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Butcher to take lead of county highway

Superintendent starts in new role on Monday

By BAILEY CLINE

The Commercial Review

A lifelong Portland resident is taking over as the new highway department superintendent.

Eric Butcher, 50, will begin at Jay County Highway Department on Monday. His assignment comes four months after the death of former highway superintendent Donnie Corn. (Road foreman Bob Howell has filled in the position in the interim.)



Butcher

Butcher noted his experience with the department, having worked as one of its area drivers in 2014 and 2015. He recalls chip sealing and plowing roads, as well as weeding and spraying ditches.

"There's a lot of roads (in Jay County)," Butcher said. "There's a lot of stuff that goes on out there that people just aren't aware of."

A 1990 Jay County High School graduate, Butcher worked in the manufacturing field for several years, mainly at Goldshield Fiberglass Company in Decatur for about 15 years and at Performance Tool in Portland for about six years. Butcher served as program director and Boys Club director at Jay Community Center from 2006 to '13, prior to his time at the highway department.

For the last year, he has worked for CrossCountry Mortgage.

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The Commercial Review/Ray Cooney

Staying with the Starfires

The Jay County High School student section celebrates Patrick Hemmelgarn's 21-yard touchdown pass from Sean Bailey that put the Patriots ahead of Class 1A No. 9 South Adams late in the first quarter Friday. JCHS fell behind at halftime but closed to within 28-21 in the third quarter, only to have the Starfires score three straight TDs to pull away. For more on the game, see page 9.

Hurricane death toll passes 40

By TESS RISKI

Miami Herald
Tribune News Service

MIAMI — Florida officials estimated more than 40 deaths across eight counties linked to Hurricane Ian, including from drowning and disconnected oxygen machines due to power outages.

The Florida Medical Examiners Commission on Friday reported seven drowning victims across Volusia and Collier counties, ranging in age from 64 to 91. The youngest fatality confirmed by the Florida Medical Examiners Commission was a 22-year-old woman in Manatee County.

Here is a summary of what Florida officials have reported by county:

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

12 deaths, all unconfirmed, according to Kevin Guthrie, Florida's emergency management director.

The medical examiner must determine if a death is storm-

related or not, Guthrie said, which is why several counties have reported some deaths as "unconfirmed" for the time being.

COLLIER COUNTY

Three confirmed deaths from drowning. The victims included a 73-year-old woman who was found on Thursday; a 73-year-old woman who was found on Wednesday; and a 64-year-old woman who was found on Wednesday.

Guthrie said Friday morning that there were eight unconfirmed deaths in Collier County.

It was unclear if the three confirmed Collier County deaths announced Friday evening were included in the eight that Guthrie mentioned earlier in the day.

LAKE COUNTY

One death was reported of a 38-year-old man who died in a crash when his car hydroplaned on Wednesday, the Medical Examiners Commission said.

LEE COUNTY

Lee County Sheriff Carmine Marceno on Friday afternoon announced 16 storm-related deaths, and five deaths that are

not storm-related. Marceno did not provide further details.

That's the first preliminary fatality count out of the region that Gov. Ron DeSantis described as "ground zero."

MANATEE COUNTY

A 22-year-old woman who was ejected from an ATV rollover on Friday due to road washout died, according to the Medical Examiners Commission.

POLK COUNTY

One confirmed death, according to Guthrie.

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Florida Medical Examiners Commission reported seven deaths by drowning

Retrospect

Patriots played Carmel at Hoosier Dome

Thirty-five years ago this week, the Patriots played in the home of an NFL team.

The Oct. 3, 1987, edition of The Commercial Review featured coverage of the Jay County High School football team's 34-7 loss to the Carmel Greyhounds in the Hoosier Dome.

The defending state champions proved to be better than their 2-3 record as they forced eight Jay County fumbles, recovering four of them. (The teams were slated to meet again in the opening round of the sectional tournament.)

The Patriots, who entered the game at 4-1

overall and 2-1 in the Olympic Athletic Conference, got their only score in the first quarter when Mitch Shatto connected with Chris Conley on a 20-yard touchdown pass. It capped a 9-play, 52-yard drive to tie the game at 7-7.

But Carmel, which got a 64-yard kickoff return from Tom Moore to set up its opening score, pushed to a 21-7 advantage in the second quarter on short TD runs by Toby Cole and Mike Sharp.

Jay County's chance to get back in the game disappeared early in the second half. It drove to the Carmel 23-yard line

only to lose the ball on a fumble.

A Carmel fourth-down conversion from its own 23-yard line on a 1-yard dive by quarterback Bill Padgett early in the fourth quarter led to the score that put the game out of reach. He later tossed a 45-yard pass to Adam Ritz and Cole finished off the drive with a 2-yard run.

The Greyhounds racked up 191 rushing yards compared to just 60 for Jay County.

The Patriots' game at the Hoosier Dome was the second in a double-header that opened with Lawrence Central defeating Lawrence North 31-14.



The Commercial Review/Jack Ronald

The ball starts to slip out of the grasp of a Jay County runner as Carmel defenders close in during the second quarter of their Oct. 2, 1987, game at the Hoosier Dome.

Deaths

Dal John Fosnaugh, 79,
Berne
Details on page 2.

Weather

Jay County's high temperature reached 70 degrees Friday.
Sunny skies are expected today through Tuesday. Lows this weekend will be in the upper 30s to low 40s.
See page 2 for an extended outlook.

In review

Jay Circuit Court's jury trial slated for Wednesday has been canceled. Jurors do not need to appear.

Coming up

Tuesday — Results from today's Patriot Invitational volleyball tournament.

Wednesday — Coverage of Tuesday's Portland Park Board meeting.



Lead ...

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Butcher said he's ready to learn as he goes. He's open to using his resources, such as listening to suggestions from others.
"I don't know everything," he pointed out. "I'm not going to pretend like I know everything."
One of the first actions on his to-do list is to get his Employee in Responsible Charge (ERC) certification, which is required for doing business with Indiana Department of Transportation. That will be crucial in the future for securing grants through the

state department. (INDOT awarded the county a \$1 million grant this year to go toward converting part of State Line Road from stone to hard surface.)
In his personal life, Butcher spends his free time with his family. He celebrated his 32nd anniversary with his wife, Leah, on Thursday. The couple has three children and six grandchildren.
He also enjoys running, biking, swimming and lifting weights. A former high school cross country runner, Butcher has completed five marathons

since he picked up the lifestyle again in the last six years.
"I'm a much better runner now than I was when I was a teenager," he remarked. "I was running better times in my late 40s than I was when I was at 17."
Butcher recalled his predecessor, Corn, whom he worked with several years ago. He complimented Corn for leading the department over the last three years.
"(I'm) looking forward to picking up the torch," Butcher said. "He really, I think, he kind of got

the department going in a really good direction and he made some changes that were very effective, and I'd like to carry the torch."
Butcher hopes for an easy transition. His plans are to keep operations the same as they are now.
"I don't see any major changes happening," he said. "As cliché as it sounds, if it ain't broke, then I'm not going to try to fix it. And I don't think it's broke right now. I think it's in a pretty good spot. I just want a nice, smooth transition."

Obituaries

Dal John Fosnaugh, Berne, a graduate of Geneva High School, Nov. 24, 1942-Sept. 28, 2022. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at Decatur Church of Christ, 700 E. Monroe St., Decatur.

The Commercial Review publishes death notices for those with a connection to our coverage area free of charge. They include the name, city of residence, birth/death date and time/date/location of services.

There is a charge for obituaries, which are accepted only from funeral homes or mortuary services.

CR almanac

Sunday 10/2	Monday 10/3	Tuesday 10/4	Wednesday 10/5	Thursday 10/6
68/40	66/37	67/42	71/48	67/38
Sunday's forecast shows sunny skies with gusts reaching up to 25 mph.	Another day of sun is expected Monday, with highs in the upper 60s. At night, the low may hit 37.	More sun is in the forecast for Tuesday. The low will be in the low 40s at night.	Mostly sunny skies planned for Wednesday, with a high of 71. The low may dip to the 40s.	There's a slight chance of rain Thursday. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high of 67.

Lotteries

Hoosier Midday Daily Three: 7-0-1 Daily Four: 5-8-2-4 Quick Draw: 10-19-21-27-28-29-31-34-39-41-43-45-50-51-54-55-58-60-62-76	Pick 4: 5-2-4-6 Pick 5: 3-4-7-4-9 Rolling Cash 5: 1-9-10-21-24 Estimated jackpot: \$110,000
Ohio Midday Pick 3: 7-1-8 Pick 4: 8-7-9-7 Pick 5: 0-8-5-9-2 Evening Pick 3: 5-2-6	Powerball Estimated jackpot: \$322 million Mega Millions Estimated jackpot: \$355 million

Markets

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Today in history

In 1903, the Boston Americans, who would become the Red Sox, played the Pittsburgh Pirates in the first game of the World Series. Pittsburgh on 7-3 but went on to lose the best-of-nine series 5-3.
In 1949, the People's Republic of China was established by Mao Zedong, leader of the communist People's Liberation Army that at that point held most of the Chinese mainland.
In 1971, Walt Disney World Resort opened in Florida.
In 1975, Muhammad Ali beat Joe Frazier after Frazier's corner called for the bout to be stopped after 14 rounds. The fight became known as "Thrilla in Manila."
In 1987, the Jay County High School volleyball team swept host Marion and Eastbrook as it played a rare week-night doubleheader. Anita Lea recorded eight kills against Marion and seven versus Eastbrook to lead the Patriots.
In 2016, U.S. Senate candidate and former Indiana governor Evan Bayh visited the Jay County Democrats' Jefferson-Jackson Dinner during his election campaign against Republican Todd Young.
—The CR

Citizen's calendar

Monday 2 p.m. — Jay County Commissioners executive session, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Portland City Council, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 6 p.m. — Jay County Council special meeting, commissioners' room, courthouse, 120 N. Court St., Portland. 7:30 p.m. — Fort Recovery Village Council, village hall, 201 S. Main St.	Tuesday 4 p.m. — Jay County Development Corporation, Community Resource Center, 118 S. Meridian St., Portland. 5:30 p.m. — Portland Park Board, council chambers, fire station, 1616 N. Franklin St. 7 p.m. — Pennville Town Council, town hall, 105 N. Washington St. 7 p.m. — Salamonina Town Council, Schoolhouse Community Center.
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Hocus Pocus

Ellie Stone, 4, turns over a card shaped like a tombstone with Revon Reynolds at Jay County Public Library on Thursday. The library offered crafts and activities for local children and their parents with the "Hocus Pocus Experience," including a visit from the movie's Sanderson sisters.

Toll ...

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SARASOTA COUNTY
Three deaths included a 71-year-old man who died from head injuries on Tuesday when he fell off a roof while putting up rain shutters, according to the Medical Examiners Commission.
The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office provided details about the deaths of a 94-year-old man who lived near the Palmer Ranch area and an 80-year-old woman who lived near north Sarasota, saying both individuals relied on oxygen machines that were disabled from power outages.

VOLUSIA COUNTY
Four fatalities from drowning, including a 91-year-old man who was found on Thursday; a 79-year-old man also found on Thursday; a 67-year-old man who was found on Friday; and a 68-year-old woman who was swept into the ocean by a wave and

found on Thursday, according to the Medical Examiners Commission.
The official death toll continued to rise and emergency responders from across the state descended into the hardest-hit areas.
DeSantis on Friday noted that some of the newer buildings in the worst-hit areas like Fort Myers Beach, Captiva and Sanibel Island stood up to the storm.
"But man, I'll tell you, those older homes that just aren't as strong built, they got washed into the sea, some of them," DeSantis said at a press conference. "And so if you were hunkering down in that, that is something that I think would be difficult to be survivable."
In Sarasota County, where three deaths have been confirmed, Sheriff Kurt Hoffman described the storm as "significant and catastrophic."
"I've lived in this community for over four

decades and I have never seen a storm of this strength that has done this much damage," Hoffman said in a Friday video.
Guthrie described a grim situation at a home in an undisclosed location in Lee County with apparent drowning victims.
"Let me paint the picture for you. The water was up over the rooftop but we had a Coast Guard rescue swimmer swim down into it and he could identify what appeared to be human remains."
Guthrie noted that there are "a couple of other situations" in the area with similar circumstances.
Much of the county remains without power or water, and it saw 10-foot-high storm surges when the hurricane made landfall, according to Lee County Sheriff Carmine Marceno.
"It's definitely the worst thing I've seen in my life, and I'm a lifelong Floridi-

an," Lee County Commissioner Brian Hamman told the Miami Herald on Friday. "We don't even have water getting to the hospitals."

SERVICES

Saturday

Tabor, Gary: 1 p.m., Gant Funeral Homes, 2215 S. Broadway St., Yorktown.

Friday

Fosnaugh, Dal: 11 a.m., Decatur Church of Christ, 700 E. Monroe St., Decatur.

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Food critics, influencers are different

By JENN HARRIS

Los Angeles Times
Tribune News Service

Andi Berlin has been working in food media for more than two decades. She was the food critic for the Arizona Daily Star for seven years and is the current restaurant critic at the Arizona Republic in Phoenix. She views food influencers as a trend, rather than a threat to her profession.

“We thought Yelp was going to mess up food criticism, but it didn’t,” she says. “As a food critic, I do have to respond to what influencers do, and I do emulate that in a way.”

Taking a cue from the food influencer videos that play Top 40 songs while the phone camera pans tables full of food, Berlin recently started posting more videos on Instagram to accompany her restaurant reviews. One shows her twirling her chopsticks around various noodle dishes while the song “Kiss Me” by Sixpence None the Richer plays in the background and the words “I’m so into Asian pasta” sit in the left-hand corner of the video.

“People don’t really understand the difference between journalists and influencers, and when I’m appearing in videos as if I were an influencer, it can make it more confusing because I look the same on the video: I’m eating food and having fun,” she says.

“But there is a difference.”



Mel Melcon/Los Angeles Times/TNS

Nkechi Ahaiwe, a food influencer based in Los Angeles who runs the Instagram account @eatwhateveryouwant with 63.5K followers, films content at the West Hollywood location of Hollywood Burger on May 13.

For one thing, Berlin never tells a restaurant if she’s coming in. She makes a reservation under a different name and she doesn’t introduce herself to anyone on staff. She pays for her own food (and gets reimbursed by the newspaper) and tries to stay under the radar by taking photos with her phone rather than a camera with any lighting.

“When influencers are out

there giving away content for free, it’s a struggle to get paid subscribers who want to fund our journalism,” she says. “But there is no substitute for good journalism.”

(Los Angeles Times restaurant critic Bill Addison also reviews anonymously and the newspaper pays for his meals.)

Craig LaBan, the award-winning critic for the Philadelphia

Inquirer, considers himself an influencer of sorts. He’s amassed an Instagram following of more than 36,000.

“My definition of a social media influencer in the modern sense is somebody who is using social media in particular to share their dining experiences with the public,” says LaBan. “If someone has a large enough following, when they say, ‘Oh my

God, look at this cheese pull,’ a couple of hundred people ... maybe start getting on their scooters and zipping over to that place.”

He looks to specific local influencers in Philadelphia as resources for information on newer businesses and spotlights on neighborhoods he hasn’t visited in a while.

“In its purest form, social media has given a voice to a lot of people who otherwise would have never had access to traditional media accounts without going to journalism school or following a traditional path,” he says. “And it opened my eyes to the fact that during the pandemic, businesses in particular have relied on social media to interact with the world, and they’ve been able to leverage that without any big marketing firms.”

Like Berlin, LaBan is reimbursed for restaurant meals. He chooses to remain anonymous — all part of an effort to gain and keep the trust of his readers.

“There’s a certain generation that understands that about newspapers, but we are sort of shifting into a generation of young adults who have only known social media,” he says. “We’ve all been challenged to sort of embrace it to some degree and it’s been very influential in the food world, but as consumers, you have to sort of keep your eyes open as to what the content is.”

Cheating partner scared to fess up

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend and I have been involved for five years. He was sentenced to prison for 3 1/2 years. Before he left, we had a really rocky relationship. He cheated on me with multiple women, some of whom he continued on with during his prison sentence. I was pregnant when he went away, so I am now raising our child alone.

Fast-forward to the present: He and I are doing extremely well. I see major changes, and we truly believe we can make it work when he’s released at the end of next year. My problem is, I have done some things that are eating away at me. I have had numerous relations while he has been away, all the while letting him think I’m this perfect stay-at-home fiancée and mother. Although

Dear Abby



none of my affairs have been serious, I’m sure if he finds out, it would be the end of us. I’m scared and confused about what to do. I love him dearly and truly want to spend eternity with him. What should my next step be? — IMPERFECT, TOO, IN FLORIDA

DEAR IMPERFECT: Your next step should be to tell your boyfriend the truth. While you’re at it, tell him you didn’t reveal it

before because you weren’t proud of it and didn’t want to worry him while he was locked up. You really have no other option because someone who knows you may let it slip, which would be worse than his hearing from you.

From your description, your baby’s father is no angel — and he should not expect you to be one, either. By the way, your telling him will not be the “end of you.” You are the mother of his child, and he is legally obligated to support that child until he or she is no longer a minor.

P.S. Because you and your boyfriend have been sexually active with multiple partners, you should both be checked for STDs.

Community Calendar

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

Monday

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

BRYANT AREA COMMUNITY CENTER — Walking from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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

munity Center.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP — Will meet at 1 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Portland Place, 430 W. Lafayette St. For more information, call (800) 589-1121.

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

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.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS) — Will meet for weigh-in at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting at 6 p.m., in the fellowship hall at Evangelical Methodist Church, 930 W. Main St., Portland. New members welcome. For more information, call (260) 726-5312.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS — Will meet at 6 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. PORTLAND EVENING

OPTIMIST CLUB — Will meet at 6 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month at Richards Restaurant.

Tuesday

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

THE LANDING — A 12-step program for those in sixth through 12th grade will meet at 5:55 p.m. each Tuesday at 2nd Chance at Life Ministries, 228 S. Meridian St., Portland.

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.

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Level: Advanced

Friday’s Solution

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2	8	5	3	6	9	4	7	1
3	4	6	1	7	8	5	2	9
6	7	8	4	2	5	1	9	3
5	9	3	7	1	6	8	4	2
4	2	1	9	8	3	7	5	6

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WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

For Jay County Schools

October 3-7

Monday: Main Entrees: Whole grain pancake bites, turkey sausage link, syrup **Alternate Entrees:** Bento Box, soft pretzel, cheddar & fresh grapes, turkey and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing, **Side for all meals:** Tater tots

Tuesday: Main Entrees: Meatballs in spaghetti sauce, penne pasta, breadstick **Alternate Entrees:** Bento Box, soft pretzel, cheddar & fresh grapes, turkey and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing, **Side for all meals:** Savory green beans

Wednesday: Main Entrees: Classic chicken sandwich **Alternate Entrees:** Bento Box, soft pretzel, cheddar & fresh grapes, turkey and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing, **Side for all meals:** Seasoned corn

Thursday: Main Entrees: Beef nachos **Alternate Entrees:** Bento Box, soft pretzel, cheddar & fresh grapes, turkey and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing, **Side for all meals:** Mexican style refried beans

Friday: Main Entrees: Classic pepperoni pizza **Alternate Entrees:** Bento Box, soft pretzel, cheddar & fresh grapes, turkey and cheese chef salad, saltine crackers, light ranch dressing, **Side for all meals:** seasoned peas & carrots

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Think before you use social media

News and Tribune (Jeffersonville)

By Dec. 15, 1791, the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution had been ratified by three-fourths of the states.

First on the list was the amendment that has given this nation the foundation for its free flow of information and freedom of speech.

It has been challenged since, and sometimes more clearly defined in court, but the First Amendment stands today as a symbol for all nations.

Within that most precious freedom is also a responsibility that we as citizens should realize and practice in this era of instant communication.

The first of the time-honored four principles of the Society of Professional Journalists reminds those who gather and disseminate news and information as

Hoosier Editorial

their life's work to "seek truth and report it."

It's difficult sometimes to find truth, especially against the backdrop of today's competing voices that sometimes do not know whether what they are saying is fact or not.

If truth doesn't underlie the information that is being passed along, it is equally difficult to ensure no harm is being done, the second of SPJ's four principles.

A situation recently occurred in Jeffersonville that could have

been a tragedy. Thankfully, it wasn't. A worried family had reported to police on Aug. 26 that a 14-year-old member of the family was missing.

The story of the missing young woman started circulating on social media. People started posting and asking questions.

We at the News and Tribune saw much of that conversation, but in the world of journalism, the first question to be asked is "how do you know that to be true?" It's tough to verify what is fact and what isn't when the information cited is anywhere from secondhand or thirdhand to a posting on another social media outlet. That's why the News and Tribune did not report on the social media conversation in our stories.

Last weekend, the young

woman was found by Jeffersonville police in an adjoining state.

In a news release, the detective division of the Jeffersonville Police Department said it had been investigating since Aug. 26. On Sept. 8, detectives uncovered new information that enabled them to locate the teenager.

In that same news release, JPD said, "It is important to note throughout this investigation, several false narratives were communicated and spread on social media....This fabricated information slowed the progress of the investigation and could have caused panic amongst parents, children, and residents of Southern Indiana."

No, it's not time to change the First Amendment. But, it is time to recognize that we can't accept everything we read on social media as fact.

Social media can be a great gathering place to trade information and discuss issues and an indispensable help in many situations.

But, it's important to be able to verify fact or cite sources of information in the process.

Information that might be of help in a crisis should first go to the people who are trying to solve the crisis. This time that was the police. And, recognize that sometimes police can't disclose everything they know without putting in jeopardy their objective — in this case finding the missing teen.

In these times of living with phones in hand and communicating instantly, we need to take a breather. As our mothers counseled us, think before you speak. That's the responsible way to use social media.

Court must reject dangerous theory

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When the Supreme Court begins its new term Monday, one of the most consequential cases involves not guns, abortion, gay rights or COVID-19 mandates, but the way states determine how legislative lines are drawn and votes are counted. If the conservative supermajority embraces the radical "independent state legislature" theory, it will deal a body blow to the integrity of American elections.

Guest Editorial

Last year, after North Carolina legislators engaged in an extreme partisan gerrymander favoring Republicans, the state's Supreme Court, citing clear violations of the state constitution, struck down the map. The legislature then put forward a second gerrymandered map, leading a state court to order a special master to draw fair lines for congressional elections. Republican legislators — including Timothy Moore, speaker of the state House of Representatives—raced to the Supreme Court, insisting that the U.S. Constitution gives them and only them power over such matters.

That scenario might sound familiar to New Yorkers — because something similar happened here. After the breakdown of Albany's Independent Redistricting Commission, Democratic legislators passed an obnoxious gerrymandered congressional map. The state's high court rightly knocked it down, ordering a special master to draw fair, legal lines.

The lawmakers' argument to the high court is plain bunk. While it's true that the Constitution's Elections Clause gives state legislatures purview over "the times, places and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives," nobody has ever seriously entertained the notion that this robs state courts of all power to review whether their actions are consistent with legal and constitutional requirements.

Should the Supreme Court now give the notion credence, state elected officials of both parties — whose top priority is to get themselves reelected — would be able to ignore their own laws to advance personal and partisan goals. This would apply not only to redistricting, but to dozens of other rules governing casting ballots.

Our democratic republic already has a hard enough time taking partisan thumbs off our electoral scales. Remove the courts from the equation, and it would be game over.



War teaches economic lessons

By MICHAEL J. HICKS

The Russo-Ukrainian conflict is now firmly in a new phase. The Russians lost the strategic element of the war long ago, but now they have managed to lose operationally and tactically. There are two important economic lessons to be learned from this war — one is about public spending on services, the other about free trade.

In its desire to befriend Western Europe, Ukraine agreed to participate with the NATO forces in Afghanistan. To do so, they needed training to reform their Soviet-style army into a modern, western army. Thus, in 2007, they began training a new style army.

The Soviet-style army, which Ukraine inherited, is wholly unsuited to the modern battlefield. These armies have virtually no sergeants, or non-commissioned officers. Junior leaders are not promoted from the ranks; that would be too politically dangerous. Instead, leaders are appointed from among a politically reliable officer corps. Technical competence takes a backseat to political reliability.

In contrast, western armies reward talented leadership, technical expertise and innovative problem solving by promoting soldiers to the ranks of non-commissioned officers. It is these people who train new soldiers and young officers. Ukraine's government fully embraced this new army, and spent a decade and a half restructuring their forces.

When the Russian army invaded, they were met by small and medium-sized units that were fully equal of many NATO countries. While the expanding NATO alliance provided many new and lethal weapons to the Ukrainian forces, that was not the decisive factor in victory. It was the small unit leadership — sergeants and young officers — who made the difference. Had the Russians and Ukrainians swapped all their equipment with one another, Russia still would have lost.

The economic lesson is that if

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you wish to have an effective national defense, you need a modern western army. That is terribly expensive. It takes more than a million dollars and several years to train and equip a squad leader who commands ten soldiers. The most junior lieutenant costs a half a million dollars. A modern infantry company, with five officers, 25 sergeants and 90 men is easily a \$75 million investment. Sustaining that force costs close to \$30 million a year.

The full cost of fielding that force, particularly if it is deployed to battle, may be five times higher. Retirement and medical expenses for injured soldiers burden taxpayers for generations. It is worth noting that the last civil war pension recipient died in 2020. That was an extreme case, but the pension and health-care expenses will continue for more than 75 years after a war ends.

Modern public services are costly because they typically rely upon significant human capital that has private sector options. Master sergeants and captains aren't expensive because Congress is generous — they are expensive because the private sector pays well for their experience and talents.

This proposition extends to any government occupation with a private sector competition for talent. This means schools, parks, public safety, IRS case managers and all the other services government provides. This might seem like a trivial point, but a shocking number of elected officials seem unaware of it. The Russo-Ukrainian war provides a clear reason why it matters.

The second economic lesson of the war is about international trade. Many folks suppose that the point of international trade is to sell your products to foreigners. This, they believe, causes economic growth. That is badly mistaken. You trade in order to consume, not produce. A trade balance doesn't cause economic growth. How could it; the global economy has doubled in the past 30 years; who are we trading with?

The sanctions placed against Russia are primarily on the importation of goods into Russia. We've placed only minimal restrictions on what they can export. Russia's economy is small, a bit more than 1.0 percent of the global economy. They import nearly all necessities, except for petroleum, which they have in abundance.

The European Union restricts exports to Russia on military goods, particularly semi-conductors and computers, aviation and space related technologies, and navigation equipment. Without these items, the Russians cannot replace precision guided munitions, or repair weapons targeting systems, navigation devices, and many communications systems.

Imports of transportation parts and equipment have also been restricted. This means replacing parts for combat equipment like trucks, tanks or armored personnel carriers will be increasingly difficult. It is a reasonable guess that the Russian tanks captured by Ukraine are now receiving better maintenance and repair than the ones still in Russian hands.

These restrictions also affect factory production and put a strain on internal logistics. The Russian civil air fleet is probably operating well outside the manufacturers' safety recommendations, and factories cannot even keep up with basic production needs. There are pictures of Russian troops in Ukraine equipped

with the M1891 Moisin-Nagant rifles and steel helmets used in World War II. Sanctions on Russia have been broad enough to damage almost every part of their ability to wage war.

The war and sanctions have affected the Russian economy and people. Russia is in a downturn that is already far worse than the Great Recession. But this overstates the health of the economy. With exports minimally affected and imports restricted, Russia has been able to temporarily bolster key economic indicators by pushing cash into stocks and other securities.

That temporary fix is coming to an end, and their own central bank has warned of a deepening recession through the end of 2022. If the war ended today, and the sanctions lifted, it would still take the better part of a decade to fully recover. These sanctions do injure civilians. A deep recession is making life harder for Russian citizens, though the continued importation of food and medical equipment will limit the damage that broad sanctions cause.

Observers of the Russo-Ukrainian war can learn other valuable lessons. Most of these aren't new, like a dictator invading a free, sovereign nation rarely ends well. However, the plain and obvious economic lessons are just too important to ignore. The two with the most salience for Americans are that, firstly, sustained, high-quality public services are costly, but maybe not as costly as not having them. Second, we trade in order to consume goods, not to sell them. This stunningly obvious point is perhaps the most misunderstood economic fact of our time.

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I&M assisting to restore electricity

Hurricane Ian left nearly 2 million Florida residents without electricity.

A company that provides service locally went to help.

Indiana Michigan Power deployed crews to Florida this week ahead of Hurricane Ian in order to help with outages.

The company sent more than 350 employees, including from the Fort Wayne, Marion and Muncie areas, to assist. They included line workers, damage assessors, forestry experts, support staff and others. Crews planned to work 16-hour shifts to help restore electrical service.

No timetable was set for how long the crews will be staying in Florida.

Indiana Michigan Power, which is headquartered in Fort Wayne and provides electrical service in Jay County, has mutual assistance agreements with utility companies throughout the nation.

Mercer Health opens

Mercer Health announced this week that the new Mercer Health Medical Group at Galleria is now open.

The new office is located at 909 E. Wayne St., Celina. Dr. Jonathan Winner, Dr. Alyssa Tobe and physician assistant Ashley Schoenherr will see patients at the Galleria location.

BSU launches

Ball State University is launching a program focused on special education.

Students interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree in elementary education with a concentration in special education through the new program would receive instruction through Ball State during high school via dual enrollment courses. They could then graduate from college a year early.

The program is launching at Noblesville High School and will be available to expand to other schools in the state.

"I am grateful our University will provide this unique opportunity for high school students

Business roundup

in our state," Ball State president Geoffrey S. Mearns said in a press release. "Educating the next generation of teachers is the foundation upon which Ball State University was built, and it is an ongoing priority for our University. This pathway extends our reach while preparing high school students with a tangible, high-quality experience."

Hosting open house

Adams Woodcrest Independent Living will host an open house next weekend.

The open house will run from 1 to 3 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Adams Woodcrest campus, 1300 Mercer Avenue, Decatur. The public is invited to tour the independent living apartments and villas.

For more information, email amy.hake@adamshealthnetwork.org.

Aunt honored

Aunt Millie's announced Sept. 23 that PLANSPONSOR Magazine has named it the 2022 Plan Sponsor of the Year.

The award "recognizes retirement plan sponsors that show a commitment to their participants' financial health and retirement success."

"As a family owned company, we operate on a foundation of respect and care for our employees, treating them as part of our family," said Aunt Millie's chief financial officer Judy Bobilya-Feher in a press release. "We focus on creating an environment where they can thrive and where they want to work for years to come."

Based in Fort Wayne, Aunt Millie's operates five bakeries and supplies fresh and frozen bread, buns and other bakery products to grocery stores,



Indiana Michigan Power

Crews from Indiana Michigan Power joined those from Public Service Company of Oklahoma and Texas-New Mexico Power in Florida to help Tampa Electric restore electrical service following Hurricane Ian.

restaurants, schools and other organizations.

Reid presented

Reid Health staff members were among the presenters recently at the Vizient Connections Summit.

Tiffany Ridge, manager of graduate and continuing medical education and the residency clinic, and Dr. Jennifer Bales (emergency medicine) of Reid Health, Richmond, talked about their organization's physician engagement and resilience committee.

"Reid Health and its physician-leaders are committed to creating a positive and supportive environment in which to practice medicine and provide the best care to our patients," Bales said in a press release.

"The work the committee does helps to create an environment that promotes long-term retention and helps with recruiting the best possible candidates to build a robust medical staff."

Ardagh collaborates

Ardagh Glass Packaging - Europe has teamed with B&B Studio and Belvoir Farm on a new glass bottle design.

The new design is for Belvoir Farm's new non-alcoholic botanical sodas. The bottles are fully recyclable and contain 45% recycled glass.

Ardagh operates glass manufacturing facilities in Dunkirk and Winchester.

Lilly sued

The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission on

Monday filed a lawsuit against Indianapolis-based Eli Lilly for refusing to hire older candidates for sales representative jobs.

According to Reuters, the suit said the violations began in spring 2017. It alleges that Lilly senior vice president for human resources and diversity Stephen Fry suggested its lack of younger workers was a problem and that the company would set a target for "early career" hiring. It further says that hiring practices were changed and that those practices continued even after some in the company knew the practice was illegal.

In a statement, Lilly denied the accusations and said it was "committed to fostering and promoting a culture of diversity and respect."

Shoppers change habits

By BROOKS JOHNSON

Star Tribune
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More grocery shoppers are turning to store brands and frozen food as inflation forces cost-cutting and a drive to reduce personal food waste, recent surveys show.

A new Deloitte poll found more than a third of shoppers — and nearly half of rural consumers — are regularly "trading down" from name brands to less expensive private label alternatives. Private label is industry parlance for store brands, such as Target's Good & Gather, Walmart's Great Value and Whole Foods' 365.

"As price has increased in importance, people are making significant trade-offs," said Barb Renner, vice chair and U.S. leader of Consumer Products for Deloitte. "People like to feel comfortable they can meet their family needs."

Another consumer survey from Bernstein, an investment research firm, showed 70% of shoppers are at least choosing store brands more often than they were a year ago, and many said higher prices on energy and goods outside groceries are driving those decisions.

"This is in stark contrast to a year ago when only 18% of respondents claimed to be purchasing more store brands, likely due to stimulus payments

and pandemic-related savings in discretionary spending," Bernstein analyst Alexia Howard wrote. "The switch to private label is happening across all income brackets."

Jarred and canned goods, frozen vegetables and pasta are seeing the biggest private label gains, Bernstein's survey showed.

Food waste has become increasingly important as consumers stretch budgets and try to use all they buy.

"The focus on not throwing out food has been an interesting shift," Renner said, and it has given frozen food a new shine.

A report from the American Frozen Food Institute last week found, "79% of consumers believe frozen foods are cost-effective," even as prices on frozen options have increased faster than food overall.

As of August, grocery prices have risen 13.5% over the past year. Even amid higher prices, the Deloitte and Bernstein surveys both found consumers are still demanding health and wellness benefits from their food.

"Only 13% of respondents claim to not be reading nutritional labels, while the majority of individuals noted at least one health concern they aim to tackle with their eating habits," Howard wrote.

Renner said trends in health foods are moving toward "food as medicine," which half of Deloitte's respondents said they are willing to spend more on.

Post Holdings chief executive Robert Vitale said the consumer pivot to private label is "here, stable and potentially building some momentum."

That should mean a boost for Minnesota-based Post Consumer Brands, the nation's third-largest cereal maker.

"We are by far the largest provider of private label ready-to-eat cereal," Vitale told investors in August. "It feels like that's an opportunity from a consumer trade-down perspective and a customer perspective. So it feels pretty encouraging right now."

General Mills and Hormel stand to miss out on sales as a result of more private label buying. Both have seen overall volumes fall over the past year — though less than anticipated given price increases on their products.

General Mills CEO Jeff Harmening told investors last week that price sensitivity has been "more favorable to us than we had anticipated in the current environment, particularly as consumers have traded away-from-home eating to more at-home eating."

GM partners on technology

By KALEA HALL

The Detroit News
Tribune News Service

General Motors Co. and Palo Alto-based OneD Battery Sciences have entered a joint research development agreement for the potential use of OneD's silicon nanotechnology in GM's battery cells to increase energy density for longer range at a lower cost.

GM Ventures participated in OneD's Series C funding round, which the company recently closed at \$25 million.

OneD's SINANODE platform adds more silicon onto the anode of a battery cell by fusing silicon nanowires

into EV-grade graphite. Silicon stores up more energy than graphite.

It's believed this is the first time two American companies collaborated on silicon anode technology, the companies said.

"GM designed Ultium to be a supremely flexible platform so we can continuously improve our cells as battery technology advances," said Kent Helfrich, GM chief technology officer, vice president of GM research and development, and president of GM Ventures, in a statement. "Our collaboration with OneD will focus on efforts to continue advancements in EV range, performance and cost."

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: KIND OF SNAKE THAT WAS OWNED BY THE MAIN CHARACTER OF THE "ROCKY" FILMS: A BALBOA CONSTRICTOR. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals G

Trivial Review (Answers are printed below, upside down.)
Outer space
1) What planet spins the fastest with a rotational velocity of 28,148 miles per hour?
2) What star, other than the sun, is closest to earth?

10-3 CRYPTOQUIP

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ZNMZ NMD M DWMTT DWHTTKIY
SVYMI SI MTT KZD THYD:
ZNH DAHIZ-KLHOH.
Saturday's Cryptoquip: WHAT COULD YOU CALL A BIG HARBOR HOLDING A FLOTILLA OF NAVY VESSELS? A PLACE OF WARSHIP. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals L

CRYPTO FUN
Solve the code to discover words related to baking and decorating. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 6 = E)
A. 1 21 16 6
B. 24 22 12 10 21 12 3
C. 20 18 24 3
D. 1 9 6 21 3 6

WORD SCRAMBLE
Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to baking.
OPSSNO

Guess Who?
I am an actress and talk show host born in New Jersey on October 2, 1970. I was a cheerleader and ballet dancer during high school. I spent 12 years on an ABC soap opera before landing a gig as a morning talk show host.

kids' corner
Illustration of a child's desk with a laptop, calculator, and books.

PEOPLE FACT!
THIS JOB TITLE REFERS TO PROFESSIONALS WHO REPAIR CARS AND TRUCKS.
ANSWER: A MECHANIC

How they SAY that in...
ENGLISH: Tire
SPANISH: Neumatico
ITALIAN: Pneumatico
FRENCH: Pneu
GERMAN: Reifen

Math Blocks
Fill in the missing blocks with numbers between 0-10. The numbers in each row add up to the totals to the right. The numbers in each column add up to the totals on the bottom.

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY
OCT 3
1863: THE LAST THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER IS DECLARED AS THANKSGIVING DAY BY PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN.
1919: CINCINNATI REDS PITCHER ADOLFO LUQUE BECOMES THE FIRST LATIN AMERICAN PLAYER TO APPEAR IN THE WORLD SERIES.
1965: THE SPACE SHUTTLE ATLANTIS MAKES ITS MAIDEN FLIGHT.

New word SERVICE
periodic maintenance performed on a vehicle

BAKING TREATS WORD SEARCH

Grid for word search with words: BAKING, BROWN, BUTTER, CAKE, CONFECTION, COOKIES, DESSERT, EGGS, ICING, INGREDIENTS, LEAVENER, MIXER, OIL, OVEN, RISE, SHEET, SIFTED, STIR, SUGAR, SWEET, TASTE, TEMPERATURE, TEST, WHIP.

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Get Scrambled
Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.
RCA RECA
ANSWER: Car care

Did you know?
VEHICLE BATTERIES DO NOT LAST FOREVER. THE AVERAGE BATTERY CAN BE USED FOR AROUND 3 TO 5 YEARS BEFORE IT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED.

GET THE PICTURE?
Can you guess what the bigger picture is?
ANSWER: MOTOR OIL

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

Crossword puzzle grid with clues: 1 Novelist Carr, 6 Posture, 12 Criminal's "why", 13 Tribulation, 14 Small beard, 15 Japanese auto-maker, 16 Queue after Q, 17 500 sheets, 19 Pot brew, 20 Elite alter-native, 22 Standard, 24 Non-Rx, 27 Yoga class pads, 29 Modern "carpe diem", 32 No. 1 hit by Men at Work, 35 Wife of Jacob, 36 Rebuff, 37 Sean, to Yoko, 38 Ultra-modernist, 40 Recipe meas., 42 Paper Mate rival, 44 Amor-phous mass, 46 "House" actor Omar, 50 Surround with light, 52 Wood-wind player, 54 Radio components, 55 Tourist's vehicle, 56 Fancy fiddles, 57 Birds' homes, 2 Rat — assent, 3 Illuminated, 4 Prior night, 5 Six-pack units, 6 Slugger Sammy, 7 Surpass, 8 Wood-shaping tool, 9 Un-charged particles, 10 Birthday cut-up?, 11 Director Kazan, 12 Store boss (Abbr.), 18 Corrode, 21 "Believer", 23 Sailor's assent, 24 Barn bird, 25 Common-est English word, 26 One of a news show pair, 28 Unwilling to budge, 30 Privy, 31 Have, 33 "Evita" narrator, 34 Small ammo, 39 Gawked at, 41 Drudges, 42 Hotel furniture, 43 Mono-gram pt., 45 Privation, 47 Brad of Holly-wood, 48 Unpaid TV ads, 49 Cardinal cap letters, 51 Nabokov novel, 53 Spell-down

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Playing the percentages
South dealer. North-South vulnerable.
NORTH: ♠K 10 7 6, ♥A, ♦K Q 10 9, ♣A 7 6 3
WEST: ♠5, ♥9 7 6 5 2, ♦8 7 5 4 3, ♣10 9
EAST: ♠A 3 2, ♥8 4 3, ♦6 2, ♣K 8 5 4 2
The bidding: South 1♠, West Pass, North 3♥, East Pass, South 4♦, West Pass, North 4NT, East Pass, South 5♦, West Pass, North 6♣.
Opening lead — ten of clubs.
Bridge is a game of probabilities. You make a certain bid because you think it will probably turn out better than any other bid; you make a certain play because you think it will probably turn out better than any other play. If your judgment in gauging probabilities is good, you will do very well, since you cannot have a better ally than the law of probabilities.
Consider this deal where you're in six spades and West leads a club. If West has the king, a finesse will succeed, but your judgment should tell you that it is better not to finesse.
At best, you have a 50% chance of winning the finesse, while if you go up with the ace, you have a much better chance of escaping a club loser by playing three rounds of diamonds, planning to discard your second club on the third diamond. The probability of the missing diamonds dividing 4-3 is 62%.
But when you take the ace of clubs and play the A-K-Q of diamonds, East ruffs low, and you are forced to overruff. This is a setback, but you still have plenty of ammunition. So you cross to the ace of hearts and lead the fourth diamond, hoping that East will either be out of trumps or will be forced to ruff with the ace. Unfortunately, East ruffs low again, and once more you overruff.
Despite these developments, you still have yet another string to your bow. You play the K-Q-J of hearts, hoping to find that suit divided 4-4, in which case you can avoid a club loser by discarding all three remaining clubs from dummy.
The hearts turn out to be divided 5-3, but your staying power puts you on top because East can do no better than ruff the fourth heart with the ace of trump — and by then your club loser has flown the coop.
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Crossword puzzle grid with clues: 1 Roughly, 5 Texter's "Wow!", 8 Nero's 1300, 12 Stead, 13 Museum-funding org., 14 Vicinity, 15 In (miffed), 16 Deception, 18 Fawcett of '70s TV, 20 Goodies, 21 Skater's leap, 23 "Delicious!", 24 Tobago's island neighbor, 28 Salon request, 31 A billion years, 32 Whiskey drinks, 34 Fish eggs, 35 Privation, 37 Three-paneled artwork, 39 "Friendly skies", 41 Chevy sub-compact, 42 Pulpit delivery, 45 Painter Hopper, 49 Hom-ages, 51 Always, 52 Fore-arm bone, 53 Depot (Abbr.), 54 Sultry, 55 Pleads, 56 Wager, 57 High-lander, 24 "Frozen" Aviv, 25 Aussie hopper, 26 Making certain, 27 Tries to convey, 29 Sinbad's bird, 30 "What-ever", 33 Raced, 36 Brazilian, 38 Hair dyes, 40 Baseball's Gehrig, 42 Ticket half, 43 Stanley Gardner, 44 Fed. accident investigator, 46 Opposite of "sans", 47 Gambling mecca, 48 "Phooey!" in Paris

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-57.

Contract Bridge By Steve Becker

Famous Hand
South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.
NORTH: ♠A K Q 9 5, ♥—, ♦Q J 3 2, ♣J 8 7 2
WEST: ♠8 7 4 3, ♥7 6, ♦—, ♣Q 10 9 6 5 4 3
EAST: ♠10 2, ♥A 10 8 5 4 3 2, ♦A 9, ♣A K
The bidding: South 1♠, West Pass, North 3♥, East Pass, South 4♥, West Pass, North 4♥, East Pass, South 5♥, West Pass, North 6♥.
Redouble.
Opening lead — seven of hearts.
This deal occurred in a tournament played in France in 1963 to select the French representative that year to the annual European team championship. And quite a deal it was!
It started off innocently enough when Jacques Stetten, playing with Leon Tintner, opened third-hand with one spade. East bid two hearts — he had values to spare for his modest overcall, but no better call was available — and South bid three diamonds.
At this point, the bidding became frenetic. North bid three hearts, a cuebid indicating a strong hand with a probable void in hearts, and East doubled. After two passes, North then bid four hearts! This was a further cuebid, confirming the heart void, and even more importantly, it urged South to bid a slam in either diamonds or spades, depending on his hand.
South quickly accepted the invitation by bidding six diamonds. True, he had only 10 high-card points (six of which he knew were wasted opposite North's void). But South also had a seven-card suit and a void in clubs that North could not possibly know about.
Not only that, but when East doubled, Tintner had enough confidence in his partner's bidding and his own values to redouble! East — holding A-A-A-K — no doubt thought his opponents had gone berserk and would pay heavily for their indiscretion.
But that wasn't how things turned out. Tintner easily made six diamonds redoubled for a score of 1,330 points, losing only a diamond trick, and poor East was left wondering what in the world had hit him.
Tomorrow: The life of an expert.
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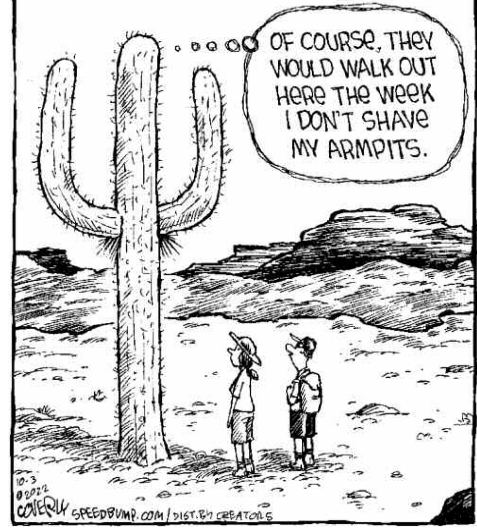
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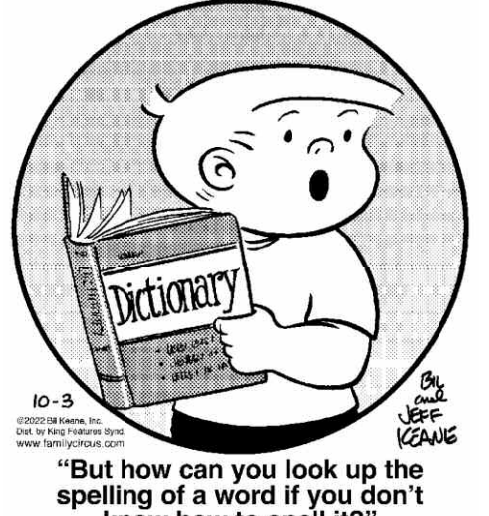
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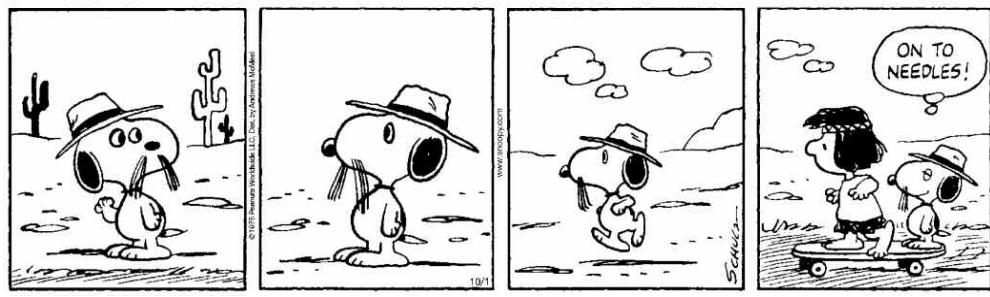
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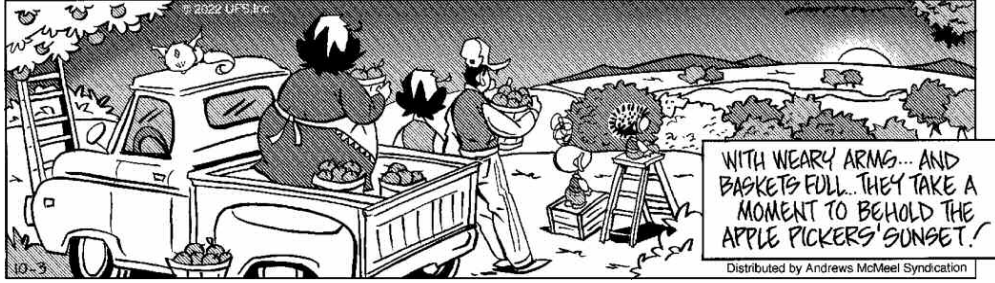
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Rose is Rose



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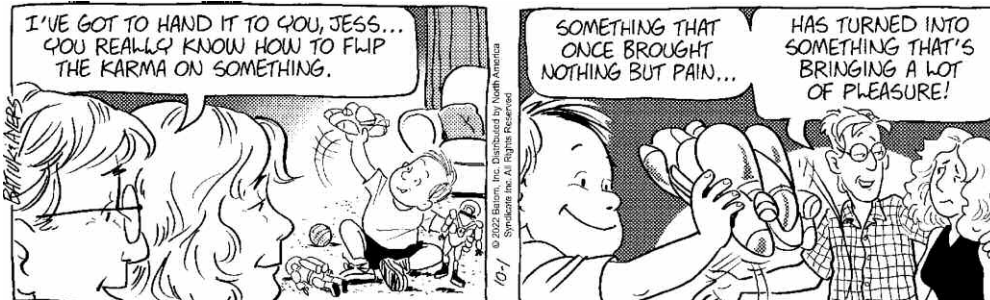
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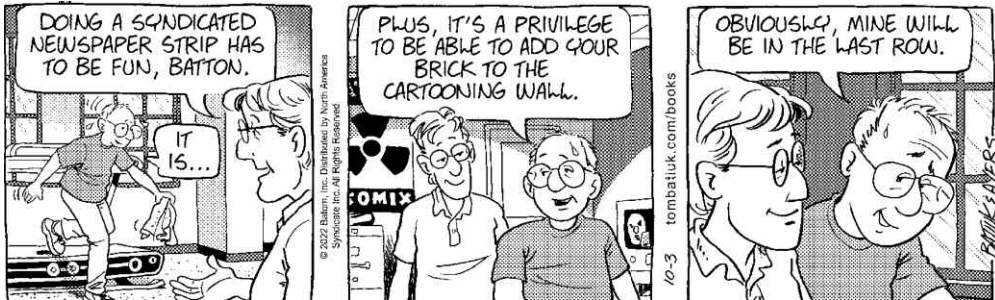
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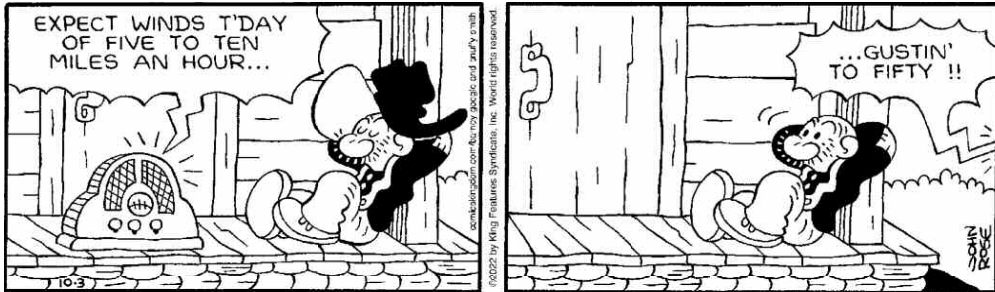
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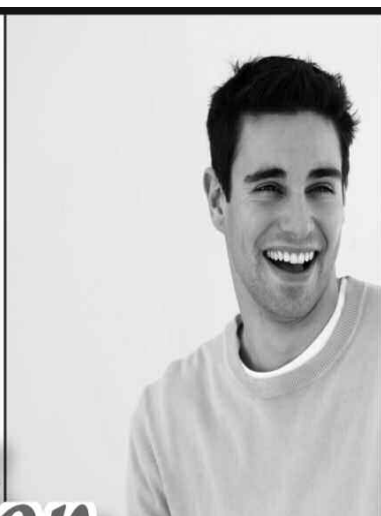
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10:00 AM.
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PUBLIC AUCTION
Located: Bob Schmit Memorial Building Jay County Fairgrounds East Votaw St. Portland, IN
October 8th, 2022
10 AM
ANTIQUES-HOUSEHOLD-MISC Washstands and marble top, 2 antique high back beds, Dresser with mirror, Wooden rocking chair, Trunks, 4 piece dresser set, Round dining room table w/6 chairs, Lighted curio cabinet, Fireplace heater, Westinghouse flat screen T. V. Coca-Cola memorabilia, Kitchen aid and Kenmore washer and dryer, Eden pure heater, 3 cushion sofa, Recliner loveseat.
BOAT-LAWN & GARDEN-TOOLS 14ft. aluminum 3hp Evinrude engine, Trolley motor and trailer, 2 cycle mini rototiller, Kennedy tool boxes, Delta miter saw, several items not mentioned.
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PUBLIC AUCTION
Located: 525 N Middle Street Portland, IN
Friday afternoon
OCTOBER 7, 2022
4:30 P.M.
HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS
Ge washer; Maytag dryer; 3 pc. bedroom suit; Jim Davis and Kent Helms paperweights; Daisy BB pistol; US Navy photo log; Carnival Glass; Shambarger bottle; Black Depression bowl and berry set; old children's books; ; foot locker; Navy uniform; Japan flags and officer badges; German Swastika arm band; 1922, 1964 and 1965 Indianapolis 500 programs; Kennedy newspapers; Griswold skillet; Wagner skillets; cast iron cat; ; and other items not listed.
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260 PUBLIC AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION

LOCATION: Bob Schmit Memorial Building Jay County Fairgrounds East Votaw St. Portland IN

OCTOBER 8th, 2022

10 A.M.

ANTIQUES-HOUSEHOLD-MISC

Washstand and marble top, 2 antique high back beds, kitchen cupboard, vanity with large matching mirror, dresser with mirror and glove drawers, wooden rocking chair, end tables, xylophone, trunks, queen size bed with matching dressers, 4 piece dresser set, 2 piece dresser set, 4 drawer desk with matching chair, round dining room table with 6 chairs, lighted curio cabinet, Coca-Cola memorabilia, combination safe, fireplace heater, 2 drawer file cabinet, Westinghouse flat screen T.V., Emerson microwave, Kitchen aid and Kenmore washer and dryer, small kitchen appliances, Eden pure heater, 3 cushion sofa, reclining loveseat, rocker recliner, flatware, lamps, mirrors, wall décor, rooster dishware set.

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OCTOBER 7, 2022

4:30 P.M.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS

Ge washer; Maytag dryer; 3 pc. bedroom suit; metal bed; 4 drawer chest; Emerson microwave; dining room table with 5 chairs; 4 drawer dresser; kneehole desk and chair; wood rocker; kitchen stool; Philips TV; gossip bench; loveseat; sofa; occasional chair; bookshelves; treadle sewing machine; quilt rack; 1 drawer stand; kerosene lamp; Fostoria covered dish; lamps; cookware; Jim Davis and Kent Helms paperweights; Daisy BB pistol; US Navy photo log; Carnival Glass; Shambarger bottle; Black Depression bowl and berry set; old children's books; Ball S&P; pictures; scrapbooks; tapestry; fans; kid's chairs; #5 Star, #3 and other crockery jugs; quilt; quilt top; blankets; afghans; boom box; milk can; Christmas decorations; comforter; old newspapers; Yamaha guitar with case; foot locker; Navy uniform; Japan flags and officer badges; German Swastika arm band; 1922, 1964 and 1965 Indianapolis 500 programs; Kennedy newspapers; Griswold skillet; Wagner skillets; cast iron cat; Resin figurines; dolls; kerosene lantern; beer steins; toys; card tables; Westinghouse fan; Return of the Jedi lunch box; comic books; Barbie dolls; utensils; Early Times sled; Christmas lights and bulbs; games; Atari game system; Sega Genesis game system; toy cars; 1917 marriage certificate; Tupperware; baking dishes; lawn cart; 2 wheel cart; shovels; rakes; pruners; and other items not listed.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Located in the Womens Building at the Jay County Fairgrounds, 806 E Votaw Street, Portland Indiana on Sunday Afternoon

OCTOBER 9, 2022

12:30 P.M.

MODERN HOUSEHOLD GOODS - OLD & COLLECTORS ITEMS - TOOLS

GE washer; Roper dryer; refrigerator; kitchen table with 4 chairs; hutch; buffet; Galaxy microwave; 3 cushion sofa; kneehole desk; 3 drawer dresser; lighted curio cabinet; hall tree stand; dresser; 3 cushion sofa; occasional chair; glider rocker; Singer sewing machine; bookshelves; 4 drawer night stand; gentleman's dresser/wardrobe; corner TV cabinet; rocker recliner; lamp tables; wood rocker; plant stand; glass door cabinet; dresser; lamps; full size bd; floor lamps; ottomans; coffee table; mirrors; occasional table; potato bin; folding tables; metal cabinet; 4 drawer fie; kitchen step stool; hat boxes; luggage; bedding; wood elephant; books; large ceramic elephant; Willow Tree figurines; Carnival glass; Western Germany figurine goblets; BHG stand mixer; baking pans and dishes; screen; rugs; placemats; cookbooks; mantel clock; glass baking dishes; Corning Ware; air fryer; milk shake mixer; toaster; dishes; flatware; utensils; coffee maker; plasticware; cookware; tiered stand; jewelry cabinet; jewelry; wire shelf; candles; buttons; sewing merchandise; pillows; Heritage Village Collection - North Pole Series; roaster oven; walker; dolls; Christmas trees; cooler; bicycle; large assortment of decorations to include fall and Christmas; croquet set; small windmill; metal lawn swing; patio chairs; Char Broil gas grill; plastic lawn chairs; aluminum step ladders; wood step ladder; scoop shovel; patio chairs; and other items not listed.

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: This is a clean auction with nice variety of items. Please note that this is only a partial listing of the items to be sold.

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No. 1 Flyers too much for FR

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Fort Recovery High School's football team couldn't get anything going against one of the best programs in the state, falling 47-0 to the host Marion Local Flyers.

The Indians (2-5, 1-4 Midwest Athletic Conference) managed just 100 yards of offense against Marion Local, which won the Division VII state title last season and is the favorite in Division VI this year. That included negative-2 yards rushing on 14 attempts.

The Flyers (7-0, 5-0 MAC), meanwhile, scored three times in the first quarter and never looked back. Drew Lause had the first TD on a 6-yard run, and Darren Meier added a pair of 1-yard runs for a 21-0 lead at the quarter break.

Meier scored his third straight touchdown, this time from 5 yards out, before Tate Hess tossed a 26-yard touchdown pass to Lause to complete the first-half scoring with 1:15 remaining.

Lause then returned the second-half kickoff 86 yards to make it 40-0, and a Justin Knauff pass to Griffin Bruns gave Marion Local its final margin.

The Flyers spread out their offense, with Hess and Lause each rushing for 35 yards and Meier adding 34. (Lause also caught three passes for 47 yards.) Knauff and Hess tossed for 84 and 56 yards, respectively.

What little offense the Tribe managed came through the air, as Cale Rammel totaled 102 yards on 8-of-23 passing. Riggs Tobe led the receivers with three catches for 64 yards.

Bo Thien and Reece Wendel each had nine tackles for FRHS.

After dealing with MAC powerhouses New Bremen and Marion Local in the last two weeks, Fort Recovery's schedule becomes more manageable down the stretch. It will return home to Barrenbrugge Athletic Park to play Parkway (2-5) on Friday, host Anna (2-5) on Oct. 15 and close the regular season at St. Henry (1-6) on Oct. 22.



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Jay County High School junior Bryce Wenk dives across the goal line with Silas Loshe (8) trying to hold him out during the first quarter Friday night. In addition to the touchdown, Wenk had a forced fumble and a recovery in the second half.

No. 9 SA tops Patriots

By RAY COONEY
The Commercial Review

The Patriots were playing with the ninth-ranked team in the state.

They scored the game's first points. They were up at the quarter break.

After falling behind at halftime, they pulled to within a single score in the third quarter.

They had opportunities, including after a key second-half fumble by the Starfires. They just weren't quite consistent enough to keep up.

Jay County High School's football team saw Class 1A No. 9 South Adams score three straight touchdowns in the second quarter and three more in a row in the second half as it dropped its fourth straight 49-27 Friday to the Starfires.

"We play really well at times," said JCHS coach Grant Zgunda before trailing off.

"It's not due to lack of effort. We kind of put out one fire and another one pops up at times. That's on me. We've got to figure out a way to get better at those things and not let that happen.

"Even in the second half we had a couple things that could have turned the game around pretty quickly," he added. "We had opportunities. It was just one of those nights. It didn't work out for us."

The game seemed to begin to slip away from the Patriots when they had consecutive three-and-outs and an interception on their first three second-quarter drives. South Adams, meanwhile, scored three times.

Still, JCHS forced a Starfire punt in the third quarter, closed to within 28-21 on quarterback Sean Bailey's 1-yard TD run and were in prime position when Brady Davis recovered a Nathan Muselman fumble along the home sideline.

But the Patriots couldn't take advantage of the opportunity.

Their first three plays — a run and two passes — went for 1 yard each. And on fourth-and-7, Silas Loshe picked off a Bailey pass to end the threat.



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Jay County High School sophomore Lucas Strait lays a hit on Brady Beall of South Adams after Beall made a catch during the first quarter Friday night. Strait led the Patriots with 11 tackles.

Owen Wanner immediately struck with a 31-yard pass to Muselman, and three plays later he was in the end zone on his third read-option touchdown run of the night.

"We've worked on adding that with him," said South Adams coach Grant Moser. "We haven't had that in the past. ... That opens our offense up tremendously. ... It's so hard for defenses when you have a quarterback who can run the ball and pass the ball like that."

Wanner made life more than hard for the Patriots Friday as he was responsible for all seven of his team's touchdowns in one way or another. He put the game out of reach with a 19-yard wide receiver screen to Brady Beall at the 9:16 mark of the fourth quarter, then capped his

night less than four minutes later when he found Loshe for a 61-yard score.

His first-half TDs were passes of 8 yards to Muselman and 86 to Beall followed by read-option runs of 13 and 31 yards.

In total, Wanner was 20-of-27 passing for 301 yards and added 86 rushing yards on just eight attempts.

"He's a great quarterback," said Zgunda. "He's very smooth. Watching him warm up before the game, his footwork and the way he throws the ball, his technique, is awesome. He plays well under pressure."

The Patriots looked good early, forcing a three-and-out on the first South Adams possession and then driving 52 yards. They capped the drive with a Bailey pass to tight end Bryce Wenk, who proceeded to

drag Loshe as he stretched across the goal line.

After the Starfires pulled even, Bailey — he finished with 135 yards passing — connected with Patrick Hemmelgarn on a 21-yard score. But JCHS managed just a dozen yards on its next three drives and then was unable to take advantage of the Muselman fumble in the third quarter.

Kadin Ridenour carried the Patriots on the ground with 116 yards on 27 attempts. He scored their other touchdown on an 8-yard run with less than three minutes remaining.

"These guys just keep playing, keep fighting," said Zgunda, whose team will be back at home Friday to take on Lapel. "There was kind of a lull there for a while ... once we got down 42-21. But they

Box score	
South Adams Starfires (5-2, 2-2 ACAC) at Jay County Patriots (2-5, 1-4 ACAC)	
S. Adams	7 21 7 14 — 49
Jay Co.	14 0 7 6 — 27
First Quarter	
JC — Bryce Wenk 14 pass from Sean Bailey (Sheldon Minch kick), 6:35.	
SA — Nathan Muselman 8 pass from Owen Wanner (Hunter Kongar kick), 3:43.	
JC — Patrick Hemmelgarn 21 pass from Bailey (Minch kick), :03.9.	
Second Quarter	
SA — Brady Beall 86 pass from Wanner (Kongar kick), 11:44.	
SA — Wanner 13 run (Kongar kick), 8:56.	
SA — Wanner 31 run (Kongar kick), 4:52.	
Third Quarter	
JC — Bailey 1 run (Minch kick), 7:01.	
SA — Wanner 5 run (Kongar kick), :57.	
Fourth Quarter	
SA — Beall 19 pass from Wanner (Kongar kick), 9:16.	
SA — Silas Loshe 61 pass from Wanner (Kongar kick), 5:35.	
JC — Kadin Ridenour 8 run (run failed), 2:52.	
Team Statistics	
	SA JC
Rushes - yds	28-176 40-155
Comp-Att-Int	20-27-0 11-22-3
Passing yds	301 135
Total Plays	55 62
Total Offense	477 290
Sacks - yds lost	0-0 2-4
Punts - yds	3-64 2-53
Fumbles - lost	2-2 2-0
Penalties - yds	7-65 4-30
Individual Statistics	
Rushing — South Adams — Maverick Summerset 17-94, Owen Wanner 8-86, Colton Bollenbacher 2-4, Manny Juarez 1(-1), Silas Loshe 1(-7). Jay County — Kadin Ridenour 27-116, Patrick Hemmelgarn 1-14, Sean Bailey 5-14, Christian Runkle 6-11, A.J. Myers 1-0.	
Passing — South Adams — Owen Wanner 20-27-0 301. Jay County — Sean Bailey 11-22-3 135.	
Receiving — South Adams — Brady Beall 10-158, Silas Loshe 3-82, Nathan Muselman 4-51, Hunter Kongar 1-15, Maverick Summerset 2(-5). Jay County — Patrick Hemmelgarn 5-100, Bryce Wenk 2-23, Cameron Smitley 1-10, Brady Davis 1-2, A.J. Myers 2-0.	

went out there and kept fighting. That makes me proud. We can work with that. ...

"These guys really want to turn this program around. They're dedicated to that. It's not easy on them.

"I'm proud of them. I love coaching them. We're going to get better.

"It's just, we need to get a win. ... That's where we're at."

90 SALE CALENDAR

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Sunday Afternoon
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