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Oregon State's Logan Ice drafted by Cleveland

After three years in Corvallis, Logan Ice is moving on. Ice, a junior catcher for the Beavers baseball team, was drafted No. 74 overall by the Cleveland Indians Thursday night in the Lottery Round B in the MLB First-Year Player Draft.



He was one of the top power hitters for the Beavers in 2016, finishing second on the team with 7 home runs, while also hitting for a .310 average with 39 RBIs and 13 doubles in 54 games. Ice was also named Pac-12 first team all-league and Defensive Player of the Year after allowing just one passed ball all year, as well as throwing out 44 percent of base runners.

He was the first Beaver to win the award since Chris Kunda in 2006.

Nadal withdraws from Wimbledon with wrist injury

LONDON (AP)—Rafael Nadal pulled out of Wimbledon on Thursday, citing the left wrist injury that forced him out of the French Open.

The two-time Wimbledon champion said on his Facebook page that he made the decision after consulting with his doctor and receiving his latest medical results.

Nadal had already pulled out of next week's Wimbledon grass-court warm-up at Queen's Club. Wimbledon, the third Grand Slam tournament of the year, starts on June 27.

Nadal's spokesman, Benito Perez-Barbadillo, said the player's wrist will be in a cast for another two weeks. After that, Nadal will begin anti-inflammatory treatments and physiotherapy.

"Just, again, foul trouble and kind of dealing with that, but also not being as aggressive as I needed to be. I don't know what the reason was for that, and it won't be that in Game 4."

— **Stephen Curry**
Golden State Warriors guard and NBA MVP after being held to two points in the first half of Cleveland's 120-90 win in Game 3 of the Finals on Wednesday. The Warriors lead the series 2-1, but Curry is averaging just 16 points a game after averaging 30 a game in the regular season. Game 4 is tonight at 6 p.m. in Cleveland.

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

1989 — Wayne Gretzky of the Los Angeles Kings is named the NHL's MVP, winning the Hart Trophy for a record ninth time.

2010 — Southern California is placed on four years probation, receives a two-year bowl ban and a sharp loss of football scholarships. The NCAA found that Reggie Bush was ineligible beginning at least by December 2004. USC loses 30 scholarships over a three-year period, 10 annually from 2011-13.

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PENDLETON

BMCC rodeo receives several honors

Blue Mountain Rodeo coach Larry Patterson presents Danyelle Williams with the Riley Freeman Memorial Award, which is awarded to the sophomore rodeo athlete that best showed hard work in rodeo and in the classroom.

Contributed photo from Casey White-Zollman



Williams named Riley Freeman Athlete of the Year

East Oregonian

The Blue Mountain Community College Rodeo team captured the NIRA Northwest championship back in April, and recently several members of the team were honored by the school. Sophomore Danyelle Williams was awarded the Riley Freeman Memorial Athlete of the

Year, which has been handed out every year since 2009 in memory of former coach Riley Freeman to a sophomore rodeo athlete that best demonstrated excellence in the sport of rodeo and in the classroom. Williams completed the year with a 3.29 GPA while studying elementary education and also competed on the barrel racing, goat tying, team roping and breakaway roping teams in rodeo.

"This is an honor," Williams said of receiving the Riley Freeman Award. "It can defi-

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NCAA Track & Field

Oregon men lead in points



AP Photo/Ryan Kang

Oregon's Edward Cheserek looks out to the crowd after finishing first in the men's 10,000 meters at the NCAA outdoor track and field championships in Eugene, Ore., Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

Cheserek wins 10,000-meter title at the NCAA championships

Associated Press

EUGENE — Edward Cheserek found another gear and added to his large championship collection.

The Oregon junior's signature kick on the final lap of the men's 10,000 meters Wednesday night helped him to his 14th NCAA title.

Cheserek picked up the pace with about 250 meters to go to pull away from five other runners and win the 6.2-mile race in 29 minutes, 9.57 seconds.

Northern Arizona's Futsum Zienasellasse was second in 29:10.68.

It was Cheserek's third straight national title at that distance. He'll

go for two in a row in the 5,000 on Friday.

Cheserek's win got 10 team points for Oregon, the two-time defending national champion.

Oregon leads the men's standings after seven of 21 events with 19 points. Texas A&M was second at 18 and Arkansas third at 16.

The Oregon women's team championship chances took a hit Thursday when sophomore Hannah Cunliffe pulled up with an apparent leg injury in her 100 semifinal. The Pac-12 100 champion, Cunliffe was a big part of the Ducks' scoring possibilities.

Earlier in the day, Oregon was able to qualify for the 4x100 relay final without Cunliffe.

Alexis Weeks and Dominique Scott helped the Arkansas women make a big statement Thursday as the Razorbacks chase an NCAA outdoor track and field team title at Hayward Field.

Weeks won the pole vault at 14 feet, 9 inches after also taking the NCAA indoor title. The freshman cleared more heights than any other competitor. Louisiana-Lafayette's Morgann Leleux, the 2012 runner-up, and Miami's Alysha Newman tied for second at 14-1/4.

Scott, a senior, won the 10,000 meters in 32 minutes, 35.69 seconds. The runner-up in 2015, Scott pulled away from the field with about three

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Pro Baseball

Naquin slugs Indians past M's

By **CURTIS CRABTREE**
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Tyler Naquin golfed a two-run home run off reliever Joaquin Benoit in the eighth inning to lift the Cleveland Indians to a 5-3 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Thursday night.

Naquin managed to coax just enough carry out of a changeup low and out of the strike zone from Benoit to carry the wall in right field and give the Indians a 4-2 lead.

Dan Otero (1-0) picked up the victory in relief of starter Josh Tomlin. Cody Allen worked out of two jams to earn his 13th save of the season.

Benoit (1-1) walked Rajai Davis with one out in the eighth inning before Naquin's blast gave Cleveland the lead. A throwing error by Benoit allowed Chris Gimenez to reach base and ultimately score on a single by Jason Kipnis to increase the lead to 5-2.

Robinson Cano's second solo homer of the game — this one off Bryan Shaw — closed the gap to 5-3 in the bottom half of the inning. Kyle Seager singled and Lind

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OUR VIEW

Luck more important than planning in outdoors

Mt. Hood makes ideal early-summer destination

By **MATT ENTRUP**
East Oregonian

For seven straight seasons in the 1930s, southpaw pitcher Vernon "Lefty" Gomez made the MLB All-Star roster as a member of the New York Yankees.

That fact, his 189 major league wins, five World Series titles and 1972 Hall of Fame induction — along with being a totally useless information outside of a game of Sports Jeopardy! (bandwagon edition) — aren't what made the banally-baptized ballplayer so relevant to my recent wanderings in the Mount Hood Wilderness. Hard to believe, I know.

Where his uninspired nickname originated is a question best left unasked, but it's the loquacious Lefty's most lasting contribution to the collective consciousness that comes to mind while sitting beneath cloudy eastern Oregon skies and reminiscing of sparkling mountain lakes.



Ripples distort the reflection of Mt. Hood in Mirror Lake as the photographer's dog cools off with a dip in the easily accessible lake that is a tourist favorite located on the south side of Mt. Hood west of Government Camp.

Staff photo by Matt Entrup

"I'd rather be lucky than good."

Gomez is credited with popularizing this common phrase, and I certainly felt lucky to be celebrating the end of the high school sports season with amazing weather for what has become an annual detour into the mountains on the way back from the softball state championships in Corvallis. It's a trip completely facilitated

by convenience and at the mercy of the elements.

With the alpine lakes of the Wallowa Mountains still thawing from the winter freeze, early summer is the perfect time to head into the Mount Hood Wilderness, where swimmable lakes and gorgeous panoramas await anybody willing to put up with the crowds that funnel out of nearby Portland

into the area each weekend.

Thankfully, due to an inflexible schedule that really couldn't have been more well-timed, I arrived on the west side of the mountain on a Sunday afternoon, just as the competition for the best campsites was starting to disperse.

Also, thanks to a heatwave in the valley, the weather couldn't

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