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# Cosby's Spectacular Downfall Actor could face

### final years in prison

(AP) — Bill Cosby was convicted Thursday of drugging and molesting a woman, a spectacular late-life downfall of a comedian who broke racial barriers in Hollywood on his way to TV superstardom as America's Dad.

Cosby, 80, could end up spending his final years in prison after the jury in Norristown, Pa. concluded he sexually violated Temple University employee Andrea Constand at his suburban Philadelphia home in 2004. He claimed the encounter was consensual.

Cosby listened to the verdict stoically, but moments later lashed out loudly at District Attorney Kevin Steele after the prosecutor asked that Cosby be immediately



#### **District Settles Harassment Suit**

The Portland School Board voted last week to settle a racial harassment case leveled by two black maintenance workers for \$1.4 million after attempts to overturn the award failed. The employees, Charles Morgan and Jason Williams, will each get \$400,000 as payment for an incident in which other workers called them the n-word and a hung a noose in their workplace.

#### **Police Cars Doused with Paint**

Early Tuesday morning, 22 Portland Police cars had paint dumped on them in a parking lot at the North Precinct on Northeast Emerson Street. Authorities hope soap and water will clean the cars, the majority of which were assigned to youth services division and not significantly damaged.

#### **Guilty of Child Pornography**

A former city employee who police say enticed girls who were underage to send him nude pictures pleaded guilty last week to child pornography charges. Thomas Zachary Rouse, 44, the former tennis program director for Portland Parks and Recreation, is expected to be sentenced to four years in prison.

#### **PSU Tuition Increase**

A tuition spike of nearly 4 percent for fulltime residential undergraduates of Portland



Bill Cosby arrives at the courthouse prior to being found guilty of sexual assault. (AP photo)

jailed because he might flee. The judge decided Cosby can remain free on bail while he awaits sentencing.

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State University was approved by the college's board of trustees last week. A larger increase of five percent had been scheduled for a vote by the board on April 12, but was postponed after students threatened to strike.

#### **Korean Leaders Meet for Peace**

North and South Korean leaders met Friday to pursue negotiations with the United States to officially end the



Korean War and remove all nuclear weapons from the Korean Peninsula. The historic summit marked the first time a leader of North Korea entered the South and is the first step in a peace treaty the two leaders vow to negotiate to replace a 60-year-old truce.

#### **Shot Investigating Break In**

A man confronting someone trying to break into a shed early Monday morning behind the El Burrio Loco restaurant on Northeast 82nd Avenue was shot by the suspect who then fled, according to police. The victim was taken to a Portland hospital in serious condition.

#### **Sentenced for Killing Bicyclist**

A 76-year-old man from Gresham who police said challenged other motorists to a race and then drove his speeding vehicle into a 21-year-old bicyclist, killing Robert Esparza, 21, was handed a two year prison term Monday. The driver, Alex Jacoby was travelling at 80 miles per hour just prior to the fatal crash, police said.

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