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## Sports shorts

### Mariners back Karns to beat A's

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Robinson Cano had three hits and scored twice, Kyle Seager hit a tiebreaking double in the sixth inning and the Seattle Mariners beat the Oakland Athletics 4-3 on Monday night.



Nelson Cruz added three hits, and Chris Iannetta and Adam Lind drove in runs for the Mariners, who have won five straight at the Oakland Coliseum.

Nathan Karns (3-1) gave up three runs over six-plus innings. Seattle's right-hander lost to Oakland in his first start of the season on April 9 but struck out six and walked one this time to earn his third straight win.

Steve Cishek struck out pinch-hitter Jed Lowrie with two runners on for his seventh save.

Khris Davis homered twice and had three RBIs for the A's.

### Valeri's birthday goal extends streak for Timbers

PORTLAND (AP) — Timbers teammate Lucas Melano touched the ball before Diego Valeri's free kick against Toronto, telling him he would score.

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Valeri did, and it would be the winner. "He said you will score this goal, you will score in this moment," Valeri said afterward with a nod to his fellow Argentinian. "So thank you, Lucas."

Valeri's successful 74th minute effort gave the Portland Timbers a 2-1 victory over Toronto FC on Sunday.

The winning goal, which gave Portland a three-match undefeated streak and snapped Toronto's three-game run without a loss, came on Valeri's birthday.

"It's my first time with that, scoring a goal on my birthday," he said. "It is a gift, and obviously we got three points too."

"I would say there is a possibility a rematch happens, yes. How big a possibility that is, I can't really measure."

### — Bob Arum

Boxing promoter speaking about a possible rematch between Floyd Mayweather Jr. and Manny Pacquiao.

Mayweather defeated Pacquiao in a fight last year that was the richest ever, grossing more than \$600 million. Both fighters are technically retired, but it is believed Mayweather would welcome a chance at another big purse and the possibility of breaking the career wins record he shares with Rocky Marciano at 49-0.

## THIS DATE IN SPORTS

**1902** — Alan-a-Dale, ridden by Jimmy Winkfield, wins the Kentucky Derby by a nose over Inventor giving Winkfield his second straight Derby victory. Winkfield is the last African American rider to win the Kentucky Derby.

**2012** — LeBron James scores 32 points and Miami takes a 3-0 series lead, sending New York to an NBA postseason-record 13th straight loss, 87-70. The Knicks break the record set by Memphis from 2004-06.

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## HERMISTON

# Timberwolves tie down titles

## BMCC rodeo caps dominant season in Northwest

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The Blue Mountain Community College rodeo teams slathered a thick layer of icing on their sweet Northwest Region seasons with dominant showings at their home rodeos on Friday and Saturday at Farm-City Arena in Hermiston.

The Timberwolves put the finishing touches on 11 total Northwest season titles at the final events before the College National Finals Rodeo, and qualified 12 contestants for the season-ending rodeo in Casper, Wyoming.

Led by the all-around title of timed-event master Jared Parke, the BMCC men won both rodeos in Hermiston by more than 600 points to push their season total to 10,204, nearly double that of region runner-up Walla Walla. With eight of the 11 regions in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association finished competing, BMCC also leads the nationwide standings by more than 4,000 points.

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Jared Parke, of Blue Mountain Community College, won all-around cowboy honors Saturday at the Northwest Regional Rodeo at the Umatilla County Fairgrounds. Parke punched his ticket to the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyoming, in June in three events.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney

## NBA Playoffs

# Warriors set tone with defense

## Game 2 of series tonight in Oakland

By JANIE MCCAULEY  
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Andrew Bogut has taken to publicly calling himself unflattering names.

Such was his mood Monday when someone inquired about the Golden State center often appearing mean and nasty. He used another word to basically refer to himself as a jerk — "100 percent," he said.

As long as Bogut and the defending champion Warriors keep playing the kind of defense that has helped them set the tone so far in these playoffs without MVP Stephen Curry, he won't even mind if anybody else uses those words to describe him either.

Bogut's two early blocks got Golden State going during Sunday's 118-106 win against the Portland Trail Blazers in Game 1 of the Western Conference semifinals. The teams resume their best-of-seven series tonight in Oakland.

The Warriors again will try to establish an energy and presence on the defensive end from the start. They know their offense will come given this team's depth and many playmakers.

"It's very important we don't give up just layups early in the game," Bogut said. "We're trying to protect the paint and make sure they get nothing easy early."



Golden State Warriors' Andrew Bogut (12) blocks a shot from Portland Trail Blazers' Mason Plumlee (24) during the second half in Game 1 of a second-round NBA basketball playoff series Sunday, May 1, 2016, in Oakland, Calif. Golden State won 118-106.

AP Photo/Marcio Jose Sanchez

Bogut wound up with 10 points, 12 rebounds and three blocks, and the Warriors have proven they are still a dominant team without Curry, who could return from a sprained right knee as soon as Saturday's Game 3 in Portland.

The Australian 7-footer takes pride in his unfriendly nature on the court, and he rarely is seen shaking hands with the opponent before the opening tip. That topic led to Coach of the Year Steve Kerr reflecting on a rare road start against the Celtics back when he was a player.

"I think in 15 years I only started like 17 games," Kerr said Monday.

"I started a game in Boston Garden my second year in the league, somebody got hurt, I was with Cleveland. I went out and Larry Bird gave me a fist bump and said, 'Good luck, Steve,' and I almost fainted. It was awesome. Larry Bird knew my name."

Any lack of pregame pleasantries aside, the Blazers fully understand they can't afford another slow start after falling behind 37-17 after the first period, which Kerr called "a beautiful quarter." Guards Damian Lillard and CJ McCollum combined to shoot 13 for 43.

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## WNBA

# Schimmel traded to New York

## Atlanta takes issue with guard's fitness

By DOUG FEINBERG  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Liberty acquired All-Star point guard Shoni Schimmel from the Atlanta Dream for a 2017 second-round draft pick, the team announced Monday.

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In this July 19, 2014 file photo, the East's Shoni Schimmel holds the MVP trophy after the WNBA All-Star basketball game in Phoenix.

AP Photo/Matt York

## Prep Roundup

# Stanfield shuts out Pilot Rock

## Irrigon extends winning streak

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PILOT ROCK — The Stanfield Tigers earned win No. 20 on the season and also handed Pilot Rock its sixth loss in the last seven games with an 11-0 shutout in non-league play on Saturday afternoon.

Pilot Rock (12-7) got the benefit of a great start on the mound from Levi Thieme, who allowed just four hits and two runs over four innings. But after 70 pitches, Thieme was lifted, which is where the

gas ran out for the Rockets.

Stanfield (20-2) tagged Pilot Rock pitchers Bryson Pierce and Chris Weinke for six hits and nine runs and drew five walks over the final two innings to grab the double-digit win.

The top three spots in the Tigers' lineup did the bulk of the damage as Thyler Monkus, Tony Flores and Dylan Grogan combined to go 6 for 9 with six runs scored and four RBI. Flores also started on the mound for Stanfield and allowed two hits and four walks with four strikeouts over five innings.

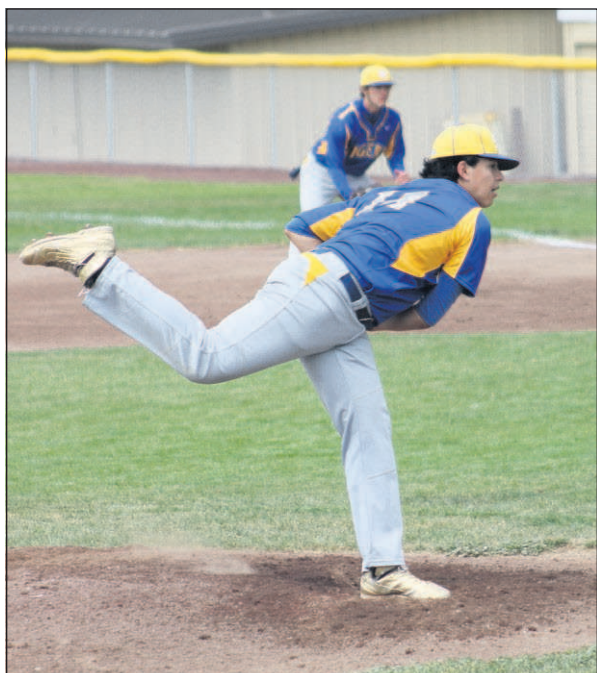
Flores, Bailey (6). Thieme, Pierce (5). Weinke (6). W — Flores, L — Thieme. 2B — Monkus, Wampler, Fitzpatrick, Grogan (SHS). Pierce (PRH).

## IRRIGON 16-7, HEPPNER 10-6

— At Irrigon, the Knights were able to extend their winning streak to a season-best seven games as they held off the Heppner Mustangs in a doubleheader on Saturday.

In game one, Irrigon (13-4, 8-1 SD6) the Knights were pushed to victory by leadoff hitter Fredy Vera, who finished 3-3 with a pair of home runs, three runs scored and six RBI. Vera's first home run was a two-run shot in the third inning and

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Stanfield's Tony Flores pitches against Pilot Rock during an 11-0 win on Saturday in Pilot Rock.

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