longer and more destructive wildfire seasons because of drought, warmer weather attributed to climate change and homes built deeper into forests. Yosemite National Park's scenic valley reopened Tuesday after a 20-day

closure because of smoke.; U.S. Senator Ron Wyden said the current crisis underscores the importance of preventing wildfires. The Oregon Democrat said yesterday, quote, "It is unacceptable to me to have Northwest seniors and young people being afraid to open their doors in the morning because they are afraid of smoke." Congress earlier this year created a wildfire disaster fund to help combat increasingly severe wildfires. The law sets aside more than \$20 billion over eight years to allow the Forest Service and other federal agencies to end a practice of raiding non-fire-related accounts to cover wildfire costs. The plan takes effect in October 2019. / ENVIRONMENT: With the Pacific Northwest's killer whales struggling, an environmental group is suing to force President Trump's administration to expand protected habitat to help them recover. The Tucson, Arizona-based Center for Biological Diversity filed the lawsuit Thursday in U.S. District Court in Seattle. It says the National Marine Fisheries Service has failed to act on the organization's petition to expand habitat protections to the orcas' foraging and migration areas off the coasts of Washington, Oregon and California - even though the agency agreed in 2015 that such a move was necessary. The center says the protections would help reduce water pollution and restrict vessel traffic that can interfere with the animals. Michael Milstein, a spokesman for the fisheries service, says the agency agrees protecting the endangered orcas that return to Puget Sound every year is an urgent priority. / HEALTH: U.S. health officials have approved a new generic version of EpiPen, the emergency allergy medication. The Food and Drug Administration's action Thursday opens the door to more competition for a drug that has faced public outrage over its price tag. The injections are stocked by schools and parents to treat allergic reactions to food and bug bites. The new generic version will be sold by Teva Pharmaceuticals. EpiPen maker Mylan has dominated the \$1 billion market for two decades. Competing shots are not widely marketed or prescribed by doctors. In 2016, Congress blasted Mylan for raising the price to \$600, a five-fold increase over nearly a decade. The company responded by launching its own lower-cost generic version for \$300. /

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COMMUNITY, HEALTH: Eugene's ordinance expanding smoke-free areas to sidewalks, medians and alleys in a 12-block downtown core will take effect this Friday, August 24. Property owners within the area have the option to opt areas adjacent to their property out of the ordinance, and places of employment outside of the downtown core may "opt-in" to create smoke-free public rights-of-way next to their properties. Tobacco is the leading cause of preventable death in Lane County and each year over 700 people die from tobacco-related illnesses. In Oregon, an additional 600 deaths are caused by secondhand smoke each year. Smoke-free public spaces have been shown to: Create a healthy and welcoming space for residents and visitors; Reduce exposure of children and youth to smoking and tobacco use, protecting their health and discouraging them from starting a potential lifelong addiction that is harder to guit the earlier it is started; Support individuals who are trying to quit smoking or tobacco use or have already quit ;Protect public spaces from environmental degradation caused by littering of cigarette butts. Cigarette butts are the biggest form of litter worldwide, release toxicants into the environment, and take approximately 10 years to decompose: Protect parks and natural areas from fire risks. The use of any smoking instrument or device, including e-cigarettes and vaporizers, will be prohibited in public spaces within the downtown core, unless a private establishment has chosen to opt-out of the rule. Public spaces include the sidewalks, alleys and cityowned right-of-way. It does not include privately owned areas like outdoor patios or parking lots. If a place of employment outside of the downtown core would like to make the public spaces immediately adjacent to their property smoke-free, the property owner may request to do so. This would prohibit using any smoking instrument or device immediately adjacent to their property. Applications to opt-in or out of the ordinance are available online at: www.eugene-or.gov/smokefree. As the new rule begins, the focus will be on informing and educating community members and visitors about the rule and providing cessation information if interested. The education effort also includes informational flyers, new signs in the downtown core, a smoke-free expansion webpage, and outreach to downtown businesses. City employees such as the Downtown Ambassadors will also help share the information with visitors. Cities such as Ashland, Oregon, McMinnville, Oregon, Boulder, Colorado, Fort Collins, Colorado, and Boise, Idaho, have passed ordinances creating smoke-free outdoor areas in their city centers and downtowns. In 2016, all City of Eugene parks and open spaces became smokefree. In January, 2017, Lane County acted to make all 73 county parks and open

spaces smoke and tobacco-free. / CRIME: Springfield Police are calling it a shocking incident. They say they've arrested a 46-year-old man Felony Hit & Run after witnesses said he ran over his 38-year-old girlfriend and left the scene. It happened late yesterday morning in the Bi-Mart parking lot in the 5700 block of Main Street. Officers found the woman lying in the parking lot after witnesses said she was in a dispute with the driver of a truck and camp-trailer. The woman, whose name has not been released, suffered serious injuries and was rushed to the hospital after having been run over by both wheels of the tandem-axel camptrailer. One witness briefly chased the vehicle on foot as the man behind drove away. Officers located the suspect's vehicle parked in a cul-de-sac behind the Splash! At Lively Park swimming pool on Thurston Road. They say the driver, identified as Gregory Ivan Reich, was behind the wheel and on the phone when he was contacted by police. Investigators believe Reich and the woman have been living together as boyfriend and girlfriend in the camp trailer. Police are asking that anyone with information about the incident call Detective Justin Myers at the Springfield Police Department at 541.726.3714.; Linn County authorities say a black teenager was assaulted at a country music festival after he criticized a Confederate flag three men were waving. Sheriff Jim Yon said Monday that the men were driving through the camping area of the Willamette Country Music Festival in Brownsville waving the flag from a newer-model black Ford truck when the 18-year-old victim spoke out. One of the men got out and hit the victim several times before fleeing. He has not been found. The victim was treated for non-life threatening injuries. Linn County Sheriff's investigators are determining whether the incident qualifies as a hate crime. The suspect had dark hair and was wearing jeans, a black muscle shirt with the sides cut, brown boots and a black cowboy hat. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: A new wildfire burning near Cougar Reservoir is sending smoke into the upper McKenzie Valley. The blaze, which started near Terwilliger Hot Springs, has scorched 125 acres.; With air quality expected to decline this week, Lane County Public Health advises residents to take special considerations: Individuals who have preexisting lung conditions or who are very young or very old are advised to stay indoors if possible and close windows and doors. During periods of poor air quality, everyone is encouraged to avoid strenuous outdoor activity. People exposed to smoky conditions and who suffer from asthma or other respiratory problems should follow their breathing management plans or contact their healthcare providers. Use high efficiency particulate air filters (HEPA filters) or electrostatic precipitator filters (ESP filters) if you can. These can help clean indoor air. The most effective way people can protect themselves is to limit exposure by staying indoors and limiting outdoor activities. People who must be outdoors may be considering the use of masks to help protect their lungs from wildfire smoke. Masks can create a false sense of security if not properly selected, fitted and used. Here are a few things you should know if you are considering the use of a mask: Surgical masks and bandanas don't filter the fine smoke particles that can affect your health. The type of masks that may offer protection are those with a specific type of respirator (P100 or N95). These respirators are not designed for children and are not made in children's sizes. Anyone choosing to wear a P100 or N95 respirator should receive a professional fit-test to ensure its effectiveness. If the respirator does not fit correctly or does not have a good seal, people may think they are protected when they are not. This false sense of security may lead to people taking on activities

that continue to expose them to smoke.; Interesting reminder about wildfire smoke, worsening air quality and health in The Seattle Times. It talks about how this heavy haze is not just an issue for humans, but for animals ranging from asthmatic pugs to livestock. You might not be able to bring your horses, cows. sheep and goats indoors, but if you can keep your cats and dogs inside in cooler, cleaner air, you can head off potential health problems. People who've walked their dogs the past few days often notice their pets are more tired than usual, which can be the result of the poor air quality. Veterinarians say pet owners should look for any signs of breathing trouble, coughing or pawing at the eyes and nose. Persistent breathing problems might indicate it's worth calling your vet and possibly scheduling a visit. Wildfire smoke particulates also can irritate your pet's skin, so if you see them fidgeting, rolling or scratching more than usual, a cold bath might help. As one vet remarked: "Resist the temptation to throw the ball around too much until things clear up." / SAFETY, CRIME: A federal judge hearing arguments over a settlement that allows a company to post online plans for printing 3D guns said the overall issue of such untraceable plastic weapons should be decided by the president or Congress. U.S. District Judge Robert Lasnik said Tuesday that he'll rule on the legal issues involving the settlement between the company and the Trump administration. He added, however, that "a solution to the greater problem is so much better suited" to the president or Congress. Lasnik previously issued a restraining order blocking the online release of the plans. Nineteen states, including Oregon, and the District of Columbia want the judge to make it permanent. Washington state Assistant Attorney General Jeff Rupert argued that the government's decision to allow Texas-based Defense Distributed to post the 3D gun plans threatens public safety and should be reversed. A lawyer for the U.S. Justice Department disagreed, saying it is already illegal to possess plastic guns and the government is fully committed to enforcing that law. He argued that the states are focused on the wrong statute. Lasnik repeatedly questioned that logic, asking how the government can be vigorously enforcing a law banning plastic, undetectable guns but not proactively stopping them from being made. / SAFETY: Authorities say a pilot was injured when his small plane crashed at the site of a recently-held country music festival south of Salem near Brownsville. Linn County Sheriff's deputies responded to the crash Monday and found that a single passenger experimental airplane had crashed into some temporary fencing where a festival beer garden had been. 69-year-old John Loomis of Eugene told authorities he was taking photos of the area and the Willamette Country Music Festival site. Loomis was taken by ambulance to a Springfield hospital with minor lacerations and back pain. / BUSINESS. AGRICULTURE, FAMILY: An Oregon program will honor the state's oldest farms in continuous operation at a ceremony this weekend, including two farms that have been tilled for 150 years. The awards reported on by the Capital Press also include a dozen farming operations that are a century old. The farms to be honored are located all over the state, from populous Multnomah County to rural areas in Umatilla and Wasco counties. One farm in Saint Paul was founded in 1852 — seven years before Oregon became a state. Mullen Farms is now run by the great-great grandson of one of the farm's founders. The 1,300-acre farm now grows seed crops and hazelnuts. The Oregon Century Farm and Ranch Program is administered by the Oregon Farm Bureau Foundation for Education. / ENVIRONMENT: Oregon agencies are holding a series of public meetings on

measures aimed at reducing wildfire smoke by increasing controlled burns during non-fire seasons. The Mail Tribune reports the state forestry and environmental quality departments will hold a meeting next week in Medford, which has recorded 23 unhealthy air quality days because of smoke this summer. The state is seeking feedback on rules that would make it easier to conduct controlled burns as a way of reducing the threat of major wildfires. The burns would still be required to follow certain state and federal air quality standards. Meetings are also planned for Bend, Klamath Falls, LaGrande and Eugene — cities often affected by wildfire smoke. State officials hope to have the proposed rules in place by spring 2019.; An earthquake and aftershock have been reported off the coast of south-central Oregon. The United States Geological Survey says quake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.2 struck just after 1:30 a.m. more than 170 miles west of Coos Bay. About two hours later, an aftershock with a preliminary magnitude of 3.5 struck the area.

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MILITARY: The 41st Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT), Oregon Army National Guard, has received notification for approximately 2,400 Soldiers to potentially mobilize overseas. This mobilization will likely start in the fall and winter of 2019. Potential locations for the deployment include the Middle East, Africa, and/or Eastern Europe. There will be more information available once an alert order is received closer to the actual deployment. The 41st IBCT is made up of battalions from Oregon, Washington and New Mexico. All subordinate battalions will most likely be represented in this mobilization, but as of now, specific units have not been formally identified. The 41st IBCT recently completed their brigade field training exercise, known as eXportable Combat Training Capability (XCTC). The training exercise prepares the brigade for supporting federal mobilizations such as this. "We have been training for this type of deployment with our culminating event of XCTC, where the 41st as a whole has superbly performed from the brigade to the platoon level," said Col. Eric Riley, brigade commander of the 41st IBCT. "The 41st Brigade has been assigned this mobilization and will answer the call to serve, just as it has since World War I. It's an honor to serve in this historic brigade with such a rich history." The history of the 41st Brigade can be traced back to 1917 when the 41st Infantry Division was created for service in World War I, comprising National Guard units from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. The 41st Infantry Division was the longest deployed division during World War II, serving in the Pacific. Elements of the 41st Infantry Brigade have served in Saudi Arabia, the Sinai, Kuwait, Bosnia, Iraq and Afghanistan. The brigade deployed a large contingent known as Task Force Phoenix to Afghanistan in 2006 and again deployed the entire brigade to Iraq in 2009. The most recent overseas deployment of the 41st IBCT was in 2014-2015 to Afghanistan. The National Guard is an operational force with a duel mission of serving both at home and abroad. The 41st IBCT is trained and ready for any mission. Support from families, loved ones, and employers make it possible for us to serve our communities, state and nation. / ENVIRNMENT, SAFETY: One Lane County fire task force is on its way and a second leaves this afternoon. Authorities say a new wildfire in southwestern Oregon has prompted mandatory evacuations and an emergency conflagration declaration. The Mail Tribune reports a fire erupted Wednesday afternoon north of Medford near Gold Hill. The Ramsey Canyon fire is burning around Hull Mountain south of the Garner fire, which has been 85 percent contained after burning through about 14 square miles. Governor Kate Brown on Wednesday night approved an emergency conflagration declaration for the fire. At

the time of the declaration, the governor's office said up to 200 homes were threatened, with some of those residents under mandatory evacuation orders. The Governor's declaration authorizes the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal to mobilize additional help for local crews battling the fire. The crews with the Lane County and other task forces are trained to protect homes and other structures, leaving the wildland firefighters to attack the blaze itself.; A big increase in the size of the Terwillger Fire, which is burning about five miles southeast of Blue River on both sides of Cougar Reservoir. The blaze has grown in size from 125 acres on Tuesday to more than 1,200 acres on Wednesday and now more than 32-hundred acres this morning. It started off the trail to Terwilliger Hot springs and the cause is under investigation. The blaze is burning north of the French Pete Drainage and is so far not threatening that wilderness area. / CRIME: An Oregon man convicted of sexually abusing a foster child in his care was sentenced to nearly 94 years in prison. The Register-Guard reports 45-year-old Joe Albert Raygosa was sentenced Wednesday in Lane County Circuit Court after he was found guilty of 12 sex crimes against a child. The 10-year-old girl reported the abuse that occurred between July 2016 and July 2017 after she was placed with a new foster family. Raygosa was arrested in Lawton, Oklahoma, in March after fleeing Junction City with his family when authorities sought to question him about the abuse. Defense attorney John Kolego told the court that Raygoso continues to assert his innocence and intends to appeal his conviction. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: Oregon has issued \$43,200 in fines to a Seattle-based seafood company after environmental regulators found wastewater violations at its surimi factory in Newport. The Statesman Journals reports the recent fine is the third time since 2015 the state Department of Environmental Quality has fined Trident Seafoods for polluting Yaquina Bay. The factory, which processes fish into imitation crab meat, is allowed to discharge a certain amount of treated fishprocessing wastewater into the bay. According to the department's penalty order, the company exceeded the limits of various pollutant amounts dozens of times between July and October 2017. Plant manager Bill Olivera did not respond to the newspaper's request for comment. Department spokeswoman Katherine Benenati says the agency doesn't anticipate finding additional violations because the facility is under new ownership. / IMMIGRATION, POLITICS: The American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon says eight of more than 100 asylum seekers who were locked up by the Trump administration in a federal prison in Oregon have been released. More detained immigrants are expected to be released on bond in coming days from the prison in Sheridan, northwest of Salem. Most of the asylum seekers, held at the prison since late May, say they faced risks in their home countries, including India, Nepal, Guatemala, Mexico and China. The ACLU of Oregon scheduled a news conference for later Wednesday in Portland where five of the men will describe their prison experiences. Previously, detainees described overcrowded cells with open toilets where they were kept for long periods, and scant meals that violated religious restrictions. / CRIME, SAFETY: Pavel Ryzhenkov, 32, of Sacramento, California, pleaded guilty today to one count of trafficking in counterfeit goods. According to court documents, between December 2015 and September 2017, Ryzhenkov sold counterfeit air bag covers on eBay. He purchased the counterfeit covers from manufacturers in China and in turn advertised and sold them as genuine with the trademarks of various auto manufacturers, including Audi, BMW, Chevrolet, Dodge, Ford, Honda, Infiniti,

Lexus, Mercury, Nissan, Subaru, Toyota, and Volkswagen. Air bag covers made by unauthorized manufacturers can malfunction causing serious injury or death. Upon deployment of an air bag in a crash, counterfeit air bag covers can shatter, sending shrapnel into a vehicle's passenger compartment. Prosecutors said counterfeit products pose real safety risks. In this case, counterfeit air bag covers could mean the difference between life and death. Ryzhenkov faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison, a \$2 million fine and three years of supervised release. He will be sentenced on December 12th. Consumers who have had their air bags or air bag covers serviced by a repair shop that is not part of a new car dealership or who have purchased an air bag or air bag cover online should contact their auto manufacturer to have their vehicle inspected and their air bag or air bag cover replaced if necessary. The responsibility for replacing a counterfeit air bag or air bag cover will vary depending on the circumstances surrounding the original installation of the part. More information can be found on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's website at www.nhtsa.gov /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Terwilliger Fire is continuing to burn on both sides of Cougar Reservoir, about five miles southeast of the community of Blue River. Want an update on the battle against the blaze? A Community meeting is scheduled for today (Friday, August 24) at McKenzie High School, 51187 Blue River Drive, in the old gym beginning at 7:30 PM. You'll get an update on the fire. which has charred more than 32-hundred acres. Close to 200 personnel are battling the blaze, including ground crews and two helicopters.; Willamette National Forest managers are banning campfires, warming fires, portable fire pit blazes and other open-flame fires forest-wide, including at developed sites. This ban includes fires in wilderness areas and use of charcoal briquettes. Camp stoves that run on propane or liquid fuels and have an on/off switch are acceptable. Forest officials say the weather has been consistently hot and dry and fire risk is extremely high. Yet people continue lighting recreational fires then leaving them unattended. So far this year, they say 26 human-caused blazes have been reported on the Willamette National Forest. Several other fires are under investigation. Also under current fire restrictions: Smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or at a developed recreation site. Generators are permitted only in areas devoid of vegetation, such as a paved area or developed campsite. Motorized vehicles may operate only on designated trails and roads.; Two Lane County fire task forces are in southern Oregon this morning helping to protect more than 200 homes threatened by the Ramsay Canyon Fire. The blaze started Wednesday afternoon outside the city of Gold Hill, north of Medford. The crews with the Lane County and other task forces are trained to protect homes and other structures, leaving the wildland firefighters to attack the blaze itself. / COMMUNITY: Westmoreland Tennis and Pickleball Courts Reopening Celebration on Saturday, August 25, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Resurfacing of the two tennis and eight pickleball courts at Westmoreland Park has been completed and the courts are open for play. Join Eugene Parks and Open Space and the Emerald Valley Pickleball Club for a reopening celebration! Where: Westmoreland Park, Taylor St. and W. 20th Ave. When: Saturday, August 25, 9-11 a.m. Activities include an exhibition, beginner clinic and competitive games. Pickleball paddles will be provided for beginners. / EDUCATION: Lots of celebration this fall in Cottage Grove as the South Lane Schools prepare to welcome students to the new Harrison Elementary. To get things ready, all off the books in the old school library need to be moved to the new school library. So on Friday, August 24, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, join the "Book Brigade." Teachers,

staff, students, their families and members of the community will line up and pass the book hand-to hand to move them up the hill to the new building. Once it's done, everyone will gather in the cafeteria to enjoy popsicles! / ENVIRONMENT: A special pilot program is offering discounted rates for electrical and full-hookup RV campsites at selected Oregon State Parks during September and October. Starting this week, campers may apply a special online code to receive a \$7 discount off the nightly RV campsite rate, bringing the current rate from \$24-33 down to \$17-26. From Sept. 4-30, the discount applies to reservations made for Sunday nights through and Thursday nights. From Oct. 1-31, the discount is valid all days of the week. Only reservations made online on or after Aug. 22 are eligible for the discounted rate. Campers must use a special code at checkoutFallFun7to receive the discount. For more information and to start the reservation process, campers may can go online to http://bit.ly/fall4fun The discount is available at a number of popular parks and the discount list changes from month-to-month. Chris Havel, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) associate director, says the discount is a test meant to see if lower price can encourage campers to explore different parks and keep the outdoors affordable. According to Havel, "Americans left 700 million days of vacation on the table in 2017, and more than 80% wish they took the time to discover new places. Oregonians can think beyond the typical summer vacation and show the rest of the country how it's done. Price is just one of the ways to encourage new travel, and this is only a limited trial program, but if things go well we'll expand the discount." Additional details: Reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance. The discount is for recreational vehicle campsites; current tent site rates vary from \$10-22 with lodging tax and remain unchanged. ADA-accessible campsites are eligible for the discount. To reserve an ADA-accessible site and apply the discount, call the state parks information center at 800-551-6949. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: As part of the Lane County Sheriff's Office commitment to public safety the sheriff's office maintains a full-time deputy position assigned to patrol the Florence area dunes of the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. The position is funded in large part with a grant through the Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation. On Saturday August 25, 2018 the sheriff's office will be hosting an off-highway vehicle (OHV) safety event at the South Jetty Staging Area. In cooperation with personnel from the United States Forest Service and the Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation the sheriff's office will offer courtesy vehicle sound checks, rider fit checks and answer general questions about OHV safety. The sheriff's office utilizes specialized patrol vehicles to patrol and respond to emergencies in the riding area. Some of the equipment will be on display throughout the even. The South Jetty Staging Area is located on South Jetty Road off of Highway 101 just south of Florence. Families and anyone with general questions about our dunes program or OHV safety are encouraged to attend. / ELECTIONS, POLITICS, EDUCATION: Candidates running for governor in Oregon will be asked questions in their first debate not by reporters or by voters, but by children and youths. Children First for Oregon, the debate's sponsor, is soliciting applications via a web site from children and youth throughout the state who want to participate. The debate, the first of three, between Democratic Gov. Kate Brown, Republican nominee Knute Bueher and Patrick Starnes of the Independent Party of Oregon, will be on Oct. 2. Organizers of the event say children can't vote but can have a voice on economic security, health care, safety, education, and other issues. /

CRIME: A sheriff in a county in southwest Oregon is asking for money from the state to investigate illegal marijuana operations, saying his department lacks the resources to do so. The Daily Courier newspaper of Grants Pass reports Josephine County Sheriff Dave Daniel is asking the state for \$648,000 to help fund a team of detectives. A bill passed by the Legislature this year assists cities and counties with costs incurred by local law enforcement agencies in addressing unlawful marijuana cultivation or distribution operations. Daniel says illegal marijuana operations can hide as legal ones and can go undetected without a task force dedicated to finding them. Both recreational and medical marijuana production and sales are legal in Oregon, subject to licensing and regulation. / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: A Pendleton man who was sentenced for drunken behavior in two national parks in Wyoming said he and his buddy were on a "last hurrah" tour before he entered alcohol treatment. Raymond Reinke's crimes drew national attention when at least one Yellowstone National Park visitor captured a video of him harassing a bison that had stopped traffic. The 55-year-old Reinke pleaded guilty Thursday during a federal court appearance in Mammoth, Wyoming. He was sentenced to 130 days in jail — 60 days for harassing wildlife, 60 days for interfering with law enforcement and 10 days for disorderly conduct. He was given credit for 21 days served. Reinke is banned from Grand Teton, Yellowstone and Glacier national parks for a five-year probationary period, during which he is not allowed to drink alcohol. His planned chemical dependency treatment is now court-ordered. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: The U.S. Department of Agriculture is predicting an excellent hazelnut harvest this fall and Oregon growers agree. The Capital Press reports Thursday that the latest production forecast issued this week calls for 52,000 tons of hazelnuts, surpassing last year's total of 32,000 tons and the previous record of 49,500 tons set in 2001. Total acreage of hazelnut trees has doubled in the last decade to reach more than 72,000 acres statewide. Oregon grows all the hazelnuts sold in the U.S., but has less than 4 percent of the overseas market. Meredith Nagely, manager of the Hazelnut Industry Office, says higher tariffs in China and lowered prices in Turkey are adding to worries about overseas hazelnut trade. / COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: August is flying by. And so will some of the runners in today and tomorrow's "Providence Hood-to-Coast Relay." Cooler temperatures and better air quality are great news for everyone taking part, from the runners and walkers to the drivers and support staff. Lots of local folks take part and look forward each year to the start on Mt. Hood and the wrap-up on the beach in Seaside. Runners and organizers are watching the skies and hoping wildfire smoke won't harm air quality. /

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SAFETY: A woman who survived the mass shooting in Las Vegas less than a year ago has been sworn in as the newest member of the Springfield Police Department. The Register Guard reports that as Lauren Card fled the bullets last October, she suddenly felt calm and safe as she saw police officers rushing in to help. The 23-year-old now says she wants to help other victims feel the same positive feelings. Card is one of three female officers in the department, after two women recently retired, out of 69 sworn officers. A fourth female officer has been hired but has yet to begin work. Card will go to the police academy in Salem in October. Until then, she's training in Springfield and will begin patrolling with another officer next week. / CRIME: Two Springfield police officers were transported to McKenzie Willamette Hospital this afternoon following physical altercation with an armed felon yesterday afternoon in the parking lot outside the Motel 6 on International Court in the Gateway area. Police say a motel employee had called to complain that the suspect, 48-year-old losefa Brown of Eugene, was cruising the parking lot and refusing to leave after being asked to do so. Police learned that Brown had been approaching housekeeping staff repeatedly over the past two days in search of a woman accompanied by a dog. The reason for his pursuit of this woman is still under investigation. When police arrived, they found Brown behind the wheel of a pickup truck parking outside a motel room on the east side of the building. Investigators say Brown provided a false name and when the officer began to make further inquiry, Brown locked his door and quickly rolled up his window and attempted to start the truck. Police say a second officer arrived and broke the driver window and gained control of the keys. But a struggle ensued and the officers say Brown began resisting arrest and assaulting the officers as he reached for and attempted to gain control of a loaded 9mm pistol he had holstered on the right side of his waist on a belt. Officers say they applied a Taser more than once in their effort to subdue Brown, but that he appeared to be under the influence of methamphetamine. After two minutes, officers say they were able to get Brown out of the truck and detain him. Springfield Police say Brown has an extensive criminal history of narcotics and weapons-related offenses and is wanted as a Fugitive from Justice for firearms related offenses. The officers injured during the incident suffered blood exposure, soft tissue and hand-bone fracture injuries during the struggle which lasted over two minutes. Brown was also transported by medic to Riverbend Hospital, where he was treated for soft tissue injuries sustained during his arrest. Anyone with information regarding the case is asked to call the Springfield Police Department at 541-726-3714. /

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Terwilliger Fire continues to grow five miles southeast of the community of Blue River. It has charred close to 54-hundred acres as of yesterday morning and was only one percent contained. The fire started off a trail to Terwilliger Hot Springs but quickly spread to both sides of Cougar Reservoir. The cause remains under investigation. Close to 320 fire personnel are battling the blaze, but their efforts were hampered on Saturday by a rockslide that covered Forest Road 19-the Aufderheide Drive-as well as by other rolling debris that slowed movements of crews and vehicles. The progress of the fire slowed a bit on its southeastern edge as it moved into the scar left by last summer's Rebel, where there is little fresh fuel. The Terwilliger Fire also continues to burn slowly through rugged terrain in the Three Sisters Wilderness, : One Lane County fire task force returned yesterday from southern Oregon, the other comes back later today. The crews, which are drawn from a number of local fire-fighting agencies, deployed late last week to protect homes and other structures threatened by the Ramsey Canyon Fire, which is burning north of Medford outside the community of Gold Hill. Their demobilization came after wildland fire crews were able to capitalize on the cooler weekend weather and make progress securing containment lines. With the exception of an outbuilding destroyed during the first evening of the fire on Wednesday, no other structures have been destroyed or lost. / TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY: A massive motorcycle procession from West Eugene to west of Elmira yesterday as members of the Free Souls and Gypsy Jokers Motorcycle clubs buried one of their own. At least 100 bikes were in the procession. / ENVIRONMENT: The federal government has agreed to reimburse the Drought Response Agency for water given to the Tulelake National Wildlife Refuge and the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge at a rate of \$360 per cubic meter of water. The Klamath Falls Herald and News reports the 2018 Klamath Project Drought Response Agency on Wednesday approved the terms and conditions of the reimbursement from the Bureau of Reclamation. Legal counsel for the Drought Response Agency, Nathan Ratliff, says negotiations with Reclamation about the contract have been ongoing for months. After the agency identifies the water that would go to the local refuges and it's been made available to do so, it will start the process of asking for individuals to claim that they are eligible for funding.; In a settlement with environmental groups, the Trump administration has agreed to designate critical Pacific Ocean habitat for endangered humpback whales. The animals face threats from getting tangled in fishing gear, oil spills and being struck by ships. Federal authorities have designated three groups of West Coast humpbacks as endangered or threatened. The suit by the Center for Biological Diversity, Turtle Island Restoration Network and Wishtoyo Foundation, a nonprofit that represents Native American tribes, was settled Friday in federal district court in San Francisco. The National Marine Fisheries Service agreed to designate critical habitat for the animals by mid-2019 and finalize those boundaries a year later. The environmental groups say endangered species with protected critical habitat are twice as likely to show signs of recovery as those without it. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: Wildfires have cost the Oregon Shakespeare Festival \$2 million in lost revenue because of smoky conditions. The Daily Tidings reports that the wellknown festival in Ashland, Oregon is also canceling its free, outdoor Green Show performances for the rest of the season. Since mid-July, the majority of the Green Show performances have been cancelled or moved to another location. During

that same period, more than 20 performances of the festival's three outdoor plays have either been canceled or moved indoors to Ashland High School's smaller theater. The festival remains open and its 10 mainstage plays, including outdoor performances, will continue into October. / HEALTH, SAFETY, BUSINESS: U.S. agricultural officials say Fort Morgan, Colorado-based Cargill Meat Solutions is recalling nearly 25,300 pounds of ground beef that might be contaminated with E. coli. The recall notice by the U.S. Department of Agriculture says the meat was shipped to warehouses in California and Colorado and might have been sent to other states from there. It's labeled "Excel 93/7 Fine Ground Beef" and was produced Aug. 16 with a Sept. 5 expiration date. The notice says the meat processing plant discovered the problem Aug. 22 after a records review found the beef might be associated with a product that is presumed positive for the E. coli bacteria. There have been no reports of illness due to eating the meat. E. coli can cause dehydration, diarrhea and abdominal cramps, and it can cause a lifethreatening form of kidney failure in young children and the elderly. / HEALTH: For the first time, a study finds that a drug can help people lose weight and keep it off for several years without raising their risk for heart problems. Doctors say the results may encourage wider use of the drug, Belviq, (BELL'-vik), to help fight obesity. Belvig has been sold in the United States since 2013 and is the first of several new weight-loss medicines to pass a heart safety study required by federal regulators to stay on the market. A study in 12,000 people found that after three years, heart problems were no more common among Belviq users than among those taking dummy pills. Results were discussed Sunday at a European Society of Cardiology meeting in Munich and published by the New England Journal of Medicine.; A disappointing outcome for some new studies that sought to prove that aspirin can help prevent a first heart attack or stroke. The research finds most people will not benefit from taking daily low-dose aspirin or fish oil supplements to prevent a first heart attack or stroke. Still, aspirin is recommended now for lowering the risk of a second heart attack, stroke or other heart problem in people who already have suffered one. The new research does not change that advice. Instead, scientists tested whether aspirin also could prevent a first heart attack or stroke in people with diabetes or with several other health threats such as smoking, high cholesterol and high blood pressure. In those cases, aspirin's benefits did not outweigh the risk of serious bleeding it can cause. Results were discussed Sunday at the European Society of Cardiology meeting in Munich. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Terwillger Fire continues to grow southeast of Blue River. It has scorched close to 5,400 acres and is only two percent contained. Yesterday afternoon an unmanned aircraft system, or drone, entered the fire area violating the temporary flight restriction and grounding aerial operations on the fire. In the event medical attention was needed, the drone would ground medical helicopters from transporting patients to receive medical care as well. When drones are in the sky, air resources cannot operate. The fine for operating in the temporary flight restriction area is up to \$27,500. / IMMIGRATION, CRIME, ELECTIONS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that sheriffs in more than one-third of Oregon's counties are calling for voters to support an initiative on the November ballot that would repeal a 30-yearold sanctuary state law. Clatsop County Sheriff Thomas Bergin issued the letter Monday morning, signing it along with 15 other sheriffs from rural counties in southern, central and eastern Oregon. Reporter Hillary Borrud writes that sheriffs from three other western Oregon counties-Douglas, Coos and Curry-signed the letter along with sheriffs from 11 Eastern Oregon counties. (Deschutes, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Klamath, Lake, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union and Wheeler.) Oregon's 1987 sanctuary law prohibits state and local law enforcement from using public resources to arrest people whose only violation of the law is being in the country illegally. Simply being in the country without authorization, such as overstaying a visa, is a civil offense rather than a crime. Crossing the border illegally is a federal misdemeanor the first time; it is a felony under federal law for someone who was deported to return to the U.S. without authorization. Political analysts say their support for the anti-sanctuary law initiative. Measure 105, is not surprising given that 28 of Oregon's 36 counties voted for Republican Donald Trump in the 2016 Election. President Trump has taken a hard line against all forms of immigration, including his short-lived "zero tolerance" policy that called for separating migrant families. Democrat rival Hillary Clinton still won Oregon, but largely because she carried populated areas such as Portland's Multnomah County, whose sheriff has implemented one of the most liberal interpretations of Oregon's sanctuary state law. The Oregonian and OregonLive report the letter drew a swift response from the Oregon Justice Resource Center. Erin McKee, codirector of the civil rights group's Immigrant Rights Project, says studies have shown, repeatedly, that immigrants commit crimes at lower rates than native-born citizens. / COMMUNITY, BUSINESS, WOMEN: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that the founder of the Hood to Coast relay race has been replaced

as chairman days after he didn't acknowledge this year's top women's teams during the event's awards ceremony, then allegedly said, quote, "go talk to someone who cares," when confronted about the omission. Hood to Coast organizers announced Monday that Felicia Hubber, who's been race director since 2006, has been promoted to chairwoman and is now the company's highestranking employee. She replaces her father, Bob Foote, whose name was not mentioned in a press release announcing the promotion. Reporter Everton Bailey writes that Hubber will also continue as race director. Emily Pritt, a runner part of the top overall women's team, tweeted Saturday after the awards ceremony that Foote made the remark to her and her teammates after they asked why no female teams were recognized during the ceremony even though the top men's, high school and walking teams received trophies. The organization on its Facebook page on Sunday recognized Pritt's group, Team Goats N Roses, as the top female finishers and apologized for not publicly recognizing them or the second- and third-place all-female teams at the awards ceremony. "This will never happen again," the post said. "We thank Goats and Roses for making us aware of our error. Moving forward, we'll make changes and it will be because of Team Goats and Roses." Seventy percent of the race participants are women, the company said. / SAFETY, CRIME: The Eugene Police Department is looking to add extra security downtown. The Register-Guard reports the department intends to lease or purchase several trailer-mounted surveillance cameras under a trial project to provide another law enforcement tool to improve safety in the area. Police Chief Chris Skinner says the main goal of the cameras is to deter crime through their visible presence in public areas, although footage of an alleged crime could be used as evidence in a prosecution. Officers also would be able to access the camera's feed on their phone or tablet to check on activity in a location. Skinner says there would be no live monitoring initially. A police spokeswoman says the cameras, which are fixed atop a mast that can reach up to 35 feet (about 11 meters), are tentatively scheduled to be up and running in October. /

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DEVELOPMENT: It is a signature building along the riverfront in Eugene but has been empty and unused for years. Now, the city's Urban Renewal Agency has selected a local team, led by Mark Miksis of deChase Miksis Development and Mark Frohnmayer of Arcimoto (ARK'-ih-moh'toh), to prepare a proposal for the redevelopment of the historic Eugene Water and Electric Board Steam Plant building. They were selected from among four bids to redevelop the Steam Plant—part of the planned riverfront development that will take place over the next few years. The former EWEB site will eventually feature a mix of housing, retail and open space. The redeveloped Steam Plant will be one of the visual and social focal points. One of the members of the redevelopment team, Mark Frohmayer, says he recalls bicycling past the plant when he was a child and adds that his team began outlining a redevelopment concept three years ago. Eugene planners hope much of the riverfront redevelopment will be completed ahead of the 2021 World Track and Field Championships, which will take place at the new track and field venue under construction at the University of Oregon. / HEALTH: The only Oregon hospital that does heart transplants is suspending its program for 14 days because of a shortage of doctors qualified to do the specialized surgery. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Oregon Health & Science University in Portland made the decision after three cardiologists on the transplant team left or announced plans to leave. OHSU won't evaluate new patients for a transplant. accept donor hearts or perform any transplant surgeries for 14 days. Renee Edwards, chief medical officer for OHSU Healthcare, says heart patients who don't need transplants can still be treated at OHSU. But anyone on track for a transplant soon will likely be referred to another hospital. Thirty heart transplants were done at OHSU in 2017. The newspaper reports there are 30 patients awaiting transplants at the hospital.; Bad news on the health front, as officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say reported cases of sexually transmitted diseases or STDs continued to climb last year. There were nearly 2.3 million cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis. That surpasses the previous record set in 2016 by more than 200,000 cases and marks the fourth consecutive year of sharp increases in these sexually transmitted diseases. Chlamydia remained the most common condition reported to CDC. More than 1.7 million cases were diagnosed in 2017, with 45 percent among 15- to 24-year-old females. Gonorrhea diagnoses increased 67 percent overall and nearly doubled among men. CDC officials say they are also concerned about more cases among women. Primary and secondary syphilis diagnoses increased 76 percent. Seventy percent

of those cases were among gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men. Chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis are curable with antibiotics, yet most cases go undiagnosed and untreated — which can lead to severe adverse health effects that include infertility, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth in infants, and increased HIV risk. And health experts report the threat of untreatable gonorrhea persists in the United States, as many strains have become resistant to nearly every class of antibiotics used to treat it. The CDC encourages health care providers to make STD screening and timely treatment a standard part of medical care, especially for the populations most affected. / HEALTH, SAFETY: The medicine is safe but the marks on the measuring cup are wrong, leading to a risk of pouring the wrong dosage. Pfizer is recalling one lot of its bubble gum-flavored Children's Advil liquid medication. This FDA link will help you determine whether your bottle and measuring cup are affected. Pfizer has recalled a specific production run of its Children's Advil Suspension Bubble Gum Flavored anti-inflammation medicine in a 4 fl. oz. bottle. The instructions for the medication are noted in milliliters (mL), but the included measuring cup notes only teaspoons. This particular lot was distributed across the U.S. in May and June 2018, and is marked R51129 on the label, with an expiration date of 11/20. The UPC number is 3-0573-0207-30-0. The company issued a voluntary recall out of concerns of "a chance of being associated with potential overdose," it said in a statement. One teaspoon contains five times as much volume as 1 mL. The Food and Drug Administration isn't involved, but Pfizer said they were informed. There's no fault with the medication itself, however. If a parent relied on the measuring cup without noticing the cup was denoted only in teaspoons, they could administer a dose to a child that exceeds safety limits and would be high enough to cause an ibuprofen overdose. An overdose can lead to symptoms like nausea and vomiting, as well as drowsiness, blurred vision, and other symptoms. No information was immediately available about obtaining refunds. Pfizer offers information by phone and can accept adverse health reports at 1-800-882-3845 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Time from Monday to Friday. / LOW-INCOME: The economy might be strong, but a new study finds that about 40 percent of American families struggled to meet at least one of their basic needs last year, including paying for food, health care, housing or utilities. That's according to an Urban Institute survey of nearly 7.600 adults, which found that the difficulties were most prevalent among adults with lower incomes or health issues. But it also revealed that people from all walks of life were running into similar hardships. The findings issued by the nonprofit research organization highlight the financial strains experienced by many Americans in an otherwise strong economy. The average unemployment rate for 2017 was 4.4 percent, a low that followed years of decline. But one of the study's authors say having a job does not ensure families will be able to meet their basic needs. Among the households with at least one working adult, more than 30 percent reported hardship. Food insecurity was the most common challenge: More than 23 percent of households struggled to feed their family at some point during the year. That was followed by problems paying a family medical bill. reported by about 18 percent. A similar percentage didn't seek care for a medical need because of the cost. Additionally, roughly 13 percent of families missed a utility bill payment at some point during the year. And 10 percent of families either didn't pay the full amount of their rent or mortgage, or they paid it late. The Urban Institute survey comes at a time when lawmakers are considering cuts to some

safety-net programs, such as Medicaid, SNAP and housing assistance. The researchers said that lawmakers run the risk of increasing the rate of hardship if they reduce support services. It is the first study on the subject by the DC-based organization, which looks at economic and social policy issues. The institute plans to conduct the study every year to track the well-being of families as the economy and safety net systems evolve. / SAFETY, CRIME: The owner of a Texas company that makes untraceable 3D-printed guns said Tuesday that he has begun selling the blueprints through his website to anyone who wants to make one. It comes after a federal court order barred him from posting the plans online. Cody Wilson said at a news conference that he started selling the plans Tuesday morning and that he had already received nearly 400 orders. He said he'll sell the plans for as little as a penny to anyone in the U.S. who wants them. Oregon was one of nineteen states along with the District of Columbia that sought an injunction to stop a settlement that the State Department reached with Wilson's Austinbased company, Defense Distributed, allowing online sales of the plans. It came after the agency removed the 3D gun-making plans from a list of weapons or technical data that are not allowed to be exported. The states argued that online access to the undetectable plastic guns would pose a security risk and could be acquired by felons or terrorists. On Monday, U.S. District Judge Robert Lasnik in Seattle blocked Defense Distributed from posting the blueprints online, saying, "It is the untraceable and undetectable nature of these small firearms that poses a unique danger." But Wilson said the ruling still allows him to sell the blueprints even if he can't post them online for free, widespread distribution. Wilson says that blueprints purchased through his company's website may be downloaded on a thumb drive and shipped to buyers by standard mail, sent by email or sent by some other secure download transfer. Some of his first sales included purchases made with crypto currency, he said. Washington state's Attorney General Bob Ferguson, whose office oversaw the federal lawsuit, said Tuesday that he believes the judge's ruling makes Wilson's latest actions illegal. /

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CRIME, TRANSPORTATION: Oregon State Police say a 25-year-old Veneta woman was driving drunk when her vehicle slammed into a line of traffic in an active construction zone on Highway 126-West west of Eugene. Investigators say the driver, Cassidy Ann DeBlois, suffered severe injuries in the crash but that, fortunately, the construction zone flagger who'd halted traffic was not struck. It happened yesterday morning shortly after two a.m. State police, assisted by the Lane County Sheriff's Office, Lane Fire Authority, Eugene-Springfield Fire and the Oregon Department of Transportation, say DeBlois was driving a Kia Rio that struck the back of a stopped Toyota Tacoma. That triggered a chain reaction involving aToyota 4Runner pulling a utility trailer and a Chevrolet pick-up. DeBlois was arrested for DUII, Reckless Driving, five counts of Reckless Endangering and Endangering a Highway Worker. Investigators say her Blood Alcohol Content was point-one-seven (0.17), well above the legal limit. Highway 126W was closed for an hour and a half following the crash. The operator of the Toyota 4Runner was identified as Kindra Adams, age 34, of Eugene, she was arrested for an outstanding warrant (FTA-DUII) and issued citations for DWS-Violation and Fail to Install Ignition Interlock Device. / CRIME: A criminal complaint unsealed this week accuses a former Cottage Grove police officer of stealing methamphetamine from an evidence locker. 48-year-old Phillip Allan Beach made an initial appearance yesterday in federal court, entered a not-guilty plea and was released pending trial. It came after an investigation by Cottage Grove Police revealed that between March of 2010 and June of 2015, Beach allegedly accessed numerous pieces of drug evidence from multiple cases. An evidence coordinator first flagged the activity, telling supervisors that Beach would indicate at times that he was taking drugs from the secured evidence locker to send to the crime lab for testing, but no drugs were sent. The evidence coordinator said Beach accessed the department's evidence locker more frequently than other officers and seemed to do so for no apparent purpose and would repeatedly access the same evidence bag. A Cottage Grove Police commander later examined the bag and observed that it was open and that two plastic bags inside containing several ounces of methamphetamine crystals had been sliced open. In June of 2015, investigators say two hidden cameras placed inside the evidence locker recorded Beach entering the locker without signing the evidence log and accessing the evidence bag previously examined by the commander. The video shows Beach taking a small plastic baggie from his pants pocket and using it to take a small portion of meth from the evidence bag. Investigators later weighed the evidence bag and

found a 7.3 gram reduction in weight. On at least one occasion, Beach is alleged to have replaced methamphetamine he had taken from an evidence bag with salt to conceal his actions.; Federal prosecutors in Oregon have charged six people with running two "vast" interstate trafficking operations that they say delivered marijuana grown in Oregon to Texas, Virginia and Florida, U.S. Attorney Billy J. Williams said Wednesday that proceeds from the black market sales returned to Oregon as cash stuffed in airplane luggage or through the U.S. mail. He says the marijuana was grown illegally in Portland and Hood River. Williams has been cracking down on interstate pot sales, which are illegal under state and federal law. Oregon law allows the manufacture and sale of marijuana within state boundaries for state-permitted growers and retailers. Williams says thousands of pounds of marijuana are leaving the state and he has called upon state regulators to improve monitoring for potential diversion. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: Apples are ripening on trees across Lane County. Yesterday, it was a special harvest on the campus of the Oregon State Hospital south of Junction City. Three years ago, apple trees were purchased by supporters of Food for Lane County, our local food bank, and planted at the hospital site. Now, the first crop of apples is being donated to fill food baskets headed for hungry adults and children. It's a nice closing of the circle: Several hospital patients volunteer at Food for Lane County as part of their service work, which is a step their recovery from mental illness as they prepare to transition back into the community. Mental health counselors say volunteering gives many patients a healing sense of purpose and brings meaning to their lives while they learn skills that will help them find employment when they leave the hospital. Additionally, officials say many hospital patients are past recipients of Food for Lane County food boxes. / ECONOMY: State economists say personal and corporate income tax collections were higher than forecast as job growth remained strong in Oregon. According to the latest Oregon Revenue Forecast, second quarter personal income tax collections were up \$85.7 million from the June forecast. Personal income taxes make up 85 to 90 percent of the state's general fund. Second quarter corporate income tax collections were up \$21.4 million from the June forecast. When tax collections exceed projections by two percent or more, the money is returned under what's known as the state's "kicker" law. If revenues continue at this pace, a personal "kicker" tax refund of \$686 million is projected to be returned in the first half of 2020. That would be the second-largest in the state's history. But because the population has grown, the kickers per capita are expected to be on par with what typical kicker size would be. The kickers are returned in the form of tax credits. The average credit to individual taxpayers is projected to be \$336. Those in the highest adjusted grow income bracket of \$401,200 and above can expect \$6,787. Those earning \$26,300 to \$47,800 per year can expect \$169. A total corporate kicker of \$208 million is expected, also the largest in dollar terms seen in more than a decade. State economists say all industries are expected to grow this year and next, with construction, professional and business services and leisure-hospitality leading the way. State economists say construction jobs grew by nine percent in the 2018 fiscal year and were expected to grow another 4 percent in FY 2019. / LOW-INCOME, EDUCATION, YOUTH, FAMILY: St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County distributed new school supplies and backpacks to thousands of local families through the annual Backpacks for Back to School Drive. Buying school supplies is often a difficult challenge for many low-income families that are

struggling to pay for rent, utilities, food and other basics. By participating in Backpacks for Back to School Drive, community members helped ensure that all children show up for the first day of school with a new backpack filled with school supplies. Contributing sponsors include Oregon Community Credit Union (OCCU), Bi-Mart and Fred Meyer. School supplies are also purchased with cash donations collected through the sale of backpack decals and other donations at St. Vincent de Paul's retail thrift stores and donation centers, as well as at the Oregon Community Credit Union branches. Last-minute donations can still be made by calling Ashely Hensley, SVDP's community engagement coordinator, at 541-743-7147. / ENVIRONMENT: Two wolf pups have been seen near Mount Hood, marking the first known reproduction by wolves in the northern part of the Cascade Mountains in Oregon since wolves began returning to the state in the past decade. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife said Wednesday that a remote camera on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation captured images of two pups on Aug. 10. Wolves in western Oregon are protected by the federal Endangered Species Act. The state Department of Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs are monitoring the wolves. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that as of 2017 Oregon was home to at least 124 wolves, mostly concentrated in the northeast corner of the state.; A conservation group bought a 4.5-square-mile ranch in Idaho with the purpose of protecting bighorn sheep there. The Lewiston Tribune reports the Portland-based Western Rivers Conservancy purchased the Ten Mile Creek Ranch near Lewiston last week. The property, which was owned by Rick Rupp of Port Townsend. Washington, and Tucson, Arizona, includes a 5,000-square-foot primary residence, a 2,000-square-foot caretaker's home and about 4 miles of waterfront property along the Snake River. But the bulk of the land is undeveloped. Western Rivers Conservancy leaders are still formulating plans for the land but say their interest in making the acquisition was to protect habitat for bighorn sheep. The group's project operations director, Zach Spector, declined to say how much the conservancy paid for the property, but it was listed for \$7.9 million in 2014. / DEVELOPMENT: Deschutes County is considering stricter rules when it comes to marijuana. The Bulletin reports that county commissioners held a hearing Tuesday to here feedback on proposals that would change everything from marijuana production to retail in the rural parts of the Central Oregon county. The proposed changes would enhance restrictions on odor, noise and water use for growers and dramatically reduce the land available for marijuana production. Marijuana production and processing would be banned in parcels of the county's multiuse agriculture zone and the required buffer between growing operations and schools, national monuments and public land would balloon from 1,000 feet to a half-mile. Tanya Saltzman, Deschutes County's associate planner, says the changes would reduce the amount of county land available for marijuana by more than 75 percent. /

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BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION: Ride-hailing service Uber is returning to Eugene-Springfield after a three-year absence. Uber officials made the announcement yesterday, saying the official launch is Thursday, September 6th. The company's local fare structure is expected to be revealed next week. It comes after the company and Eugene city officials worked out differences over issues including driver certification and vehicle inspections. The city is expected to approve Uber's application for an operating license later today, which will cover Springfield, as well. Eugene Mayor Lucy Vinis says the city will handle driver signups. Uber officials plan a couple of orientation sessions Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Those interested in becoming drivers must first fill out an application with Uber, then be certified by the City of Eugene. Mayor Vinis will be the passenger for the ceremonial "first ride" at the Arcimoto Manufacturing Plant in west Eugene. The changes came after lobbying by Eugene's tech and business sectors whose representatives said the ride-hailing companies provide an important transportation alternative for visitors. Uber operated in Eugene-Springfield for a time in 2015 but suspended service in the face of city requirements regarding licensing, driver background checks, insurance and vehicle inspections. In July of this year, members of the Eugene City Council adopted changes to those rules that opened the door for ride-hailing services. In order to operate a taxi, transportation network vehicle or shuttle for-hire in Eugene and Springfield, individuals must be 21 year or older, apply for and dbe issued a driver certification card.; Heading for the duck football Game? Ride the bus! But plan for changes to the Autzen Express Service. Make your travels to and from Autzen Stadium easy this football season. Ride the popular Autzen Express, provided by Lane Transit District. Shuttles begin for the September 1st game and take place for every home game in the 2018 season. But be aware of some changes this fall. There will be a fare increase and changes to several of the Park & Ride locations used for the popular shuttle service. Fares for the Autzen Express will cost \$5 for everyone age six or older and are good for round-trip travel. Fans pay the cash fare before boarding the shuttle on game day. Riders with valid LTD passes may use their passes to ride the Autzen Express. This includes all LTD monthly passes, day passes, 10-ride tickets (two are required for the round trip), EmX passes, Group Passes and Honored Rider passes. Your pass must be valid on game day if using it to ride the shuttle. No LTD passes will be available for purchase or distribution at the Park & Ride locations. Autzen Express service begins three hours before the event and buses will run every 10 -

20 minutes from eight Park & Ride locations. Return trips are only available during halftime and immediately following the event for 60 minutes. There are some changes to Park and Ride locations, including a new lot at RiverBend Annex on International Way to replace the Symantec Park & Ride, which is no longer being used. Park & Ride Locations: Route 990x, LTD Eugene Station - 11th/Olive; Route 991x, Thurston High School - 333 58th St.: Route 992x, South Eugene High School – 400 E. 19th St.; Route 993x, Lane County Fairgrounds – 796 W. 13th St.; Route 995x, LTD River Road Station - River Road/River Avenue; Route 996x, Valley River Center - 293 Valley River Center (Northwest parking lot behind Eugene Crossfit); Route 998x, RiverBend Annex – 123 International Way (Southeast parking lot), Springfield; Route 999x, LTD Springfield Station - South A/Pioneer Parkway. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: The Springfield Police Department has been awarded a "DUII High Visibility Enforcement Overtime" grant and will join forces with other Oregon law enforcement agencies to crack down on impaired driving over the Labor Day Weekend. High-visibility enforcement increases the number of officers on the streets aggressively seeking out drunk drivers during Labor Day Weekend. The National Safety Council estimates over the past seven years an average of 378 people per year have lost their lives in traffic crash deaths nationally over the heavily traveled Labor Day weekend. Distracted driving, improperly restrained child safety seats and speed are also factors contributing to crash fatalities.

Police in Oregon make more than 20,000 arrests for driving under the influence of intoxicants each year. Drug use is increasingly surfacing as a contributor to impaired driving. Any driver who is impaired, regardless of whether it is from drugs, marijuana or alcohol, faces the same criminal penalties because all are equally as dangerous on the road. Police remind holiday hosts to be vigilant about impaired guests and help keep them off the road, reminding that drivers don't have to be "falling down" drunk to be impaired and that "buzzed" driving is drunk driving. Springfield police ask that if as a motorist, you see a suspected impaired driver, call 911 and monitor the car from a safe distance until police arrive.; Motorcycle riders: Drive responsibly and don't drive drunk this Labor Day Weekend. As summer comes to an end many will be closing out the summer with one last get-together, trip to the lake, or ride along a favorite road or highway. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), motorcycles only account for about three percent of registered vehicles on the roadway. But they are overrepresented in fatal crashes, especially involving alcohol. Please drive carefully this weekend as the weather will be nice and the roads will be full of vehicles. Take extra time getting to your destination. ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Disaster responders with the American Red Cross provided temporary shelter and some other basics to two adults and one child after a tree fell on their home. It happened around 10:15 last night in the 3200 block of Springfield's Game Farm Road. The Red Cross provided resources to help address the immediate basic needs of those affected such as temporary housing, food, clothing, comfort kits with toiletry items, and information about recovery services.; It's shaping up to be a sweet Labor Day Weekend for boaters. Let's have fun out there! Some reminders and resources from the folks at the Oregon Marine Board: Boat Sober. Boating is a great social activity, but the Marine Board encourages boaters and persons floating on the waterways, to leave the alcohol on shore. It's safer for everyone. If arrested for Boating Under the

Influence of Intoxicants (BUII), violators can be fined up to \$6,250; can lose boating privileges for up to three years and even serve jail time. Intoxicants include marijuana, illicit drugs, and even some prescription drugs. Know your waterway. "Be familiar with your surroundings and always watch where you are going," says Ashley Massey, Public Information Officer for the Marine Board. "Stumps, deadheads and sand and grave! bars can appear out of nowhere with water depth changes. Start out slow and get your bearings. Water levels around the state are low this time of year which means stumps and gravel bars abound." Know what rules apply. "There are all types of watercraft on the market; some are considered boats and others are pool toys. Boats are designed differently, and by state law, have specific equipment requirements such as having enough properly fitted life jackets and a sound producing device, like a whistle. Attach the whistle to your life jacket and you're set." Massey adds. "If you plan to float the river, keep in mind that pool toys are designed for use in a swimming pool, have no directional control, and can puncture easily. If you are planning a relaxing float, do so in a watercraft designed for the river; one which won't easily puncture and comes properly equipped with a paddle so you can maneuver away from obstructions." Remember, any boat with a motor even temporarily mounted, must be titled and registered. Wear your life jacket. Each boat (including canoes and kayaks, inflatable boats, stand up paddleboards) must have a properly fitting life jacket for each person on board and at least one sound producing device. Life jackets need to be in good shape and readily accessible - not under a hatch or in its packaging. All youth younger than 13 must wear a life jacket when in a boat that's underway. U.S. Coast Guard statistics show that over half of all boating fatalities occur with small boats on calm waterways, in shallow water and sunny conditions. Sit on the seat inside the boat. Many boaters are tempted to ride on the swim platform, stern, sides and the bow of unenclosed boats. The stern can be a dangerous place for exposure to carbon monoxide and a prop-strike safety hazard. It is illegal to ride on the bow, decks, gunwales or transoms of a motorboat when the boat is underway. Sitting on designated seats is the safest option -especially when the boat is towing someone. Just because new boats have seats on the transom or swim step doesn't make them legal. Slow down and keep a sharp lookout. Know the boating regulations for your area of operation. Always obey the "slow-no wake" buoys or signs. Boaters, including PWCs, are responsible for their wake. Remember to slow down within 200 feet of a dock, launch ramp, marina, moorage, floating home or boathouse, pier or swim float. Be courteous with one another and share the waterway. Paddlers should stay close to shore, crossing busy channels at right angles only when it is safe. Marine officers will be enforcing slow-no wake zones and other marine laws. The top violations so far this summer involve life jacket violations, excessive speed, unsafe operation, failure to maintain a proper lookout, riding on the gunwales, deck or transom when a boat is underway, and overloading. So far this year, there have been 15 recreational boating fatalities involving six motorized boats, eight nonmotorized and one sailboat. Only four of the victims were wearing life jackets and those accidents occurred on rivers where other factors contributed to the fatalities.; An Eastern Oregon hunter who fell out of his tree stand and got tangled in his safety harness has been rescued after hanging upside-down for two days about 30 feet from the ground. The Union County Sheriff's Department says another hunter found the man and drove to a nearby highway to get cellphone reception to call

911. Rescuers used a bucket truck and ladder to reach him. The La Grande Observer reports that the man's heart stopped beating about halfway through the rescue because blood flow that had been cut off to his lower body was suddenly restored. But rescuers were prepared for that possibility and worked to revive them while others established a landing zone for a helicopter to airlift the man to a local hospital.; From saving a hunter to saving a deer: Yesterday afternoon in the 200 block of West 31st Avenue, Eugene Police say there was a report of a fawn stuck in a wooden fence. Photos and video show the young deer caught midway in the gap between top of two ornamental fence board, after apparently failing to fully clear the fence. Animal Welfare Officer Shawni McLaughlin was dispatched to the scene, safely and gently removed the fawn, dubbed "Bambi," and after a quick breather it was up and on its way.; Film and Facts! Enjoy a "Disaster Movie in the Park." See it on the big screen and learn about it in person. We live in an earthquake zone so how do you let people know how to prepare? The Cities of Eugene and Springfield, along with the Eugene Water and Electric Board, Springfield Utility Board, and Rainbow Water District, are hosting the "Disaster Movie in the Park" event on Friday, August 31, at Washington Park (2025) Washington St.), in Eugene. Festivities begin at 7:30 p.m., and the movie, "San Andreas," starts at dusk. It's free! Learn all about disaster preparedness and what you can do to keep your family, friends and workplace safe. Win prizes playing the "Hazards Game" and enjoy free popcorn and a summer night in the park.; Oregon U.S. Senator Ron Wyden is proposing legislation for the federal government to pay for the hotel stays of people fleeing their homes because of wildfire smoke. The Mail Tribune reports the Democrat's bill would open up an existing Federal Emergency Management Agency program, which covers temporary lodging for people who can't immediately return home following a disaster, to include smoke as an eligible reason for lodging assistance. Wyden says he considers wildfire smoke as a public health emergency. He says the smoke in Oregon and other parts of the West is creating "clean air refugees." Wyden says some details for the Clean Air Refugee Assistance Act still need to be worked out. A cost estimate has not been figured yet.; A federal magistrate in Oregon has rejected a proposal to create a network of trails for off-road vehicles in the Ochoco National Forest, putting the plan in jeopardy. The U.S. Forest Service wants to establish a 137-mile network of trails that could be used by ATVs. But U.S. Magistrate Patricia Sullivan earlier this week said the plan does not do enough to protect vulnerable species, including elk and gray wolves. The Bulletin reports that Sullivan's ruling is preliminary and must be reviewed by another judge. The Forest Service has been looking at options for an expanded trail system within the Ochoco for more than a decade. But when the Forest Service approved the plan last June, conservationists, hunting organizations and other groups sued. / ENVIRONMENT: The Terwilliger Fire grew to more than 7,500 acres yesterday and is 17 percent contained. Yesterday, fire behavior was active as low humidity left fuels dry and steady winds persisted. On the southern perimeter of the fire, it continued to grow and run up Hardy Ridge in rough terrain. The eastern front of the fire continued to exhibit active fire behavior cresting Sawtooth Ridge and creating a smoke column that settled into the McKenzie River valley corridor. Fire continues to move north from Basalt Creek. Due to extremely steep terrain, crews continue to engage this area indirectly with burnout operations and aerial support while reinforcing contingency lines along the nearby roadway.

Aerial resources assisted the Ranger District on a new fire start within the fire scar of the 2017 Separation Fire. Over Labor Day weekend, visitors are expected to arrive and fill many local campgrounds. Closures and campfire bans will remain in place during this time. With fire activity being high and fire danger at very high for the Willamette National Forest, campfires are banned forest-wide, including at developed sites and in all wilderness areas. In addition to a ban on all campfires, smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or a developed recreation site. Camp stoves that run on propane or liquid fuels and have an on/off switch are acceptable.; A new study predicts that a warmer world likely means more and hungrier insects chomping on crops and less food on dinner plates. Insects now consume about 10 percent of the globe's food, but the researchers say that will increase to 15 to 20 percent by the end of the century if climate change isn't stopped. The study looked at the damage bugs could do as temperatures rise. It found that many of them will increase in number at key times for crops. The hotter weather will also speed up their metabolism so they'll eat more. The study is in Thursday's journal Science. / CRIME: The Internal Revenue Service and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration continue to hear from taxpayers who have received unsolicited calls from individuals demanding payment while fraudulently claiming to be from the IRS. Taxpayers should remember their first contact with the IRS will not be a call from out of the blue, but through official correspondence sent through the mail. A big red flag for these scams are angry, threatening calls from people who say they are from the IRS and urging immediate payment. This is not how the IRS operates. Hang up immediately and contact your local law enforcement agency or the IRS," Additionally, it is important for taxpayers to know that the IRS: Never asks for credit card, debit card or prepaid card information over the telephone. Never insists that taxpayers use a specific payment method to pay tax obligations. Never requests immediate payment over the telephone and will not take enforcement action immediately following a phone conversation. Taxpayers usually receive prior notification of IRS enforcement action involving IRS tax liens or levies. Potential phone scam victims may be told that they owe money that must be paid immediately to the IRS or they are entitled to big refunds. When unsuccessful the first time, sometimes phone scammers call back trying a new strategy. Other characteristics of these scams include: Scammers use fake names and IRS badge numbers. They generally use common names and surnames to identify themselves. Scammers may be able to recite the last four digits of a victim's Social Security number. Scammers spoof the IRS toll-free number on caller ID to make it appear that it's the IRS calling. Scammers sometimes send bogus IRS emails to some victims to support their bogus calls. Victims hear background noise of other calls being conducted to mimic a call site. After threatening victims with jail time or driver's license revocation, scammers hang up and others soon call back pretending to be from the local police or DMV. and the caller ID supports their claim. If you get a phone call from someone claiming to be from the IRS, here's what you should do: If you know you owe taxes or you think you might owe taxes, call the IRS at 1.800.829.1040. The IRS employees at that line can help you with a payment issue, if there really is such an issue. If you know you don't owe taxes or have no reason to think that you owe any taxes (for example, you've never received a bill or the caller made some bogus threats as described above), then call and report the incident to TIGTA at

1.800.366.4484. You can file a complaint using the FTC Complaint Assistant at FTC.gov; choose "Other" and then "Imposter Scams." If the complaint involves someone impersonating the IRS, include the words "IRS Telephone Scam" in the notes. Taxpayers should be aware that there are other unrelated scams (such as a lottery sweepstakes) and solicitations (such as debt relief) that fraudulently claim to be from the IRS. The IRS encourages taxpayers to be vigilant against phone and email scams that use the IRS as a lure. The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as text messages and social media channels. The IRS also does not ask for PINs, passwords or similar confidential access information for credit card, bank or other financial accounts. Recipients should not open any attachments or click on any links contained in the message. Instead, forward the email to phishing@irs.gov. For more information or to report a scam, go to www.irs.gov and type "scam" in the search box. More information on how to report phishing scams involving the IRS is available on the genuine IRS website, IRS.gov. / BUSINESS, HEALTH: PacificSource announced that it is purchasing the Symantec building located at 555 International Way in Springfield. The purchase is scheduled to close in October 2018. PacificSource currently has staff based in two Lane County locations and will relocate all of them to the former Symantec building at a future date in 2019. Staff at PacificSource's other office locations throughout the Northwest will not be affected by this move. Officials with the not-for-profit community health plan say the Symantec building has significantly more square footage than PacificSource's current Eugene and Springfield offices combined. Ken Provencher, president and CEO of PacificSource, says allows room for growth. PacificSource employs approximately 1,000 people throughout the Northwest with more than 500 full and part-time staff located in Lane County. The PacificSource family of companies serves more than 300,000 individuals and has 3,900 employer clients throughout the Northwest. Symantec won't completely leave the building. The software security company will lease approximately 40,000 square feet of space from PacificSource and is expected to continue to have operations in the building for several years. Founded in 1933, PacificSource is based in Springfield with local offices throughout Oregon, Idaho, and Montana. / EDUCATION, SPORTS, SAFETY: The gates are opening earlier, alcohol will be available at more locations, but there will be no inand-out privileges. After working with City of Eugene, law enforcement and Oregon Liquor Control Commission officials, the University of Oregon this week announced several changes for this fall's home football games at Autzen Stadium. They include opening including parking lots opening two hours earlier on game day, expanding in-stadium beer and wine sales, clarifying the outside bag policy, and eliminating a rule that allowed fans who exited the stadium gates to re-enter. Athletic Director Rob Mullens says parking lots at Autzen Stadium will now open six hours before kickoff instead of the previous four. That allows more on-site tailgating and officials say it should reduce some of the traffic crunch around the stadium and on Interstate Five and other nearby arterials ahead of kick-off. However, for late morning and noon kickoffs, where six hours might not be practical, Autzen Stadium parking lots will not open before 7 a.m. Beer and wine have long been available in the Moshofsky Center and The Club at Autzen. Now, Athletic Department officials say they are being extended to the general concession areas of the stadium. But alcohol sales will not be extended to the

student sections in Autzen Stadium. At the same time, the number of alcohol monitors on the game-day staff will be significantly increased to allow for increased security and enforcement. Athletic Department officials say the extended hours for open parking lots as well as the expanded alcohol sales are both part of a one-year pilot program. At the same time, officials say they want to reduce binge drinking and prevent alcohol-related incidents, so fans who exit the stadium gates at any point will not be allowed to re-enter the stadium. Historically, law enforcement experts say too many fans leave the stadium at halftime and consume additional alcohol during the relatively short break. They often return to the stadium and have the intoxication effects really hit them in the second half. This leads to unruly behavior and medical issues that can easily be avoided. Finally, a clear bag policy is being instituted for fans entering the stadium. Clear bag policies are used at sports venues throughout the nation to provide for a safer venue and reduce the time spent waiting in line to enter the facility before a game.

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The National Weather Service in Portland has issued a Red Flag Warning for wind and low relative humidity, which is in effect through 7:00 p.m. this evening. A Red Flag Warning means that critical fire weather conditions are either occurring now, or will shortly. A combination of the above conditions can contribute to extreme fire behavior. This applies to the southern and central Willamette Valley. Winds: North 10 to 15 mph with gusts up to 25 mph in the afternoon through early evening. Minimum Relative Humidity: Generally 20 to 25 percent. Impacts: Conditions may be favorable for rapid fire spread which may threaten life and property. Use extra caution with potential ignition sources, especially in grassy areas. Outdoor burning is not recommended.; The Terwilliger Fire continues to grow southeast of Blue River. Size: 8,446 acres Containment: 23% Personnel: 740. Yesterday, fire behavior was active with continued dry conditions and lower humidity. Crews were very successful with firing operations, to improve and strengthen containment lines, along the northwest and far southern perimeters due to the favorable conditions. Firefighters held and improved line near FS Road 1986, east to Forest Road 19. Structural assessments continued along the Highway 126 corridor and Kings Road. Work continues on contingency lines near Horse Creek just south of Highway 126. Hazardous conditions exist along Forest Highway 19 (FS19). Over the course of the fire there have been numerous instances where large debris such as car-sized boulders and large trees have fallen onto FS19 creating frequent near miss incidents for fire personnel and vehicles. Due to these hazardous conditions, fire managers decided to close FS19 to fire traffic. It was determined that having fire personnel drive a longer alternate route around the fire will lessen the probability of significant injury rather than exposing them to unpredictable falling debris along FS19. Road clearing will continue along FS19 in the event that emergency vehicles need to travel the road for rapid evacuation of injured personnel. Restrictions: The Willamette National Forest has implemented a Forest-wide campfire ban, which includes all campgrounds and Wilderness areas. Temporary Flight Restrictions: Temporary flight restrictions (TFR) are in effect around the entire fire area. Remember, that temporary flight restrictions also apply to unmanned aircraft systems (drones). If you fly, they can't! / BUSINESS. TRANSPORTATION: The Register-Guard is reporting Uber competitor Lyft want to join the ride-hailing market in Eugene and Springfield. It comes less than one week after Lyft officials objected to updated city rules, appearing to leave Uber without direct competition in the metro area. Reporter Dylan Darling writes that

Lyft has submitted an application to the city of Eugene for an operating license. He quotes a city of Eugene Planning and Development Department spokeswoman Lindsey Selser who says Lyft's application came in late Friday afternoon. If approved, the license also allows a ride-hailing company to operate in Springfield. As for Uber, the Register-Guard reports the company filed an operating license application last Thursday. Selser says the city has yet to grant either license, but that the process typically takes only a day or two. Uber officials last week announced that they plan to start operating in Eugene-Springfield on Thursday. It's unclear yet when Lyft wants to begin local service. Ride-hailing allows customers with a smartphone app to hail and pay for a ride, outside of a traditional taxi service. Drivers apply for employment with Lyft and Uber — sometimes both and use their own smartphones to find customers. Lyft and Uber are the two biggest companies in the ride-hailing world.; If its application is approved, Uber will returning to Eugene-Springfield after a three-year absence. It comes after the company and Eugene city officials worked out differences over issues including driver certification and vehicle inspections. Eugene Mayor Lucy Vinis says the city will handle driver sign-ups. Uber officials plan a couple of orientation sessions on Wednesday and Thursday. Those interested in becoming drivers must first fill out an application with Uber, then be certified by the City of Eugene. The changes came after lobbying by Eugene's tech and business sectors whose representatives said the ride-hailing companies provide an important transportation alternative for visitors. Uber operated in Eugene-Springfield for a time in 2015 but suspended service in the face of city requirements regarding licensing, driver background checks, insurance and vehicle inspections. In July of this year, members of the Eugene City Council adopted changes to those rules that opened the door for ride-hailing services. In order to operate a taxi, transportation network vehicle or shuttle for-hire in Eugene and Springfield, individuals must be 21 year or older, apply for and be issued a driver certification card. / SAFETY: Disaster responders with the American Red Cross Cascades Region responded at approximately 6:45 p.m. Monday, Sep. 3, 2018 in the 38000 block of Highway 58 in Dexter. The multi-family fire affected four adults and three children. The Red Cross provided resources to help address the immediate basic needs of those affected such as temporary housing, food, clothing, comfort kits with toiletry items, information about recovery services, and health and mental health services. / CRIME, ENVIRONMENT: Oregon State Police are asking for your help in solving an elk poaching case near Reedsport. On Friday evening, August 31st, Fish and Wildlife Troopers responded to a report that a 6-point bull elk had been shot with an arrow and left to waste in the Dean Creek Elk Viewing Area, outside of Reedsport. The investigation revealed the elk had been killed around 7:00 PM that evening, and no effort was made by the person(s) involved to harvest any of the meat from the animal. The public is urged to call Oregon State Police Trooper Brian Koell through the Turn in Poachers (TIP) hotline at 1-800-452-7888 or 541-888-2677 ext 244. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: The U.S. Forest Service is hiring 1,000 temporary workers for spring and summer of 2019 in Oregon and Washington. The Statesman Journal reports the federal agency announced the openings on Friday. Applications will be accepted between Sept. 17 and Oct. 12 for positions in fields including firefighting, recreation, natural resources, timber, engineering, visitor services and archaeology. Forest Service spokeswoman Catherine Caruso says application dates this year are earlier than

previous years in order to allow the agency to ensure background checks are complete before start dates. Most of the jobs listed pay \$11 to \$20 per hour, require 40 hours per week and include health insurance. There are open positions in 16 National Forests, 59 District Offices, a National Scenic Area, and a National Grassland in Oregon and Washington. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: Researchers have expanded a health-monitoring study of wildland firefighters after a previous study found season-long health declines and deteriorating reaction times. Eighteen firefighters who parachute from airplanes are wearing advanced motion monitors this summer to track how they hold up. A University of Idaho study last year with nine firefighters found they lost muscle mass and had slower reaction times as the fire season progressed. Researchers say initial thoughts from that small sample are that firefighters might need better nutrition to stay fit and mentally sharp. Researchers hope to conduct the study again next year with more than 100 firefighters. Some 19,000 wildland firefighters are currently active. Fourteen firefighters have died this year as wildfires have scorched about 3,500 square miles and destroyed some 3,000 homes. / HEALTH: The only Oregon hospital to offer heart transplants is ending its program indefinitely, just days after announcing it would suspend the program for 14 days to regroup. Oregon Health & Science University has lost all four of the doctors on the heart transplant team and can no longer perform the operations or provide post-operative care. The Portland hospital said Friday that it is aggressively recruiting heart transplant specialists to restart its 32-year-old program but cannot provide any timeline. All 20 patients that were on the transplant waitlist have either been transferred to other medical centers or have opted to stay with OHSU. The University of Washington says it has accepted eight patients to its program. The hospital also is evaluating 327 post-transplant patients to see how to meet their needs. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, SAFETY: An Oregon hunter who hung upside-down in a tree for 2 days about 30 feet from the ground was "hollering" for help when two hunters found him. The La Grande Observer reports that father-and-son hunters Steven and Joseph Royston heard 70-year-old Eddie Voelker yelling from a mile (1.6 kilometers) away and spent 1 ½ hours searching for him because they were not looking up. The East Oregonian reports Voelker is in a drug-induced coma and is in critical condition with brain swelling. Voelker fell from his tree stand and became tangled in his safety harness while hunting rural northeast Oregon earlier this week. His heart briefly stopped beating during the rescue because he had been upside-down for so long. / IMMIGRATION, RELIGION. POLITICS; Federal officers arrested nearly two dozen Oregon religious leaders during a Portland, Oregon, demonstration by a coalition opposed to President Donald Trump's immigration policies. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that authorities on Thursday jailed 21 clergy and one photographer affiliated with the group, which had blocked the driveway and front gate of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility in Oregon's largest city. They included religious leaders from Portland, Bend, Woodburn and other cities. The arrests marked the end to the largest action taken this month by members of the Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice, a coalition that counts 140 religious communities in Oregon among its ranks. The group has called for an end to immigration detention in Oregon. / BUSINESS, CRIME: Oregon will require cultivators growing outdoor marijuana for general use to notify the state when they plan to harvest. The notification means inspectors with the Oregon Liquor Control Commission could

show up to observe the harvest. The rule that takes effect Saturday is intended to prevent marijuana from being diverted out-of-state to the black market after pressure from federal officials. Marijuana growers say the new rule is another bureaucratic hurdle and won't solve diversion. Oregon has a massive inventory of marijuana that critics say is fueling diversion onto the black market both here and out-of-state. Farmers say anyone growing pot as part of the state's legal program is paying thousands of dollars in licensing fees to do so and isn't going to operate illegally. /

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line at the facility broke. Wastewater lagoons on the site captured some of the oil. The remainder flowed into a catch basin that eventually discharges into the McKenzie River two miles downstream. At least 95 gallons of oil entered the McKenzie River. The sheen was observed seven-and-a-half miles downstream and persisted for at least two days. Earlier in the day on March 13, an angler on the McKenzie River near Harvest Lane boat landing, about 2.5 miles downstream of the outfall, noticed the oil sheen and notified the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. The ODFW employee notified the company of the sheen near its outfall. The same day, the Lane County's Sheriff's Office investigated the sheen and reported in to the Oregon Emergency Response System at 5:50 p.m. DEQ learned of the release shortly afterward. International Paper hired a contractor. Clean Harbors, to deploy booms clean up oil residue from the pipe and its wastewater treatment system. While cleanup efforts were underway, access was restricted to the McKenzie River around the release site until March 22. There were no documented impacts to fish or other wildlife. Drinking water was not affected. The release took place in an area designated as critical habitat for the Willamette Spring Chinook salmon and the Willamette buil trout. The area is also a popular spot for fishing and recreation. When oil reaches waterways it can harm aquatic life and ecosystems and adversely affect beneficial uses of the waterways such as recreation. DEQ requires immediate reporting to ensure a prompt and effective response. The company has until Sept. 19 to appeal the fine.; Officials with the Environmental Protection Agency say leaders of wood-treatment company J.H. Baxter have agreed to modify practices at their site in West Eugene and pay a \$64-thousand penalty for improper handling and storage of hazardous waste. EPA officials say it came after what investigators described as "significant' violations of regulations intended to ensure the safe handling of hazardous waste like creosote and pentachlorophenol. EPA officials say the agreement with J.H. Baxter is intended to prevent further groundwater contamination, which can harm people and the environment. In 2014, inspectors found multiple violations. including staining from the wood preservatives on an asphalt pad outside of a containment area, as well as an unmarked and undated container of hazardous waste from wood treating activities. The inspectors said J.H. Baxter also was not adequately cleaning a drip pad to prevent the chemicals from migrating from the containment area. Environmental officials say the company has taken corrective actions to prevent potential land-based contamination from moving offsite. J.H. Baxter is currently working with Oregon Department of Environmental Quality to clean up contaminated groundwater at the site, and the EPA's enforcement action is focused on preventing recontamination of the soil and groundwater. / SAFETY, CRIME: Oregon State Police say they're still seeking the driver of a vehicle involved in a hit-and-run on Highway 126-East near McKenzie Bridge that critically injured a pedestrian from California as he was crossing the highway. It happened near Monday evening around 8:45 near Milepost 47.5. Investigators say the suspect vehicle was traveling westbound and is described as a silver or metallic gray Chevy Astro Van or similar looking vehicle. The victim, 71-year-old John Houdeshell from Yreka, California, was transported by air ambulance to the hospital. The highway was closed for three hours Monday evening following the collision. Have any leads in the case? Oregon State Police investigators would like to hear from you. / HOMELESS, COMMUNITY: A federal appellate court says cities can't prosecute people for sleeping on the streets if they have nowhere else

to go because it amounts to cruel and unusual punishment. In a ruling handed down Tuesday, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals sided with six homeless Boise, Idaho residents who sued the city in 2009 over a local ordinance that banned sleeping in public spaces. The ruling could impact several other cities across the western U.S. that have similar laws. Four years ago Boise changed its anti-camping rule to say that homeless campers couldn't be prosecuted unless all the local homeless shelters were full. But the appellate court said that didn't fix the problem because some of the shelters require religious programming and all of them limit the number of days a homeless person can stay. That means homeless campers could still face prosecution even if the shelters had open beds. / EDUCATION, SPORTS: Attorneys for college football and basketball players returned to court Tuesday to fight NCAA rules that cap athletes' compensation at what is traditionally covered by a scholarship. A federal trial in Oakland, California, opened with the testimony of a sports economist who is one of several expert witnesses the sides plan to call during the 10-day trial. Dueling experts are expected to debate the economic effects of allowing schools to freely pay football and basketball players. The plaintiffs want each college athletic conference to determine athletes' compensation in hopes of creating a free market. The NCAA argues that the wealthiest conferences and schools will quickly draw the best athletes, turning off fans and causing economic damage. The federal judge, who is hearing the case without a jury, is the same judge who ruled on the so-called O'Bannon case, which challenged the NCAA's right to use athletes' names. images and likenesses without compensation. The case produced a mixed ruling that eventually went to the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. / HEALTH. TRANSPORTATION: A scary story from the Washington Post that might have you carrying hand sanitizer whenever you fly. At the very least, the next time you go through airport security, wash your hands immediately afterward. A new study published by Finnish and British researchers finds that half of all plastic airport security bins might carry viruses that cause respiratory infections. The study's authors concluded that the screening trays are one of the surfaces at an airport where passengers are most likely to pick up harmful viruses. The research might be added cause for concern among Americans, who are increasingly being instructed to empty their food and snack items straight into the plastic bins. The study's authors suggest airports should offer hand sanitizer to travelers before and after each security checkpoint, and that the baggage trays should be cleaned and disinfected more frequently. But plastic bins aren't the only place in airports where researchers found frequent presence of cold-causing viruses. Half the samples swabbed from buttons on payment terminals at airport shops and businesses tested positive for the common cold or flu. And when the scientists repeatedly swabbed a plastic toy dog in the airport's children's playground, they found that the toy played host to cold-causing viruses a whopping 67 percent of the time. In these cases, the scientists concluded, the best approach might be the simplest one: a good old-fashioned wipedown. Frequent cleaning, they say, is why an unlikely surface topped the list of the most virus-free spots in the airport: the toilet. Of the 42 samples taken on toilet lids, on the flush buttons, and on the door locks, there were zero samples where scientists detected the presence of a cold virus. / BUSINESS, MINORITY: The tribal-owned and operated Kah-nee-ta Resort & Spa will close for good Wednesday. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Tribal Council voted last week to move

forward with a plan to close the resort, ending speculation that the tribes could find a way to keep the facility and its 146 workers in business. The golf course will also close. The resort sits on the Warm Springs Reservation 70 miles north of Bend. The confederated tribes include 5,300 members from the Warm Springs, Wasco, and Paiute tribes. According to a statement from the tribal government, the decision to close the resort was far from unanimous among the 11-member tribal council. Three members voted yes, five abstained from voting and the chairman did not vote. /

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SAFETY, COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: Calling it a "major wildland fire," crews with from the Oregon Department of Forestry and a handful of local agencies yesterday evening battled a 12-acre blaze that destroyed three structures, several outbuildings and a number of vehicles in Dorena. It happened near Milepost 11 on Row River Road. The cause of the fire is under investigation. The rural Dorena area is not protected by a structural fire agency. But crews with South Lane Fire and Rescue provided protection to the Dorena School as part of its agreement with the South Lane School District. The Goshen-Pleasant Hill and North Douglas fire agencies also assisted in protecting structures and battling the flames on the ground as a fire helicopter dipped buckets of water from the nearby river. No civilian or firefighter injuries were reported. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: It was reported shortly before one yesterday afternoon and quickly grew to more than 5,000 acres by nightfall. The northern California blaze known as the Delta Fire yesterday forced the closure of 45 miles of Interstate Five from just south of Mount Shasta to just north of the city of Redding, stranding thousands of drivers on either side of the blockade. It came after the blaze jumped the freeway, forcing at least 17 truck drivers to abandon their big rigs. At least four of those burned. The fire is zero percent contained as it chews through stands of tinder-dry trees and brush. Crews reported extreme fire behavior with the blaze growing by one square mile each hour, a fire front on the northern side that was three miles long and flame heights leaping to 300 feet.; The Oregon Department of Transportation joined CalTrans in discouraging travel into northern California on Interstate Five overnight. Forty-five miles of the interstate was closed between Mount Shasta and the city of Redding because of the Delta Fire. And traveler services were reportedly full from the city of Dunsmuir north according to the California Highway Patrol. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: A fatal traffic accident closed a stretch of Highway 126-East, the McKenzie Highway, for four-and-a-half hours yesterday. It happened about two miles west of Walterville, near Milepost 11. More details will be released later today.; The 2018 fire season has been filled with challenges. Through August, 839 fires have burned an estimated 69,600 acres on the nearly 16 million acres of lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry alone. Acres affected by wildfires on all jurisdictions in Oregon represent more than 748,000 acres to date in 2018. However, there is a silver lining to this story. The month of August, considered the peak of fire season, showed a decrease in human-caused fires in comparison to the 10-year average, In all, people were responsible for 138 wildfires, a 10-percent drop from the 10-

year average of 153. Fires resulting from campfires (6) were down 50 percent (12) and vehicle related fires (9) were down 40 percent from the average (15). The largest drop came from illegal debris burning, where just two fires occurred compared to the 10-year average of 13. This represents a nearly 85-percent decrease. While more than 44,000 acres burned on ODF protected lands have been attributed to fires started by lightning (210), the number of human-caused fires represents 75 percent of all ignitions. The leading culprits behind a number of these fires are those burning illegally (99), drivers of poorly maintained vehicles (57) and campers failing to properly extinguish campfires (37). Other fire causes include power lines, mowing dry grass, fireworks and smoking. Nearly 60 wildfires are still under investigation. The fire season generally lasts through October when several days of significant rainfall saturates the landscape. Each ODF protection district makes that determination based on conditions in their respective areas. / EDUCATION: Due to construction delays, the Monroe School District will start classes at its Kindergarten through 8th Grade School campus on Wednesday, September 12th. / TRANSPORTATION, BUSINESS: One day after giving approval to ride-hailing service Lyft, Uber has been granted a Public Passenger Vehicle License to operate in Eugene-Springfield. That clears the way for Uber to begin accepting driver registrations from people interested in being part of its network. Uber was the first to file paperwork last week to operate in the metro area, but Eugene officials said when they gave Lyft the okay that they still needed additional information from Uber officials to complete their review of its application. To obtain a Driver Certification from the City of Eugene, whether Lyft or Uber, you must first apply and register online with the ride-hailing service of your choice through its app. You need to be at least 21 years old. As part of the process, you'll need a completed vehicle inspection form, which may also be downloaded from the Lyft and, eventually, the Uber app. Once you're approved by the ride-hailing company, go online to the City of Eugene's website and fill out a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver Certification application, or drop by the City of Eugene's Business Licensing Office in the Atrium Building at 10th and Olive Streets for a paper application. That office is also where you'll need to show a valid, state-Issued Driver's License, your completed application, the completed vehicle inspection form, proof of personal auto insurance and proof that the ride-hailing company has vetted you—something available on the Lyft or Uber app. The \$65 fee may be paid with cash, a money order, Visa or Mastercard. Once the Driver Certification application process has been completed with the City of Eugene, you'll be issued a Driver Certification immediately. That's when you reconnect with Lyft or Uber to learn the next steps. The cost of the annual certification is \$65, paid at the time of application. The City of Eugene began processing those applications this week and is offering expanded hours to handle those certifications this week. ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION: U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden yesterday urged officials with the U.S. Forest Service to continue its Legacy Roads and Trails program that repairs plugged culverts, landslides, and washouts of roads and trails in the national forests. Wyden and two other senators wrote Interim Forest Service Chief Vicki Christiansen to ask that her agency continue tracking and reporting annual accomplishments under the program. They say the maintenance helps protect community and forest watersheds as well as threatened, endangered, and sensitive species. Since 2008, the program in Oregon and Washington has funded maintenance or improvements on 6,229 miles of roads,

maintenance or improvement on 69 miles of trails, retirement of 1,037 miles of excess roads, and the restoration of more than 100 stream crossings. Joining Wyden in the letter are Sens. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) and Tammy Baldwin (D-Wisc.) / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A bow hunter in Oregon mistook a pet potbellied pig that had escaped from its owners' home for a feral hog and fatally shot it. The East Oregonian reports Wednesday that Janet and Jerry McKague had cared for the pig named Porky for more than a year. Porky escaped on Aug. 31 and the family searched for him until they learned that a bow hunter had shown up at a local store claiming to have shot a 167-pound feral pig. The McKagues contacted the Oregon State Police. Authorities contacted the hunter, who was cooperative and said he thought the pig was wild. Porky's carcass was seized as evidence. The case will be forwarded to prosecutors but no charges have been filed. / HEALTH, POLITICS: U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden says the Senate has unanimously passed his bill that would crack down on what are known as "gag clauses" blocking pharmacists from telling customers they could pay less for their prescription if they pay out of pocket. Wyden says, quote, "Pharma middlemen have been taking advantage of America's broken drug pricing system for too long banning pharmacists from telling customers the lowest available price for their medication is another flagrant example." The Oregon Democrat says many customers don't realize they could pay less for their prescription if they pay out of pocket rather than using their insurance at the pharmacy counter. Many pharmacists are prohibited from telling their customers that a prescription to treat diabetes or high blood pressure may cost only \$8 out of pocket instead of \$20 through insurance coverage. One 2018 report found that customers overpaid for prescription drugs at the pharmacy counter 23 percent of the time. And many pharmacists are frustrated that they can't help their customers save money. The bipartisan Know the Lowest Price Act cracks down on this practice by prohibiting Medicare Part D Plans from restricting a pharmacy's ability to provide drug price information when there is a difference between the cost of the drug under the plan and the cost of the drug when bought without insurance. Wyden recently released a report outlining the details in the supply chain that leads to higher costs for consumers and taxpayers. He says he has also introduced bills that ensure drug middlemen show how much value they are actually passing along to consumers and that call on pharmaceutical companies to justify massive price hikes. The "Know the Lowest Price Act" now goes to the House for consideration. / ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION: Oregon State University scientists may have the answer to why Mount St. Helens is out of line with other major Volcanoes on the Cascade Range. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports university geophysicist Adam Schultz and his team think a giant subsurface rock formation diverted magma, causing Mount St. Helens to form west of the Cascadia Arc. The team of researchers layered together different imaging studies of the volcano to give a clearer picture of what's below the surface. Their work is being published this week in the peer-reviewed journal "Nature Geoscience." The team's research indicates the Spirit Lake batholith served as a plug in the Earth's crust, diverting the magma. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A 45-mile stretch of Interstate Five through northern California's Siskiyou Mountains remains closed this morning as a wildfire continues to rage in the nearby forest. Officials with the California Highway Patrol says reopening Interstate 5 is a priority but that highway patrol, fire and transportation officials are still concerned about burned trees along the roadway and possible patches of damaged pavement. Officials meet this morning to discuss a reopening timeline. The Delta Fire, which sparked Wednesday afternoon, had burned through more than 22-thousand acres by yesterday evening. It has prompted evacuation orders for scattered homes and buildings in three counties in and around Shasta-Trinity National Forest.; Interstate 5 usually swarms with trucks and traffic as it winds its way through the Siskiyou Mountains in northern California. But the interstate remains a ghost road this morning along a 45-mile stretch closed when a fire on Wednesday afternoon swept across it. turning forested hills on either side into walls of flame. Drivers fled, in some places on foot, and several big-rigs burned. Crews yesterday removed the burned hulks and abandoned rigs. But flames flames from the blaze known as the Delta Fire continued to burn along the edge of the road in some areas. A decision is expected this morning on whether to reopen the highway. But first authorities need to check the safety of the pavement and crews must cut down burned trees next to the road — some of them 70 feet tall — that might be in danger of falling. Yesterday evening, fire officials said the blaze has scorched more than 22thousand acres and is zero percent contained. More than 12-hundred personnel are battling the fire, both on the ground and from the air. The blaze is chewing through tinder-dry timber and brush and has prompted evacuation orders for scattered homes and buildings in three counties in and around the Shasta-Trinity National Forest. Although the fire wasn't burning near any large towns, about 280 homes are considered threatened. Meanwhile, truckers who rely heavily on the I-5 to transport timber and other goods along the West Coast had the unenviable choice of waiting or taking a jammed detour on two-lane highways with some steep hills that adds 115 miles or so to their journeys. Patience was running thin at the Pilot Travel Center in the town of Weed, near the northern end of the closure. The truck stop's facilities were stretched to their limits, as parked big rigs lined the roads surrounding the facility. / ECONOMY, SPORTS: Never give up! That's the lesson for Eugene Emeralds fans after their team, which entered the Northwest League Playoffs with the league's worst overall record, swept the Hillsboro Hops and is heading to the Championship Series. The Ems defeated the Hops 3-2 in

Game 2 in Hillsboro on Thursday, sweeping the first round series 2 games to none. The series victory not only sends the Emeralds to their third consecutive championship series appearance, but they also defeated the team with the league's best overall record. The Hops finished a full 20 games ahead of Eugene in the overall standings. But now it's playoff time: Throw the regular-season records out the window. The Ems now await the result of the winner-take-all Game 3 on Friday, September 7th, between Spokane and Everett to determine which team they will face in the championship series. If Everett wins, the Ems will travel for Games 1 and 2 in Everett on Saturday and Sunday, before returning home to PK Park in Eugene for Games 3-5 on Monday-Wednesday of next week. If Spokane wins, the Ems host all 5 games of the final series, beginning on Sunday, September 9th and potentially running through the following Thursday, if necessary. Tickets will become available as soon as the Emeralds learn of their championship opponent on Friday night and the schedule is officially known. Fans can purchase those tickets at www.EmeraldsBaseball.com; Pat Casey, the winningest coach in Oregon State Athletics history, announced Thursday his retirement from coaching after 24 years in Corvallis and 31 seasons at the collegiate level. He claimed 900 victories at Oregon State, with the last coming in the final game of the 2018 College World Series as the Beavers won their third national championship. Pat Bailey, who served as an assistant coach and associate head coach under Casey for 11 seasons at Oregon State, has been named interim head coach. A national search will begin at the conclusion of the 2019 season. While coaching at Oregon State, Pat Casey's teams made six visits to the College World Series, and won 21 games in Omaha, among the most in CWS history. His teams made 13 total trips to the postseason, accounting for 64 of Oregon State baseball's 69 all-time victories. Casey coached 21 players who have since appeared at the Major League level, and countless others who have gone on to successful careers off the field. Casey thanked members of his teams and coaching staff from the past three decades and also thanked the fans. known as Beaver Nation, for being the best baseball fans in America. Casey will remain at Oregon State as a Senior Associate Athletics Director and Special Assistant to Vice President and Director of Athletics Scott Barnes. Casey came to Oregon State in 1995 after seven seasons as the head coach at George Fox in his hometown of Newberg. During his tenure with the Beavers, he won 900 games -1,071 all-time with 171 at George Fox. Casey was named national coach of the year by at least one organization five times: in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2017 and 2018. The honors followed national championships in 2006, 2007 and 2018. A total of 116 of his players have been drafted by MLB organizations since 1995, with eight going in the first round, including a school-record three in 2018 (Nick Madrigal, Trevor Larnach and Cadyn Grenier). / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Oregon State Police yesterday released the names of the drivers involved in Wednesday's fatal traffic accident on Highway 126-East, the McKenzie Highway, two miles west of Walterville. It happened shortly before 2:30 p.m. at the intersection with Dearhorn Road. Investigators say the driver of 2007 Lexus G35, 86-year-old Guido Villena of Springfield, was attempting to turn onto the highway when he pulled into the path of a sanitation truck operated by 29-year-old Mathew Peacock of of Springfield, causing a collision. State Police say a 2015 Jeep Cherokee, operated by 29-year-old Jason Miller of Arizona, was driving on the highway and unable to avoid the initial collision. Villena died from his injuries. Oregon State

Police was assisted by ODOT, Springfield Fire Department, and the McKenzie Fire Department. / CRIME: Officials with the Lane County Sheriff's Office say an overnight stand-off an apartment complex in Saginaw ended this morning when the suspect was taken into custody. He is identified as 58-year-old Robert Goldberg. The Saginaw man faces charges including Menacing, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, and Resisting Arrest. It came after the sheriff's office received a report shortly before 9:00 p.m. about a man who stepped outside of an apartment on the 79900 block of Hwy 99 and pointed a firearm at another man in the parking lot. The caller said the man with the weapon then went back inside the apartment with the gun. It was believed he was alone in the unit. Sheriff's deputies responded and attempted to make contact with the suspect, with the assistance of the Sheriff's Office Special Response Team and Oregon State Police. Several neighbors were evacuated as a precaution. Deputies used a loud speaker in attempt to get the suspect, Robert Goldberg, to come out of the residence. Then they used a device emitting a flash/ sound/ distraction device was also used in effort to get Goldberg to exit the residence. Shortly before 4:00 am, investigators say Goldberg exited the home but refused to surrender and was struck with a foam-tipped less-thanlethal round before being taken into custody. He was treated by medics at the scene for non-life threatening injuries. / BUSINESS, SAFETY, WOMEN: Tens of thousands of U.S. hotel employees will soon carry panic buttons to help protect them from harassment. Marriott, Hilton and Hyatt are among more than a dozen hotel chains providing the devices and harassment training by 2020. The American Hotel and Lodging Association says more than 18,000 U.S. hotels are expected to participate. The devices will vary. In newer hotels with Wi-Fi they might automatically send the employee's location to security officers. In an older or smaller hotel they might emit a loud shriek. In most cases they will be given to staff whose jobs require them to work alone. Some cities, including New York, Seattle and Chicago, already require the devices. The new agreement will bring them nationwide. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A 45-mile stretch of Interstate Five remains closed in northern California as close to 2,400 fire personnel battle a blaze in Shasta County that erupted Wednesday afternoon, crossing the freeway and burning several big rigs. The closure stretches from just south of Mt. Shasta to just north of the city of Redding. There is a detour in place but it adds more than 100 miles to the trip on two-lane highways and, given the volume of traffic, an extra three to ight hours of travel time. While the fire lines have moved west, away from I-5, crews are keeping an eye on shifting winds and say the Delta Fire has burned through 40,903 acres and was 5 percent contained as of Sunday afternoon.; More than 80 people volunteered this weekend as Oregon's Wing of the Civil Air Patrol was evaluated by a team of U.S. Air Force officers. The team of Air Force personnel from Oregon, Washington and California tested and evaluated the volunteers of the Oregon Wing who gathered at three airport: Aurora State Airport, Redmond Municipal Airport, and Rogue Valley International Airport in Medford. Members of the Civil Air Patrol respond when an airplane is missing, a hiker is lost and with other missions. This weekend, they were tested on simulated emergencies and other assignments while the inspectors observed. The review occurs every two years and the Oregon Wing was declared "Ready" by the visiting official, the top performance finding. This weekend, simulated earthquake, volcanic eruption, ash clouds, flooding and a missing pilot and airplane were part of the scenarios handed to leaders to respond to. Photographic teams were dispatched in airplanes to the coast and along rivers in the affected areas. Some areas were closed due to Temporary Flight Restrictions as the simulated ash cloud minimized visibility, similar to what wildfire smoke has done this summer throughout Oregon. The CAP volunteers train to Federal Emergency Management Administration standards so they can work side-by-side with police, fire, county and state emergency responders. They utilize their aircraft to search where others cannot and cover more territory than vehicles can. / ENVIRONMENT: The Portland District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will increase releases from Fern Ridge Reservoir beginning today. Outflows from the dam will gradually increase for the next three weeks. The release will augment flows on the Willamette River to help meet downstream flow requirements for threatened and endangered fish. The Corps anticipates there will still be adequate water in Fern Ridge Reservoir to recreate; however, water users should be aware of potential water hazards due these changes. Boat ramp elevations are as follows: Orchard: 364 feet; Richardson: 365 feet; and Perkins: 368 feet.

Boaters who moor their watercraft on Fern Ridge Reservoir should remember to monitor changing water levels and conditions to ensure they have time to make arrangements to remove boats before launching ramps become unusable. Additionally, the Corps urges boaters who plan on using the reservoir into the fall and winter to take extra precautions as stumps begin to appear in greater numbers with the receding water levels. Irrigators along the Long Tom River should consider relocating water pumps that may be damaged by higher flows. These flows will increase from 60 to 800 cubic feet per second during the next three weeks. The Corps anticipates water levels in Fern Ridge will drop to 371 feet by September 10, 370.5 feet by September 17 and 369.5 feet by September 24. This will increase flows downstream by about half a foot each week at the Long Tom River gage at Monroe. In October, the Corps will continue to adjust flows to drawdown the reservoir for winter flood-season operations.; It feels more like late September for the next few days, with more in the way of clouds and onshore flow. A cold front will lift north and move east of the Cascades today, with light rain possible across portions of Northwest Oregon. There is a chance of showers through much of the week. We might even see some thunderstorms midweek. Rainfall amounts with this front have been meager at best. The northern Oregon Coast received up to one-fifth of an inch over the last 24 hours. Rainfall amounts tapered off significantly as you head south. Most locations only measured a trace. And most of the central and south Willamette Valley have remained dry so far. This means that the Eugene Airport has just set a new record for consecutive days without any measurable rain at 84 days. This breaks the old record of 83 days set in the summer of 1998. Radar imagery is showing some light rain moving into the central Coast Range early this morning. If the clouds hold together it looks like we might end our dry streak today, but if they fall apart we'll likely add another day to the record. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Witnesses said they had been foraging for mussels near Rocky Creek State Park, near Depoe Bay, late vesterday afternoon when a rogue wave swept them out to sea. Less than an hour later, a Coast Guard motor life boat and a Coast Guard helicopter recovered the bodies of the husband and wife. Officials say it is a grim reminder to all beachgoers, residents and visitors to be aware of potentially dangerous conditions along the coast, including tide changes and sneaker waves. The victims' names have not been released but Coast Guard officials say the couple recently moved to the area from China and Oregon State Police are working to notify relatives. / CRIME: The man who fatally shot his parents before killing two students and wounding two dozen others at Thurston High School in Springfield 20 years ago has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to review his nearly 112-year prison sentence. The Oregonian reported that 36-year-old Kip Kinkel submitted his own typed petition to the nation's highest court in early August. He's now being represented by two new lawyers, Thaddeus Betz of Bend and Marsha Levick of Philadelphia. Betz and Levick this week filed a new habeas corpus petition in federal court in Portland, arquing that the Oregon Supreme Court got it wrong earlier this year when it upheld Kinkel's sentence and found that Kinkel is incapable of rehabilitation. Kinkel's sentence included 25 years for his four homicides and nearly 87 years for the wounding of 24 others and attempted murder of a police detective. Kinkel, who was 15 at the time of the shooting, and his lawyers argue that Kinkel never got an opportunity to show he's not "irreparably corrupt" or "permanently incorrigible" before the state essentially imposed a sentence of life

without the possibility of parole. In May, the Oregon Supreme Court found that Kinkel's crimes reflected "irreparable corruption" rather than youthful immaturity that could change over time. It noted that Kinkel's sentencing judge found that he had an incurable illness, either paranoid schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. It also couldn't say that Kinkel's sentence was "constitutionally disproportionate" given the number of people he killed and injured. Kinkel's lawyers contend the state Supreme Court relied on a transcript from Kinkel's 1999 sentencing hearing, yet no such determination was made then whether Kinkel's condition could improve. The state Supreme Court also didn't allow Kinkel to present evidence of his mental health condition, how it's been treatable as evidenced by his record in prison or how he's "reformed and matured," he and his lawyers argue. The state Supreme Court's majority ruling affirmed decisions by Lane County Circuit Judge Jack Mattison and the Oregon Court of Appeals, which found Kinkel's sentence constitutional. Supreme Court Justice Pro Tem James Egan dissented. He wrote that "it is difficult to comprehend how petitioner's youth at the time of his crimes, in combination with his mental disorder, did not affect the nature and gravity of his crimes." Kinkel's lawyers agree with Egan. They contend Kinkel suffered from a severe mental illness, paranoid schizophrenia, and depression at the time of his crimes, which played a significant role in the shootings. Kinkel wrote in his petition to the U.S. Supreme Court that he was delusional and hallucinating when he committed his crimes. Kinkel's lawyers also contend that Kinkel was removed from anti-psychotic medication and his mental health seriously deteriorated two months before he entered guilty pleas in court on his trial attorneys' advice. Kinkel's sentence included 25 years for his four homicides and nearly 87 years for the wounding of 24 others and attempted murder of a police detective. Kinkel's lawyers are asking a federal judge either to order a new sentencing hearing, dismiss Kinkel's conviction and sentence or hold an evidentiary hearing on their claims. /

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TERRORISM, COMMUNITY: Americans are commemorating 9/11 with somber tributes, volunteer projects and a new monument to victims. The relatives of victims, along with survivors, rescuers and others gathered this morning at the memorial plaza where the World Trade Center's twin towers once stood. President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence headed to the two other places where hijacked planes crashed on Sept. 11, 2001, in the deadliest terror attack on American soil. The president and first lady Melania Trump planned to join an observance at the Sept. 11 memorial in a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, where a new "Tower of Voices" was dedicated Saturday. Pence is attending a ceremony at the Pentagon. Trump, a Republican and native New Yorker, took the occasion of last year's anniversary to issue a stern warning to extremists that "America cannot be intimidated." Nearly 3,000 people died in the attacks on 9/11, when international terrorism hit home in a way it previously hadn't for many Americans. The attacks still shape American policy, politics and everyday experiences in places from airports to office buildings, even if it's less of a constant presence in the public consciousness after 17 years. A stark reminder came not long after last year's anniversary: A truck mowed down people, killing eight, on a bike path within a few blocks of the World Trade Center on Halloween. In December, a would-be suicide bomber set off a pipe bomb in a subway passageway near Times Square, authorities said. They said suspects in both attacks were inspired by the Islamic State extremist group. The 9/11 commemorations are by now familiar rituals, centered on reading the names of the dead. But each year at ground zero, victims' relatives infuse the ceremony with personal messages of remembrance, concern and inspiration. Hours after the ceremony, two powerful light beams will soar into the night sky from lower Manhattan in the annual "Tribute in Light." This year's anniversary comes as a heated midterm election cycle kicks into high gear. But there have long been some efforts to separate the solemn anniversary from politics. The group 9/11 Day, which promotes volunteering on an anniversary that was declared a national day of service in 2009, routinely asks candidates not to campaign or run political ads for the day. Organizers of the ground zero ceremony allow politicians to attend, but they've been barred since 2011 from reading names or delivering remarks. Memorials to 9/11 continue to grow at Shanksville, where the Tower of Voices will eventually include a wind chime for each of the 40 people killed there, and ground zero, where work is to begin soon on a pathway honoring rescue and recovery workers. It will serve as a way to honor those who became sick or died

from exposure to toxins released when the Trade Center's twin towers collapsed. Researchers have documented elevated rates of respiratory ailments, posttraumatic stress disorder and other illnesses among people who spent time in the rubble. About 38,500 people have applied to a compensation fund, and over \$3.9 billion in claims have been approved. Meanwhile, rebuilding continues. A subway station destroyed on 9/11 finally reopened Saturday. In June, doors opened at the 80-story 3 World Trade Center, one of several rebuilt office towers that have been constructed or planned at the site. A performing arts center is rising. However, work was suspended in December on replacing a Greek Orthodox church crushed in the attacks; the project hit financial problems.; Governor Kate Brown ordered flags at all public institutions throughout Oregon to be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Tuesday, Sept. 11th, for Patriot Day. The governor encourages all Oregonians to take a moment to honor the lives of those lost on that horrific day. We hope their families continue to find love and comfort. By a joint resolution approved 12/18/2001, (Public Law 107-89) has designated September 11th of each year as "Patriot Day" which also directs the flags be lowered to half-staff for the entire day on September 11th. / CRIME, SAFETY: What the heck is wrong with people? Know anything about these vandalism cases in Veneta? The Lane County Sheriff's Office would like to hear from you. The Lane County Sheriff's Office has recently received several reports of vehicles being spray painted in the Veneta area. The vandalism likely occurred Saturday evening (September 8, 2018) or early Sunday morning. There is also an additional report of a rock being thrown through a vehicle window on the same evening. Photos of some of the reported vandalism are below. Deputies assigned to patrol the City of Veneta are investigating these incidents and are asking anyone who knows who is responsible for the vandalism to contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4141.; The Lane County Sheriff's Office is seeking the public's assistance locating 36-year-old Kathryn Diann Green, who was reported missing on August 27, 2018. Kathryn was reportedly last seen on August 3rd in the area of Washburne State Park in Florence off Hwy 101. She is known to frequent coastal areas of Oregon. The Lane County Sheriff's Office has exhausted all leads as to her location and is hoping that someone from the community will recognize her so we can verify that she is safe. Kathryn is a white female, standing 5 feet 8 inches tall with long, blonde hair and brown eyes. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone who has seen Kathryn since August 3, 2018 to call 541-682-4141. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: On September 9, 2018 at approximately 5:30 PM, Oregon State Police, Depoe Bay Fire and Rescue, and the United States Coast Guard responded to a report of two people who had been swept into the Pacific Ocean off Otter Crest Loop Near Depoe Bay. The two were located and transported to Samaritan Pacific Hospital, in Newport, where they were pronounced deceased. Investigators learned Miaochan Chen (age 49 from Lake Oswego-male) and Wenjun Zhu (age 41 from Lake Oswegofemale) were visiting the Oregon Coast with their 10 year old daughter. The group were picnicking off Otter Crest Loop when Chen, Zhu, and their daughter took a trail down to rocks which overlooked the ocean. A wave washed over the rocks and swept Chen and Zhu into the ocean. Their daughter was unharmed. The United State Coast launched a helicopter from Newport and a 47 ft motor life boat from Depoe Bay. While The Oregon State Police and Depoe Bay Fire and Rescue responded to the scene. Chen and Zhu's bodies were located, both unresponsive,

at approximately 6:30 PM and helicoptered from the ocean to a landing zone at Rocky Creek State Park. Life saving measures were attempted for both Chen and Zhu as they were transported, via ambulance, to Pacific Communities Hospital. Chen and Zhu succumbed to their injuries and pronounced deceased at the hospital. Chen, Zhu, and their daughter had immigrated to the United States from China in July. Family members were notified with the help of the Chinese Consulate. The Department of Human Services - Lincoln County responded and placed their daughter into a local foster home and will be working with the families for her further placement. The US Coast Guard and OSP reminds all beach goers, residents and visitors to the Pacific Northwest coast to always be aware of the dangerous conditions that exist on the coastline regions. Being aware of tidal changes and wave patterns can help you avoid these types of tragic situations. An extended stretch of Interstate 5 in Shasta County has reopened with restrictions after five days of closure caused by the raging Delta Fire, which has ignited big rigs and cars, injured at least one person and consumed more than 49,000 acres as of Monday evening, according to the U.S. Forest Service. Caltrans, as well as the California Highway Patrol and local law enforcement agencies, announced that the 45-mile stretch of I-5 between Redding and Mount Shasta, closed since Wednesday, had been reopened as of 8:30 a.m. Monday. There are restrictions in place, though. A 17-mile stretch of the reopened freeway is reduced to one lane in each direction. Roads are open to through traffic only, meaning ramps to and from I-5 in affected fire areas will be regulated by CHP and Caltrans, according to a news release. The Sacramento Bee is reporting that additionally, no flammable vehicles — such as those containing logs or lumber will be allowed through; they will be screened northbound at Fawndale Road and southbound at Mott Road, Caltrans said in a news release. Those vehicles will need to continue to use the Highway 299 detour. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY; September is Emergency Preparedness Month—a great time to consider plans and supplies. But, while preparing for an emergency at your house, don't overlook another location: the workplace. "We spend so much of our time at work; it's not out of the question that a disaster could strike when we're on the job," said Leigh Manning, senior safety management consultant at SAIF, "We recommend making a 'go bag' for work as part of emergency preparedness." Manning suggests there are different considerations for work than home. "Most people have a good understanding of what supplies they have around the house—whether its canned food or extra medications. But do you know what supplies your employer has on hand already?" In addition to confirming what preparations your employer has already made, Manning offers the following items as a starting place for your personal workplace go bag: Energy bars and water; Extra medications; A change of clothes; and a blanket and warm gloves. Manning also recommends people consider their family communication plan. "Any emergency is stressful, but being away from your family, home, and pets can cause additional anxiety," said Manning. "Consider having an out-of-state contact that you and your family all check in with-not only for peace of mind, but so you can coordinate a meeting place." Finally, be sure to plan a route to your house, as well as a place where you can take shelter if you're unable to get home. While you may need to shelter in place at work, you also need to know safe routes if you are asked to evacuate. / ENVIRONMENT: Cool and showery weather will continue through the weekend as a broad trough of low pressure lingers near the Pacific Northwest. Stronger

showers might produce a few lightning strikes and small hail, mainly during the afternoon and evening hours. The latest radar imagery showed scattered showers moving onshore into western Washington and extreme northwest Oregon early this morning. There is a chance for showers and perhaps a thunderstorm for Eugene and Corvallis. Vigorous showers or thunderstorms might also produce brief, small hail. The cool, unsettled weather might continue into Thursday and there's even the possibility of a few wet snowflakes at Timberline Lodge, located at 6,000 feet elevation on Mount Hood. Meteorologists with the National Weather Service also say there are some weather patterns that might be favorable for funnel clouds or weak landspout tornadoes in our area. / EDUCATION, ECONOMY: Oregon State University announced Tuesday that it recorded its second-best year ever in competitive grants and contracts for research that benefits every corner of the state and provides students with opportunities for hands-on experience. As Oregon's largest comprehensive public research university, OSU earned a total of \$382 million in the fiscal year ending June 30. A National Science Foundation grant of \$88 million for the construction of a second coastal research vessel buoyed the university's total, which dropped from 2017's record of \$441 million - a year that the university received a \$121.9 million NSF grant to build the first of the latest generation of ocean-going research vessels. Last year, OSU provided more than \$1 million to support more than 800 undergraduate student research and creative projects overseen by faculty mentors. In addition, graduate students depend on grants to faculty for projects that enable them to complete their degrees. Among examples of OSU research supported by grant funds last year are: \$2.2 million from the National Institutes of Health for research on the role of brain cell deterioration in the development of degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's; \$2 million from the U.S. Department of Energy to OSU-Cascades in Bend for an innovative solar-powered desalination process to generate clean water for countries around the world. The project aims to boost access to drinking water where supplies are limited; \$1.5 million from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to test a new approach to measure firefighters' chemical exposure. The researchers' goal is to improve safety for people on the front lines of firefighting efforts; \$2 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to develop barley varieties. The focus is new crops that can increase yields in organic farming systems and generate new food products for consumer markets; \$1 million from the National Science Foundation to support consumer education in sustainable energy use in a collaboration with Stanford University and the Girl Scouts. The researchers use smart-meter technology to help students and families monitor and manage energy use within their households; A donation valued at more than \$1 million from TDS Telecommunications LLC to support OSU's Open Source Lab, which employs students to manage software used by government, industry and social media companies. / HEALTH, LOW-INCOME, FAMILY: Last year, Oregon's uninsured rate stood at six percent, but about 1 in 10 Oregonians experienced a gap in coverage during the year. A new study finds that for many, the gaps could be avoided. The research concludes that more than 8 in 10 children and adults under age 65 who lacked coverage were eligible for the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) or financial assistance to reduce commercial health insurance premium costs. The findings were part of newly released state data on health coverage in 2017, based on a survey conducted by the Oregon Health Authority. Since Oregon implemented the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in 2014,

more than 340,000 Oregonians have gained health insurance. In all, 94 percent (3.7 million Oregonians) have coverage. The state's current uninsured rate is almost two-thirds lower than the 15 percent who were uninsured in 2011 (before Oregon implemented the ACA and expanded Medicaid). Despite Oregon's high rate of health coverage, more people could be covered. Most people who were uninsured when the study was conducted were eligible for the Oregon Health Plan or a subsidy to reduce the cost of commercial health coverage. Children: 9 out of 10 children who lack health coverage are eligible under OHP or a premiumreduction subsidy through the health insurance marketplace. Adults: Similarly, nearly 9 in 10 young adults and 8 in 10 older adults (ages 35-64) qualify for OHP or a subsidy for commercial health coverage. Reasons for lack of OHP coverage: A large portion of the uninsured were eligible for OHP. The top three reasons Oregonians cited for not being covered by OHP were; concerned about high costs of coverage (44 percent); not eligible, make too much money (36 percent); and concerned about quality of care (21 percent). There are no premiums costs or deductibles for OHP benefits. OHP offers a comprehensive benefit package of medical, behavioral health and oral health care. Children and adults who qualify for coverage under the Oregon Health Plan can apply any time during the year. There are currently about 243,000 uninsured people in Oregon. If 80 percent of those who lack health coverage made use of OHP or the subsidies available through the marketplace, the number of Oregonians who are uninsured would drop to 34,000. That would boost Oregon's health coverage rate to 99 percent (excluding adult Oregon residents who would be ineligible for OHP or marketplace coverage due to undocumented immigration status). Studies have shown health coverage is linked to more access to health care, better health and reduced mortality. When individuals and families lack health coverage, they can be exposed to medical debt and bankruptcy, forced to rely on hospital emergency departments for health care, and unable to obtain regular treatment for chronic conditions and serious illness (such as cancer). / LOW-INCOME, COMMUNITY: As Congress negotiates a new Farm Bill and funding for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), a new USDA report shows food insecurity continues to decline in Oregon. According to the 2017 Household Food Security Report, the number of Oregonians struggling to put food on the table decreased from 14.6 percent in 2014-2016 to 12.9 percent in 2015-2017. However, Oregon has not yet reached its pre-recession level of 12.4 percent. Nationwide, food insecurity declined from 12.3 percent in 2014-2016 to 11.8 percent in 2015-2017. Due in large part to historical injustices and discrimination, food insecurity rates continue to be higher among Black and Hispanic households as well as households with children headed by a single woman. Oregon's anti-hunger organizations point to effective federal nutrition programs, such as SNAP (formerly known as food stamps), as part of the reason for the decrease. They see it as critical not to undue efforts we know are helping Oregon make progress, like increased access to SNAP benefits. Although Oregon's unemployment is at its lowest since comparable records began in 1976, high costs for housing and stagnant wages mean many people are forced to choose between food and rent. / BUSINESS, SPORTS, COMMUNITY: The "Bad News Ems" are now one win away from capturing the 2018 Northwest League Championship, after defeating Spokane in Monday night's Game 2 of the series, 4-0. The win marks the Ems' 4th victory in a row, all in the postseason. Game 3 of the series is set for this

evening (Tuesday, September 11th) with first pitch at 7:05 p.m. at PK Park, Box seat tickets are only \$5 and this might be the final time for everyone to enjoy a game at PK Park this year. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: Two products produced in Oregon have been named best in North America. Umpqua Dairy Sour Cream and Regular Cottage Cheese were selected by an independent panel of judges and awarded first place as the "Best of the Best" in North America at the World Dairy Expo. The World Dairy Expo Championship Dairy Product Contest is one of the largest competitions in the world and the only one in North America that evaluates and ranks all categories of dairy products. "I am always proud of the dedication and effort our production team displays in making the finest dairy products," comments Doug Feldkamp, President of Umpqua Dairy, "This award is shared by all our employees and our Oregon dairy partners who supply us with 100% of the milk used in these award-winning products." "This year's contest has once again surpassed all expectations," says Brad Legreid, executive director, Wisconsin Dairy Products Association, which conducts the annual World Dairy Expo Championship Dairy Product Contest. "We received a near-record number of 1,402 entries from dairy processors throughout North America." Judging was held at MATC Culinary Arts School in Madison, Wisconsin. All product samples were judged by awarding points on a 100 point scale for flavor, body and texture. appearance and color, packaging and deducting points for various defects. Umpqua Dairy will receive their first-place trophies at an event in Madison. Wisconsin on Oct 2. / CRIME: An Oregon man sentenced to 50 years in prison has walked free after a district attorney asked for dismissal of the sex-abuse case against him. The action Monday by Deschutes County District Attorney John Hummel in the case of Josh Horner came after the Oregon Innocence Project found holes in his 2017 conviction that undermined the credibility of the complainant, including that Horner had shot a dog in front of her. The dog was found, alive and never having been shot, by the Oregon Innocence Project. Hummel said county Judge Michael Adler granted his request to dismiss the case. Hummel said the complainant refused to meet with his investigator to explain her trial testimony. Horner, in a statement, thanked his family and friends, the Oregon Innocence Project and Hummel. / EDUCATION, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Drivers: Oregon law and common sense require you stop for school buses displaying red flashing lights. School buses are large vehicles, so it's tougher to see around them. Drivers who illegally pass a stopped school bus risk a potentially tragic outcome both for children crossing the street ahead of the bus and for other drivers. Law enforcement agencies continue to receive reports each year from bus drivers and other citizens about motorists failing to stop for school buses. With nearly 6,000 school buses operating in the State of Oregon, you need to be alert. Oregon law requires motorists to stop whenever the red lights on a school bus are flashing, regardless of the direction they are traveling. The law applies to any roadway with two or more lanes of traffic, including multi-lane highways such as Highway 58 and 126. The only exception to the law is for divided highways with two roads separated by an unpaved median strip or barrier. In this case, only drivers on the same side of the road as the bus must stop. A painted median strip or a center lane used only for left turns does not create two separate lanes. Where this situation exists, all lanes of traffic must stop. When a bus is flashing amber lights, motorists should prepare to stop. When the red lights begin to flash. motorists traveling in both directions must stop before reaching the bus and must

remain stopped until the red lights are turned off. The same rules apply to church or worker buses equipped with amber and red flashing lights. Please do your part to make our roads safe! Be aware when following any type of bus, that it may be making frequent stops. Following these tips will help reduce the risk of traffic crashes and pedestrian injuries in our community. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: As we reach the peak of hurricane season, several powerful and potentially destructive storms are currently threatening to impact thousands of people in the United States and nearby countries. Thirteen Red Cross disaster responders from Beaverton, Bend, Clatskanie, Gold Beach, North Plains, Portland, Saiem, St. Helens, Oregon, and Longview and Vancouver. Washington, are already either on the ground or on their way to Hawaii, North Carolina and South Carolina to assist with hurricane preparations. In coordination with government and community partners, Red Crossers are preparing strategic shelter and warehouse locations, and stocking food, cots, blankets and other relief supplies to help people in harm's way. The local Red Cross is seeking volunteers to help with Hurricanes Florence and Olivia, as well as other disasters by recruiting volunteer disaster responders. If you're interested in volunteering for the Red Cross as a disaster responder, contact your local chapter to learn about upcoming training sessions. At volunteer training sessions this week, Red Cross staff will present an overview of disaster deployment basics, and new volunteers will have the opportunity to speak with Red Cross workers, learn about volunteer

opportunities and sign up to volunteer on site. No RSVP is required. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: She was an avid hiker who often made solo trips into the Mt. Hood National Forest. But now, investigators say the remains of a missing Gresham woman found off a hiking trail near the town of Welches on Monday was likely killed by a cougar days earlier. It is Oregon's first confirmed fatal wild cougar attack. Wildlife officials are calling it a "terrible tragedy" and say they are working to find and kill the cougar responsible. An autopsy determined the wounds found on the body of 55-year-old Diana Bober were caused by a large animal, and DNA samples are being sent to the Oregon Fish & Wildlife Forensics Lab in Ashland to confirm a big cat was responsible. The hiker, 55-year-old Diana Bober, was reported missing on August 29th. Oregon has an estimated 6,600 cougars and state wildlife officials have fielded, on average, 400 complaints per year. Conflicts with cougars are rare and usually occur when they kill livestock or pets or threaten human safety by appearing in communities during daylight hours. Investigators are calling this an unprecedented event.; Cooler temperatures and increased humidity have allowed Lane County Parks to lift the fire restrictions that have been in place since late July. Now, campfires are allowed in established fire pits in all Lane County campgrounds. Charcoal barbeques are allowed in campgrounds and day use areas. Tobacco use and vaping are always prohibited in Lane County parks. / ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Lane County Commissioners vesterday got a look at the management plan proposed for the Howard Buford Recreation Area at Mount Pisgah. It is the Lane County Parks Department's largest and mostvisited park, sprawling across 2,215 acres with 28 miles of trail and more than 400,000 annual visitors. The park also contains 1,000 acres of rare prairie, oak savanna and oak woodland habitat, which is one of the largest remnants of these habitats in public ownership in the Willamette Valley. Lane County Parks, along with Friends of Buford Park & Mt. Pisgah (Friends), has developed a habitat management plan to help enhance visitor experience and guide future management and restoration of the park's diverse habitats. The intent is to conserve and restore prairie, savanna, woodland, forest, and river habitats in ways that enhance visitor experience, compatible recreation and educational uses described in a 1994 Master Plan. The plan was developed in conjunction with The Nature Conservancy. It would also remove fish passage barriers from the lower mile of creeks and streams flowing into the Coast Fork of the Willamette River. Ultimately, the plan would result in an additional 500 acres of restored prairie, savanna and oak woodland. / HALTH, FAMILY, EDUCATION: Lane County Public Health (LCPH) is urging parents to stay up to date with their children's

immunizations. As students head back to the classroom, the risk of contracting and spreading a communicable disease is increased. By staying up to date on vaccinations, parents help prevent their child from becoming ill, as well as control the spread of disease throughout the community. Health experts say vaccination is one of the few truly protective, scientifically proven tools we have available to help protect our communities from large-scale outbreaks. But our ability to use that tool is directly dependent on the willingness of Lane County residents to vaccinate themselves, and their families.

Oregon state law requires that all school-age, and some pre-school age, children have completed a series of vaccinations or submit a medical or nonmedical exemption. Every year in January, Lane County Public Health personnel check all those records and sends letters to families whose children are not up-to-date on their vaccinations. If those families have not either caught their children up on their vaccinations or completed the steps necessary to exempt by February 20th, they will not be able to attend school. Vaccinating now saves the headache of scrambling to do it mid-year. The impact of not vaccinating can reach beyond schools and affect the community at large. Parents who cannot vaccinate their children or themselves due to medical reasons must rely on those who can for protection from these diseases. Low vaccination rates can lead to outbreaks, such as the pertussis, commonly referred to as "whooping cough," outbreak in Lane County with over 250 cases to date in 50 schools. These outbreaks are not only costly for the community; they also expose some of our most vulnerable community members to potentially dangerous diseases. Lane County Public Health aims to prevent these illnesses through its communicable disease immunization program. Immunizations for infants, children, adolescents and adults are provided. No one will be turned away because of inability to pay for necessary vaccines. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, LOW-INCOME: Where you live can affect how long you live. That's the upshot of a new national report on life expectancy that finds even here in Lane County there are some wide variations. The report, released as part of the United States Small-Area Life Expectancy Estimates Project (USALEEP), shows the highest life expectancy at birth in Oregon is 89.1 years, in a section of northwest Portland that hugs the southern border of Forest Park. The lowest life expectancy in the state—66.2 years—is in a part of central Medford running along the west side of Interstate 5. Life expectancy at birth for the state as a whole is 79.6 years, according to officials with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Center for Health Statistics who analyzed the national data. That's a bit better than the national life expectancy of 78.8 years. But even neighborhoods a few miles apart show big differences. For example, life expectancy in a swath of southeast Eugene is 87.9 years, while it's only 70.2 years across town in one northwest section of the city. What affects longevity? Everything from housing affordability and food insecurity to how much time people spent in school. Experts say Oregon is making strides in improving overall health through efforts to reduce opioid-related deaths, HIV infection, teen pregnancies and smoking rates. But health experts say this study underscores the importance of looking at changes that may also be made to improve health and longevity at the neighborhood level. / SAFETY, MILITARY, TERRORISM: As our nation honored and remembers the events of 9-11, the Oregon Public Safety Academy hosted more than 40 motorcycle riders from the Eugene-Springfield area participating in the second annual "9-11 Memorial Ride and First Responder &

Military Appreciation Event." The ride began in Eugene at Tuesday afternoon and arrived at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem 90 minutes later. The riders included military veterans, active and retired law enforcement officers and firefighters, and others who joined to show their support. While at the Academy the group payed their respects to 183 fallen law enforcement officers whose names are etched on the State's Fallen Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial and 169 structural and wildland fire fighters, both career and volunteer, who are honored on the State's Fallen Fire Fighter Memorial. The group also visited the 9-11 display inside the Academy that includes a steel girder from the World Trade Center and a section of stone from the Pentagon. The 9-11 display also includes a video tribute to the victims and first responders. The group returned to the Eugene Public Safety Training Center for a second event in the late afternoon. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: In the wake of the September 11th, 2001, attacks. airport security tightened across the U.S. and only credentialed workers and ticketed passengers were allowed past security checkpoints. That meant the art gallery at Eugene's Airport was out of sight and out of reach for the general public-although it provided a quiet respite for those awaiting or just returned from their flights. But all that changes today as a new art gallery opens at the airport inside the airport terminal lobby. The "Gallery at the Airport," as it's named, will showcase local artists in four large display cases as well as on a nearby wall. The current exhibits include contributions from the Emerald Art Center, Eugene Cultural Services, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, and Maude Kerns Art Center. The gallery's even holding an opening event this evening from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the lobby of the terminal building, with free parking vouchers available to attendees. / DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that the sale closed this week on the sale of most of the tiny unincorporated Douglas County town of Tiller. The asking price was \$3.85 million and covered 257 contiguous acres. The new owners of Tiller, who wish to remain anonymous for now, say they hope to create a river resort open to the public along the South Umpqua River. Reporter Janet Eastman writes that the sale includes riverfront houses, downtown with its closed school and store, the land underneath the post office and forestland including water and timber rights in the former logging community about 15 miles southeast of Roseburg. Only a few tax lots in Tiller are not included in the sale. Among them is the community church and the pastor's residence, the volunteer-staffed fire station and a retired school teacher's house. And despite months of speculation, the new owners of Tiller say they have no interest in logging, growing or selling cannabis, operating a rehab center or nudist colony or a recreating an Old West tourist town. Rather, it sounds like the resort will have more of an environmental focus, with plans to maintain the forests, create hiking trails and ziplines, sell local products, and bring in experts to work on what are described as healthy homes and use vehicles that run on biofuels. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, POLITICS: For more than a month, Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke and Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue have been calling for a rollback of environmental regulations on forest-thinning projects they argue will help reduce the risk of wildfires. But The Sacramento Bee reports that Congress is poised to brush aside their pleas. Multiple sources on Capitol Hill and from advocacy groups confirm lawmakers are likely to drop most of the controversial forestry measures from the Farm Bill, the multi-year agriculture and land use law that members of Congress are trying to finalize this month.

Defenders of Wildlife and other environmental advocates are strongly opposed weakening environmental review standards for large-scale forest thinning projects, as the House-passed Farm Bill proposes. Those provisions were not included in the Senate version of the legislation. Environmentalists, ecologists and forestry experts have raised particular concern about a proposal to log areas after fires have come through, which they argue would not help reduce the risk of future fires and could contribute to erosion and damaging landslides. House and Senate negotiators are now trying to reconcile the two pieces of legislation by Sept. 30, when the existing law expires. And that time crunch has a lot to do with the dwindling prospects for the forestry provisions. / EDUCATION: The Oregon State University Robotics Club designed, built and operated the Mars rover that won a 10-team, international competition in Canada. The OSU entry posted the top score in each of four individual categories en route to the overall championship in the Canadian International Rover Challenge held in the Canadian Badlands near Drumheller, Alberta. Entrants included teams from Harvard and the University of Washington as well as Poland and Canada, The OSU Robotics Club is a student group affiliated with the Collaborative Robotics and Intelligent Systems Institute in the College of Engineering, one of five doctorate-granting robotics programs in the U.S. The CoRIS Institute includes faculty across multiple disciplines, advancing the theory, design, development and deployment of robots and intelligent systems able to interact seamlessly with people. The Robotics Club is headquartered adjacent to graduate research laboratories and allows close interaction between undergraduate Robotics Club members, graduate students and faculty conducting research. Taking advantage of that expertise in robotics, on Oct. 23 OSU will host a free, daylong symposium, The Promise and the Peril of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics, as part of its ongoing 150th anniversary celebration. Registration is now open. In the rover competition in Canada, the OSU students on the winning team were Nick McComb, Corwin Perren, Dylan Thrush, Ben Davidson, McKayla Meier, Anthony Grana, Mandy Kiger, Prathyoosha Chaya and Joseph Dieckmann. / LOW-INCOME: As Congress negotiates a new Farm Bill and funding for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), a USDA report out this month indicates food insecurity continues to decline in Oregon. According to the 2017 figures, the number of Oregonians struggling to put food on the table decreased from 14.6 percent in 2014-2016 to 12.9 percent in 2015-2017. But food insecurity numbers remain a bit above their pre-recession levels. Analysts say Oregon's unemployment is at its lowest since comparable records began in 1976, but that high costs for housing and stagnant wages mean many people are forced to choose between food and rent. Oregon's anti-hunger organizations point to effective federal nutrition programs, such as SNAP (formerly known as food stamps), as part of the reason for the decrease in food insecurity numbers. / CRIME, SAFETY: Springfield Police say he was driving erratically when they spotted him early yesterday morning on the 4700 block of Main Street. Now, 43year-old David Mark Schieres faces charges of Attempting to Elude, Reckless driving, Resisting Arrest and DUII. Investigators also say he's the suspect who broke a residential window at a West Eugene apartment complex half-an-hour before his encounter with Springfield law enforcement. The Springfield incident began shortly before 2:00 a.m. but before it concluded officers say Schieres abruptly stopped near Daisy Street and yelling at officers and imploring them to kill him, all the while failing to follow verbal commands from police to keep his hands

visible. Officers say Schieres eventually locked his doors and fled southbound on Bob Straub Parkway at speeds in excess of 75 mph, then drove through Jasper and Pleasant Hill before entering Eugene on Franklin Blvd. Police say he avoided multiple spike strips, but that his poor driving eventually flattened a tire. By the end of 30-minute pursuit, they say Schieres' vehicle was riding on at least one rim. Other challenges during the pursuit? Police say Schieres swerved into oncoming lanes, brake-checked officers, and drank from a can of beer during the pursuit. He finally stopped and exited his vehicle near 28th St. and G Streets in Springfield, yelling at officers until he was taken into custody with the help of a police canine. / BUSINESS, SAFETY: Sounds like a building at a popular Florence tourist spot is a total loss after a fire yesterday morning. KVAL reports the blaze gutted the structure housing the souvenir shop, kitchen and storage area at Sand Dunes Frontier off Highway 101, south of Florence. Officials with Siuslaw Valley fire and Rescue say the building is considered a total loss. None of the dune vehicles on the property were damaged. There were no reports of injuries. The cause of the fire is under investigation. /

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SAFETY, MILITARY, ENVIRONMENT: Members of the Oregon Air National Guard's 125th Special Tactics Squadron mobilized to Dover Air Force Base, Delaware, yesterday. The mission: Provide humanitarian support for Hurricane Florence relief. Approximately 12 Oregon Air National Guardsmen departed from the Portland Air National Guard Base on a California Air National Guard C-130 Hercules aircraft. They will forward deploy from Dover after the Hurricane passes. The Airmen are prepared to conduct and assist in rescue operations as well as reestablish air fields that may become inoperable due to the hurricane. Along with the Airmen, the Special Tactics Squadron took inflatable Zodiac boats, all-terrain vehicles, and mini-bikes to aid in their operations. 142nd Fighter Wing Vice Commander Colonel Todd Hofford says the Oregon Air National Guard has an elite group of special operations forces that include Air Force combat controllers and pararescuemen. He notes that is a unique skill set in this time of need. / CRIME, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Eugene police say a 29-year-old Veneta man faces a range of charges in connection with his alleged theft of a Toyota 4x4. a confrontation with the pickup truck's owner and a confrontation with police. Jason Scott Page was taken into custody Tuesday evening in the area of Oak Patch Road and the nearby bike path in West Eugene. Police say ahead of his arrest, Page almost ran over the truck's owner after the victim spotted his pickup and followed it to where the two had a verbal dispute on Lincoln Street between 16th and 17th Avenue. ; Oregon State Police say they arrested a 28-year-old woman for DUII after she crashed her vehicle into the McKenzie River late Tuesday night. Sounds like she might be lucky to be alive. Investigators say the white 2006 Mazda SUV operated by Shyla Marie Holloway went off the highway near Milepost 32, midway between Vida and Blue River, and rolled down a 75-foot embankment before coming to rest in the river. State Police say Holloway suffered non-life threatening injuries. Investigators say her blood-alcohol content was 0.16—twice the legal limit—several hours after the crash. The vehicle remained in the river Tuesday night. Crews hoped to remove it yesterday. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Some extra congestion during vesterday evening's rush hour in Eugene. Police say a stretch of West 13th Avenue between Lincoln and Willamette Streets was closed for close to 90 minutes beginning around 4:30 p.m. because of malfunctioning traffic lights. Eugene Water and Electric Board crews handled the troubleshooting and fixes. Traffic returned to normal on West 13th around six p.m. / TRANSPORTATION, POLITICS, BUSINESS: Good news for efforts to improve airports in Florence, Roseburg and Bandon. Oregon

Congressman Peter DeFazio, the ranking member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, says the Federal Aviation Administration has approved \$2 million in funding for maintenance and safety improvements. The Florence Municipal Airport will receive slightly more than one million dollars for maintenance of the runway and taxiway, as well as the installation of a precision approach path indicator for air traffic arriving at the airport. The Roseburg Regional Airport will receive \$200,000 to improve safety and remove power line obstructions near the runway. The Bandon State Airport will receive more than 900-thousand dollars to install lighting and guidance systems, as well as rehabilitate runway lighting. DeFazio says the funding is good news for the businesses and general aviation pilots who use the airports. / CRIME, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: A Salem man was sentenced to three months of home detention and three years of probation for assaulting two Transportation Security Administration Security Officers at Portland International Airport. It happened in August of last year when 45-year-old Anthony Tavoloni, Jr., approached a TSA checkpoint at the entry to Concourses D and E. When asked for boarding pass and identification, Tavoloni replied, "No." Asked for it a second time, he replied, "You really want to do this?" and stepped toward the security officer. When he tried to walk round her security table, the officer jumped from her chair. yelling for him to stop. Security video showed Tavoloni grabbing her forearms and attempting to wrestle her to the ground. Officials say a number of passengers rushed to assist and restrain him, as he lunged at a second TSA officer and struck him in the face. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: A California firefighter struck by a hit-and-run driver earlier this month as he crossed the McKenzie Highway near the town of McKenzie Bridge is slowly recovering from his injuries. Meantime, Oregon State Police have released updated information about the suspect vehicle. They now believe it is a 2004 - 2010 Toyota Sienna minivan, light in color, with either a CE or LE trim package. The hit-and-run occurred on Monday, September 3rd, Labor Day, around 8:45 p.m. Investigators say the suspect vehicle likely sustained noticeable damage to its exterior, including a damaged right headlight assembly and missing the right-side mirror. Oregon State Police is requesting anyone with any information to contact the Oregon State Police Northern Command Center at 503-375-3555 or *OSP from your mobile phone and reference case # SP 18-331738. / HEALTH, SAFETY, YOUTH: Yesterday, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced it would take action to reduce the accessibility of e-cigarettes and vape products, such as JUUL, to youth. FDA officials called e-cigarette use among youth an "epidemic" that requires "historic action." The products are available in thousands of flavors with kid-friendly names and packaging. Leaders of the Oregon Health Authority is pleased with the FDA's effort. They say say tobacco remains, quote, "sweet, cheap and easy to get in Oregon." They add that e-cigarettes are the most popular tobacco products used among Oregon youth, with 13 percent of Oregon 11th-graders reporting ecigarette use in 2017. Even though youth younger than 21 can't legally purchase tobacco in Oregon, the Oregon Health Authority cites enforcement numbers and surveys which indicate retailers continue to sell tobacco products to underage buyers. In a July report, the Oregon Public Health Division found 22 percent of inspected retailers had illegally sold e-cigarettes to youth inspectors younger than age 21. Oregon Public Health Division officials say that as the FDA continues it effort, they will maintain statewide initiatives to reduce the health and financial toll

of tobacco and e-cigarettes in Oregon. / BUSINESS, SAFETY: More than 47thousand Oregon employers have money coming back next month from SAIF, the state's not-for-profit workers' compensation insurance company. They'll receive a share of two SAIF dividends totaling \$160 million: one for all policyholders, the other for better than nine out of ten of those businesses based on how well they prevented on-the-job injuries. This is the ninth straight year SAIF has returned a substantial dividend to eligible customers, who will see checks totaling 28.6 percent of the premium they paid in 2017. Since 1990, Oregon has gone from having one of the worst workers' compensation systems in the nation to one of the best. During that time, workplace safety has improved, and SAIF says claims have dropped 70 percent, with a similar percentage decrease in average pure premium rates.; And for a sixth year in a row, Oregon businesses will see an average decrease in their workers compensation costs. Officials with the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Affairs said Tuesday that Oregon employers next year, on average, will see costs for workers' compensation insurance drop from \$1.23 per \$100 of payroll to \$1.12 per \$100. A 13 cent reduction for every \$100 might not sound like much. But those savings add up. Officials say part of Oregon's success stems from efforts by the Workers' Compensation Division to enforce requirements that employers carry insurance for their workers, keep medical costs under control, and help injured workers return to work sooner so they may earn their pre-injury wages. Oregon OSHA has also enhanced its focus on preventing on-the-job injuries by enforcing workplace safety and health rules, and advising employers about how to improve worker safety and health. As a result, they say Oregon's workers' compensation premium rates have ranked low nationally for many years, with the seventh least expensive rates in 2016. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Oregon wildlife officials with guns and dogs are preparing to search for a cougar believed to have killed a woman on rugged terrain in the shadow of the state's highest peak. Brian Wolfer of the state wildlife department said if a cougar is tracked down, wildlife officials will kill it and then check for a DNA match with DNA left on hiker Diana Bober, 55, whose body was found Monday almost two weeks after she was last heard from. Wolfer acknowledged that other cougars might be killed, but said killing and testing is the only option and that capturing a mountain lion in the steep terrain isn't an option. Bober's death marked the first fatal attack by a wild cougar in Oregon and the second in the Pacific Northwest this year. / ENVIRONMENT: Experts say they are preparing a plan to capture and treat a sick, critically endangered orca if there is no way to save it in the wild. They told reporters Wednesday they're preparing to rescue the animal known as J50 if she separates from her family or gets stranded while alive. NOAA's Chris Yates says the objective is for the young orca to survive in the wild and contribute to the recovery of southern resident killer whales, without putting the rest of the orcas in her pod at risk. Veterinarians believe they have exhausted treatment options in the field that included twice injecting the freeswimming whale with antibiotics. J50 is one of just 75 of the fish-eating orcas that spend time in Pacific Northwest waters. Another in the same pod, known as J35, triggered international sympathy this summer when she kept the body of her dead calf afloat in waters for more than two weeks. / CRIME, SAFETY: A Eugene man shot by police and later convicted of a crime for raising a gun toward an officer during the incident has filed a federal lawsuit against the city of Eugene, a police dispatcher and two officers. The Register-Guard reports that Edgar T. Rodriguez,

29, seeks unspecified monetary damages in the lawsuit, filed Friday in U.S. District Court in Eugene. The suit alleges police violated Rodriguez's rights by using excessive force against him. It also asserts claims of negligence, battery and intentional infliction of emotional distress. Rodriguez was shot Sept. 10, 2016, after he called 911 to report that a male visitor was acting "insane" and fighting with a woman inside his apartment. Eugene police spokeswoman Melinda McLaughlin said "the city intends to vigorously defend its employees." /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting two trackers and four hunting dogs trained to detect a cougar's scent came up empty Thursday as officials raced to find the animal suspected of killing a Mount Hood hiker. The victim, a 55-year-old Gresham woman described as an avid hiker was reported missing Aug. 29 in Clackamas County's Salmon-Huckleberry Wilderness. She is believed to be the first person killed by a cougar in Oregon's wild country in recorded history. The woman's body was discovered off the Hunchback hiking trail Monday. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife officials said trackers began their search from the same trailhead near the community of Zig Zag at dawn yesterday and are resuming the hunt today. The U.S. Forest Service has closed a vast swath of the Oregon forest and wilderness to the public as authorities search rugged terrain for a cougar that killed a hiker. KGW-TV reported Thursday that an area covering close to 47 square miles, including 14 popular trails in the Hunchback Mountain area might remain closed for at least 30 days. There was no sign of the cougar in the first full day of searching Thursday. Diana Bober is the first person known to have been killed by a cougar in the wild in Oregon, and the second in the Pacific Northwest this year. The 55-year-old avid hiker from Gresham was reported missing on Sept. 7. Bober's sister says officials said her sister's body had defensive wounds and that the victim appeared to have fought the cougar with a stick, repellant and a sharp object. / EDUCATION, SPORTS, ECONOMY, SAFETY, CRIME: Another reminder of the new security rules in place for Autzen Stadium fans: To enhance public safety and make stadium access more efficient, the University of Oregon adopted a Clear Bag Policy. Fans may bring in one (1) clear bag no larger than 12" x 6" x 12" or a 1gallon plastic storage bag. Fans are limited to one clear bag per person, along with a small clutch or purse for privacy. Prohibited bags will be turned away. Any prohibited bag will be highly visible and be corrected immediately. The clear bag is easily and quickly searched and greatly reduces faulty bag searches. The policy also supports the Department of Homeland Security's "If You See Something, Say Something" campaign. Small clutch bags no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" (approximately the size of a hand) with or without a handle or strap will be allowed. Prohibited bags include but are not limited to purses, backpacks (solid or over-sized), diaper bags, binocular cases, camera cases, fanny packs (solid), luggage, seat cushions with a zipper, any bag larger than the permissible size, and any bag that is not clear. Other approved items include: Factory sealed plastic water bottles; Unopened soft sided juice boxes; Empty water bottles (please note

that water bottles containing liquid will not be allowed); Medical liquids; Baby bottles; Binoculars (not in cases); Blankets; Cameras for still photography; Outside food - single serving; Seat cushions that do not have pockets or zippers; Strollers (storage not available in the venue); Umbrellas; Service animals; Medically necessary items after proper inspection. Any item not on the Approved Items List will not be allowed unless otherwise approved and properly inspected. These items include but are not limited to: alcohol, vacuum bottles, weapons, fireworks, explosives, munitions, laser pointers, glass containers, artificial noisemakers, and sticks or poles including selfie sticks. Special considerations will be made for guests with special medical needs and individuals caring for infants. Seat cushions and seat backs without pockets, zippers, compartments or covers are permitted. The permitted seat cushion size is 17.5 inches wide by 13.5 inches deep with a seat back that does not exceed 19 inches. The cushion itself can be no more than 4 inches thick. Fans are able to bring blankets by carrying them in over your arm or shoulder. / EDUCATION, HEALTH: Requiring physical activity classes in college encourages sedentary students to become more active, while elective classes tend to draw those who are already motivated, new research from Oregon State University has found. "When there is no requirement but the courses are available as electives, the students who take the courses tend to be those who are already active and motivated. Those students already have an affinity toward physical activity and the institution supports it," said Brad Cardinal, a kinesiology professor in the College of Public Health and Human Sciences at OSU. "That neglects a large group of students who are inactive and unmotivated and who could benefit immensely from such coursework." The study's findings underscore the benefits of required physical activity education as part of the college curriculum, said Cardinal, a national expert on the benefits of physical activity. The results were published recently in the Journal of American College Health. The study's co-author is MooSong Kim, who worked on the study as a doctoral student at OSU and is now on the faculty at Northeastern State University in Oklahoma. Past research has shown that physical activity levels tend to decline rapidly as students transition from high school to college and beyond, even though physical activity offers a range of health and other benefits, and habits made or sustained in college tend to follow people into their adult lives. The OSU study results showed that the students who were required to take physical activity classes were less motivated to be active, suggesting that the requirement draws students who might not otherwise engage in physical activity on their own. They also found that the students' motivation increased as they continued in school, with juniors and seniors more motivated than freshmen. Researchers support a physical activity policy that includes a required academic course focusing on lifetime fitness for health in conjunction with a quality physical activity education course component that focuses on skill acquisition, development and fun, ranging from adventure sports to Zumba dance and everything in between. That is the type of policy in place at Oregon State. While some may bristle at the idea of a blanket requirement, backers say such a policy could provide more equitable access for all students, rather than just reaching those who already are inclined to participate. / EDUCATION, POLITICS: Education Secretary Betsy DeVos' move to delay Obama-era protections for students defrauded by for-profit colleges was dealt a setback this week when a federal judge found her actions to be "arbitrary and capricious." The U.S. District Judge ruled in a lawsuit challenging the delay

that had been filed by Democratic attorneys general from 19 states, including Oregon, and the District of Columbia, along with former students. The case centered on what's known as the "borrower defense rule," which allowed defrauded students to have their student loans forgiven. The rule was set to take effect on July 1, 2017. DeVos had argued those rules created "a muddled process that's unfair to students and schools." But the judge found inconsistencies in DeVos' rationale for freezing the rule, saying DeVos acted without conducting a rulemaking process. The court scheduled a hearing today to consider next steps. After two decades to rapid growth, the for-profit college industry was shaken by the implosion of two major chains of schools that misled students with promises they couldn't keep and left them with large amount of debt they couldn't pay. The Obama administration issued regulations meant to increase student protections. In trying to delay the borrower defense rule, Devos said the regulations were too broad and allowed for potential abuse on the part of students. She vowed to create a new system that would be efficient and fair. But critics dismissed the freezing of this and other regulations as an attempt by DeVos to promote industry interests. They point to the fact that DeVos has hired for-profit industry insiders to top position at her agency. If the judge rules the delayed rules must now take effect, backers of the suit say students would win some important protections: not having to sign away their right to sue the school, getting loans automatically discharged if their school was closed mid-program and if they were unable to transfer their credits to a similar program, and being eligible for forbearance when applying for loan discharges. DeVos also put in place a new system of compensating defrauded students for their losses. In a break with the Obama administration's practice of fully forgiving student loans, DeVos in December rolled out a new tiered relief system, in which students' loans are forgiven based on their earnings. That practice was frozen as part of a separate lawsuit. It was uncertain whether this week's court ruling would have any effect on that tiered relief system. / ENVIRONMENT: Efforts to find an ailing orca from a critically endangered population of killer whales off Washington state have come up empty, and a scientist who tracks them has declared her dead. Ken Balcomb, of the Center for Whale Research, confirmed Thursday that he had declared the orca known as J50 dead after she failed to appear with her family in recent days. Experts had been preparing last-ditch efforts to save the nearly 4-year-old, emaciated whale that included the possibility of capturing and treating her. Her loss brings the population of orcas that spend much of their time in the Pacific Northwest to just 74. The whales have been struggling with a dearth of their preferred prey, salmon, as well as pollution and boat noise. / FAMILY, CHILDREN, SAFETY: Researchers have warned that many popular free mobile apps aimed at children are potentially violating a U.S. law designed to protect the privacy of young users. Some brushed off the findings, but a federal lawsuit filed this week by New Mexico's top prosecutor is renewing focus on the public's growing concerns about whether information on online interests, browsing and buying habits are slipping into the hands of data brokers without their consent. Serge Egelman, a member of the research team based at the International Computer Science Institute at the University of California, Berkeley says there's no easy way even for a fairly savvy user to figure out whether an app is collecting location data and other personal information. The institute has been awarded a grant by the National Science Foundation to continue analyzing apps and expanding a database that parents

can search for more information. / HEALTH, FAMILY, ELDERS: Providing care for a loved one with Alzeimer's disease can be a challenge, but AARP and the Alzheimer's Association are offering an enhanced tool to make it easier to find information and resources. The Alzheimer's Association & AARP Community Resource Finder at communityresourcefinder.org is a database of dementia and aging-related resources powered by Carelike®. The online tool makes it easy for people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias, caregivers and those involved in making care-related decisions to find local programs and services. The Community Resource Finder offers tip sheets to help guide decisions regarding various providers and services, links to online communities, a glossary of terms for caregivers and state-by-state licensing information for residential, assisted living facilities and nursing homes. AARP-Oregon leaders say out of the approximately 470,000 family caregivers in Oregon, about 40% of them are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease. Additional resources from AARP, include information on webinars, programs and events. There is an advanced search tool to help people find local resources based on specific needs, such as payment options and specialized services. In addition, users are now able to share search results with family and other care team members to help facilitate caregiving decisions, keeping everyone informed. The Alzheimer's Association & AARP Community Resource Finder allows caregivers to search available resources in their area by simply entering their zip code. The database includes listings for a wide range of services, including: Housing options; Care at home; Medical services; Legal services, including elder law attorneys; Community services, such as adult day centers and transportation; Alzheimer's Association information. programs and services; and AARP information, programs and services. Go to communityresourcefinder.org for more information. / HEALTH, SAFETY, CRIME: Oregon's attorney general has sued the pharmaceutical company that makes OxyContin, saying it misrepresented the risks and benefits of the drug and lied to a state regulatory agency to maximize profits. A spokesman at Purdue Pharma, targeted by Thursday's lawsuit, did not immediately respond to a request for comment. Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum said that over the last decade, Purdue has engaged in racketeering and misleading activity. Rosenblum said Oregon sued Purdue in 2007 for deceptively marketing OxyContin, but the Connecticut-based company has continued to market the highly addictive pain pill to Oregon doctors and mislead health care providers and the Oregon Pharmacy Board. Purdue and other drugmakers are facing lawsuits across the country. claiming they helped spark opioid addiction and an overdose crisis.

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BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: A bankruptcy judge says the U.S. Justice Department may take over the management of the second-largest dairy in Oregon. The Statesman Journal reports the judge issued his decision last week concerning Lost Valley Farm, a massive dairy farm permitted to house up to 30,000 cows. The dairy opened in 2017 to supply the Tillamook County Creamery Association, which makes Tillamook Cheese at a nearby factory. But the farm has been beset by management troubles related to its owner, Greg te Velde. The bankruptcy judge said that since filing for bankruptcy protection, te Velde has continued to use methamphetamine and gambled between \$2,000 and \$7,000 per month. Te Velde declined to comment. The court will appoint a trustee to manage Lost Valley Farm as well as te Velde's two California dairies. / HEALTH. MEDICINE, YOUTH, SAFETY: A federal watchdog agency says thousands of foster kids might be receiving powerful psychiatric drugs prescribed for them without basic safeguards. The report due today from the Health and Human Services inspector general's office finds a failure to adequately care for youngsters whose lives have already been disrupted. Investigators found that about 1 in 3 children in a sample of states were prescribed psychiatric drugs without either treatment plans or follow-up, which are considered standard in medical care. The report notes that children receiving mood-altering drugs they don't need is only part of the problem: Investigators also say children who need medication to help them function at school or get along in social settings might be going untreated. Officials with the federal Administration for Children and Families say they might need additional legal authority to raise standards. / BUSINESS: Drivers for the ride-hailing company Uber started the weekend frustrated by a glitch preventing them from being paid immediately. The Mercury News of San Jose reports San Francisco-based Uber was still working on Saturday to fix a problem that was reported Friday. An Uber spokesperson said the company has identified an issue with its "Instant Pay" feature and that drivers will be paid. Instant Pay allows drivers to be paid immediately for rides. The news organization reports the Uber spokesperson declined further comment. It's not known what caused the issue, when it began or how many drivers were affected. Meanwhile, frustrated and angry drivers are taking to social media, saying that they don't like working for free or that they need the instant payouts for gas. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Oregon wildlife officials shot and killed a female cougar in the Mount Hood National Forest in Clackamas County on Friday while searching for the big cat that killed a hiker whose remains were found last week. Now, they are waiting

to learn whether it played any role in the death of 55-year-old Diana Bober of Gresham. Experts with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Forensics Lab in Ashland will try to compare DNA samples taken from the victim to samples from the cougar killed Friday to determine if it's a match. Wildlife officials, along with mules and tracking dogs, on Thursday began traversing the Hunchback Mountain Trail area in Welches, where Bober's body was found a week ago, hoping to find the cougar suspected in the killing. They found no cougars Thursday. But the hounds picked up a scent and tracked the mountain lion up a tree Friday afternoon. Trackers say the cougar was shot with a rifle. They add there was no evidence it had been nursing kittens. The state fish and wildlife department said it plans to keep searching for cougars until it can determine which animal was responsible for Bober's death. Oregon has about 6,600 cougars, and they typically travel alone, wildlife authorities said. The state wildlife department receives about 400 complaints a year of cougars injuring livestock or threatening the safety of people or pets, he said. Attacks on people are rare. It's believed to be the first fatal wild cougar attack in Oregon.; A report says that city staff in Salem failed to anticipate the impact a health advisory issued during the area's water crisis would have on the public. The report released Friday said the advisory resulted in a communications crisis and the city was not able to handle the deluge of calls. The Statesman Journal reports that the study, compiled by The Novak Consulting Group at the request of the city, is based on interviews with more than 20 city staff members, council members and e a review of documents and news articles. This crisis began May 25 when Salem Public Works staff became aware of toxins from an algae bloom detected in Salem's water supply. The first drinking water advisory was issued May 29, warning the elderly, sick and young not to use tap water. / ECONOMY-SPORTS: Off to a 3-0 start under first-year head coach Mario Cristobal, Oregon held firm at No. 20 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 Poll released on Sunday morning. The Ducks moved into the AP top-20 last week for the first time since the end of the 2015 campaign. The Ducks also made their first appearance in the Amway Coaches Poll last week at No. 23 and moved up four spots to No. 19 on Sunday. Oregon improved to 89-17 all-time as a ranked team when playing inside Autzen Stadium with its win over San Jose State. It marks the second-straight season that the Ducks have started 3-0, while they increased its win streak to six games at Autzen Stadium. ESPN's College GameDay will return to Eugene this Saturday to broadcast from the University of Oregon campus on Saturday ahead of Saturday's opener against No. 7 Stanford. This will be the third time since 2010 that GameDay has been in Eugene for the Oregon against Stanford showdown (2010, 2012). / COMMUNITY, ANIMALS: Greenhill Humane Society and 1st Avenue Shelter have begun their official merge by combining all cat care programs to the Green Hill Road campus Monday, September 17. As part of the first phase of Greenhill's building renovations and campus growth, the lost and found cat care programs have transitioned from 1st Avenue Shelter and are now occurring at 88530 Green Hill Rd. Owner-surrendered cat appointments and all cat adoptions will continue to occur at Greenhill's main location. Temporarily, all adoptable dogs, stray dogs, and dogs in the Crisis Care program are being cared for at the 1st Avenue Shelter while Greenhill's two new dog housing facilities are built. Plans are in place for the dogs to join the Greenhill campus by the spring of 2019. The move to consolidate animal care and public programs comes after six years of animal, staff, foster and volunteer operations being separated by two

locations. Greenhill hopes that combining the shelter locations will improve community accessibly and provide improved, stress-free accommodations for the animals. There are no plans to reduce staffing or volunteer opportunities by combining locations. "All of the current programs through 1st Avenue shelter will continue, and some even expanded, at the Greenhill campus," says Cary Lieberman, Greenhill Executive Director. These programs include working with local animal welfare agencies, caring for stray and homeless animals, and reuniting lost pets with their families. Lieberman continues, "Once the new dog housing is completed and the dog programs return to Greenhill, it will be more efficient and less stress for all involved, especially the animals. Today, it begins with the cat programs." Currently more than 180 kittens and cats are being cared for among the Greenhill campus and community-based foster homes. This is an unusually high number of cats for this time of year and Greenhill is looking for community support. Member of the community are encouraged to consider adopting a cat (or two), becoming a foster family, or donating. /

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SAFETY, COMMUNITY: Do you have a cellphone or other wireless device? The first-ever nationwide test of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System known as "IPAWS" takes place on Wednesday. October 3rd, IPAWS includes both the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and the Wireless Emergency Alert System (WEA). The test is coordinated by FEMA and the Federal Communications Commission. It will be broadcast on U.S. radio, TV, and cable stations. Messages will also be sent by wireless carriers, meaning you should receive them on your phone. This is the first time a wireless alert has been tested in Oregon, and emergency managers don't want anyone to be caught off-guard. You don't need to do anything, just be aware that on Wednesday, October 3rd, you should receive these messages. The first test, involving the Wireless Emergency Alert System. will occur at 11:18 a.m. The Emergency Alert System portion takes place two minutes later. Again, no action is required by the public. Organizers say the nationwide test helps ensure that in times of an emergency or disaster, public safety officials have ways to deliver urgent alerts and warnings. Alerts are rare, but they can happen locally, statewide, or nationally. In addition, the test is a good way to assess the operational readiness of local, state and national emergency communications infrastructure and figure out whether improvements are needed. / YOUTH, HEALTH: A school-based survey shows nearly 1 in 11 U.S. students have used marijuana in electronic cigarettes, heightening concern about the new popularity of vaping among teens. E-cigarettes typically contain nicotine, but results published Monday mean 2.1 million middle and high school students have used them to get high. The devices are generally considered a less dangerous alternative to regular cigarettes, despite little research on their long-term effects including whether they help smokers quit. The rise in teenagers using them has alarmed health officials. Last week, the Food and Drug Administration gave the five largest e-cigarette makers 60 days to produce plans to stop underage use of their products. Nearly 9 percent of students surveyed in 2016 said they used an ecigarette device with marijuana, according to Monday's report in the journal JAMA Pediatrics. That included one-third of those who ever used e-cigarettes. The number is worrying "because cannabis use among youth can adversely affect learning and memory and may impair later academic achievement and education." said lead researcher Katrina Trivers of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Students who said they lived with a tobacco user were more likely than others to report vaping marijuana. It's unclear whether marijuana vaping is increasing among teens or holding steady. The devices have grown into a multi-

billion industry, but they are relatively new. It was the first time a question about marijuana vaping was asked on this particular survey, which uses a nationally representative sample of students in public and private schools. More than 20,000 students took the survey in 2016. A different survey from the University of Michigan in December found similar results when it asked for the first time about marijuana vaping. In that study, 8 percent of 10th graders said they vaped marijuana in the past year. "The health risks of vaping reside not only in the vaping devices, but in the social environment that comes with it." said University of Michigan researcher Richard Miech. Kids who vape are more likely to become known as drug users and make friends with drug users, he said, adding that "hanging out with drug users is a substantial risk factor for future drug use." / CRIME: Prosecutors say he lived a double life; helping to run legal marijuana shops in Eugene and Portland and advising state officials on how to regulate recreational marijuana—all while deliberately failing to pay taxes for four consecutive years. Now, 32-year-old Matthew Price of Portland will spend seven months in federal prison, plus six months of home detention including three-years of court-ordered supervision and will pay more than \$262,000 for willfully failing to file federal income tax returns between 2011 and 2014. Billy J. Williams, the U.S. Attorney for the District of Oregon, says the sentence sends a message to marijuana-related businesses and business owners that they are subject to the same federal tax laws as every other business in the state. According to court documents, in 2010, Price, then 25 years old, came to Portland with the financial backing of a business partner in Colorado to start a state-legal marijuana business in anticipation of Oregon's full retail legalization. Over time, the two business partners opened and operated a dispensary business called "Cannabliss" with locations in Portland and Eugene. Prosecutors say Price failed to file personal income tax returns over four years even as his taxable income steadily grew from \$42,000 in 2011 to \$590,000 in 2014. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS, MINORITIES, BUSINESS; The parties to the Pacific Salmon Treaty have agreed on new coast-wide salmon fishing agreements under the Treaty. The Pacific Salmon Commission is comprised of representatives from Canada, the states of Oregon, Washington, and Alaska, and Northwest and Columbia River Treaty Tribes. Commissioners from the United States and Canada will now forward the agreements to their respective governments for approval. The 10-year agreement covers fishery plans for Chinook. Coho and chum salmon stocks from 2019 through 2028. The agreement is an update to the 1985 Treaty, which defines the obligations of Canada and the United States to conduct their respective fisheries in a manner that prevents overfishing and allows each country to receive benefits equivalent to the production of salmon originating in each nation's waters. "I praise the efforts of the joint US/Canada Pacific Salmon Commission for approving strong recommendations to the Pacific Salmon Treaty," said Oregon Governor Kate Brown. "Successful updates to the Pacific Salmon Treaty through 2028 will help ensure long-term sustainable and healthy salmon populations that are vital to the people of the Pacific Northwest, and to the entire ecosystem." One of the most significant aspects of the new agreement is management of Chinook salmon, in particular those listed under the United States Endangered Species Act (ESA). This includes ESA-listed stocks from Puget Sound and the Columbia River basin. Many of these stocks migrate north into marine waters in southeast Alaska and British Columbia, where they are caught in marine fisheries in those regions.

Under the agreement, catches of Chinook in southeast Alaska will be reduced by up to 7.5 percent from recent levels when poor Chinook returns are expected. Canada will reduce Chinook catches by up to 12.5 percent under these conditions. The agreement also includes provisions in other west coast fisheries to ensure that harvests remain strongly tied to stock conservation objectives. As a result of these fishery changes, abundances of several Chinook stocks returning to Oregon waters will increase. "Salmon management is very complex, so it's no surprise that reaching an agreement was also complex and sometimes difficult." said Oregon Commissioner Rick Klumph. "However, all of the commissioners understand the critical importance of the treaty process in managing our salmon stocks. I am proud that we were all able to work through the issues and reach an agreement that is good for Oregonians and their salmon resource." The United States commissioners will begin finalizing requests for federal funding needed to implement the new agreements within the next month. This funding will be needed to support Puget Sound efforts to improve and protect habitat and implement hatchery conservation programs. The funding will also be critical to commitments to science and stock assessment needed to successfully manage these complex interjurisdictional fisheries. Finally, the funding request will include provisions to support recovery efforts for endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: The number of summer visitors to Crater Lake National Park in south-central Oregon has dropped for the second consecutive year because of smoke from wildfires. Park Superintendent Craig Ackerman says wildfires inside and outside of the park kept people away during July and August, traditionally the park's two busiest months. The Bend Bulletin reports that visitation in July dropped by 22 percent from the prior July. Visitation in August was down nearly 17 percent compared to the previous August. Ackerman says there were days when the smoke reached levels considered hazardous to breathe and made it hard for visitors to see the iconic lake. But he also said national stories and exaggerations on social media led some people think the fires in the area were more severe than they were. / SAFETY: The investigation is continuing into the cause of a mobile home fire Monday morning that left one man dead and gutted the structure in a trailer park off Highway 99 in Cottage Grove. Crews with South Lane County Fire and Rescue say the mobile home was engulfed in flame when they arrived and they determined that only two of the three occupants had been able to escape the fire. The victim's name will be released after relatives are notified. South Lane County Fire and Rescue was assisted by firefighters from the Goshen / Pleasant Hill Fire District. / MILITARY, VETERANS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that Gen. James B. Thayer, who helped liberate a Nazi death camp during World War II and later had a long business and military career in Oregon, died Sunday. He was 96. Word of his passing came via an announcement by the rock band Kiss, in which Thayer's son, Tommy, is lead guitarist. Reporter Mike Rogoway writes that Thayer was born in Portland but grew up on a farm in the Yamhill County town of Carlton. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Oregon. He received the Silver Star and Bronze Star for his service in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was credited with liberating the Gunskirchen Nazi death camp, which he discovered while leading a platoon in Austria in May 1945. Thayer said at first, he didn't know what to do but he got on the radio and said, "We need all the help we can get, right away." After the war, Thayer served as a colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve.

He was later promoted to brigadier general and commander of the Oregon State Defense Force. He also owned an office supply business, the J. Thayer Co., and served on the boards of the Port of Portland, Reed College, the Oregon Graduate Institute and other organizations. Thayer had been residing recently at a retirement community in Lake Oswego. The Oregon Military Museum, under renovation at Camp Withycombe in Clackamas, was named for him in 2012. / BUSINESS: it opened in the early 1990s, did well for years but struggled through the Great Recession. But growing competition and high operating costs are being blamed for this week's closure of the McGrath's Fish House near Valley River Center in Eugene. Customers were greeted by the sight of the restaurant's signs covered by black plastic sheeting and a note taped inside the door explaining the shutdown. Salem-based McGrath's is offering idled employees positions at its remaining restaurants, the closest of which is in Corvallis. It's been a rocky decade for McGrath's. The chain filed for bankruptcy protection in 2010 and closed four of its out-of-state locations. Two years ago, McGrath's closed its Bend restaurant. With the booming economy, many other restaurant and food options have sprung up around Valley River Center. Industry analysts say restaurant owners also face added pressure as patrons tastes shift and they move more toward take-out, food carts and locally-grown eats. / HEALTH, BUSINESS: In a rare move, the U.S. government has approved the importation of marijuana extracts from Canada for a clinical trial, highlighting a new avenue for American researchers who have long had trouble obtaining the drug for medical studies. Scientists at The University of California San Diego's Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research announced this morning the Drug Enforcement Administration has OK'd its plans to import capsules containing two key cannabis compounds — CBD and THC — from British Columbia-based Tilray Inc. to study their effectiveness in treating tremors that afflict millions of people, especially those over age 65. Marijuana remains illegal under federal law, and researchers are not allowed to simply obtain it through providers licensed under state law. The U.S. has a program for supplying it for research through the National Institute on Drug Abuse, with cannabis grown by the University of Mississippi, but scientists have long complained about the difficulty of obtaining it, as well as the quality and limited variety of the marijuana available. But medical marijuana is federally legal in Canada, and the country will allow recreational sale and use beginning next month. Cannabis compounds have been imported for clinical trials before. including by Britain-based GW Pharmaceuticals, which won approval this year to sell its purified CBD capsule, Epidiolex, to treat severe forms of epilepsy — the first cannabis drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Researchers say it's tough to measure the dose someone receives when they inhale pot. By using capsules, scientists can control the dose, providing crucial baseline for medical studies. Researchers also say some older study participants have objections to smoking marijuana, but capsules have less stigma. There is no specific drug to treat essential tremor, a shaking condition. Unlike Parkinson's disease, which causes shaking when someone is not moving, people with essential tremors shake when they are, making everyday activities like writing, drinking and speaking difficult. The condition afflicts 10 million people nationally and millions more across the globe, according to the International Essential Tremor Foundation. Many patients try to control the shaking by repurposing other drugs, such as blood pressure medicine, with limited success. The FDA

application outlined the drug formula — a 20:1 ratio of CBD to THC, to minimize any "high" that study participants might feel — as well as its purity, toxicity, shelf life and other details. / COMMUNITY-ANIMALS, SAFETY, CRIME: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that a judge yesterday threw out a lawsuit filed by animal rights activists in the name of a once-neglected horse, finding that animals do not have a right to sue. In doing so, the Washington County judge refused to become the first in the nation to grant a non-human legal standing to sue. But he gave lawyers for Justice the horse credit for being, quote, "quite creative" in their attempt to convince him otherwise. During a hearing last week, lawyers from the Animal Legal Defense Fund urged the judge to let the 8-year-old horse sue for the lifelong costs of his medical care. Reporter Aimee Green writes that the horse was discovered in March 2017 covered in lice, 300 pounds underweight and with frostbitten genitals. Its former owner was convicted of first-degree animal neglect and paid close to \$3,700 in restitution, but that didn't cover the horse's future medical costs. That's when lawyers for Justice filed a \$100,000 lawsuit, listing the horse as the sole plaintiff. On Friday, one of four lawyers for the horse, argued that animals are sentient beings and also noted that animals can be listed as "victims" of neglect or abuse in criminal cases and indeed do have the right to file lawsuits seeking compensation when they're treated cruelly. But an attorney for the former owner argued that the horse's attorneys were "playing with words" and claiming that animals have legal standing when they don't. /

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EDUCATION: A big celebration yesterday at Churchill High School, honoring Keri Pilgrim Ricker, who has been named Oregon's Teacher of the Year. Keri Pilgrim Ricker coordinates and teaches health sciences in Churchill's Career & Technical Education Health Services Pathway. She helps prepare students for college studies or to enter directly into the workforce. Students and staff say she is a skilled and passionate professional who has a deep respect for her students and helps them set goals for the future. / CRIME: Eugene Police investigators say they've arrested two men in connection with an alarming video that was shared to a Facebook group that appeared to show a gun being fired from a vehicle that was traveling along Highway 99 north of Eugene. It came after police shared a link to the video and asked the public for tips in the case. 22-year-old Jose Perfecto-Rocha faces charges of Reckless Endangering and Unlawful Use of a Weapon. Nhowalisaac McDonald was taken into custody on cocaine charges and three counts of being a Felon in Possession of Firearms. Investigators are continuing to look for witnesses or anyone aware of damage to nearby businesses or homes.; The Register-Guard is reporting that two people were arrested following a police chase that ended after the driver and passenger swapped places and the driver jumped from a stolen vehicle — all while traveling 75 mph. Investigators say it happened around 11:30 Saturday night when a patrol officer spotted a stolen Honda Accord at Second and Q streets with a license plate stolen from another vehicle. Reporter Chelsea Deffenbacher writes that when the patrol officer attempted to pull the car over, the driver — later identified as 30-year-old Kevin Matthew Greenslade — allegedly accelerated away in a chase that reached speeds of up to 100 mph. The pursuit lasted close to an hour as the driver headed out Marcola Road, Old Marcola Road and eventually to Old Mohawk Road and police officials say the entire time Greenslade was allegedly brake-checking the officer, speeding up to 100 mph, and unsafely passing vehicles. At one point, police say Greenslade allegedly attempted to make a fast U-turn in an intersection, and instead made three 360-degree turns, with the officer right behind him, causing a collision with the patrol car. The Register-Guard reports that then, with the Honda traveling at about 75 mph, police say Greenslade allegedly climbed over the passenger seat to jump out of the moving vehicle, while his female passenger climbed into the driver's seat and continued to flee. Police say the female driver, 23-year-old Kaylea Writer, pulled over and surrendered a short time later. Greenslade was arrested after he was located hiding in blackberry bushes during a search involving a police dog. Greenslade was charged Monday

with unauthorized use of a vehicle and fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer. Officials say Greenslade also had eight warrants from the Lane County Sheriff's Office, four from Douglas County and one from Clackamas County. He is expected to appear in Lane County Circuit Court for a hearing Friday. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: The Willamette and Siuslaw National Forests will be accepting applications for over 80 seasonal spring and summer jobs on USAJOBS.gov from Sept. 17 - Oct. 12, 2018. Positions are available in multiple fields, including fire, recreation, natural resources, timber, engineering, visitor services, and archaeology. "Seasonal employment with the Forest Service is a great way to help protect public lands, support local communities, and learn new skills," said Dianne Guidry, Acting Regional Forester. "If you're interested in working with a dedicated team of people who take pride in managing our national forests, we encourage you to consider joining the Forest Service." The USDA Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, City of Eugene, and Northwest Youth Corps will be co-hosting a Public Lands Recruitment Event. The event will take place Oct. 3, at the Campbell Community Center in Eugene from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Those interested in careers in public lands are invited to come meet hiring managers and learn about potential opportunities. / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION: Repairs are underway on Oregon 242 (the scenic Old McKenzie Highway) in the Cascades. Oregon Department of Transportation maintenance crews are stabilizing slopes and improving drainage with the help of \$850,000 in funding from the Federal Highway Administration following the devastating Milli Fire of 2017. The Milli Fire was active in and around the Three Sisters Wilderness area that adjoins the highway, destroying trees, culverts and patches of the highway surface. Working west from the eastern entrance near Sisters towards a point near the summit, crews will work to stabilize hillsides and culverts as time and other are maintenance priorities permit. The work will occur between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Motorists interested in driving the highway should be aware that there will be delays up to 20 minutes in either direction as the workers tackle the job, which is expected to last until snow closes the highway for the winter. Please watch out for work crews and travel slowly through the area. Go to www.tripcheck.com for 24/7 road and weather conditions.; More work is expected this week on the Interstate 105 Bridge Repair Project. Currently, an obsolete overpass is being filled in from below. It was built to go over a road that was never constructed. A drainage pipe is now in place. Next, concrete blocks and fill will be added and steel beams supporting the bridge/overpass will be removed. During the beam removal, there will be lane closures on I-105. This project will have several different work areas. I-105 bridges and ramps between Delta Highway and downtown Eugene will be brought up to current standards. The bridges were built in the late 1960s and early 1970s and need repair and upgrades. Work will include new guardrail, deck paving, seismic retrofits, joint replacements, and other repairs. Work will occur day and night, and it will be noisy at times. Lane closures and detours will be limited as much as possible but will be necessary. The multiuse paths on both sides of the Willamette River will remain open and protected from construction. Work will be completed in mid-January 2021.; On the Highway 126 (Veneta to Eugene Highway) Project: Paving continues, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. Travelers should expect delays of up to 20 minutes, pay absolute attention, and watch for flaggers. Paving will be done from Cornerstone Drive to near Greenhill

Road this fall. Next summer paving will continue from Greenhill to Terry Street. Over the winter, there will be two weeks of 24-hour lane closures and flagging just west of Fisher Road. Crews will be replacing bridge rail. A center rumble strip and shoulder rumble strips will be added where there's room, away from businesses. Next year, a right turn lane and two bus pullouts will be put in at Ellmaker Road and an additional 1,000 feet of the north shoulder will be widened between Shady Rest Drive and Lake Side Drive for additional safety.; On the Beltline Highway project: Weeknight work continues 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday through Thursday. Current projects include adding a protective coating to the eastbound lanes of the Willamette River Bridge and some final paving. Expect ramp and lane closures, follow detour signs, pay absolute attention, and slow down in construction zones. All work depends on the weather. If it rains, some work will be rescheduled. Permanent striping is scheduled to be placed the week of September 23. The Beltline/Delta Interchange Project will begin next year, after the current paving project is completed. / SAFETY, COMMUNITY: Do you have what it takes to survive for two weeks without electricity or water? Do you have enough food and resources to keep you and your family safe for an extended period of time? These scenarios could all play out in the Pacific Northwest and the City of Eugene is stepping up to help. The City of Eugene is hosting an Emergency Preparedness Fair on September 19th to help people prepare themselves for emergency situations, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Park Blocks, downtown. The fair will include vendors of emergency supplies and training information, as well as various seismic retrofitting firms. "If the population for the City of Eugene is estimated to be around 167,000, and there are 200 first responders on duty at any given time. who will help you in the face of disaster or large weather event," asks Patence Winningham, Sr. Program Coordinator. "Can you help your family and neighbors? This event will help you plan and prepare for those types of emergencies." The City of Eugene is joined by Northwest Natural, American Red Cross, City of Springfield, Eugene Water and Electric Board, Lane Transit District, and many other agencies from around our area committed to preparedness and disaster resilience in our area. / ELECTIONS: In this era of manipulators using social media to interfere in elections, Oregon is instead using Facebook to bolster voter participation by contacting inactive voters to remind them to update their registration. Oregon Secretary of State Dennis Richardson said Tuesday it's a "first of its kind pilot program." In Oregon, a citizen can become an inactive voter by being mailed a ballot or other election material and it being returned as undeliverable, by a lack of voting or registration activity in 10 years, if their ballot has been challenged, or if the person is imprisoned on a felony conviction. Under Oregon law, the right to vote is restored upon release from incarceration. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS: Oregon's unemployment rate for August was 3.8 percent, the lowest unemployment rate since comparable records began 42 years ago. The Oregon Employment Department said Tuesday that the state's unemployment rate is just below the national unemployment rate of 3.9 percent. The number of unemployed people in August dropped to 80,500, down from 88,000 a year ago. Many people entering the labor force are getting snapped up by employers in a very tight job market. Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment grew by 900 jobs in August, following a revised gain of 3,400 jobs in July. Those jobs were in construction, which added 800 jobs, and trade, which added 800 jobs in wholesale trade and 700 jobs in retail trade. The leisure and hospitality

industries lost 1,100 jobs and government lost 600 jobs. / ENVIRONMENT. SAFETY: Update from the Terwilliger Fire burning southeast of Blue River: Fire managers say a very large, weakened tree of approximately 50 inches in diameter fell across Aufderheide Scenic Byway, Forest Road 19, yesterday closing the road to all traffic. A large front-end loader was brought in to assist cutters in removing the tree so access for work could continue. Today, a specialized scaling contract operation will begin work along FR 19. The purpose is to identify and remove potential falling rock and fire weakened trees that are likely to come loose, fall or slide. This work must first be accomplished before other crews and work can continue along those segments of the road. Terwilliger Hot Springs will remain closed for public safety. Hazard trees around the hot springs will likely need to be felled in the coming months, we well as, trail reconstruction. Forest Service Road (FR) 19 remains closed to the public due to unsafe conditions from falling rocks, debris and fire weakened trees. The closure begins at the junction of FR 408 south to Box Canyon. The public is asked to respect the road and area closures for the protection to themselves and firefighters. / CRIME, MINORITIES: A U.S. Justice Department official says the agency is doubling the funding for tribal public safety and crime victims as it seeks to tackle the high-rates of violence against Native American women. Acting Associate Attorney General Jesse Panuccio tells The Associated Press that the department recognizes "the serious nature of the problem." The announcement comes amid increased focus on the deaths and disappearances of Native American women and girls. Panuccio plans to announce today that the department will award \$113 million to 133 tribes and Alaska Native villages for public safety programs. Another \$133 million will be awarded to tribes this fall specifically to serve crime victims. The announcement follows years of federal efforts to fix a system that many say leaves Native American women especially vulnerable to violent crime. / BUSINESS: A U.S. appeals court is siding with bartenders and waiters in a fight over whether restaurants can pay them less because they receive tips. Under federal law, an employer can pay workers who receive tips as little as \$2.13 an hour as long as their tips bring their earnings to minimum wage. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Tuesday that employers cannot use that tip credit when the workers are engaged in unrelated tasks that don't pay tips. Employers also can't use the tip credit for tasks related to bartending or serving such as preparing coffee if employees spend a substantial part of the work week on them. The 9-2 ruling revived a lawsuit by 14 bartenders and servers accusing restaurant chains including P.F. Chang's China Bistro and J. Alexander's of failing to pay minimum wage. /

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EDUCATION: A Eugene high school teacher has been named 2019 Oregon Teacher of the Year. Keri Pilgrim Ricker accepted the award at an assembly Tuesday at Churchill High, where she teaches health occupation classes. Ricker says she's honored and humbled. She credited the work of teachers and staff across the state. The Register-Guard reports that Ricker coordinates and teaches the school's career and technical education health services pathway, which includes classes such as anatomy and physiology, medical terminology and health sciences. As teacher of the year, she'll spend the next year serving as an ambassador on behalf of all Oregon teachers. / EDUCATION. TRANSPORTATION: University of Oregon Residence Hall Move-in Day is today from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Expect traffic congestion on Franklin Boulevard and Agate Street as a few thousand students move into University of Oregon residence halls in a single day. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that the number of people killed on city streets, freeways and country highways in Oregon is 13 percent higher so far this year, a death toll driven upward this summer by one of the deadliest crashes in state history. Reporter Andrew Theen writes it comes after a string of single-vehicle fatalities, as well as a number of high-fatality head-on crashes. Among the more recent: Eight people were killed in a head-on crash in Harney County in mid-August. That accident, along with several other multiple-vehicle crashes this summer, are reversing what had been a dramatic downturn in traffic fatalities in 2017. State transportation officials say multiple deaths during a single incident are all part of a worrisome trend this year. The state's transportation commission is being briefed on the matter later today. The fatality increase comes as Oregon's population continues to grow - more than 311,000 people moved to the state between 2010 and 2017 - but the number of state troopers patrolling the highways remains dramatically lower than in 1980. In highway safety, The Oregonian and OregonLive report officials look at what they call the "Four E's" - enforcement, engineering, education and emergency medical services - to bring down the number of traffic deaths. / HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, COMMUNITY: Suicide is a serious public health issue in Lane County. New, alarming numbers find that Lane County's suicide rate is 50 percent higher than the national average. But suicide is preventable. And people considering ending their lives can get help and need your support. Those are some of the conclusions drawn from the county's first-ever comprehensive study of suicides in this area. Between the years 2000 and 2016, 1,079 Lane County residents completed suicide. Among the other

findings: 1 in 4 of those who died from suicide was a veteran; close to two-thirds of men who died by suicide never sought mental health treatment before taking their lives; 1 out of 3 people who died by suicide had a substance use problem: more than half of all Lane County deaths by suicide involved a firearm; and nine out of ten deaths occurred among people 25 years and older. Suicide Prevention & Mental Health Promotion Coordinator Roger Brubaker says the first critical step in making a difference and saving lives is awareness. Lane County Public Health offers help through its suicide prevention program and also offers training opportunities in the community to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to identify family and friends who are at risk and connect them with lifesaving resources. One of the biggest ways to reduce the stigma around suicide is by talking about it. Let those at risk know that help is available and that it's okay to ask for support. If you or someone you know is thinking of suicide, please call: The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255). For details and resources in Lane County Public Health Suicide Prevention Program, visit: https://preventionlane.org/prevention-topics/suicide-prevention Veterans, Lane County is sponsoring a Suicide Prevention Summit specifically for veterans on Saturday, September 29th. Get details here:

https://www.facebook.com/events/1790362051077136/ View the report and statistics at www.lanecounty.org/PublicHealthData / HEALTH, SAFETY: Health and treatment organizations in Oregon are receiving an additional \$16-million dollars from the federal government to help battle the opioid abuse crisis. About half of the money headed to Oregon will help increase access to medications and treatments that combat opioid abuse; reduce the number of people on waiting lists for treatment; and reduce the number of opioid overdose-related deaths. The remainder of the funding will enable 30 community health centers, academic institutions, and rural organizations in Oregon to expand access to treatment that integrates substance abuse therapies with mental health services. Officials with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced the funding yesterday—part of one billion dollars in grants going to various states. The opioid crisis, which includes illegal drugs such as heroin and prescription medications such as OxyCodone, has led to the addiction of Americans from all walks of life. torn apart families and contributed to thousands of deaths. But there are signs of improvement and personal recovery: The recently-released 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health found that the number of Americans who began using heroin dropped by about half from 2016 to 2017. The number of Americans misusing opioids also dropped for the second year in a row. One reason is education and tighter controls on prescribing potentially addictive painkillers. From January 2017 through August 2018, researchers say the amount of opioid prescribed in America dropped by 21 percent. In the same time, the number of prescriptions filled for naloxone has increased 264 percent, while the number of prescriptions for buprenorphine, one form of medication-assisted treatment for opioid overdose, has risen 16 percent. / HEALTH, BUSINESS, POLITICS: The Oregonian and OregonLive report members of a state rules committee got an earful yesterday from patients and advocates for the medical marijuana program. They are unhappy with new daily limits on the sale of medical marijuana. But state officials say the changes were needed to slow suspected "black market" sales. Reporter Noelle Crombie writes it came after a state analyst last month spotted dozens of suspicious transactions when he crunched cannabis sales data. It

appeared a small number of medical marijuana cardholders bought unusually large quantities of marijuana flowers on consecutive days. Oregon regulators suspected medical marijuana patients and caregivers were exploiting the system by buying cannabis to sell on the illicit market. Over 19 days in August, for instance, one medical marijuana cardholder bought nearly 13 pounds of cannabis. Another bought 7 pounds over 10 days that month. Officials said the questionable transactions came from a small percentage of cardholders and that the typical purchase for most cardholders was 4 grams or less. But under pressure from federal officials, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission quickly issued a temporary rule that dramatically reduced the amount that medical marijuana cardholders could buy in a day, from a pound-and-a-half to one ounce. That's the same quantity recreational cannabis consumers are allowed to buy. The Oregonian and OregonLive report advocates at yesterday's state rules committee meeting said medical marijuana patients sometimes need large quantities of the drug to make products upon which they rely to treat their conditions. The rules committee, made up of marijuana industry participants and advocates, is asking the Liquor Control Commission to restore daily purchase limits to 24 ounces. State statistics show Oregon has about 39,000 medical marijuana patients, down from 78,000 in 2015. Officials say participation in the program plummeted after cannabis was legalized for recreational users. The number of grow sites serving three or more patients medical marijuana patients has also plummeted from about 4,000 in 2015 to about 800 today, according to Anthony Taylor, a longtime advocate. Cannabis is tax-free for medical marijuana patients. They also are allowed to buy more potent edibles and oils than recreational users, and until the latest rule change, they could buy more cannabis flower. Oregon has been in the crosshairs of U.S. Justice Department leaders for not doing enough to crack down on the black market. U.S. Attorney Billy Williams has repeatedly expressed frustration with the state's failure to contain production and he's chided top officials for not devoting enough resources to oversight and enforcement. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: More than 500,000 acres have been burned, and approximately 4,000 Oregonians have been warned to evacuate their homes this wildfire season. Over 300 earthquakes have also shaken the state this year. including a 6.2 magnitude quake just off the coast in August. These alarming facts mean it is critical for Oregonians to get prepared for both natural and humancaused disasters. National Preparedness Month has arrived, and Sept. 16-22 is Home Inventory Week. This week is designated to an often-overlooked part of disaster preparation: protecting your personal property. To recognize this week. the Oregon Division of Financial Regulation encourages Oregonians to do two simple tasks that will save time, money, and stress when disaster strikes: Build a home inventory - Take video or photos of each room in your home, paying close attention to walls, drawers, closets, and storage areas. Recalling your personal property is a daunting task following a disaster. A home inventory eases the postdisaster stress and enables your insurance company to move forward with processing your claim. Review your insurance coverage - Take time to discuss your policies with your insurance company or agent. Make sure you have the right coverage and know what to expect when you file a claim for disasters such as fire, earthquake, flood, tornado, theft, and ice storms. "These simple projects are easy to do and should be an essential part of every Oregonian's disaster prep." said Insurance Commissioner Andrew Stolfi. "Home Inventory Week is an ideal time to

add these money-saving, stress-reducing tasks to your to-do list." Oregonians are encouraged to visit dfr.oregon.gov/preparenow for videos, apps, and resources to help complete these simple tasks. The site also provides social media tools to help residents share their experience and encourage their families, friends, and neighbors to get prepared as well. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: A total 169 fallen Oregon firefighters to be honored during a state memorial today in Salem. It is an annual event at the Oregon Public Safety Academy, which pays tribute to fire service professionals and their families who have made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting lives and property across the state. There is good news: No names are being added to the Oregon memorial during this year's ceremony, which means Oregon did not suffer a firefighter line of duty death in 2017. Sadly, that is not the case on a national level as the names of 103 career and volunteer firefighters who died in the line of duty in 2017 and previous years will be honored at the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial at the National Fire Academy in October in Maryland. / POLITICS, BUSINESS-AGRICULTURE: Concerned about a common agricultural disease that threatens a key ingredient in Northwest beers, Oregon U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden yesterday asked key congressional leaders to maintain provisions in the Farm Bill that help protect hops crops in Oregon and nationwide. Wyden and three other senators say the U.S. hops industry is facing the costly problem of crop diseases like powdery mildew and downy mildew which could reduce supplies of a signature ingredient in craft beers. Oregon ranks third nationally behind Washington state and Idaho in hops production, according to the Hop Growers of America. Hop growers fear the spread of disease will lead to decreased yields for farmers, as well as higher prices and lower quality hops for the growing craft brewing industry. The Senate version of the Farm Bill addresses the threats by authorizing the nation's Agricultural Research Service to work on powdery mildew and downy mildew. / ENVIRONMENT: Scientists say the waters off Oregon's coast are still dealing with a season of low oxygen caused by warming ocean temperatures. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports the coastal waters now go through an annual season of hypoxia, a condition resulting in the deaths of sea organisms as dissolved oxygen decreases in water near the ocean floor. Francis Chan, co-chair of the West Coast Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia Science Panel, says the low-oxygen season is much like the state's wildfire season. Some of the first signs of hypoxia appeared in 2002, when dead crabs were hauled up in crab pots. Chan says the hypoxia has been observed almost annually since 2002. Warmer ocean temperatures trigger excessive phytoplankton blooms, which take oxygen out of the water when they die and sink, / FAMILY. BUSINESS, CRIME: More than half of all complaints received by the Federal Communications Commission — more than 200,000 of them — are about unwanted calls. The FCC said Americans received about 2.4 billion unwanted, automated calls each month, according to 2016 estimates. Nearly half of all cellphone calls next year will come from scammers, according to First Orion, a company that provides phone carriers and their customers caller ID and call blocking technology. Scammers also trick people into answering their calls with a scheme known as neighborhood spoofing, in which they manipulate caller ID information so that their actual phone number is masked. Instead, the calls appear to have been placed locally. A person looking at their caller ID will see a number that matches their own area code, as if the caller is a neighbor or a relative. Because the number appears familiar, people are more likely to answer the call.

The barrage of fraudulent calls has taken a dire turn in recent months as scammers have targeted immigrant communities with urgent calls claiming ambiguous legal trouble. Across several U.S. metropolitan areas with large Chinese populations, scam callers have posed as representatives of the Chinese embassy while trying to trick Chinese immigrants and students into revealing their credit card numbers. The scammers told people that they have a package ready to be picked up at the Chinese consulate office, a first step in a ruse, or that they need to turn over information to resolve a legal issue, according to the Federal Trade Commission. Other prominent spam calls involve fraudsters pretending to be a representative from a bank, a debt collector or cable company. The Internal Revenue Service has also warned taxpayers about phone scams. Callers use telephone numbers that mimic actual IRS assistance centers, claim to be IRS employees and use fake names and phony badge numbers. The IRS says victims are falsely told they owe money to the government and are urged to pay through a gift card or wire transfer. Scammers may also take advantage of the devastation caused by Hurricane Florence, the IRS warned. Scammers can pose as a charitable organization, preying on the generosity of Americans who want to help those affected by the storm. /

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BUSINESS, GROWTH: Close to two dozen new tech companies opened in the Eugene-Springfield area during the past year. Yesterday evening, some of them along with a number of older firms—were highlighted on the annual Eugene Tech Tour. It's sponsored by the Technology Association of Oregon in the Southern Willamette Valley. The event highlights companies that focus on products ranging from games to cloud storage and digital security. The tour also doubles as a recruiting and networking event—a chance for prospective employers to meet and chat with the prospective employees who want a better sense of the jobs and cultures offered by the various firms. The tour gave participants the chance to visit more than 30 tech companies based in and around downtown Eugene. Why such a tech hub there? One big reason is the fiber network that runs across downtown and in dozens of buildings. It allows tech companies to move massive amounts of data for very low-costs. There are also some experienced workers from Symantec and other firms, along with college students and graduates, in the local employment pool. Many have been hired and trained by the newer tech companies to handle everything from basic coding and website design to customer sales and service. / LOW-INCOME: The United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service approved an adjustment to the Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) and the Standard Utility Allowance (SUA) in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps. The COLA sets the income guidelines and benefit allotment amounts, and the SUA determines the amount of heating and cooling costs an eligible person may claim. These adjustments will be effective on October 1, 2018. Oregon SNAP participants do not need to take any action. The state will automatically recalculate cases and adjust when required. Families may experience the following: no change, a \$9 increase or a \$4 decrease. Changes are based on a family's individual case and will be reflected in the October 2018 disbursement. Currently, slightly less than one in seven Oregonians - or 626,038 Oregonians – receive food benefits through SNAP. The amount of benefits a SNAP participant receives is based on many factors, including income and deductions for necessities like shelter and utilities. The change in the 2018 standards will not increase the number of people receiving SNAP, and it does not change program eligibility requirements. To be eligible for SNAP, most families must have income less than 185 percent of the federal poverty level and meet other eligibility factors. For a family of four, this means having gross income less than \$3,870 per month. Some individuals or families, which include a disabled

person or a person at least 60 years of age, can be eligible for SNAP benefits with income higher than this amount. / MINORITIES, CRIME: Oregon tribes are receiving a share of \$113 million dollars in grants from the U.S. Department of Justice to improve public safety, assist victims of crime, combat violence against women, and support youth programs. Officials say the goal is reduce what they call an unacceptable level of violent crime and domestic abuse in many American Indian and Alaska Native communities. In addition, the Department is in the process of allocating up to \$133 million for a first-ever set aside program to serve victims of crime in American Indian and Alaska Native communities. TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY: The final 2018 Eugene Sunday Streets takes place on Sunday, September 23, in West Eugene's Churchill neighborhood. Adults, teens and kids will enjoy a two-mile, car-free corridor connecting activity centers at McCornack Elementary School, Acorn Park and West 11th Avenue's "Bike Friday" parking lot. The event runs Sunday, September 23, from noon until 4 p.m. This is the first time "Sunday Streets" has come to West Eugene. It's a chance for people in the Churchill Neighborhood to learn about active transportation options and healthy lifestyles. The area contains popular bike paths—including the Fern Ridge Path—and the area's newest EmX bus line. Plus. the new PeaceHealth Rides bike-sharing program allows you to rent a cycle and enjoy the area. If you go to the Eugene Sunday Streets website at www.eugenesundaystreets.org, you may download a free EmX pass for the day. So why not take advantage of the weather forecast and use the free bus pass to ride EmX to west Eugene, then jump on a PeaceHealth Rides bike to enjoy the route? Also on-hand: Plenty of traditional Sunday Streets attractions, including: Three stages of music as well as musicians along the Fern Ridge Path. Free bike tune-ups at Acorn Park. Free bike helmets from PeaceHealth at the McCornack Elementary School Activity Center. World champion BMX pro Dave Nourie will perform at the "Bike Friday Activity Center" off West 11th Avenue. More than 12,000 people took part in July's "Eugene Sunday Streets" event – either as part of Sunday Streets or the EUG Parade - which makes it the largest Eugene Sunday Streets in program history.; PeaceHealth Rides, Eugene's bike share system, will release a special Sasquatch-themed bike into the wild on Sunday. It is the first of a planned series of "unicorn bikes," which feature different colors and designs than the rest of the fleet of blue bikes. This first unicorn bike design was the brainchild of two University of Oregon School of Art + Design students. It was chosen based on its engaging theme and social media potential. (See the release to learn more about #IFoundSasquatch.) / COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: Eugene residents and businesses produce 40 million pounds of food waste annually. Much of this food is perfectly good to eat, but for reasons such as cosmetic imperfections or conservative use-by dates, it ends up in a landfill. At the second annual Operation: Food Rescue event on Saturday, September 22nd from 4:30-7:30pm at WildCraft Cider Works (232 Lincoln Street) community members can learn about simple and fun ways to use food rather than throw it away. Operation: Food Rescue brings together farmers, local government, nonprofits, and consumers in an effort to highlight the global issue of food waste. The event demonstrates easy and fun solutions to tackling food waste at home and in our community. Mayor Lucy Vinis will start with opening remarks, followed by representatives from Willamette Farm and Food Coalition, Burrito Brigade, and the Eugene Area Gleaners. The event speakers will discuss how to get involved in

food rescue and food justice initiatives locally. Additionally, the event will include a delicious meal made by Marché from would-be wasted ingredients with a suggested sliding scale donation of \$5-15. No one will be turned away due to inability to pay. Tickets are available in-person on the day-of the event. There will be limited food supplies to avoid waste. Donations for the event will go to Willamette Farm and Food Coalition's Double Up Food Bucks Program. Ingredients for the meal will be donated by Ambrosia Farm, Organic Redneck, Sweet Leaf Organics, Red Hat Melons, The Bread Stop Bakery, Winter Green Farm, Turnip the Beet Farm, Circle h Farm, and The OG Corner Market with a special thanks to the Lane County Farmers Market for their partnership. The event will also feature an imperfect-produce giveaway, a free food-waste themed photo booth by Smile Photo Booth, Wildcraft's Community Apple Drive, an "ugly" Fruit and veg contest with prizes donated by Hummingbird Wholesale and Mountain Rose Herbs, and live music by the North Eugene Ukulele All-Stars and Corwin Bolt and the Wingnuts. For more information, visit the website www.eugenerecycles.org / BUSINESS, POLITICS; Seeking the return of millions of dollars of forced union fees, 12 Oregon public employees have filed a federal class-action lawsuit against the state's three largest public sector unions, a smaller union, and affiliates. It comes after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in June that government workers cannot be required to contribute to labor groups. The National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation, which was involved in the Supreme Court case, is handling the Oregon case and 200 others across the country. Attorneys with the group said the suit, filed Thursday in federal court in Oregon, seeks fees collected in recent years from thousands of public sector employees who left their unions or never joined. Defendants include the Service Employees International Union; American Federation of State, Local, and Municipal Employees; and the Oregon Education Association. / EDUCATION: Oregon elementary students have rebounded from last year's dip in reading and writing skills, but academic achievement remains mostly low across the state, according to state test scores. The percentages of students demonstrating mastery in math this year are the lowest in the four years that Oregon's students have taken the nationally benchmarked Smarter Balanced tests. The Oregonian/OregonLive reported Thursday. Mastery in reading and writing has barely moved in four years, staying below 60 percent in elementary and middle schools. Results in the state's middle and high schools have largely remained hard to pin down, as numerous families have allowed their children to skip the tests. About 15 percent of 11th-graders skipped the tests this year, resulting in unreliable results. The tests are intended to measure if students' learning is on track for college and careers. "We see this as an area we need to work on," said Colt Gill, director of the state Department of Education. "I would not point to a highlight." The tests have shown an academic preparedness gap between lowincome students and others, as well as a gap between white students and students of color. Low-income students were down by 30 percent in mastery of reading, writing and math skills compared to their richer peers. Latino, black and Native American students similarly lagged by 25 percent to 30 percent. The reading and writing scores of Native American students gained by 5 percent this year following a 4 percent drop the previous year, Gill said. But fewer than 95 percent of Native American students in the state took the tests this year. / POLITICS: Governor Kate Brown is joining with Oregon Senators Ron Wyden and

Jeff Merkley and Democratic members of Oregon's congressional delegation to condemn U.S. Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh. At a rally and news conference Thursday at a Planned Parenthood office in Portland, the group urged voters to insist on an investigation into decades-old allegations of sexual assault against Kavanaugh before moving forward. Speakers -- including U.S. Representatives Suzanne Bonamici and Earl Blumenauer -- told attendees that Kavanaugh's successful nomination could threaten a woman's right to an abortion even in a liberal state like Oregon. Kavanaugh has been accused by Christine Blasey Ford, a California college professor, of sexually assaulting Ford at a party in the 1980s in a Maryland suburb of Washington. Kavanaugh has denied the allegations. / BUSINESS, ECONOMY: Facebook is going to build two more buildings at its data center outside the Central Oregon town of Prineville, growing the development to an area that covers roughly the same acreage as 66 football fields. Facebook officials announced yesterday they expects the expansion of their Prineville server farm to come online in 2020. In a statement, Facebook officials said this new construction will bring its total Prineville footprint to more than 3.2 million square feet, representing an additional investment of \$750 million. Prineville, with its inexpensive land and access to cheap Columbia River hydropower, was the site of Facebook's first data center, which opened in 2011. A spokeswoman says the expansion will make the Prineville data center the company's largest server site. Facebook has similar operations in Forest City, North Carolina; Altoona, Iowa; and a community in Sweden, / BUSINESS. TRADE, POLITICS: U.S. and Canadian negotiators say they are working around the clock on a deal to keep Canada in a North American trade bloc ahead of a Sept. 30 U.S. deadline. Canadian Minister of Foreign Affairs Chrystia Freeland spoke to reporters after meetings Thursday with her counterpart, U.S. Trade Rep. Robert Lighthizer. Freeland is returning to Canada for a summit of women foreign ministers today but said she and Lighthizer remain in close contact by phone and email. Canada was left out when the United States and Mexico reached an agreement last month to revamp the North American Free Trade Agreement. Freeland is trying to get the No. 2 U.S. trade partner reinstated. The countries are under pressure to reach a deal by the end of the month, when Lighthizer must make public a copy of the full text of the agreement with Mexico. Until then, he has time to bring Canada back into the regional trading bloc. Trump has said he wants to go ahead with a revamped NAFTA — with or without Canada. It is unclear, however, whether Trump has authority from Congress to pursue a revamped NAFTA with only Mexico, and some lawmakers say they won't go along with a deal that leaves Canada out. Among products from Oregon that might be impacted are agricultural, timber, wine, hazelnuts and other items. / TRANSPORTATION: It's official: It will cost you more to check a bag on any of the three biggest U.S. airlines. American Airlines said Thursday that it is raising fees for checking bags by \$5 apiece each way, matching Delta and United. The first bag is now \$30 and the second is \$40. Those are each way, so checking two bags on a round trip will cost \$140. High-spending frequent flyers and customers who book with the airline's credit card typically avoid the fees. JetBlue, Air Canada and WestJet also have raised bag fees. Southwest lets customers check one or two bags free. U.S. airlines get about a quarter of their revenue from fees. Last year, they took in \$7.4 billion from fees on checked bags and ticket changes, led by American. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Could it set a mold for Oregon? If you

want a straw with your drink or a soda with a kids' meal at a California restaurant, you'll need to ask for them starting next year. A law signed Thursday by Gov. Jerry Brown makes California the first state to bar full-service restaurants from automatically giving out single-use plastic straws. Another law he approved requires milk or water to be the default drink sold with kids' meals at fast-food and full-service restaurants. Neither law is an outright ban on straws or sugary drinks in kids' meals. But some Republicans have called the measures government overreach by the heavily Democratic state. California restaurants that don't comply with the straw law will get two warnings before being fined. Lawmakers changed the legislation to add a \$300 annual fine limit. It will apply only to restaurants where customers are waited on by restaurant staff, not fast-food establishments. / CRIME: On Monday, September 10, fish biologists working for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers discovered three inflatable kayaks and other related equipment was missing from the parking lot at the Corps' Dexter Service Building, located below Lookout Point Dam in Lowell. The area where the equipment is stored overnight and on weekends is behind a controlled access security gate. The kayaks were likely removed from someone who accessed the site from Dexter Lake, so they might have passed through one of the public-use areas around the lake. The stolen equipment included two blue and one dark green Aire brand "Lynx" model inflatable kayaks with haul rings and straps on both ends. Three paddles, a dry bag, and a pair of waders were also taken. The approximate value of the stolen equipment is \$5,400. Know anything about the theft? Contact the Army Corps' Hotline at 1-866-413-7970. Callers may remain anonymous. / COMMUNITY, FAMILY, BUSINESS, LOW-INCOME: United Way of Lane County's annual Day of Caring took place Thursday at locations across Lane County. Day of Caring is an annual day of volunteering facilitated by United Way of Lane County. This year was the 25th anniversary. The event brings together volunteers for projects across the community, some at non-profits, others at schools and in parks. The goal is to promote the volunteerism and a connected community. This year, volunteers from 40 companies, 43 non-profits and more than 900 volunteers took part. Their efforts combined for more than 36-hundred hours of volunteer time on the community projects. Good job, everyone! Monetary value: \$89,081.52 (based on independent sector value of volunteer time \$24.69/hr). / CRIME, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: During the Labor Day holiday, Lane County Sheriff's Office deputies conducted overtime saturation patrols focused on impaired driving, distracted driving, speeding, and seat belt noncompliance in effort to reduce vehicle crashes, injuries, and fatalities. These patrols were funded through grants from the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association and the Oregon Department of Transportation. During this two-week saturation period, deputies worked 116 hours of grant funded overtime which resulted in the following enforcement contacts: 2 Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants; 27 Driving While Suspended; 62 Speeding; 49 Failure to Use Safety Belt; 33 Distracted Driving; 101 Other Citations; 2 Felony Arrests. / ENVIRONMENT: Want to enjoy some of Oregon's most scenic locations? Saturday is National Public Lands Day, which means free admission at all national parks as well as recreation sites managed by the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. That means Saturday is a great time to visit Crater Lake National Park fee-free—no \$25 vehicle fee—or head up near Astoria to visit the Lewis and Clark National Historical Park. Part of National Public Lands Day is

community service. So, for example, the BLM is holding a volunteer event at Yaquina Head on the Oregon coast. Locally, volunteers are taking part in a project on the West Eugene Wetlands at Stewart Pond on Saturday from nine a.m. 'til noon. / COMMUNITY, SAFETY, EDUCATION: The Springfield Police Department invites the public to visit the Police Department at Springfield Justice Center at 230 Fourth St, Saturday, September 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be safety information, refreshments, tours of the Department, police canine demonstrations, S.W.A.T. Van, Police Motorcycles, Police Bicycles, and Patrol Cars. We invite you to meet the officers and other Department personnel. Come and meet McGruff the Crime Dog and learn more about how we can all work together to have safer and more connected neighborhoods. /

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CRIME, SAFETY: Springfield Police issued a rare public safety advisory over the weekend after receiving reports of a cluster of heroin overdoses in just a few hours. Experts say it's either a bad batch of heroin or fentanyl on the street. Springfield Police used a nasal dosage of the drug Narcan three times to save three overdose patients. Two other patients received intravenous doses of Narcan administered by EMS and medical personnel. One of those heroin overdose patient was "dropped" at the emergency receiving area of McKenzie Willamette Hospital. Investigators say it is not uncommon for heroin overdose patient to be "dropped" in this manner by persons who do not want to become involved with law-enforcement. This volume is unusual and disturbing and public health officials urge caution for heroin users. / CRIME: An Oregon man accused of crashing four weddings in Junction City on the same day and stealing more than \$13,000 in gifts goes before a judge today. 42-year-old Brian Keith Starr of Eugene pleaded guilty Friday to charges of aggravated first-degree theft and felon in possession of a firearm. He is scheduled to be sentenced today. Starr became a suspect after one of the newlyweds he stole from circulated a photo that her mother took of Starr at the reception on social media. He was arrested in August. Court records show Starr also acknowledges he stole \$5,300 in gifts from a fifth wedding weeks before his big haul on July 29. He received a 2-1/2 year prison sentence in exchange for his plea. ; He's facing explosives and firearms related charges after a joint investigation by the Junction City Police Department, Oregon State Police and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms. It comes after last week's arrest of 37year-old Anthony Joseph Johnson and a search of his residence on Junction City's Kalmia Street and of a nearby vehicle. It comes after a series of developments in the case, staring with a domestic violence call involving a hatchet, Johnson's later arrest on firearms charges, and a search of the residence that first required an evacuation of neighbors as a precaution in case any explosives were on the premises. No explosives were found, but police noted various empty chemical containers were present. During last week's investigation, officers were approached by multiple individuals who stated they had been hearing explosions from Johnson's property for the past several months. Witnesses also stated that Johnson had admitted to them he was making explosives out of fertilizer. Several individuals also stated Johnson provided demonstrations for them where he ignited an unknown white powdery type substance. And some witnesses stated that on one occasion a vehicle owned by Johnson received extensive damaged when explosives, which he was

transporting in the vehicle, accidently exploded. Police say a search warrant on the vehicle that was owned by Johnson that had allegedly sustained damage in an explosion contained evidence clearly supporting the fact that explosion had occurred. This is an ongoing investigation; anyone with information relating to this or other incidents is urged to contact the Junction City Police Department immediately at 541-998-1245.; A Southern Oregon man arrested by the FBI on Thursday goes before a federal judge today in connection with allegations he allegedly threatened to kill YouTube employees and specifically threatened the company's CEO. 35-year-old William Gregory Douglas of Cave Junction faces. charges of cyberstalking and transmission of threats in interstate commerce to injure another. Authorities said Douglas posted tweets, demanding a return of his channel and making threats. He referenced a shooting at YouTube's California headquarters in April in which a woman wounded three people before killing herself. He also allegedly posted a message to YouTube CEO Susan Diane Wojcicki, telling her he's coming for her and that she should pray. It was not immediately clear if Douglas has an attorney. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife is ending cougar capture operations in Zigzag because all available evidence shows the cougar killed last Friday, Sept. 14 is the one responsible for the state's first fatal cougar attack. "It is highly probable that the cougar that killed Diana (Bober) is the one that we killed last week," said Derek Broman, ODFW carnivore coordinator. The cougar killed was detected on a trail camera set right at the site where the attack occurred. Over the past week, no other cougar has been detected in the area. Cougars are territorial. Males have larger home ranges (50-150 square miles) while a female home range is usually 20-30 square miles. Trail cameras were first set at the attack site, then expanded to about a 35-square mile area around that site, and eventually surveilled a roughly 78-square mile area. No other cougar was ever detected on this network of 31 cameras set on trails, wildlife corridors, saddles and other areas where cougars are likely to travel, adding to the evidence that the cougar responsible was killed on Friday. The cougar's age also plays a role in evidence. The female cougar killed is several years old, and by that age cougars have an established a home range. The lack of any other cougars in the area suggests this cougar was in its home range when it attacked and killed Diana, and that it is unlikely another cougar is responsible. While ODFW believed last Friday that it had likely killed the cougar that attacked Diana, it could not rule out the possibility that another cougar was responsible. "Our highest priority was to capture the cougar responsible for the attack to protect public safety," said Broman. "We continued to monitor the area for other cougars to increase the likelihood that we caught the right one while evidence was being examined." After the cougar was killed on Friday, its body was immediately bagged to prevent any contamination of evidence during transport and flown by Oregon State Police to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wildlife Forensics Lab in Ashland, Ore., a lab dedicated to wildlife forensics. The lab has been analyzing evidence from the cougar's body and evidence from the scene of the attack. However, the lab is unable to extract any relevant DNA from evidence collected at the attack scene to use for a comparison to the DNA from the cougar killed on Friday. The analysis has been challenging due to contamination of evidence at the original attack site. Several days passed between when the fatal attack likely occurred and when Bober was discovered and evidence collected. Heavy rain did fall during that time period, further

contaminating evidence. "The evidence is too contaminated for us to ever be able to tie it to an individual cougar," said Ken Goddard, Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Forensics Lab. "We could not get the DNA evidence we had hoped to obtain in this case," said Broman. "However, all the evidence available shows we have the right cougar." The cougar weighed 64.5 pounds, which is within the normal weight range for female adult cougars. Her exact age is still to be determined through a cementum deposit tooth analysis that used for all cougars in Oregon, but results will take at least a month. "It is impossible to determine why the cougar attacked Diana. There is no sign that it was sick or unhealthy and a rabies test was negative," continued Broman. "Wildlife behavior is unpredictable, but cougar attacks are extremely rare throughout the Western U.S. where cougars are found." "We hope the ending of these operations brings some closure for Diana's family," continued Broman. "All of us extend our deepest sympathies to the Bober family." "We also thank all the partners who stepped in to help including the U.S. Forest Service, the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, the Oregon State Police, USDA Wildlife Services, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Forensics Laboratory and private landowners in the area." U.S. Forest Service is now working to reopen the area closed during the cougar capture effort which is expected to happen as early as Monday, Sept. 24. The reopening will be announced on the Mt Hood National Forest website. ODFW encourages Oregonians and all visitors to the state to review safety tips for living and recreating in cougar country. "While cougar attacks are extremely rare, there are steps you can take to further minimize your risk in the outdoors, or if you live in areas where there are cougars," Broman added. "Please take the time to review those tips by viewing the Cougar sighting sign and Living with Cougars page." / ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Forest Service Road (FR) 19 remains closed to the public and firefighters due to unsafe conditions from gravity fall hazards including rocks, debris and fire weakened trees in the wake of the Terwilliger Fire, five miles southeast of Blue River. The closure begins at the junction of FR 408 south to Box Canyon. The public is asked to respect the road and area closures for the protection to themselves and firefighters. Terwilliger Hot Springs remains closed for public safety. Mitigations to reduce hazards around the Springs area include falling fire weakened trees as well as trail reconstruction. Active fire is still in the area so please respect the closure area and keep out of the springs until the area is deemed safe by Willamette National Forest officials. The blaze has burned 11,279 acres. The cause is under investigation. Crews have it 80% contained. Cooler weather is helping firefighters on the lines, even though warmer weather is expected to return by the end of the week. /

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BUSINESS: Big celebration up near Junction City. Operators of Lochmead Dairy say their Chocolate Ice Cream recently earned First Place at the World Dairy Expo Product Competition. Mmmmm... chocolate. Lochmead's Vanilla Ice Cream took second place at the competition. The ice creams are sold by retailers across the area and are a staple at local Dari-Mart stores. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: In downtown Corvallis, a traffic light pole is down at 4th (OR 99) and Harrison Street. Flaggers are controlling traffic in the intersection. Travelers are advised to take an alternate route and expect delays in the area. This is expected to last at least through the day as the light pole has to be replaced.; It's called "Operation Clear Track" and Eugene Police are assisting in this nationwide Rail Safety Week Education and special enforcement initiative today. Since 2014, there have been three injuries and four train-related deaths in Eugene, including one in Eugene in May 2017. To help prevent these tragedies and in support of nationwide Rail Safety Week, Eugene Police will be conducting a targeted education and enforcement regarding rail safety at two locations where there are more people travelling in the area and where there have been more incidents: 5th Street, near High and Pearl; and Whiteaker near Madison and Monroe. The event will provide a platform for reminding travelers about railway safety and rules surrounding railways. September 23-29 is Rail Safety Week nationally and Eugene Police Traffic Enforcement Team will be doing their part to ensure people are more aware of the need to respect the rules around trains, because those rules prevent injury and death. They will more specifically be ensuring people using all modes of travel obey the railroad crossing traffic devices and arms, and stay out of the railroad's right-of-way, and don't use it for shortcuts. Not only are Railroad tracks, trestles, yards and equipment private property, they can also be dangerous to walk or play in and trespassers can be arrested and fined. Please notify authorities if you see a railroad crossing arm or signal is broken by calling 911. Operation Lifesaver Track Facts and Tips: The ONLY legal, safe place to cross tracks is at designated pedestrian or roadway crossings. Observe and obey all warning signs and signals. Do not walk, run, cycle or operate all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) on railroad tracks, rights-of-way or through tunnels. Do not walk, jog, hunt, fish or bungee jump on railroad trestles. They are not designed to be sidewalks or pedestrian bridges; there is only enough clearance on the tracks for a train to pass. Do not attempt to jump aboard railroad equipment at any time. A slip of the foot can cost you a limb, or your life. / CRIME, SAFETY: Springfield Police say they have close to 10 reports of heroin-related overdoses since midday Saturday,

a cluster of cases that led to the agency issuing a rare "public safety advisory." Experts say it's also a bad heroin or fentanyl on the street. Investigators say they learned from law enforcement sources that the substance suspected to be the cause of these overdoses is being referred to as "China white." "China white" might be either a street-term used for a particularly pure or white heroin or it could be synthetic Fentanyl or a combination of the two. Regardless, police warn the substance appears to be a particularly concentrated opioid. And that's a public health challenge: Heroin is often used in private public places particularly restrooms and users frequently leave behind paraphernalia such as spoons and hypodermic syringes. These items might be contaminated with the substance, which is fat-soluble and can be absorbed through the skin. For this reason, touching such paraphernalia should be avoided. A barrier, such as rubber gloves should be used if you must handle these items, and proper disposal is key to preventing potential contamination and exposure. / CRIME: The Register-Guard is reporting that a Eugene man who stole more than \$18,000 in wedding gifts from five Junction City area gatherings will spend two-and-a-half years in prison. It comes after 42-year-old Brian Keith Starr of Eugene was sentenced yesterday for aggravated first-degree theft and being felon in possession of a firearm. Reporter Jack Moran writes that during his sentencing, Starr apologized and said he had committed the crimes after relapsing on methamphetamine following a six-year period of sobriety. Starr became a suspect friends and family of one of the newlyweds circulated a photo on social media that the bride's mother took of Starr at the reception. He was arrested in August and also pleaded guilty in a fifth wedding theft. Court records show Starr acknowledges he stole from four wedding gatherings on the same day in late July and from a fifth wedding weeks before that. Many of the items he stole were gift cards and cash. None of the newlyweds victimized by Starr attended his sentencing hearing. The Register-Guard reports Starr has agreed to pay restitution in the case.; A Junction City man is facing charges that he was manufacturing explosive devices inside his home. The Register-Guard reports a man was charged Sunday with two felony counts of possession of a destructive device, one felony count of manufacturing a destructive device, three misdemeanor counts of felon in possession of a firearm, and one misdemeanor count of manufacturing a controlled substance within 1000 feet of a school. Police say he was first arrested Wednesday after a woman called authorities to say he had rushed her with a hatchet and then barricaded himself in their house. Witnesses and neighbors told police that the 37-year-old had been performing detonations, building bombs with fertilizer and had severely damaged his car when explosives caught fire.; Eugene Police arrested two women in connection with a trio of Monday robberies. 24-year-old Tara Rochelle Hass and 23-year-old Megan Lynn Roberts have been charged in connection with robberies at the Buy2 store on West 11th Avenue, the Buy2 store on West 6th Avenue, and the Stop N Shop Market on West 18th Avenue. The incidents occurred within a few hours of one-another, beginning shortly before 8:00 a.m. yesterday morning when the suspects threatened the cashier, took cash and fled in a 1990s green, fourdoor Dodge Neon.; Lane County Sheriff's investigators could use your help. Last week, someone stole a vehicle used for rural mail delivery from the parking lot of the Creswell Post Office. The vehicle, a white Subaru Legacy, was recovered late Wednesday morning. But two exterior vehicle magnets with the "US MAIL" logo and a Postal Service safety vest, along with an amber light used on the vehicle

when delivering mail, are still missing. That raises the possibility of the items being used for other crimes. Officials with the Lane County Sheriff's Office are asking you to be on the lookout for any rural mail vehicles or carriers you are not familiar with, and to report suspicious behavior such as the removal of mail from multiple mailboxes. Call 541-682-4141, referencing Sheriff's Office case number 18-6431. / CRIME, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A Tillamook man will serve one year in prison for accidentally killing his best friend during a bowhunting trip near La Pine. The sentence ends a case that divided the victim's family on whether the man responsible should go to prison. The Bulletin reports 55-year-old Michael "Shawn" Pekarek pleaded guilty Monday in Deschutes County Circuit Court to criminally negligent homicide for releasing an arrow that hit and killed Jeffrey Lynn Cummings. It happened on September 12th of last year, when Cummings and Pekarek were scouting in a truck. Pekarek spotted a buck and the two got out with their bows. Pekarek drew the bow on the animal, but when it ran he turned and he says he gestured toward Cummings with the arm that held the bow. He accidentally released the arrow that that struck Cummings in his stomach, severing an artery. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: Oregon pinot noir is so popular these days that some winemakers elsewhere are making false links to the state's viticulture areas for their own wines, and might be breaking the law and face fines, experts testified at a hearing in the state Capitol. Tom Danowski, chief executive officer of the Oregon Winegrowers Association, urged lawmakers Monday to protect Oregon's \$5.6 billion wine industry from false claims. Representative David Gomberg said he noticed this was becoming a problem when he saw wine that was vinted and bottled in California being labeled as Oregon pinot noir. One product, made by Elouan winery in California, is called Oregon Coast pinot noir. when that variety of grape is not grown on the coast, Gomberg pointed out. / HEALTH: Researchers are reporting that three people whose legs were paralyzed for years can stand and take steps again thanks to an electrical implant that zaps the injured spinal cord — along with months of intense rehab. The milestone, reported by two teams of scientists working separately, is not a cure. The patients walk only with assistance — holding onto a rolling walker or with other help to keep their balance. When researchers switch off the spinal stimulator, they no longer can voluntarily move their legs. But during a physical therapy session at the Mayo Clinic one patient, 29-year-old Jered Chinnock, moved back and forth enough to cover about the length of a football field. The work is part of a quest to help people with spinal cord injuries regain function, and specialists say while it's only been attempted in a few people, it is a promising approach that needs more study. Still, the scientists caution that not everybody who has a similar injury will respond the same. Severe spinal cord injuries leave the brain's "get moving" instructions unable to reach the nerves that activate muscles. Researchers have tried other technologies, such as encasing patients in robotic-like exoskeletons or implanting muscle stimulators, to help move paralyzed limbs. How does it work? One theory: Circuits of nerves below the injury site are dormant, but still living. Applying electrical current, in customized patterns, could wake up some of those circuits and, with rigorous rehab to revive the rusty connections, eventually enable them to receive simple commands. /

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CRIME: Eugene Police last night arrested the 17-year-old suspect in yesterday morning's shooting on Bailey Lane, off Coburg Road. The use of SWAT and crisis negotiation teams punctuated a flurry of evening activity near the 14th and 15th Avenue / High and Mill Streets area of South Eugene, during which a reverse 9-1-1 call was sent to nearby residents, urging them to stay inside until the activity ended. The suspect's name will likely be released later today. It came after a tumultuous day that began shortly after 10:00 a.m. with the shooting in the 2900 block of Bailey Lane. Police officers and a bystander provided aid to a person on the ground, who was hospitalized for treatment of a gunshot wound. Police have no update on the victim's condition. Police believe the suspect and the victim likely knew one another, and this was not a random act. The investigation and search for the suspect included a total of three related crime scenes and led to precautionary lockdowns at nearby Monroe Middle School, and lockouts involving St. Paul Parish School, Buena Vista Elementary, Holt Elementary and Sheldon High School. Police emphasize the children inside Monroe Middle School, which was closest to the shooting location, were safe and that the incident never involved the school; it just happened nearby. Police say if you have relevant information in the case, call them at 541-682-5111. / TRANSPORTATION. SAFETY: Eugene Police are investigating a traffic crash near the intersection of South Bertelsen Road and London Court. Both lanes of South Bertelsen Road are closed from W 18th Ave to Henry Court. Please use alternative routes. Callers say two vehicles were involved and one possibly struck a house. Two people have been hospitalized with unknown injuries.; Oregon State Police investigators say a Eugene man died Monday evening when, for an unknown reason, his motorcycle left the roadway on Highway 126 near Cedar Flat Road, east of Springfield, and struck a tree. The crash was reported shortly after seven Monday evening. State police say 64-year-old Roy K. Smith died at the scene after his 1984 Honda motorcycle collided with the tree. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: The Capital Press is reporting that a defunct Eugene beef packing company is planning to auction its assets because a buyer has not yet committed to purchasing its facilities as a package. Bartels Packing shut down in March with a debt of \$8.3 million, including \$4.6 million owed to cattle suppliers and feedlots. The closure also left livestock producers without an important local cattle buyer. Reporter Mateusz Perkowski reported earlier this summer that it was possible a new owner would take control of Bartels' slaughter-and-processing facilities. The potential buyer submitted a "letter of intent" to purchase the company's assets as a

package deal, according to court documents filed by Richard Hooper of Pivotal Solutions, the receiver who's overseeing its dissolution. But that deal is now being called into question and Hooper is seeking a judge's permission to sell the company's assets at an auction. Hooper told The Capital Press his company is still chatting with the prospective buyer but also preparing for an auction if that's what's needed. The assets would most likely be auctioned in early to mid-December, which would allow the winning bidders to collect the equipment and other items before a lease on the property expires in January 2019. Bartels has paid about \$624,000 to cattle sellers who had valid USDA trust claims, but other suppliers weren't eligible for such payments under the federal Packers & Stockyards Act, which generally doesn't cover livestock transactions based on credit.; An annual study shows the Oregon wine industry had significant economic growth in 2017. The Capital Press reports the latest Oregon Vineyard and Winery Report shows the state added 92 new vineyards and 44 new wineries last year. An annual study by the University of Oregon Institute for Policy Research and Engagement credits the 10.5 percent growth to high demand and increased production. Willamette Valley Pinot noir remains the leading variety, accounting for 58 percent of acreage and 59 percent of production. Overall production rose from 79,282 tons of wine grapes valued at \$167.8 million in 2016, to 91,343 tons at \$191.9 million in 2017. Total sales grew to more than \$550 million in 2017, up nearly 4 percent over 2016. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Two million dollars. That's how much organizers of the annual Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland say they lost when summer wildfire smoke inundated the Rogue Valley and forced them to cancel more than two dozen outdoor performances. They say they plan to line up an indoor venue for next season if they're forced to cancel outdoors performances again. This season, some shows shifted to Ashland High School, when the facility was available. In all, the Shakespeare Fest canceled 26 outdoor performances beginning in July and continuing through earlier this month. Ashland received smoke from wildfires in Oregon, California, Washington state and even British Columbia. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Federal officials have determined that commercial fishery failures occurred for salmon in Oregon, Washington and California, making those fisheries eligible for federal disaster assistance. The governors from Oregon, Washington and California and multiple Native American tribes had requested the determinations between July 2016 and March 2018. Their requests noted unusually warm and poor ocean conditions that affected fish. The disaster determinations make salmon and sardine fisheries eligible for some portion of \$20 million in NOAA Fisheries fishery disaster assistance. The Commerce Department is figuring out how to allocate that money to eligible fisheries. U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross on Tuesday also announced a commercial fishery failure for the sardine fishery in California but not for the state's red sea urchin fishery.; State lawmakers are considering setting aside more money for state agencies to respond to toxic algae blooms in Oregon's lakes and reservoirs. It comes after summer algae blooms in Detroit Lake produced cyanotoxins, they triggered temporary shutdowns of the City of Salem's water system, forcing residents with vulnerable health conditions to rely on bottled water for weeks. The Statesman Journal reports the situation prompted lawmakers handling interim funding requests to recommended \$160,000 in additional money for the Oregon Health Authority to staffing in the state's drinking water program. Another three-quarters of a million dollars would go to the Oregon

Department of Agriculture for additional lab testing equipment and to fund a seasonal staff position. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality would receive \$380,000 to fund four positions to handle cyanotoxin testing at 94 facilities. ; Oregon environmental regulators are seeking the dismissal of a lawsuit that looks to strengthen pollution regulations in Tillamook Bay. The Capital Press reports attorneys for the state Department of Environmental Quality have asked a Tillamook County judge to throw out the case before it goes to trial for next month. Oyster Co. President Jesse Hayes claims in the suit that excessive fecal coliform bacteria from area dairies have curtailed or shut down harvests in his oyster beds in Tillamook Bay. But attorneys for the state claim the total maximum daily load regulation for bacteria in the rivers that drain to the bay are set by an agency order that may only be challenged through an administrative process. And the lawyers contend the deadline for such an objection has long passed. / CRIME, SAFETY, HEALTH: Close to two dozen heroin overdoses have been reported in Springfield and Eugene since the weekend. Springfield police on Saturday warned heroin users about the possibility of an exceptionally potent round of heroin or Fentanyl on sale in the area after five people overdosed in an eight-hour period. All five were saved by Narcan, a drug that reverses the effects of a heroin overdose. More reports came in Monday and yesterday. Springfield police say one of the victims said the drug he consumed went by the street name of "China White." That might refer to a potent form of heroin, Fentanyl or Fentanyl-laced heroin. Lane County Public Health on Tuesday reported a spike in hospital emergency department visits for heroin-related overdose with 21 visits over the weekend. Officials say Lane County's average for that timeframe is seven. / POLITICS, ELECTIONS: The 2018 race for governor is the most expensive in Oregon history, a mark set six weeks before ballots are even counted. Combined, Democratic Govenor Kate Brown and her Republican challenger, State Representative Knute Buehler, have raised \$18.7 million. That's one million dollars more than was raised and spent in the 2010 governor's race where Democrat John Kitzhaber won against Republican Chris Dudley. According to state campaign finance reports filed this week, Brown has raised about \$11.3 million and Buehler has raised about \$7.4 million. / ENVIRONMENT, POLITICS: Ten states, including Oregon, are demanding the Trump administration abandon a proposed overhaul of the Endangered Species Act. The states contend the changes sought by wildlife regulators would cause havoc for one of the nation's most successful environmental laws, imperiling natural habitats and putting rare species at greater risk of extinction. Administration officials deny that and say an overhaul of the 1973 statute would produce speedier, more efficient decisions. The changes include ending automatic protections for threatened species and limiting habitat safeguards for recovering species. The attorneys general of California, Washington state, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and the District of Columbia also signed. / HEATH, EDUCATION: Oregon health officials say the number of parents filing non-medical vaccine exemptions in the state has been steadily climbing since 2000, and they fear some children who have not been immunized against childhood illnesses could be at risk for serious diseases. The Register-Guard reports the increase in non-medical exemptions can multiply the likelihood of an outbreak of a disease. Lane County Senior Public Health Officer Dr. Patrick Luedtke says there was a whooping cough outbreak earlier this year in Lane County schools, resulting in 250 cases of the disease in

50 schools scattered across the county. Luedtke says several countries in Europe have seen their vaccination rates drop below 80 percent and are now experiencing major outbreaks of diseases. He says Italy recently had an outbreak of 5,000 cases of measles that included some deaths. / BUSINESS, CIVIL LIBERTIES-PRIVACY: A Senate panel today will consider ways to develop national rules governing how companies can use consumer data to target advertising and for other business purposes. Executives of a half-dozen internet titans are due to appear before the Senate Commerce Committee to explain their privacy policies. Senior executives from AT&T, Amazon, Apple, Google, Twitter and Charter Communications are expected to testify at the hearing Privacy scandals at Facebook and other companies have stoked outrage among users and politicians. But the approach to privacy legislation being pondered by policymakers and pushed by the internet industry leans toward a relatively light government touch. In April 2017, President Trump scrapped Obama-era privacy rules that sought to limit how broadband providers like AT& T, Comcast and Verizon use and share customer data. / HEALTH, MEDICINE: A new study says surgery isn't always needed for appendicitis and that antibiotics instead can often do the trick. The results from Finland contradict decades of thinking about the best way to treat an inflamed appendix. The condition has long been thought to be a medical emergency because of the risk for a burst appendix, which can be lifethreatening. But advances in imaging tests make it easy to determine which patients face that danger. The study in 500 adults found that nearly two-thirds of patients treated with antibiotics fared well after five years. About one-third had another case of appendicitis and had surgery to take out their appendix. The results were published Tuesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association. / BUSINESS, POLITICS: Nike caused an uproar earlier this month with its ad featuring former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick that debuted just as the football season was about to begin. But the shoe maker's stock is up and sales have been steady. The furor seems to have largely died down and the company reported an earnings beat on Tuesday. While purpose-driven marketing can be a land mine for some companies, others like Nike have found it a useful way to appeal to their core demographic and differentiate themselves in an increasingly polarized political landscape. The results don't have anything to do with the Kaepernick ad, which came out shortly after the quarter ended. Instead, the quarter benefited from the FIFA World Cup of soccer that showcased many players and teams wearing its clothing and shoes, as well as the "athleisure" trend that continues to be strong. But Nike has long boosted its global brand with edgy visual ads. On Monday, it celebrated another controversial athlete, Tiger Woods, who Nike stuck by during a 2009 sex scandal. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Terwilliger Fire Update: The Willamette National Forest implemented an Area Closure on August 30th, 2018 around the Terwilliger Fire area for the safety of the public and firefighters. Entry into this area shuts operations down until the violators are removed to safety. These delays have set back the date for completion of hazard removal work. Please refrain from entering the closed area. More smoke may be in the air in the coming days as McKenzie Ranger District begins fall season meadow restoration burning. Burning is scheduled to begin Friday and continue for the next several days as conditions allow. Terwilliger Hot Springs (also known as Cougar Hot Springs) remains closed for public safety. Mitigations to reduce hazards around the springs area will include falling fire weakened trees

as well as trail reconstruction. Active fire is still in the area so please respect the closure area and keep out of the springs until the area is deemed safe by Willamette National Forest officials. Law enforcement is patrolling the area and citing violators of the closure order including those illegally entering the hot springs area. Forest Service Road (FR) 19 remains closed to the public and firefighters due to unsafe conditions from gravity fall hazards including rocks, debris and fire weakened trees. The closure begins at the junction of FR 408 south to Box Canyon. The public is asked to respect the road and area closures for protection to themselves and firefighters. The blaze has burned more than 11,200 acres and is about 80 percent contained. / HEALTH, POLITICS: U.S. Senator Ron Wyden says Congress has approved two bills that make it easier for consumers to get the lowest price on their prescriptions. It now heads to the president for his signature. Wyden, an Oregon Democrat, says under current rules, many pharmacists are prohibited from telling their customers with employer-sponsored insurance plans or Medicare Part D that a prescription to a common ailment such as diabetes or high blood pressure might cost less if they paid for it out-of-pocket rather than under insurance coverage. Critics called the restrictions "gag orders," saying pharmacy benefit managers, who act as middlemen between pharmacies and big drug companies, only allowed pharmacists to share the price comparisons if consumers asked. Supporters of the bills say this could help save money for consumers and lead to lower prescription prices, overall. /

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CRIME: More details were released yesterday about the suspect in Tuesday morning's shooting in the 2900 block of Bailey Lane, off Eugene's Coburg Road. Officials with the Lane County's District Attorney's office released a copy of the information filed yesterday in Lane County Circuit Court, which indicates the 17year-old suspect, Mason Everett Wood, will be charged as an adult with three felony counts: Assault in the First Degree With a Firearm; Burglary in the First Degree With a Firearm, and Unlawful Use of a Weapon With a Firearm. The 17year-old victim was hospitalized with serious injuries. Meantime, Eugene Police revealed that Wood turned himself in for arrest at Eugene Police headquarters late Tuesday night. It came following a four-hour standoff outside a residence off Mill Alley in the West University neighborhood, which ended after SWAT team members and negotiators learned the suspect was not at the residence. / HEALTH, SAFETY, BUSINESS: The Oregonian and OregonLive are reporting that the nationwide recall of ground beef possibly contaminated with E. coli has expanded to include meat sold at Safeway, Albertson's and Target stores in Oregon. This month, Cargill recalled more than 132,600 pounds of contaminated ground beef that food-safety investigators think has caused 17 illnesses and one death. USDA investigators are concerned contaminated products may be inside consumers' freezers. The products were shipped nationally. People usually become sick within a week of consuming contaminated foods. Most people develop diarrhea, often bloody, and vomiting. Some infections are more severe with people developing a type of kidney failure. I've put a link to the recall details on my TracyKKNU Facebook page. The beef products in question were produced and packaged on June 21 and bear the plant identification number "EST. 86R," which can be founded inside the USDA inspection mark on the outside of the package. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Some trail improvements are planned for the popular hike into Blue Pool and Tamolitch Falls. It means a bit of extra walking if you plan a visit for early October. The Forest Service will temporarily close a 2.1 mile-section from the main parking area and trailhead on Highway 126 while the tread of the trail is improved. The closed section will stretch from that Tamolitch (Blue Pool) Trailhead to Tamolitch Falls, also known as Blue Pool. The closure begins Monday and runs most weekdays until about mid-October while crews and mules transporting material along the trail to supply repair crews. Want to see Blue Pool during one of those weekdays? You can still get there, it will just be a slightly longer hike. You'll be able to park at Carmen Smith Reservoir and hiking 3.3 miles south on the McKenzie River Trail. / GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT: Have

an opinion about how the city should develop the former Eugene Water and Electric Board parcel along the Willamette River? This evening, you have your final chance to share your ideas. The city closed the deal on the 16-acre site this spring—which will include a new park. The former EWEB site will eventually feature a mix of housing, retail and open space. The redeveloped Steam Plant will be one of the visual and social focal points. At tonight's session, city officials and members of the design consultant team lead by the firm Walker Macy will present their updated concept for the four-acre park and accept final public input. Members of the Downtown Riverfront Park design team say they've received close to 3,000 survey responses about how the park should look. The meeting runs from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the EWEB headquarters off East 4th Avenue in Eugene. Organizers say it is a family-friendly event with activities for kids and light refreshments provided. There will also be guided tours of the site following the presentation. Eugene planners hope much of the riverfront redevelopment will be completed ahead of the 2021 World Track and Field Championships, which will take place at the new track and field venue under construction at the University of Oregon. Meantime, the Riverfront Urban Renewal Agency continues to work with a private developer to transform the longtime utility operations yard into a mix of housing and retail space, while better connecting downtown Eugene to the Willamette River. The City is also working with design partners to redevelop the old Steam Plant building on the property. / ENVIRONMENT: After a summer wildfire season that blanketed much of the West in smoke, U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley introduced a bill Wednesday that would reduce the severity of wildfire by thinning forests that are crowded with too many trees and have become fuel for megafires. The bill would create a \$1 billion fund to allow the Forest Service to increase the pace and scale of wildfire reduction projects. He says it would also make it easier for federal agencies to work with local communities to plan and prepare for wildfires, and permanently reauthorize a collaborative forest restoration program to thin forests. As an example of how thinning can save communities, the Oregon Democrat cited a fire that was ignited by lightning in August of 2017 near the Central Oregon city of Sisters. It spread quickly fast. Residents in outlying areas fled as flames marched toward their homes. Just a few months earlier, the U.S. Forest Service and a group of locals representing forest stakeholders arranged to thin part of the overgrown forest, creating a buffer zone around Sisters. That effort saved homes, and perhaps the community of 2,500, by slowing the fire's progress and allowing firefighters to corral it. The work was done by the Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project, composed of loggers, environmentalists, local officials, recreation outfitters and others. It was one of 23 projects in the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration program, created in 2009 by Congress and that Merkley seeks permanent support for. His bill would allow more projects to receive funding in a given fiscal year. "It's way past time to do a lot more on the front end to make our forests more fire resilient," Merkley said. He hopes the Senate will take up the bill after the November elections. Last year, 71,500 wildfires burned 10 million acres nationwide, the second-largest figure on record.; The McKenzie River Ranger District is preparing for its fall prescribed burns which might continue until late November. Burning is scheduled to begin Friday, Sept. 28, and continue for the next several days as conditions allow. This fall, 29 acres of meadow restoration and 829 acres of pile burning are planned across the district. The location of the burns will be near Smith Ridge off Hwy 126,

Robinson Lake and Foley Ridge. Pile burns are scattered throughout the McKenzie River Ranger District. Be cautious when traveling on forest roads as the amount of traffic will increase. Fire personnel will be driving these roads frequently to carry water to the burns and to the check the status of the burns. Prescribed burning reduces hazardous fuels which protects human communities from extreme fires; minimizes the spread of pest insects and disease; removes unwanted species that threaten species native to an ecosystem; provides forage for game; improves habitat for threatened and endangered species; recycles nutrients back to the soil; and promotes the growth of trees, wildflowers, and other plants. Prescribed burn operations only take place when weather patterns shift to cooler temperatures and wetter conditions. Wind speed and direction, temperature, relative humidity and measurable moisture in vegetation are all taken into consideration. Public notice of specific burn times might only come 24 hours in advance, and oftentimes, the morning of the burn as prescribed burning is dependent upon weather conditions. In preparation for the burns, crews are building and clearing fire lines, laying out fire hose around the units and checking fuel moistures and weather forecasts regularly for a perfect window of opportunity. Once the temperature, humidity, wind and fuel moistures align, fire crews ignite the specific burn areas. One group of firefighters will light the unit in a strategic pattern determined by slope and wind direction. Another group patrols the fire line on foot and sprays down fuels outside the unit with water to ensure the fire stays contained within the burn area. After the smoke clears, crews will spend up to a week putting out smokes in the unit to secure it for the rest of the season. / TRANSPORTATION, POLITICS: The House is approving a bill directing the federal government to set a minimum size for airline seats, bar passengers from being kicked off overbooked planes, and consider whether to restrict animals on planes. Those and other passenger-related provisions are included in a bill to authorize Federal Aviation Administration programs for five years. The House vote Wednesday sends the measure to the Senate, which faces a Sunday deadline. Privacy advocates are criticizing a provision that lets the government intercept and destroy drones that officials consider a threat to people or federal facilities. The bill is just as notable for what is not included. Lawmakers abandoned a plan backed by airlines to privatize the nation's air-traffic-control system. And congressional negotiators dropped a proposal to crack down on "unreasonable" airline fees. / CRIME, SAFETY, HEALTH: Lane County authorities are repeating their warning to heroin users now that the number of drug overdoses reported in the Eugene-Springfield area has spiked to nearly two dozen since the weekend. The Register Guard reported Wednesday that medics responded to 35 substance abuse reports between Friday and Monday and 23 of those were determined to be overdoses. Sixteen of the patients were treated with Narcan, a medication that counteracts the effects of opiates. Lane County Public Health officials say 21 overdoses were reported to the agency between Friday and Sunday. Police believe an extremely pure type of heroin or heroin laced with fentanyl is circulating in the area. No deaths have been reported. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: Washington state officials have determined that wolves from a pack in northeast Washington have injured five additional calves, and they continue efforts to kill some pack members. The Department of Fish and Wildlife said Tuesday the attacks occurred in Ferry County and were conducted by wolves from the Old Profanity Territory pack. The agency has already killed one member of the pack,

and says it will continue efforts to kill more to stop the depredations. Some environmental groups are outraged by the wolf hunt. The Center for Biological Diversity tried unsuccessfully to block the hunt in court, saying that killing wolves ignores science and goes against the wishes of many in the state. Wolves have come into conflict with ranchers since moving back into the state early this century. / TRANSPORTATION, BUSINESS: Uber has agreed to pay \$148 million and take steps to tighten data security, after the ride-hailing company failed for a year to notify drivers that hackers had stolen their personal information. The settlement covers Uber and all 50 states — as well as the District of Columbia. Uber learned in November, 2016, that hackers had accessed the personal data — including driver's license information — for roughly 600,000 Uber drivers in the U.S. Uber officials then paid \$100,000 in ransom for the stolen data to be destroyed. The states sued Uber, saying the company violated laws requiring it to promptly notify people affected by the breach. /

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HEALTH, MEDICINE: An estimated 80,000 Americans died of flu and its complications last winter — the disease's highest death toll in at least four decades. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and national vaccine experts said the tally was nearly twice as much as what health officials previously considered a bad year. In recent years, flu-related deaths have ranged from about 12,000 to 56,000, according to the CDC. But last fall and winter, the U.S. went through one of the most severe flu seasons in recent memory. It was driven by a kind of flu that tends to put more people in the hospital and cause more deaths, particularly among young children and the elderly. Making a bad year worse, the flu vaccine wasn't the best match for some of the strains. But experts say vaccination is still worth it because it makes illnesses less severe and save lives. Fatal complications from the flu can include pneumonia, stroke and heart attack. The season peaked in early February and it was mostly over by the end of March. The worst flu season on record remains the 1918 flu pandemic, which historians say lasted nearly two years and killed more than 500,000 Americans. It's not easy to compare flu seasons through history, partly because the nation's population is changing. There are more Americans — and more elderly Americans — today than in decades past. How bad will this season be? So far, the flu that's been detected is a milder strain, and early signs are that the vaccine is shaping up to be a good match.; With the start of influenza season around the corner, Oregon Health Authority officials say it's a good time for families to schedule appointments to get flu vaccines. The vaccines are recommended for everyone 6 months and older. The flu vaccine may take up to two weeks to become effective, so getting it earlier in the season is ideal. Flu vaccine is available from health care providers, local health departments and many pharmacies. The vaccine is free or low cost with most health insurance plans. To find flu vaccine clinic, visit http://www.flu.oregon.gov/ and use OHA's flu vaccine locator tool. Flu is a virus that causes mild to severe respiratory illness. In severe cases it can lead to hospitalization and even death. The virus kills thousands of people in the U.S. each year. People at higher risk of severe illness include children, adults older than 65, pregnant women and those with chronic medical conditions or weak immune systems. Oregon had two flu-related deaths of children during the 2017-2018 flu season. Public health officials also encourage health care workers to get vaccinated for the flu. Immunized health care workers help prevent the spread of influenza in health care settings, particularly among hospitalized patients at high

risk for complications from the flu such as the elderly, very young and those with some chronic illnesses. Here are additional ways to help prevent flu: Stay home from work or school when you are sick and limit contact with others. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue out when you are done. Wash hands with soap and water. Use an alcohol-based hand rub if soap and water are not available. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may have flu germs on them. Avoid getting coughed and sneezed on.; Beginning on Monday, October 1. smoking and tobacco use, including e-cigarettes, will be prohibited at all Lane County-owned or -leased properties. In taking the action, Lane County joins 10 other Oregon counties and organizations in going tobacco-free, including PeaceHealth, Lane Community College and the University of Oregon. Backers of the effort say moving to tobacco- and smoke-free facilities and grounds supports employee wellbeing and creates a healthier and safer environment for community members who visit Lane County buildings. In 2017, Lane County began prohibiting smoke and tobacco use in its parks and was the first county in Oregon to raise the legal age to purchase tobacco to 21. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS: Perhaps it was inevitable. Lane County already has a Beer Trail and Pinot Bingo, where visitors get stamps on special passports. Visit enough locations, you win prizes. Now, there's a cannabis-themed event being promoted by local tourism officials to highlight the area's legal recreational retailers. It's a sign of just how mainstream marijuana and cannabis products have become since Oregonians voted to legalize it. It's called "Tokes 'n' Treats" and takes place during the month of October. Free passports may be picked up at participating dispensaries. Participants must be 21 and older. They earn stamps by making purchases at participating dispensaries and through purchases of SugarTop Buddery products. The promotion benefits the Open Cannabis Project and culminates with a Halloween Bash at the Hi-Fi Music Hall features live music, giveaways, costume contest, merchandise, and food. / EDUCATION: University of Oregon officials say this fall's freshman class enrollment set a record. Preliminary figures indicate that the number of first-year students at the U-of-O stands at 4,203, up more than 300 from last year. They say they are academically well-qualified and the most diverse ever in terms of race and ethnicity. The population of international students eased a bit, from six percent in the fall of 2017 to four percent this fall. Officials add that more than 800 of the incoming first-year students are enrolled in PathwayOregon, the 10-year-old scholarship program that covers tuition and fees for qualified, Pell Grant-eligible resident freshmen. That is an increase of more than 14 percent over the previous year. Academic officials say PathwayOregon also provides student support services and class advising that have helped boost graduation rates at the U-of-O. To date, they say more 5,000 students have received a free education thanks to the program. Other numbers show the average high school GPA was 3.59, just shy of the record of 3.61. Average SAT scores held relatively steady at 1195 from a high of 1196. Resident Oregonians represent 51 percent of the new student population. Nonresidents are 45 percent of the new student population. Including transfer students, there are a total of 5,378 new students at the UO, an increase of 5 percent over last year.; University of Oregon officials announced this week they are nearing their \$2 billion fundraising goal. And President Michael Schill says the campaign has been so successful, they're raising their target \$3 billion. Schill said that with \$1.87 billion already raised, the primary focus going

forward will be improving student access and success. Planned funding efforts include: Long-term, endowed support for PathwayOregon, which that pays tuition and fees for qualifying Federal Pell Grant-eligible Oregon residents. More than 5,000 students — more than half first-generation college students and a large percentage of underrepresented students — have benefited from this program in the last decade. Increasing merit-based scholarships such as the Presidential Scholars program, which awards up to \$9,000 per year for high-achieving Oregon students. Increased assistance for "Dreamers" — students under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals policy and others who aren't eligible for federal financial aid. "While the UO currently provides a track for these amazing students to attend college," Schill said, "funds are needed to reduce the cost of attendance." Enhanced advising and employment programs. Continued growth of programs to give students hands-on learning and research experiences that position them to quickly move into the job market. A new 60,000-square-foot classroom building, with a focus on environmental and sustainability programs. Funds for long-term staffing and programming for the Black Cultural Center, which will break ground in October. In academics and research, the university will pursue new funding for the basic sciences, interdisciplinary projects in the humanities and social sciences, and the Presidential Science Initiative. The science initiative focuses on improving human life through neuroscience: the science of brains and behavior; materials science: chemical building blocks; data science: understanding and extracting knowledge; and microbiome science; health and well-being. A third pillar of the extended campaign is to complete fundraising for the Phil and Penny Knight Campus for Accelerating Scientific Impact. The ambitious project has begun construction on the north side of Franklin Boulevard and has raised more than half of its \$1 billion estimated cost. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: State wildlife officials say a dog guarding cattle in southern Oregon has died after being attacked by a wolf. The report released Wednesday says an examination of the Tibetan mastiff's body revealed 25 puncture wounds and scrape marks all over its body. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says the attack early Monday occurred in an area frequented by a gray wolf known as OR-7 and his pack. The incident happened southeast of Prospect. The last confirmed attack by OR-7 and his pack was in January when two calves were killed two days apart near Butte Falls. / CRIME, SAFETY: Monday, Oct. 1, marks one year since the worst mass shooting in modern U.S. history, a gunman's attack on a country music festival in Las Vegas that left 58 people dead and more than 850 wounded or injured in the rush to safety. As the anniversary approaches, many survivors—including some from our area—say they are still trying to make sense of their new lives and scars, some say they have a fear of being in crowds and others worry their lives might never be the same. The 22,000 people who were at Route 91 Harvest Festival last October were there to listen to country music. And for many, that love of music has created lasting bonds between many survivors. Thrown together during the crisis, while tending to the wounded and rushing to safety, some say they now attend country music festivals and concerts together and consider each other family. They fly flags and wear shirts that say "Country Strong"—some even had the phrase tattooed. And they the music that brings them together also makes them stronger. Some credit artists such as Eric Church, who performed earlier at the festival and mobilized his fan network to support one of the Las Vegas survivors, whose husband died in her arms. Some

of the survivors gathered at Stagecoach, the California music festival, were wearing matching T-shirts with the words "Route 91." They posed for pictures, behind banners that said "Love Wins" and "Country Strong" with a bright orange ribbon. Many wore smiles, in cowboy hats and jeans, holding their hands up in the air as if they were watching their favorite band. Other survivor groups hold monthly meetups, plan outings like attending sporting events, raise money for families that needed assistance, create Christmas card lists and share potluck dinners. Survivors have mostly found each other through Facebook groups, many of which have turned into informal, comforting forums as they share everyday struggles and progress through grief and recovery.