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Cardinals allegedly hacked Astros

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Federal law enforcement authorities are investigating whether the St. Louis Cardinals illegally hacked into a computer database of the Houston Astros to obtain information on their former division rival's players.

The New York Times first reported that the FBI and Justice Department were investigating whether Cardinals front-office officials were behind the effort to steal information from the Astros' database, called Ground Control.

"Major League Baseball has been aware of and has fully cooperated with the federal investigation into the illegal breach of the Houston Astros' baseball operations database," MLB said in a statement. "Once the investigative process has been completed by federal law enforcement officials, we will evaluate the next steps and will make decisions promptly."

MLB, union put A-Rod grievance deadline on hold

NEW YORK (AP) — Major League Baseball and the players' association have stopped the clock on the deadline for Alex Rodriguez to file a grievance against

the New York Yankees for not making a \$6 million payment when he hit his 660th home run.

Rodriguez tied Willie Mays for fourth

place on the career home run list on May 1, and baseball's labor contract sets a 45-day deadline to file a grievance.

MLB and the union said Tuesday the deadline is on hold for as long as the two sides agree.

At the time Rodriguez and the Yankees signed their \$275 million, 10-year contract in December 2007, they signed a separate marketing agreement that called for \$6 million each for up to five milestone accomplishments.

New York has offered to pay an amount less than \$6 million in Rodriguez's name to charities mutually chosen by both sides, a person familiar with the situation said Tuesday.

"It doesn't really hit them until they miss a paycheck."

— Jerry Jones

Dallas Cowboys owner on WR Dez Bryant, who skipped the first day of mandatory team activities on Tuesday as he continues to seek a long-term contract from the team. Bryant has threatened to hold out into the regular season rather than play under the one-year franchise tag the team applied to him to keep him from becoming a free agent. Bryant would make \$12.8 million under the franchise tag, which is more than \$750,000 a game.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1962 — Jack Nicklaus beats Arnold Palmer by three strokes in a playoff to win the U.S. Open.

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HERMISTON

Macias excelling for Viks

Hermiston grad qualifies for junior championships

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

All college athletes face a learning curve when jumping from the high school ranks, but few handle it as well as Hermiston's Jose Macias.

The 2014 HHS grad has been a quick study in his first season with Portland State University, and qualified for the USATF Junior Outdoor Championships with his performance at the Portland Track Festival on Sunday.

Despite never running a race longer than 5,000 meters as a Bulldog, Macias met the qualifying standard in the 10k in just his third attempt at the distance.

He dropped 40 seconds from his previous time with a personal record of 31 minutes, 57.31 seconds.

He was the second collegiate runner to cross the finish line and 13th overall, and his time is

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Jose Macias, of Hermiston, was all smiles after hitting the USATF Junior Championships qualifying standard in the 10,000 meters on Sunday at the Portland Track Festival. Macias, who is a freshman at Portland State, was the second collegiate runner to finish and 13th overall with a time of 31 minutes, 57.31 seconds.

Contributed photo courtesy of Kimberly Macias

Women's World Cup

Wambach lifts US

By ANNE M. PETERSON
Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Abby Wambach scored late in the first half and the U.S. women's national team went

to beat Nigeria 1-0 on Tuesday night for a first-place finish in its group at the Women's World Cup.

It was Wambach's 14th World Cup goal,

pulling her even with Birgit Prinz for second on the all-time list behind Brazil's

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NBA Finals



Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry (30), right, and guard Andre Iguodala (9) celebrate after winning Game 6 of basketball's NBA Finals in Cleveland, Tuesday, June 16, 2015. The Warriors defeated the Cavaliers 105-97 to win the best-of-seven game series 4-2.

AP Photo/Paul Sancya



Ultimate Warriors

Golden State wins first NBA title in 40 years

By TOM WITHERS
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Revived by a fresh-faced shooting superstar and a first-year coach who made them believe, the Golden State Warriors

again reign supreme.

Their 40-year NBA championship drought is finally over.

A half century of misery in Cleveland drags on. LeBron James just didn't have enough help.

Stephen Curry and finals MVP Andre Iguodala scored 25 points apiece, Draymond Green recorded a triple-double and the Warriors — using a barrage of 3-pointers in the fourth quarter — won their first title since 1975 by finishing off James and the Cavaliers 105-97 on

Tuesday night in Game 6.

For the first time since Gerald Ford was in the White House, disco was in vogue and Rick Barry was flicking in free throws underhanded, the best pro basketball team resides in the Bay Area.

And these Warriors are a lot like Barry and his old crew: fluid, balanced, together. Just like coach Steve Kerr hoped.

After falling behind by two points early in the third quarter, the Warriors took control with Curry,

the league's MVP, and Iguodala, who made his first start of the season in Game 4, leading the way.

"World champs," Curry said, letting the title sink in. "This is truly special. This group is a special group. From the time we started the season this is what we envisioned and a lot of hard work goes into it, all the way down to the last minute of this game. This is what it's all about. ... We're going to remember this for a long time."

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College National Finals Rodeo

Crossley vaults into barrel racing lead



In this photo taken Sunday, June 14, 2015, Nightstalker throws Blue Mountain College saddle bronc rider Kody Rinehart during the College National Finals Rodeo at the Casper Events Center in Casper, Wyo.

First performance hit-and-miss for local rodeo contestants

East Oregonian

CASPER, Wyo. — The bright lights went on Tuesday night with the first performance of the College National Finals Rodeo, and Hermiston's Callahan Crossley shone.

The barrel racer turned in a time of 14.1 seconds that was fifth in the round, but vaulted her to the top of the leaderboard at the Casper Events Center.

Crossley has a three-round time of 42.28 seconds, and placed third in the second go with a 13.95.

With 37 riders still to go in the third round, Crossley will have to wait and see if it'll

be good enough to get her into the short-go, but riders that could potentially join her are her Blue Mountain Community college teammates Danyelle Williams and Jessica Lewis, who both have completed two runs.

Williams was second in Round 2 with a 13.90 and has 28.51 on two, while Lewis has 28.76 on two, putting them in the top 10 among riders still waiting for their third turn.

Williams is also competing in goat tying, and the BMCC women on third in the team standings behind Central Arizona and McNeese State.

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