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Oregon players walk off the field after the NCAA college football playoff championship game Monday in Arlington, Texas.

After fast start, Ducks fizzle in title game

By ANTONIO SIERRA
East Oregonian

Things started so well for Duck fans.

Mac's Bar and Grill in Pendleton was abuzz Monday with both Ducks faithful and temporary converts, ready to watch the University of Oregon play Ohio State for the first College Football Playoff's national title.

Clad in an Oregon scarf, Stephanie Markle sat at a table next to her husband Mike, who sported the orange hat of Oregon State University, the Ducks' bitter in-state rival.

The couple said they live in a house divided, with three children pledging allegiance to the Ducks, three other children claiming Beaver fandom and one child considered a bipartisan "platypus."

Oregon scored first, taking the ball 75 yards with little resistance and the bar went wild.

As an alum, Pendleton Public Works Director Bob Patterson was in an Oregon State fan, though he put his support behind



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Jeni McGlothan of Pendleton, and Lisa and Dan Ward react to a dropped pass Monday in the first quarter of the Oregon Ducks' 42-20 loss to the Ohio State Buckeyes in the NCAA championship football game while watching at Mac's Bar and Grill in Pendleton. For more on the game, see **SPORTS/1B**

Oregon for the night. He said he could set his Civil War feelings aside if it meant more respect for the state.

Ohio State scored three times, building a 21-7 lead in the first half, but Ducks fans were con-

fident their team would come storming back.

Oregon graduate Erik Thomasser said the team's early play was indicative of the Ducks' inexperience in big games, although he fully expected for Oregon to

pull out the victory in the end.

But as the night wore on and the Buckeyes built their lead, the bar began to empty.

After Ohio State sealed the win, those that were left of the Mac's audience were given a chance to offer their own post-mortem headlines.

"A disappointing loss," Markle said.

"Oregon had its chances" Patterson said.

Although equally dissatisfied with Oregon's loss, Gwen Lewis's chagrin was mitigated slightly by winning tickets to a future Ducks game as a part of a raffle held earlier that evening. A huge fan of college football, Lewis was excited for the opportunity to attend only her second college football game. Still, her proposed headline summarized Oregon's defensive woes.

"They didn't get their Ducks in a row," she said.

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PENDLETON

Shooting hoax triggers mistaken warning

By PHIL WRIGHT
East Oregonian

A shooting Friday near Pendleton was bogus, but some Neighborhood Watch members received this message about the incident not long after a 9-1-1 call: "If seen do not approach them! Call them into dispatch only. These people are out to kill."

Greg Hodgen, head of the Neighborhood Watch program for the sheriff's office, said he sent an all-caps email to about 200 Neighborhood Watch members Friday soon after the sheriff's office received a report of a shooting at 4:35 p.m. in the area near Stage Gulch Road, west of the Eastern Oregon Regional Airport, Pendleton. He explained he was about to leave work for the day when he got word about the reported shooting, so he dashed off the message and sent it as quickly as he could, and there was a lot of adrenaline pumping as he worked.

"I wanted to put the fear of God in people," he said, but admitted the mes-

See **HOAX/2A**

Idaho police seek motive in shooting

Suspect John Lee jailed for death of three people

By NICHOLAS K. GERANIOS
Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — Police in Moscow, Idaho, asked for help from the public on Monday as they sought a motive in the shooting deaths of three people over the weekend.

Moscow Police Chief David Duke said suspect John Lee remained jailed in adjacent Whitman County, Washington, and has not yet been questioned by officers.

"Mr. Lee, if we are able to talk with him and he cooperates, maybe will give us the reasons," Duke said. "In the meantime, we are seeking community assistance from anybody who had contact with him."

"We'd like to know about his recent activities, anything to give us a clue as to why he would do this," Duke said.

Lee, 29, was expected to make a

See **SHOOTING/2A**

Kitzhaber draws on history for fourth inauguration

By PETER WONG
Capital Bureau

SALEM — John Kitzhaber sounded a philosophical note or two as he took office Monday as Oregon governor for the fourth time.

In remarks he prepared for a joint session of the Legislature, Kitzhaber invoked memories of his parents and Robert Kennedy in calling for expanding prosperity to thousands of Oregonians who have not shared in the state's economic recovery from the Great Recession.

His parents were part of the World War II generation, and his father was in the U.S. 3rd Army, led by Gen. George Patton, that helped conquer Nazi Germany in 1945. His political inspiration was Kennedy, a senator from New York who was assassinated during a bid for the presidency in 1968, when Kitzhaber was a college student.

Kitzhaber said the war united the nation in a common purpose, and Kennedy's campaign raised questions about

See **KITZHABER/2A**

More to come

For the outlook on the upcoming legislative session from Eastern Oregon's representatives, see **Wednesday's EO**.



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Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber, middle, is sworn in for an unprecedented fourth term by Senior Judge Paul J. De Muniz in Salem on Monday. Standing next to Kitzhaber is his fiancé, Cylvia Hayes.



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