

Damage minor

Downed tree took out power Wednesday

By **RAY COONEY**
and **BAILEY CLINE**
The Commercial Review

Portland firefighters were called to a report of a tree falling on a house in Wednesday evening's storm.

It turned out to be a false alarm. Though power was out in some areas of Jay County for several hours Wednesday night, damage was limited to fallen trees and branches.

Portland Fire Department responded to a call about 5:54 p.m. Wednesday for a tree that had fallen on a house. However, upon arriving, firefighters found the tree had not struck the house at 415 S. Western Ave.

Instead, the tree near the entrance of Hines Inman Memorial Field was uprooted and fell across the street and landed on utility lines on the opposite side. The incident caused a nearby transformer to blow.

Indiana Michigan Power reported that as of 8:30 p.m. Wednesday it had more than 15,000 customers without power, including about 10,000 in east central Indiana.

By this morning, there were just over 4,000 I&M customers without power, with the bulk of them in east central Indiana. According to the I&M outage map, that included about 75 customers in Portland who were still without power as of Thursday morning.



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A tree that uprooted during Wednesday evening's storm just north of the entrance to Hines Inman Memorial Field fell across Western Avenue in Portland and caused a transformer to blow. Western Avenue was closed between Blaine Pike and Third Street on Wednesday night and residents on the south side of the city were without power for several hours.

Another 10 remained without power in Dunkirk.

The company said it expected to have all customers restored by midnight Thursday.

Western Avenue between Blaine Pike and Third Street was closed Wednesday night because of the downed tree. It was open Thursday morning.

Portland police mainly consisted of downed trees and branches, noted Jay County Emergency Management Agency director Samantha Rhodehamel.

Missiles strike at Israeli hospital

Reports say at least 25 were injured

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Tribune News Service

TEL AVIV, Israel — A hospital in the south of Israel was hit during a massive wave of Iranian missiles on Thursday.

A missile struck the Soroka Hospital in the desert city of Beersheba, with reports saying that there was severe damage to the surgery ward.

There were also strikes in other locations in Israel, including the Tel Aviv area, with more than 20 missiles fired. A total of at least 25 people were injured, including at least three seriously.

Israeli Health Minister Uriel Buso described the hospital attack as a "terrorist attack that has crossed a red line" and termed it a war crime.

According to initial reports, only a few people were slightly injured at the hospital.

Iran's Tasnim News Agency, which is linked to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), said the target had been a military base and not a hospital.

Israel's ynet online news outlet said one of the damaged buildings of the Soroka Hospital had been evacuated on Wednesday. "Luckily we cleared out one of the wards, otherwise they wouldn't be there anymore," a hospital worker said.

"The ceiling fell on us, and the shock wave threw me away," he added.

Tel Aviv's Sheba Hospital reported being struck by a falling missile fragment with slight damage reported.

Many Israeli hospitals have taken patients into bomb shelters.

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Lawmakers question Morales

By **WHITNEY DOWNARD**
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Secretary of State Diego Morales faced intense scrutiny from state lawmakers on Wednesday about his myriad of controversies while seeking additional funds for his office related to cybersecurity, election oversight and securities duties.

Legislators — both Democrat and Republican — asked him specifically about his spending on no-bid contracts and international travel, the latter of which has been criticized for mixing personal business with state duties.

"My work ethic is unmatched," claimed Morales. "I'm going above and beyond the call of duty and we will continue to do so."

Other Morales controversies mentioned in the Wednesday meeting include: purchasing a \$90,000 car with taxpayer money from a campaign contributor and hiring his brother-in-law.

While in India to speak at two tech conferences in March,

Indiana Secretary of State faces scrutiny over various controversies

Morales missed a key budget meeting — a particular point of contention for lawmakers — and didn't disclose the trip, or its funders, until later. Last month he went to Hungary on a "personal trip" paid for by a conservative group but also spoke as Indiana's Secretary of State.

This week, he brought an entourage to ask for \$10.2 million more, with Chief Legal Counsel Jerry Bonnet handling most technical questions.

Morales, whose office is not tasked with promoting the state abroad, said he believed he and other Hoosiers "need to showcase our state" and "talk about Indiana the same way people talk about other states" internationally.

"I want people to talk about Indiana. I want them to know Indiana is open for business," said Morales. "... The media should be saying, 'Thank you for your hard work. Thank you for promoting our state out there.'"

The Secretary of State's Office registers both domestic and international companies operating in Indiana.

Sen. Fady Qaddoura said the missed budget meeting invited additional scrutiny, saying that such behavior in "most professional places" would impact an employee's standing.

"I'm disappointed in your leadership and the way you're leading your office," said Qaddoura, D-Indianapolis.

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Indiana Capital Chronicle/Madelyn Hanes

Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales answers questions during a State Budget Committee meeting Wednesday. Morales faced questions from lawmakers regarding controversies, including spending \$90,000 in taxpayer dollars on a car and hiring his brother-in-law.

Deaths

Timothy Henkle, 56, Portland
Thomas Litmer, 90, St. Joe, Ohio
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County had a high temperature of 86 degrees Wednesday. The low was 66. There was about 0.3 inches of rain in Wednesday evening's storm.
Tonight's low will be in the lower 60s. Expect mostly sunny skies Friday with a high in the mid 80s.
See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Jay County Solid Waste Management District will have recycling trailers from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday across from Pennville Fire Station and 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot at 220 Lincoln St., Portland.

Coming up

Saturday — Results from the Jay County Summer Swim Team's meet against Catalina.

Tuesday — Photos from the Portland Evening Optimist Club fishing derby.

Wednesday — Details from next week's Dunkirk City Council meeting.



Eighth graders placed on honor roll

Jay County Junior-Senior High School recently announced its honor roll recipients.

On the list were eighth graders Sydney Aly, Tony Beiswanger, Kaylyn Bell, Madeline Benirschke, Leonard Bihn, Colton Blalock, Trevor Bouse, Dominic Brenner, Ashlynn Brunswick, Elly Byrum, Mitchell Byrum, Kenlee Calvert, Walter Campofiore, Jackeline Caralampio-Ramirez, Addisyn Castillo, Madison Clark, Kenton Cochran, Brody Collins, Adryen Cox, Kaidah Cross, Andrew Crump, Eli Davidson, Jake Davis, Jon Davis III, Claudia Dirksen, Henry Dirksen and Paul Dirksen.

Also Samuel Doll, Grant Dunnmoyer, Rowen Eley, Makenzie Farr, Gavin Fennig, Grant Fennig, Benjamin Fisher,

Emery Forthofer, Jacqueline Gallegos-Vargas, Marilee Gallegos-Vargas, Gabrielle Gibson and Grant Glentzer.

Also Graci Goodman, Ivan Graber, Annisyn Gundrum, Isobel Huelkamp, Kahdyn Iliff, Ayla Jackson, Dillon Jellison, Kelly Jones, Brooks Kahlig, Kellan Kirby, Karsen Kuhn and Cory Landers.

Also Maria Laux,

Jaden Lawrence, Reny Lingo, Charlie Link, Haley Litmer, Carter Lloyd, Tailyn Lorton, Kenady Lyons, Madison McLaughlin, Zoe McLaughlin, Brady Millsbaugh, Gabriel Moser, Angel Navarro-Garcia, Jacoby Penrod, Charlotte Peters, Ava Peterson, Audrey Phelps, Jessa Powell and Sophia Reagan.

Also Madeline Richards, Alexa Ride-nour, Ella Roussey, Gracie Rowles, Kendall Schemenaur, Karsyn Schwieterman, Liam Serjern, Aubree Shannon, Karli Shannon, Spencer Smitley, Avery Snow, Elijah Snyder, Arman Solis, RaiLinn Somers, Liam Stofira, Connor Stultz, Andrew Suman, Crystal Swartzentruber, Madysen Taylor, Eloise Teeter, Kylee Timmer-

man, Brayden Tobe, Morgan Trinidad, Jaylee Twigg, Jace Vance and Lane VanNote.


Also Camden Vinson, Tinley Walker, Jackson Walter, Grady Warvel, Hailey Welling, Kali A. Wendel, Lila Wendel, Matthew Wenning, Natalia White, Tamara Whitehead, Samuel Wiggins, Cooper Wright, Nathan York and Seth Zizelman.

Divorcee doesn’t want another marriage

DEAR ABBY: I am twice divorced and recently celebrated my 61st birthday. I look pretty fantastic, and I’m in great health. My husbands were really great guys, and I have maintained positive relationships with both. My first marriage lasted 20 years; the second lasted 10. I have been flying solo for the last five years. I love my life and lifestyle and have no desire to marry again. I like having my own space and the freedom to do as I please.

My dilemma is, while I’m open to dating and having companionship, the men I connect with online all want to be married! As soon as I tell them I’m not looking for marriage, they disappear. Recently, I was literally hung up

Dear Abby



on in mid-conversation because of my response to the marriage question. How can I get to the “let’s meet in person” part if the first or second phone conversation ends things because I’m being honest? I don’t want to lie. It’s challenging trying to explain that I no longer believe I must be married in order to feel fulfilled. I have family and wonderful friends in my life, plus I’m very outgoing. I admit that I do

miss some aspects of being in an exclusive relationship. It’s just that I’m not trying to be a Mrs. anymore. Third time’s the charm ... NOT! Please advise. — STOPPING AT TWICE IN TEXAS

DEAR STOPPING: I hear from so many women who have the opposite problem that you are having. As soon as they indicate that they ARE interested in marriage, the men head for the hills. You either haven’t met the right men yet, or you may be delivering your disinterest in marriage message too strongly.

You might have better luck if you specify what you DO want — which appears to be

companionship and a monogamous relationship.

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DEAR ABBY: I need advice about my daughter. She is in an abusive marriage. Her four boys, aged 3 to 12, have been affected by what is going on. They are not properly disciplined and are being abused as well. Her husband is on drugs and abuses my daughter mentally and physically in front of the children.

Should I keep letting her take my grandsons back to a bad situation, or should I call child protective services? This is tearing me up inside. We are not young enough to handle caring for the kids full time because they’re so messed up. They’d end up in foster care. What should I do? My

daughter would probably lose her mind if she lost them, but I can’t stand to see them suffer. — ALARMED IN MISSOURI

DEAR ALARMED: There may be a less drastic solution than calling child protective services. The next time the husband acts out, call the police. Once he’s out of the house, help your daughter find a battered women’s shelter that will accept her and her children until she can become independent. The National Domestic Violence Hotline (800-799-7233; thehotline.org) may be able to help you locate one. This would be better than turning your grandchildren over to strangers.

Community Calendar

Notices will appear in Community Calendar as space is available. To submit an item, email news@thecr.com.

Today

PAST RECOVERY SERVICES — Peer Addiction Support Team recovery support group meets at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. each Friday at the Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition office at 100 N. Meridian St., Portland. To learn more information, please call (260) 251-3259.

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL MUSEUM — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Friday and Saturday of each month at Webster Depot, 132 W. Railroad St.

CINCINNATUS LEAGUE — Will hold its next meeting at noon Friday, June 20, at Harmony Cafe in Portland.

Saturday

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 10 a.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (260) 251-3336 or (260) 729-7000.

DUNKIRK HISTORICAL MUSEUM — Is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Friday and Saturday of each month at Webster Depot, 132 W. Railroad St.

MUSEUM OF THE SOLDIER — Is open from noon to 5 p.m. the first and third Saturday and Sunday of the month. It is located at 510 E. Arch St., Portland. The website is museumsoldier.com.

Sunday

A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for all kinds of addictions, will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. each Sunday at Fellowship Baptist Church, 289 S. 200 West, Portland. Come early for a meal. For more information, call (260) 766-2006.

Monday

PORTLAND BREAKFAST OPTIMISTS — Will meet at 7 a.m. for breakfast at Richards Restaurant.

PING PONG — Will be played from 9 a.m. to noon each Monday at Jay Community Center.

EUCHRE — Will be played starting at 1 p.m. each Monday at West Jay Community Center, 125 Hoover St., Dunkirk.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 4:30 p.m., with the meeting at 5 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church, 323 S. Meridian St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5924.

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER — Free pregnancy testing with ongoing support during and after pregnancy. The center is located at 216 S. Meridian St., Portland. Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (260) 726-8636. Walk-ins accepted.

BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY FAMILY MEAL — Will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 204 E. Arch St. in Portland. Everyone is welcome.

PORTLAND EVENING OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month at Richards Restaurant.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6:30 p.m. each Monday at A Second Chance At Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St. in Portland. For more information, call Brenda Eads at (260) 726-9625 or Dave Keen at (260) 251-8792.

Tuesday

JAY COUNTY PASTORS AND CHAPLAINS — Meet at 8 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Richard’s Restaurant.

COMPASSIONATE CONNECTIONS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP — A group for anyone with a substance use disorder that helps individuals find connections as they develop long-term recovery meets at noon each Tuesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

BRYANT COMMUNITY CENTER EUCHRE — Will be played at 1 p.m. each Tuesday. The public is welcome.

JAY COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in conference room C at Indiana University Health Jay Hospital. Open discussion for cancer patients, survivors, family members or anyone interested in helping with the group. For more information, contact Linda Metzger at (260) 726-1844.

A BETTER LIFE – BRIANNA’S HOPE — A faith-based recovery group for substance abuse. Meal starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Nazarene Fellowship Building across from the Nazarene church, 249 E. Center St., Dunkirk. For more information, call Amanda Price at (765) 283-2107.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 218 E. High St., Portland. For more information, call (567) 279-8352 or (260) 729-7000.

Wednesday

WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB — Will meet at 8 a.m. in the east room of Richards Restaurant. All women are invited to attend. Includes activities and devotional time.

PING PONG — Will be played from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays at West Jay Community Center.

PORTLAND ROTARY CLUB — Will meet at noon each Wednesday in the cafe at John Jay Center for Learning, 101 S. Meridian St., Portland.

EUCHRE CLUB — Will meet at 2 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at Chalet Village Health and Rehabilitation in the North Lounge.

COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING — A non-confrontational, evidence-based intervention for helping families affected by addiction meets at 4 p.m. each Wednesday in the IU Health Jay Outpatient Behavioral Health Center, Entrance C, 510 W. Votaw St., Portland.

PORTLAND EAGLES — Will meet at 6 p.m., on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Eagles’ lodge, 320 N. Meridian St., Portland.

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Thursday’s Solution

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Demographics, cowardice key shift

By MORTON J. MARCUS

Over the past decade, we have seen substantial changes in the income of Americans. Nationally, between 2014 to 2024, total personal income grew by an annual average of 5.2% while consumer prices rose at a 2.8% annual average rate. All states, led by Utah and Idaho, posted gains exceeding that rate of inflation. Indiana came in 22nd at 5.1%, just behind the District of Columbia and just ahead of Virginia. Data distracters will say that 0.1% between Indiana and the nation is just a rounding error: It doesn't mean much. It's only an estimate subject to revision. Data disciples will note, if Indiana has just equaled the national average

Morton J. Marcus



rate of growth, Indiana's personal income in 2024 would have amounted to a lag of \$10.8 billion. Income has three major components. Most of our income is the result of working. Earnings by place of residence (rather than by place of employment) as a share of total income were 64% for the United States in 2014, but declined to 61% 10 years later. Only the state of Washington

showed an increased share of its total personal income coming from earnings. Here in Indiana, earnings went from 65% of income to 63%, a small decrease compared to Wyoming's fall of 58% to 49%, the only state where earnings were less than half of all income. Does this foreshadow the future? What filled the gap left by weak earnings growth? First, it was returns on capital in the form of dividends, interest and rent (DIR). While earnings grew at a 4.8% average annual rate both nationally and within Indiana, DIR advanced by 6.1% annually, led by Utah at 9.2%. High interest rates and robust consumer demand pushed up housing values, stimulating DIR increases of

6.8% or better in 14 states. But thanks to legislative cowardice, taxes on earnings are higher than taxes on capital gains for many. Secondly, transfer payments grew by 6% annually, to move from 18% of income in 2014 to nearly 25% in 2024. Among the factors at work were Social Security and Medicare for a burst of baby boomers, unemployment compensation for a growing group of white collar workers and higher health care payments for low income recipients via Medicaid. The relative decline of earnings were offset by higher DIR and increased transfer payments. We increased income disparities between those who have claims on capital (the wealthy and the

aging with substantial retirement accounts) and those with earnings. Then we supported a generational need for increased medical care resulting from decades of smoking and environmentally related maladies (COPD and air pollution, for example). Weak federal tax policies have combined with federal acceptance of fiscal responsibility for health and natural disaster expenditures (COVID and storm/fire damages). It is an era of extravagant consumerism overshadowing responsible fiscal behavior.

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Nothing is fake about health risks

The Baltimore Sun
Tribune News Service

U.S. Rep. Anna Paulina Luna, a Florida Republican, recently reintroduced the "Do or Dye Act," and it's a big deal. The bill, which picks up a key piece of Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s "Make America Healthy Again" playbook, wants to kick eight nasty petroleum-based food dyes — including Red No. 40, Yellow No. 5, and Blue No. 1 — out of our snacks and cereals.

These are the same dyes linked to health risks, particularly in children, and they're already banned in several countries. Sure, RFK Jr. can be a lightning rod and some of his ideas are farfetched, but Democrats shouldn't bolt just because he's on board. This is a cause with history, science and voters on its side and it's one where both sides can actually agree.

The dangers of synthetic food dyes aren't new news. A 2021 California report tied them to hyperactivity and behavioral issues in kids. Some, like Red No. 3, have been flagged for cancer risks in animal studies. Since the 1950s, their use has skyrocketed 500%, a trend that has worried health experts.

Democrats have a track record of tackling this kind of thing: President John F. Kennedy tightened U.S. Food and Drug Administration rules in the '60s; the agency banned dyes like Red No. 1 over possible liver damage. In 1990, bipartisan support got Red No. 3 out of cosmetics. California Gov. Gavin Newsom, a Democrat, even signed a 2024 law banning six dyes in school lunches. This isn't a partisan issue — it's about keeping Americans, especially American kids, safe.

Yes, we know RFK Jr.'s name can make some Democrats twitch, especially with his history of vaccine skepticism which certainly misses the mark. But dismissing this dye ban because it aligns with his agenda would be throwing out a good idea for no reason.

The science is solid and the politics are too. A 2023 YouGov poll found 66% of Americans, including 62% of Democrats, want stricter rules on food additives. A 2024 Rasmussen Reports survey showed 71% of parents — across party lines — support banning dyes linked to health risks.

Democrats can score points here: Voters, especially younger ones and parents, are all in for cleaner food. In a 2025 Pew

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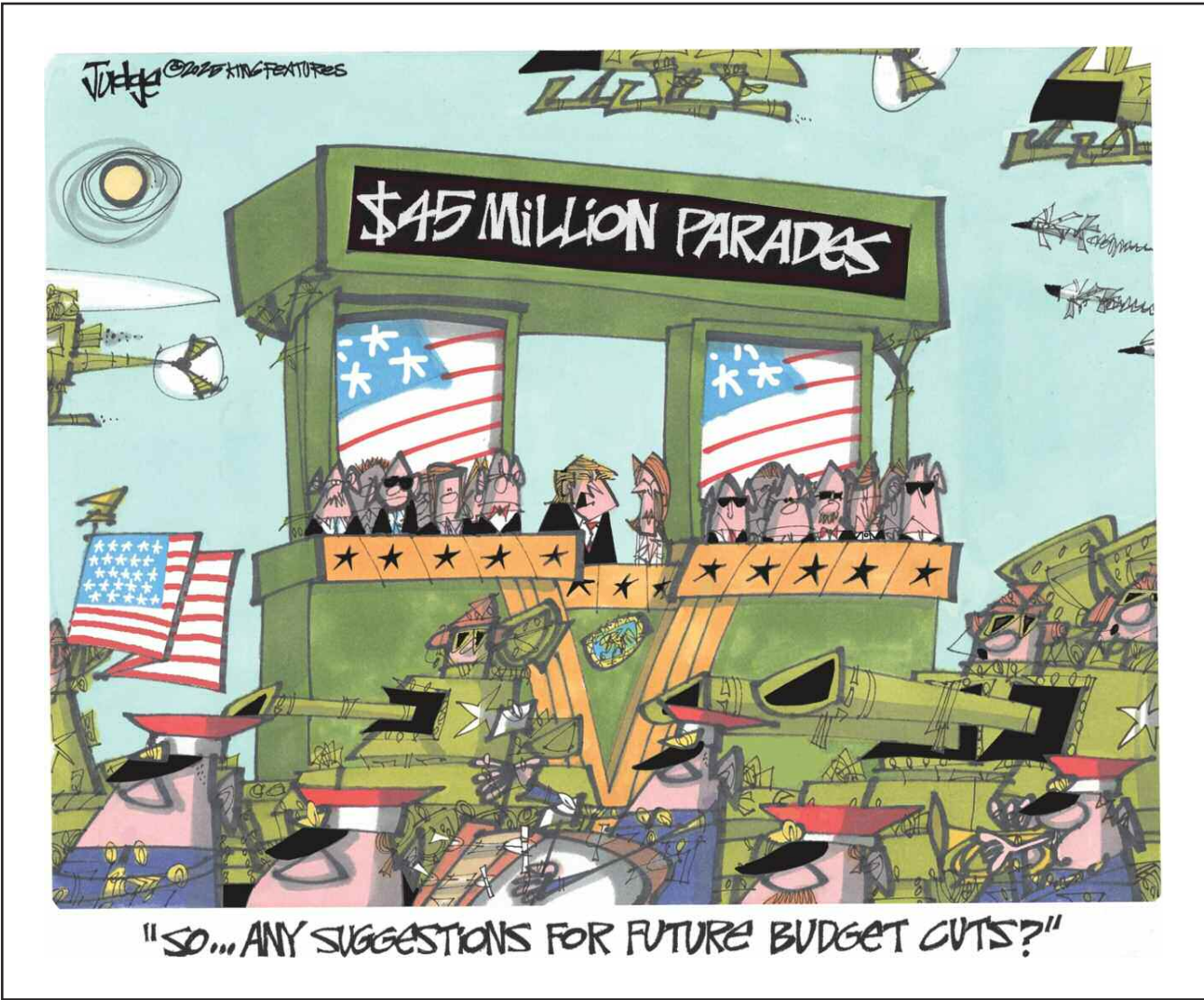
... dismissing this dye ban because it aligns with his agenda would be throwing out a good idea for no reason.

Research Center survey, 78% of Gen Z and Millennials said they'd back candidates prioritizing public health. Supporting Luna's bill is a no-brainer for Dems looking to connect with their base and swing voters.

Globally, the U.S. is behind the curve on this vital health issue. The European Union slaps warning labels on foods with Red No. 40, Yellow No. 5 and Yellow No. 6 for their impact on kids' behavior. Countries like the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and Norway have either banned these dyes or pushed companies to use natural options like beet juice or turmeric. Big brands like Kraft have already reformulated products for those markets, so why not here? Luna's bill sets a deadline of Dec. 31, 2026. We think that's a reasonable timeline for billion-dollar brands.

This would seem an especially ideal opportunity for Democrats, with their history of fighting for consumer safety, to join Republicans and score a bipartisan win for the wellbeing of all America — and help reestablish their consumer-oriented brand. The data's clear, the voters are on board, and other countries are already there. Indeed, a majority of states are already moving to impose artificial dye bans of their own and not just on food products.

The legislation may pose challenges for products like Lucky Charms breakfast cereal or Cheetos chips as they switch to more natural alternatives but that seems a small price to pay to address the various health threats associated with synthetic food dyes.



War is taking on life of its own

By JOHN M. CRISP
Tribune News Service

Apart from feeding ourselves and procreating, is there any compulsion more fundamental to our human character than fighting among ourselves?

Sure, religion urges us to beat our swords into ploughshares and our spears into pruning hooks, and Jesus said to "Love your enemies," but somehow, more often than not, our instincts take over, and we just fight.

Indeed, some wars are driven by religion, others by ideology. We often fight over land and resources. Some wars are sparked by pride and arrogance. On the other hand, the causes of some wars are elusive.

World War I is a good example: The assassination of Austrian Archduke Ferdinand in June 1914 was more a catalyst than a cause. Historians continue to puzzle over how a minor event in an obscure city sparked the first great catastrophe of the 20th Century. They point to burgeoning nationalism, rivalries, alliances, competitive armament and militarism and even naivete about the destructiveness of new weapons such as machine guns and tanks.

But the simple version is that Europe was in a mood to fight, and it took very little to ignite the war.

I was thinking about this last week as I happened upon a confluence of several stories on the same page of my local newspaper. Two of them were business-as-usual updates on the world's most prominent wars at present: The Gaza Health Ministry reports that the death toll in Gaza has surpassed 55,000, more than half of whom,

John M. Crisp



according to the Ministry, are women and children.

An adjacent story reports that an overnight drone assault by Russia has killed another three Ukrainians and injured 64 in the war that President Donald Trump ran on ending in 24 hours. He appears to have lost patience with his failure to do so, saying recently, using an outrageously inapt metaphor, that sometimes you just have to let two children fight.

Next to that story was this ominous report: The U.S. is withdrawing nonessential personnel from its embassy in Baghdad, as well as encouraging the departure of nonessential personnel and family members from Bahrain and Kuwait. U.S. talks with Iran aren't going well, and the "potential for regional unrest" is growing.

On the same day, the New York Times reported that, according to officials in the United States and Europe, "Israel appears to be preparing to launch an attack soon on Iran."

As it happened, between the time I wrote that last sentence and this one, Israel did indeed launch an attack on Iran, and Iran has retaliated. What will happen next is extremely unpredictable.

In other news, today, as I write, is June 14, the 79th birthday of President Trump. Coincidence or

not, he celebrated his nativity by reviewing the troops in front of the White House as an awesome parade of military might passed before him, including tanks, fighting vehicles and fighter jet flyovers.

As a rule, most Americans aren't as keen on military spectacles as are the leaders and citizens of countries such as North Korea, China and Russia. But Trump appears to enjoy them, and so do many of his supporters.

The martial spirit was in full evidence last week, as well, during Trump's speech at Fort Bragg, as he calls it. As usual, the most enthusiastically bellicose are the young soldiers, trained to fight but never as yet sent off to war, and our leaders, who are often enchanted by the spirit of victory in battle, but who themselves never experienced combat or even served in the military. In Trump's case, it had something to do with bone spurs.

We're in a dangerous but familiar place: We have a powerful military committed to duty; we have a president who is beguiled by martial trappings and the imagined glory of victory; and we have a volatile situation where the choice of war isn't entirely under our control: A minor Iranian attack on American troops in the region would be a sufficient catalyst.

Reminiscent of 1914, this is when war itself takes on a life of its own, entirely out of our hands: Brace yourself.

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Urban farm continues to thrive

Effort is going strong after 30 years

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The 10,000-square foot property, roughly two city lots, sits a half-block north of Irving Park, in a tightly packed residential neighborhood.

Unlike the surrounding parcels, however, no house stands upon it.

But this is no vacant lot. Quite the contrary. On a late-spring Saturday afternoon, Ariadne Garden is abuzz with life, both literally (bee hives are tucked in one corner) and every other way.

Every square foot appears to have something growing in it, cared for by a dozen volunteers on this day.

And Saturday is market day, when the site is opened to the public for three hours so they can buy fresh produce and explore where it's grown.

A dozen people of all ages stroll up and down the pathways between the rows of vegetables, fruits and ornamentals. Some engage those working there to ask questions, while a family of three takes photographs of their toddler in the verdant garden.

A white-haired volunteer makes his way to the front of the property clutching handfuls of shiny, red beet. Another, younger volunteer happily munches away on salad greens sitting in a bowl and a third



Tribune News Service/The Oregonian/Destiny Johnson

Ariadne Garden, located in Northeast Portland, is owned by a nonprofit and run by volunteers. It sells produce, herbs and u-pick flowers by the stem.

helps visitors pay for their freshly harvested produce and cut flowers.

All of this has its seeds in a continuing dream that began in 1993, and it's here, on this property in Northeast Portland, that community and garden come together.

The Ariadne Garden is not a typical community garden, however.

Instead, it's a garden for the community, providing an evolving menu of vegetables and fruits, based on the time of year. The produce stand, on the same plot where the produce is grown,

is open on Saturdays from May through October. Proceeds from the sales are plowed back into covering any garden expenses.

If someone were so inclined they could come watch their future meals grow bigger in the ground each week.

As volunteer Dan Clark, who spends his work life in front of a computer, put it: "Your community is where you make it."

And a group of 20-25 volunteers choose to make it at Ariadne Garden.

The garden was the brainchild of Kim McDodge, who used a \$10,000 inheritance in 1993 to buy

the parcel and transform it into an organic urban farm.

To protect the land from future development, in 1995 she deeded the property to the Oregon Sustainable Agriculture Land Trust, a nonprofit dedicated to regenerative farming and urban gardening. It was the group's first of what has grown to nine properties, most in Portland but stretching as far south as Canby.

And although McDodge died in 2011, the garden continues to thrive, in large part because of the volunteers.

Tamara Boyd, who has been helping for 20 years, calls it "a

growing experience."

"I have loved to learn about gardening and insects and different foods," she said. "You meet so many different people, and we always go home with food grown here."

Ariadne is not only about the produce and how it's grown (even the compost is all generated on site in three, rotating piles), it most definitely is about the people: those who visit and those who volunteer.

One, Carmen Guerrero, is on her second tour of volunteering. Guerrero, who lives in Philadelphia, helps out when she's in Portland to see her daughter.

"Mother Earth is precious to me," said Guerrero, "and here I can learn ways of growing that are different from where I garden in Philadelphia."

Under the land trust's purview, the garden is run by a "loose leadership" of six to seven people, according to Noah Dorr (one of the leaders).

"Any money that's raised through the market days (Saturdays, which draw as many as 50 visitors) goes right back into the organization," he said, to cover expenses such as the water bill. And anything they don't sell, he explained, "we try to donate" to local food banks and charitable organizations.

Dorr says as many as 25 volunteers chip in each week over the four days they are needed, but they could use more help.

Specifically, younger help.

"We're looking for the next generation," he said. "Anybody can get involved."

And gardening experience is not required.

"I had no experience," Clark said. "It's a way to give to the community and being in the outdoors is a godsend."

Study: Climate change cuts global crop yields

University of Illinois

The global food system faces growing risks from climate change, even as farmers seek to adapt, according to a June 18 study in Nature.

In contrast to previous studies suggesting that warming could increase global food production, the researchers estimate that every additional degree Celsius of global warming on average will drag down the world's ability to produce food by 120 calories per person per day, or 4.4% of current daily consumption.

"When global production falls, consumers are hurt because prices go up and it gets harder to access food and feed our families," said Solomon Hsiang, professor of environmental social sciences at the Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability and a senior author of the study. "If the climate warms by 3 degrees, that's basically like everyone on the planet giving up breakfast." That's a high cost for a world where more than 800 million people at times go a day or more without food because of inadequate access.

The projected losses for U.S. agriculture are especially steep. "Places in the Midwest that are really well suited for present day corn and soybean production just

get hammered under a high warming future," said lead study author Andrew Hultgren, an assistant professor of agricultural and consumer economics at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. "You do start to wonder if the Corn Belt is going to be the Corn Belt in the future."

Hsiang and Hultgren worked on the analysis with more than a dozen scholars over the past eight years as a project with Climate Impact Lab, a research consortium that Hsiang co-directs with University of Chicago economist Michael Greenstone, Rutgers University climate scientist Robert Kopp, and climate policy expert Trevor Houser of the Rhodium Group.

"This is basically like sending our agricultural profits overseas. We will be sending benefits to producers in Canada, Russia, China. Those are the winners, and we in the U.S. are the losers," said Hsiang. "The longer we wait to reduce emissions, the more money we lose."

Limits to adaptation

The study draws on observations from more than 12,000 regions across 55 countries. The team analyzed adaptation costs and yields for crops that provide two-thirds of humanity's calo-

ries: wheat, corn, rice, soybeans, barley, and cassava.

Previous studies failed to account for realistic adaptation by farmers, assuming either "perfect" adaptation or none at all. The new study is the first to systematically measure how much farmers adjust to changing conditions. In many regions, for example, they switch crop varieties, shift planting and harvesting dates, or alter fertilizer use.

The team estimates these adjustments offset about one-third of climate-related losses in 2100 if emissions continue to rise, but the rest remain. "Any level of warming, even when accounting for adaptation, results in global output losses from agriculture," said Hultgren.

The steepest losses occur at the extremes of the agricultural economy: in modern breadbaskets that now enjoy some of the world's best growing conditions, and in subsistence farming communities relying on small harvests of cassava. In terms of food production capacity from staple crops, the analysis finds yield losses may average 41% in the wealthiest regions and 28% in the lowest income regions by 2100.

The modeling points to a 50% chance that global rice yields will increase on a hotter planet, large-

ly because rice benefits from warmer nights, while the odds that yields will decline by century's end range from roughly 70% to 90% for each of the other staple crops.

Bigger losses

With the planet already about 1.5 degrees Celsius hotter than pre-industrial levels, farmers in many areas are experiencing longer dry spells, unseasonable heat waves, and erratic weather that undermines yields, even when inputs like fertilizer and water improve.

The study modeled future crop yields under a range of warming and adaptation scenarios. By 2100, the authors estimate global crop yields would be dragged down 11% if emissions rapidly plummet to net zero and 24% if emissions continue to rise unchecked.

In the shorter term, by 2050 the authors estimate climate change will drag global crop yields down by 8% – regardless of how much emissions rise or fall in the coming decades. That's because carbon dioxide emissions stay in the atmosphere, trapping heat and causing damage for hundreds of years. "If we ignore those long-run damages, we assign an economic value of zero to them, and

that is clearly wrong," Hultgren said.

New tools

Hsiang, Hultgren, and colleagues are now working to help governments make informed decisions about where to direct adaptation investments, recognizing that many farmers still lack access to even basic agricultural resources, such as better fertilizer and accurate weather data.

The team is working with the United Nations Development Program to disseminate the new climate risk insights to governments around the world and developing a system to identify communities most at risk of yield declines and where targeted support can be most effective. "We're focusing on how to make it so that this is not actually what our future looks like, even if we can't get our act together on the emissions side," Hsiang said.

A favorable climate, he added, is a big part of what keeps farmland productive across generations. "Farmers know how to maintain the soil, invest in infrastructure, repair the barn," Hsiang said. "But if you're letting the climate depreciate, the rest of it is a waste. The land you leave to your kids will be good for something, but not for farming."

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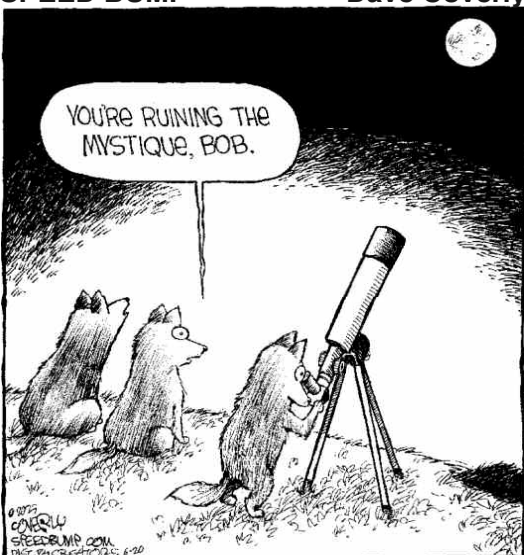
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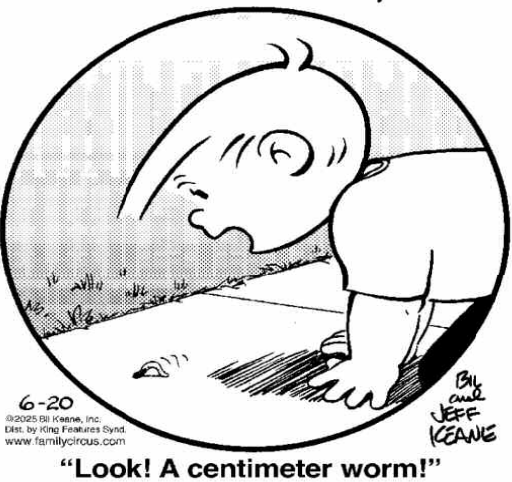
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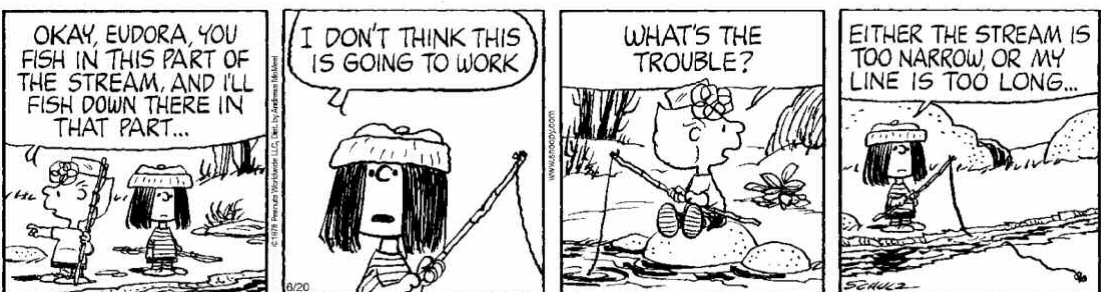
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Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

You have the following hand, neither side vulnerable:
♠ K9 ♥ AQ73 ♦ J2 ♣ KQJ85
1. Partner bids One Club, you bid One Heart, and your partner rebids Two Notrump. What would you bid now?
2. Partner bids One Heart, you bid Three Clubs, partner rebids Three Diamonds, and, after you rebid Three Hearts, he bids Four Hearts. What would you bid now?
3. Partner bids One Notrump (15-17 points), you bid Two Clubs (Stayman), partner bids Two Diamonds, you bid Three Clubs, and partner bids Three Notrump. What would you bid now?
4. You deal and bid One Club, partner bids One Spade, you rebid Two Hearts, and partner bids Three Spades. What would you bid now?
5. Six Clubs. Partner's jump to two notrump indicates 18 or 19 points, which, added to your 16 in high cards alone, gives you more than the 33 points needed for a small slam. Since your hand might provide one or more ruffing tricks, six clubs figures to be somewhat safer than six notrump, though the chances are that partner can make either contract.
6. Pass. You have already jump-

shifted, indicating 17 or more points, and partner has shown no interest in slam. With nothing further to add to your story, you should therefore pass. Change the king of spades to the ace and you would owe partner one more bid, preferably four spades.

Partner might have any one of the following hands:
♠ 74 ♥ J8652 ♦ AK983 ♣ A
♠ AQ ♥ KJ986 ♦ Q10854 ♣ 4
♠ Q3 ♥ KJ854 ♦ AQ97 ♣ 104
and you wouldn't want to be higher than four hearts with any of them.

3. Four notrump. With no suit having been agreed upon as trump, this is not Blackwood — it is merely an invitation to slam. If partner has a minimum for his previous bids, he will pass four notrump, but with values above a minimum, he should continue toward a slam.

4. Four spades. The K-9 are more than ample support for a suit that partner has bid twice. A slam is possible, and your hope is that after partner hears you support his suit, he will be able to make a move toward it. Partner is already aware that you have extra values since your first two bids constituted a "reverse," promising well above a minimum hand, so it is now up to him to make any move toward slam.

Tomorrow: More than just a guess.
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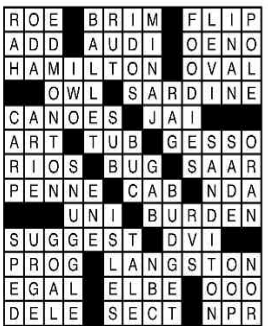
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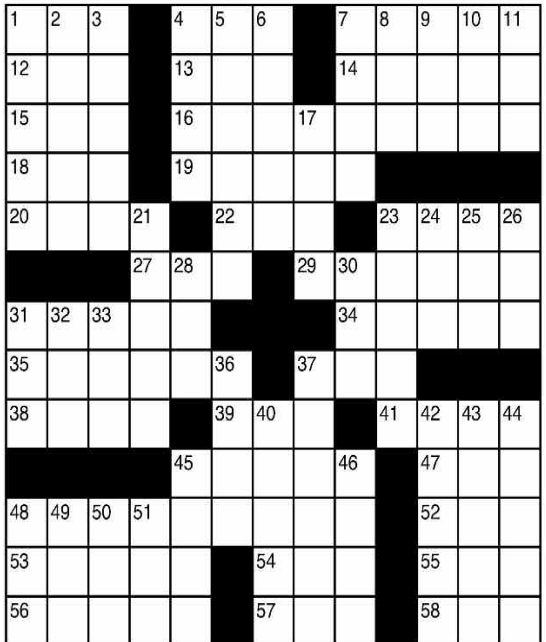
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Ravens sign Jaire Alexander for 1-year

By **BRIAN WACKER**
The Baltimore Sun
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BALTIMORE — Ravens quarterback Lamar Jackson stood at the podium after a practice Tuesday and exhorted general manager Eric DeCosta to “go get” free agent and two-time Pro Bowl cornerback Jaire Alexander. Jackson and Alexander were teammates at Louisville, entered the NFL together in 2018 and have remained close.

Less than 24 hours later, DeCosta obliged.

On Wednesday, Alexander, who spent his first seven seasons in the NFL with the Green Bay Packers, signed with Baltimore, the team announced. It’s a one-year, \$4 million deal worth up to \$6 million, according to a source with direct knowledge of the contract.

About a dozen teams were interested in signing Alexander, and one of his prerequisites was playing

Two-time Pro Bowl CB was cut by Packers

for a contender, the source said.

The move was the latest splash for the Super Bowl contender Ravens, who last offseason signed five-time Pro Bowl running back Derrick Henry and this off-season landed free agent wide receiver and three-time All-Pro DeAndre Hopkins.

Alexander’s addition, meanwhile, bolsters a Ravens pass defense that ranked 31st in yards allowed per game (244.1) and was 17th in interceptions with 12. He also adds depth to a secondary that already includes All-Pro slot cornerback Marlon

Humphrey, fast rising Nate Wiggins, veteran Chidobe Awuzie, T.J. Tampa and Jalyn Armour-Davis.

Alexander also comes with question marks, mostly centered around health.

The 28-year-old has missed at least 10 games in three of the past four seasons. Last season, he played in just seven games because of quadriceps and knee injuries.

Still, Alexander has been one of the game’s best cornerbacks when healthy.

Despite appearing in only seven games last season, he finished second on the team in pass breakups (seven) and tied for second in interceptions (two). In 2022, he had five interceptions and 14 pass breakups in 16 games, and in 2019 had 17 pass breakups and two interceptions, also in 16 games.

Over his seven seasons, including the playoffs, Alexander has 15 interceptions.

Lakers ...

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The Dodgers also won the World Series last year, their second championship and fourth World Series appearance in the last eight years. In the 13 seasons since Walter and his group bought the Dodgers, the team has posted a winning record every year. In that same 13-season span, the Lakers have one championship, one NBA Finals appearance and six winning records.

After buying the Dodgers, Walter and Boehly explored buying AEG, the entertainment giant that owns the Kings and Crypto.com Arena. Walter subsequently bought the Sparks, invested in the Lakers and launched a professional women’s hockey league in which the championship trophy is called the Walter Cup.

If the Dodgers’ pur-

chase is any indication, Walter might not make an immediate flurry of changes with the Lakers. After he bought the Dodgers, he retained general manager Ned Colletti through the 2014 season before replacing him with Andrew Friedman.

The beloved O’Malley family sold the Dodgers before the turn of the century, saying the economics of professional sports had exploded beyond the means of families with no other significant source of income.

Under Walter, the Dodgers have not only raised their payroll to record levels but invested heavily in areas that they believe help deliver a winner, from a vaunted analytics department to dietitians for their major and minor league players and expanded clubhouses with the latest in

hydrotherapy. The owners also have invested more than \$500 million into renovating Dodger Stadium, adding modern amenities to a 63-year-old ballpark.

The Lakers, whose minority owners include Los Angeles Times owner Dr. Patrick Soon-Shiong, are entering a critical moment in the franchise’s history. James, the NBA’s all-time leading scorer, has a \$53-million player option that he needs to either accept or decline by June 29. If he declines, he’d be an unrestricted free agent.

The team also is trying to sign Luka Doncic, who it acquired in a shocking trade last February, to a massive contract extension functionally making him the future face of the franchise. He’s eligible to sign an extension on Aug. 2.

Sports on tap

Local schedule

Saturday
Fort Recovery ACME baseball at Minster – 12 p.m.
Portland Rockets doubleheader vs. Fort Wayne Devils – 1 p.m.

Sunday
Portland Rockets doubleheader vs. Fort Wayne Jackers – 1 p.m.

TV schedule

Today
9 a.m. — Horse racing: Royal Ascot (NBC)
2 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup soccer: Flamengo at Chelsea (TNT)
5 p.m. — NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series: MillerTech Battery 200 (FS1)

7 p.m. — USL Championship soccer: Lexington at Colorado Springs (ESPN2)
7:15 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at St. Louis Cardinals (FDSN Indiana)
7:45 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Jamaica at Guadeloupe (FS1)
8 p.m. — NHL Stanley Cup: Florida Panthers at Edmonton Oilers (TNT)
8:30 p.m. — MMA: Professional Fighters League (ESPN)
9 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup soccer: Bayern Munich at Boca Juniors (TBS)
10 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Guatemala at Panama (FS1)

Saturday
2:15 a.m. — AFL: Sydney Swans at Port Adelaide Power (FS1)

9 a.m. — MotoGP: Italian Grand Prix (FS1)
11 a.m. — XPEL Grand Prix at Road America (FS1)
12 p.m. — UFC fighting (ESPN)
1 p.m. — Major League Rugby: Chicago Hounds at New England Free Jacks (ESPN2)
2 p.m. — PGA Tour: Women’s PGA Championship (NBC)
2:15 p.m. — MLB: Cincinnati Reds at St. Louis Cardinals (FDSN Indiana)
3 p.m. — UFC fighting (ABC)
4 p.m. — PGA Tour: Travelers Championship (CBS)
4 p.m. — PPL lacrosse: New York Atlas at Philadelphia Waterdogs (ESPN)
4 p.m. — CFL football: Ottawa RedBlacks at Calgary Stampeders (ESPN2)
4:05 p.m. — MLB: Texas Rangers at Pittsburgh

Pirates (FS1)
7 p.m. — NCAA baseball World Series: Coastal Carolina at LSU (ESPN)
7 p.m. — PPL lacrosse: Boston Cannons at Maryland Whipsnakes (ESPN2)
7 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Curacao at Canada (FS1)
7 p.m. — WNBA: Phoenix Mercury at Chicago Sky (ABC)
7:15 p.m. — MLB: New York Mets at Philadelphia Phillies (FOX)
8 p.m. — USL Championship soccer: Birmingham Legion at Oakland Roots (FOX)
9 p.m. — Major League Rugby: Houston Saber-Cats at Utah Warriors (ESPN2)
9 p.m. — FIFA Club World Cup: River Plate at Monterrey (TBS)
10 p.m. — CONCACAF Gold Cup soccer: Honduras at El Salvador (FS1)

8 p.m. — USL Championship soccer: Monterey Bay at El Paso Locomotive (FOX)

Local notes

Registration open
Registration for the 35th annual Flat 50 Plus bicycle ride in Adams County is now open. To register, visit RunSignUp.com.
There are rides ranging from 20 to 100 miles long.
The event will be held at 7 a.m. Saturday, June 21. It will start at Bellmont High School and will have stops in Willshire, Geneva and Monroe with refreshments.
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90 SALE CALENDAR

PUBLIC AUCTION
Located: 3563 E 600 N, Bryant IN
Saturday Morning
JUNE 21st, 2025
9:30 A.M.
OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS
(2) wood 36 section bolt bin; 2 drawer work bench; wood 30 section bolt bin; Hover Round mobility cart; Gem Hot Blast 816 cast iron stove; hump back trunk; gun cabinet; several Tipp Mann paint ball guns; Red Ryder & other BB guns; duck decoys; **POCKET WATCHES:** 20 PLUS TO INCLUDE ELGIN, WALTHER, AND CROWN; Several pocket and hunting knives with names such as Old Timers and Buck; metal folding chairs; small windmill; hand corn sheller; Coleman butane stove; and many other items not listed.
BOAT-TRACTOR S-VEHICLES-MOTOR BIKES-TOOLS
1956 Wagemaker Wolverine 12' Cedar Lined Boat with 3 hp Evinrude motor and trailer; Ford 8N wide front tractor with 3 point (non running); 1972 GT6 Triumph MK car, (non running); Indian Enduro 175 motorcycle (non running); Scorpon Whip 440TR snowmobile; Cub Cadet 101 garden tractor (non running); 1984 Pryer 3 wheeler ice cream scooter; Honda 13 hp - 60i gas trail type mower; Country Plow 60i front blade; Woods 60i - 3 pt. finish mower; Cub Cadet mower (non running); Test Rite tool cabinet; Dewalt drill; hay hooks; cleaver; fishing poles; cane poles; rod & reels; tackle boxes; log chains; hatchets; and many other items not listed.
AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This is the first of 2 auctions. We will be running 2 rings most of the day. Auction #2 will be held on June 28, 2025 and will offer a large selection of guns, ammo and Indian artifacts.
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PUBLIC AUCTION
Located: 3563 E 600 N, Bryant IN
Saturday Morning
JUNE 28th, 2025
9:30 A.M.
GUNS AND AMMO
(4) Stack On gun safes; Ranger Model 34 - 22 cal bolt action rifle; Savage Model 220 - 410 single shot; ARMI JAGER Model 8P874 - 22 cal semi-auto rifle; ; Bowlan & Brenner muzzle shotgun; Remington Model 788 - .308 cal bolt action rifle with scope; Remington 870 Wingmaster TB 12 ga pump shotgun; Auto Ordnance Model 1911 A1 US Army 45 acp semi-auto pistol; Barnett Crossbow with scope; Recruit Recurve crossbow with scope; **AMMO:** 20 gauge & 16 gauge slugs; 20 gauge & 12 gauge shot gun shells; 410 shot gun shells; 243 Remington; Black Powder and other ammo not listed.
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90 SALE CALENDAR

PUBLIC AUCTION
Located: 925 West Race Street, Portland IN
FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 11TH, 2025
5:30 P.M.
REAL ESTATE
Single story home with approximately 1036 square feet of living space situated on a 52' x 136' lot. Home features include 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom. A new water heater was installed recently. Property also offers a 12' x 14' deck and a detached garage with approximately 720 square feet. This property will make a great starter home or rental investment property. Terms of Sale: 10% nonrefundable deposit day of auction and balance at closing. Closing to be no later than 45 days from date of auction. Buyer to assume taxes due and payable in May 2026 and thereafter. expense. Sale of Real Estate is subject to approval of the Jay Circuit Court. For more information or private showing contact GARY LOY, Auctioneer and (260) 726-5160 or KIM LOY, Real Estate Broker at (260) 726-2700.
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PUBLIC AUCTION
Saturday June 21st, 2025
TIME 9:00 A.M.
LOCATED: 2011 E 200 S, HARTFORD CITY, IN
VEHICLES - CAMPER - TRACTOR - ATVS
1973 Volkswagen Beetle (Non running) with extra parts. 1996 Chevy ZR-2 Pickup 4x4 extended cab. 2002 Sprinter by Keystone 27' Camper with slide-out. Harris Pontoon boat with trailer. Paddleboat. Iseki TS1910 Tractor. Polaris 400 and 300 Xplorer 4x4 ATVs. Hotspring 8 Person Hot tub w/ Chemicals and Filters.
ANTIQUES - TOOLS - HUNTING - MISC
Large Stamp Collection. Hotwheels Collec-

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tion. Longaberger Baskets. Childs Sled. Large Childs Makeup Stand. Galvanized 10 hole Chicken Nest. Craftsman Roll away Tool Boxes. Craftsman Transmission Jack. McCulloch Generator. Front-time Tiller. Predator Post Hole Digger. Diamond Plate Toolbox. Wire Cages. Chicken Feeder. Fishing Supplies. Yeti and other Coolers. Bicycles. Pull-behind Childs Buggy. Vera Bradley Purses. Building Supplies and Materials. Several Rolls of R-19 Insulation. Insulation Blower and Blown Insulation. Refrigerators. Hammock. Several Items Not Mentioned. **OWNER: CHARLES EDWARDS ESTATE BY JACKIE EDWARDS**
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SATURDAY JUNE 28th, 2025
TIME 9:00 A.M.
LOCATED: 346 E 400 N, Portland, IN
TRACTOR - EQUIPMENT - GUNS
Ford Jubilee Tractor. 3pt 5' Box Blade. 5' King Cutter 3pt Rotary Mower. 3pt Post Hole Auger. 6' x 10' Single Axle Utility Trailer w/ Winch. Craftsman Roll-away Tool Boxes. Craftsman 20 Gallon Air Compressor. 10i Table Saw. Insulated Dog Houses. Winchester Model 1200 12 Gauge Pump. Ruger .22 Cal Single 6 Revolver. Thompson 45 and 50 Cal Muzzle Loaders. (2) Muzzle Loader Barrels. Compound Bows and Arrows. Clay Targets and Thrower.
ANTIQUES - MISC
2 and 3 Gallon Crock Butter Churns. Horse Shoes. RR Anvil. Stoplight. Coca Cola Chest Cooler. Coca Cola Carrying Cooler. Bronze Horse Figure. Cross Cut Saw. Miniature Tricycle and Child's Wagon. Old Kitchen Cabinets.3 Cushion Sofa w/ Matching Love Seat. Oversized Recliner. Rocker

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Recliner. 2 Person Bicycle and Other Bicycles. **OWNER: Charles Anderson Estate by Darlene Anderson**
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Jay County, Indiana, in Cause No. 38C01-2503-MF-000004 wherein Click n' Close, Inc, was Plaintiff, and Joshua Thomas Jacobs, et al were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the day of July, 2025, at the hour of 11:00 AM or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 120 N Court Street, Suite 305, Portland, IN 47371, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Jay County, Indiana.

LOT NUMBER SEVEN (7) IN CORWIN'S SUB-DIVISION OF OUT LOT 3 IN BLOCK 3 IN THE WEST ADDITION TO THE TOWN, NOW CITY OF PORTLAND AS PER PLAT RECORDED AS PLAT BOOK A, PAGE 98, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF JAY COUNTY, INDIANA. EXCEPT: EIGHTEEN (18) FEET OFF THE WEST SIDE OF SAID LOT.

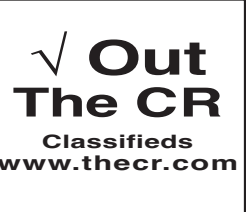
ALSO: EXCEPT: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT NUMBERED 7; THENCE NORTHERLY A DISTANCE OF 5.5 FEET ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT NUMBERED 7, BEING ALSO THE WESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF A 16.5 FOOT ALLEY; THENCE WESTERLY A DISTANCE OF 54.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY A DISTANCE OF 4.0 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WATER STREET; THENCE EASTERLY A DISTANCE OF 54.0 FEET ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WATER STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 256.5 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF JAY COUNTY, INDIANA.

ALSO: A PART OF LOT NUMBER SEVEN (7) IN CORWIN'S SUB-DIVISION OF OUT LOT THREE (3) IN BLOCKNUMBER THREE (3) IN THE WEST ADDITION TO THE TOWN, NOW CITY OF PORTLAND, INDIANA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING TWELVE (12) FEET EAST OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT SEVEN (7) AND RUNNING THENCE EAST ON THE NORTH LINE THEREOF SIX (6) FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO (132) FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT SEVEN (7); THENCE WEST SIX (6) FEET; THENCE NORTH ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO (132) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF JAY COUNTY, INDIANA. PARCEL NUMBER: 38-07-20-103-155.000-034 COMMONLY KNOWN ADDRESS: 610 West Water Street, Portland, IN 47371

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Mark Walter buying a majority ownership of Lakers from Buss family

By DAN WOIKE
Los Angeles Times
Tribune News Service

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles Lakers, a family-run business since Jerry Buss purchased the franchise in 1979, will be sold to Dodgers controlling owner Mark Walter and TWG Global, according to multiple people briefed on the deal.

The deal is expected to occur with the Lakers' valuation being about \$10 billion — a record for a professional sports franchise.

Walter will now lead the city's two premier professional sports teams.

Control of the Lakers went into a family trust after Buss died in 2013, with daughter Jeanie Buss operating as the team's governor. The structure of the trust meant the majority of Buss' six children — Johnny, Jim, Jeanie, Janie, Joey and Jess — would need to agree for a sale to occur.

The Lakers didn't respond to requests for comment.

The sale was viewed as a massive surprise in NBA circles.

Jeanie reportedly will remain governor under the terms of the sale. All controlling governors representing teams in league meetings need to own at least 15% of the franchise to serve. The Buss family owned 66%.

The sale will end family-run control of the Lakers, who have achieved incredible success — 11 NBA championships earned by

some of the league's most iconic figures, including Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Magic Johnson, Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant and LeBron James — under Jerry and his children's leadership.

"I know that my sister Jeanie would have only considered selling the Lakers organization to someone she knows and trusts would carry on the Buss legacy, started by her father Dr. Buss. Now she can comfortably pass the baton to Mark Walter, with whom she has a real friendship and can trust," Johnson wrote in a post on X.

"She's witnessed him build a winning team with the Dodgers and knows that Mark will do right by the Lakers team, organization, and fans! Both are extremely intelligent, visionaries, great leaders, and have positively impacted the greater Los Angeles community! I love both my sister @JeanieBuss and my business partner Mark Walter," Johnson continued.

In March, Bill Chisholm purchased the Boston Celtics from Wyc Grousbeck for \$6.1 billion. Mark Cuban sold his control of the Dallas Mavericks late in 2023 for \$3.5 billion.

And earlier that year, Marc Lasry sold the Milwaukee Bucks for \$3.5 billion. Grousbeck and Cuban were two of Jeanie's closest confidantes among league owners.

Walter and Todd Boehly became the Lakers' largest minority shareholders in 2021 when they bought 27% of the franchise — a stake previously held by Phil Anschutz.

"The Los Angeles Lakers are one of the most successful and admired franchises in sports history," Walter said in a news release at the time. "I have watched the organization grow under Jeanie's leadership and couldn't be more excited to partner with her and the entire management team. I am committed to supporting the franchise's iconic status by continuing to bring together culture, community and entertainment to Lakers' fans."

Walter was a relatively anonymous billionaire in 2012, when Johnson and Stan Kasten were the marquee partners in the purchase of the Dodgers for \$2 billion, then the largest price paid for a Major League Baseball team.

Critics scoffed at the purchase price, but Walter and Boehly then negotiated a record \$8.35-billion local television deal with Time Warner Cable. Sportico this year valued the Dodgers at \$7.73 billion and estimated that they generated \$1 billion in revenue last year, highlighted by the global economic boost they gained from signing Shohei Ohtani to a record \$700-million contract.

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On her way back

Maddy Timmerman of the Fort Recovery Eels summer swim team swims the backstroke during the 13-14-year-old 200-meter medley relay at Portland Water Park on Monday.

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