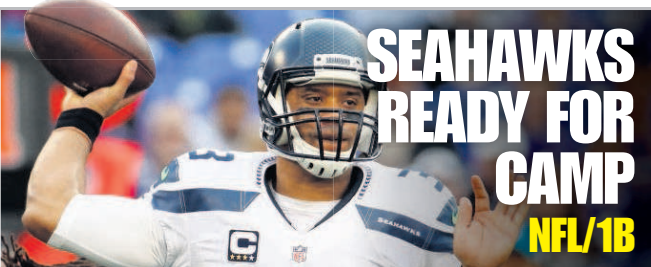




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Warning shot fired at EOCI to stop inmate brawl

By East Oregonian

Correctional officers at EOCI fired a warning shot Thursday after dozens of inmates brawled in the west recreation yard.

No injuries to inmates or guards were reported by press time.

According to a press release from the Oregon Department of Corrections, a number of inmates engaged in a “series of fights” about 2:30 p.m. in a yard at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution in Pendleton.

Staff first deployed pepper spray on the inmates, but the fighting continued. Later “a warning shot was fired into a designated safe area,” said the DOC. After the shot was fired, the inmates stopped fighting, according to the release.

A total of 47 inmates were placed in special housing for their involvement in the altercations.

The institution remains on full lockdown, and visiting is canceled until further notice.

The fights and gunshot is under investigation, according to the DOC. The cause of the brawl is unknown at this time.

Inmates will be interviewed in order to determine how many were involved in the fight, EOCI spokesperson Jackie Peck said.

Wheeler Co. judge faces recall

Perry accused of relationship with young subordinate

By GEORGE PLAVEN
East Oregonian

Wheeler County Judge Patrick C. Perry is the latest elected official in Eastern Oregon to face a recall.

A petition to recall Perry received 169 valid signatures, which were more than enough

to place it on the ballot in rural Wheeler County — population 1,381. Perry has indicated he will not resign, and a special recall election will be held Monday, Aug. 15.

Seven county officials already called on Perry to resign in April: Treasurer Sandra Speer; Clerk Barbara

Sitton; Assessor Donald Cossitt; Justice of the Peace Robin Ordway; Commissioners Lynn Morley and Robert Ordway; and Sheriff Chris Humphreys. They cited “serious allegations” that have tainted Perry’s leadership, but did not go into details.

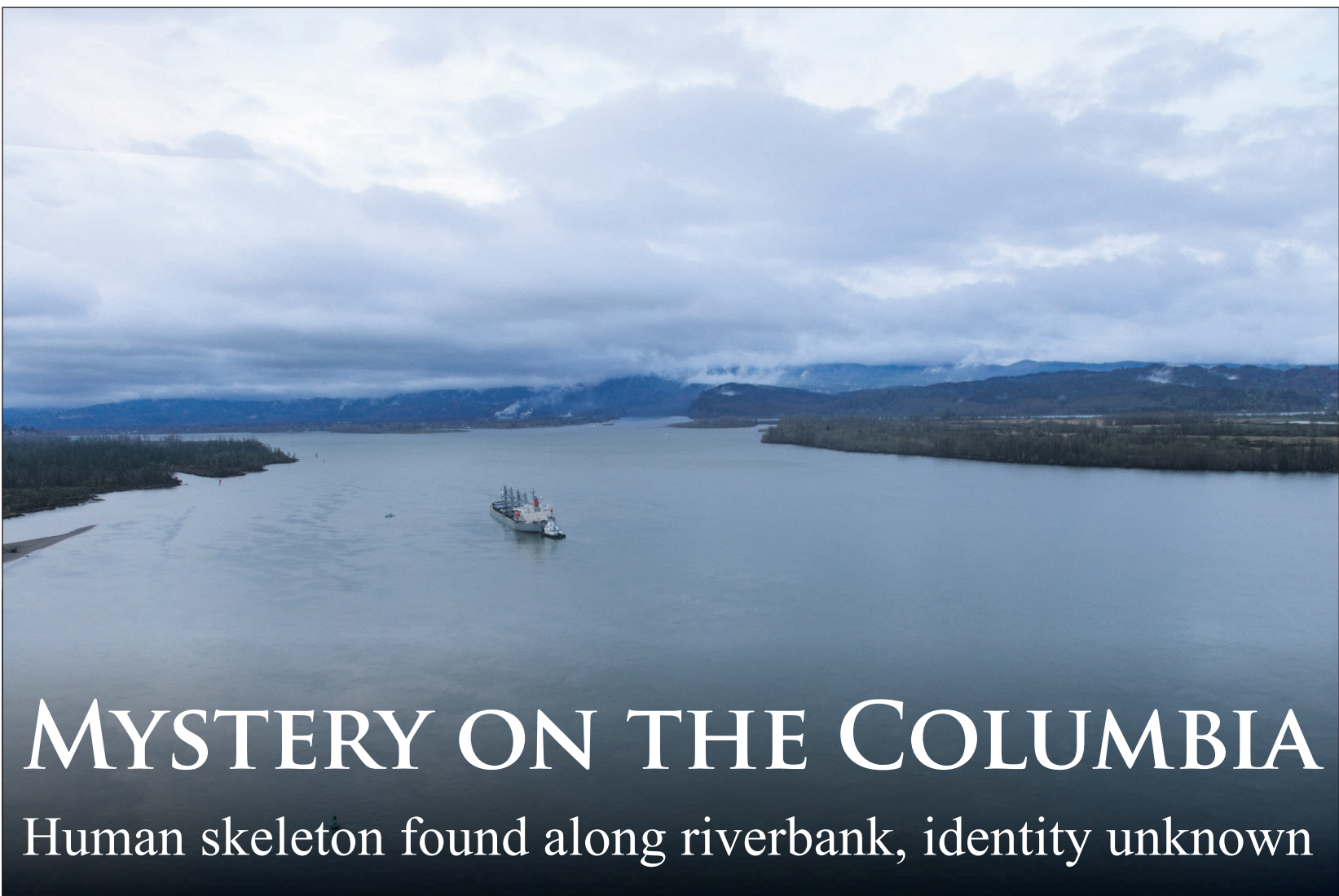
The Wheeler County

Sheriff’s Office and District Attorney’s Office forwarded allegations to the Oregon Department of Justice on April 29. A spokeswoman for the DOJ confirmed there is an investigation into Perry, but could not provide additional

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Perry



U.S. Coast Guard photo by Petty Officer 1st Class Levi Read

This March 21 file photo shows the Columbia River near Cathlamet, Wash.

4,000 new unidentified remains are found every year in the U.S.

By NATALIE ST. JOHN
EO Media Group

CATHLAMET, WASH. — Wearing Levi’s, a red button-down shirt, gaiters and hiking boots, the skeleton recently found on the bank of the Columbia River looked like it was dressed for a hike.

By the time a boater discovered him in late May a remote area near Pillar Rock, about 27 river miles upstream from the Pacific, the unidentified man’s only possessions were a 1999 penny and a lens cloth in his jeans pocket. But he still had his teeth, complete with good-quality, modern dental work.

To Wahkiakum County Coroner

Dan Bigelow, it seemed like a decent starting point for an investigation. But two months later, he is still trying to find the man’s name. While his list of possible identities for the middle-aged man keeps growing, his list of promising leads has dwindled to practically nothing.

“Just about anybody who disappeared anywhere in the Columbia River basin could credibly be this person,” Bigelow said in early July.

Despite these setbacks, Bigelow is still trying to find out who the man was, and how he ended up in Wahkiakum County. He recently delivered the remains to the state’s only certified forensic anthropologist, and he is taking a closer look at

missing persons cases from across the Northwest and beyond.

“It’s a hell of a shame,” Bigelow said. “I can’t help thinking there is somebody out there looking for this guy.”

Bones on river banks

The source of so much life, the Columbia’s deep waters and swift currents are also implicated in a lot of deaths. According to an ongoing *Oregonian* analysis, at least 36 people have drowned in the Columbia since August 2006.

The river also inevitably tempts individuals faced with the pressing dilemma of where to dispose of a body. In September 2006, a couple

found a large bag floating in the river near Portland. It contained the dismembered remains of Doug Adamson, 52. In August 2012, Grant County, Wash., deputies recovered 75-year-old Toshio Ota, a missing Seattle man. He was the victim of a homicide by blunt-force trauma. In January 2015, boaters discovered the body of Jessica Newton, 40, on Bachelor Island near Ridgefield. She too had died a violent death.

Bigelow knows all about the misfortune that can wash in with the tide. In 1998 — well before he was elected — a local found a dead woman on a small island in the river. To his regret, no one has ever been able to identify her.

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Trump says America in crisis — and he’ll fix it ‘fast’



AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite
Republican Presidential Candidate Donald J. Trump, speaks during the final day of the Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Thursday.

By JULIE PACE
and ROBERT FURLOW
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Declaring America in crisis, Donald Trump pledged to cheering Republicans and still-skeptical voters Thursday night that as president he will restore the safety they fear they’re losing, strictly curb immigration and save the nation from Hillary Clinton’s record of “death, destruction, terrorism and weakness.”

Confidently addressing the finale of his party’s less-than-smooth national convention, the billionaire businessman declared the nation’s problems too staggering to be fixed within the confines of traditional politics.

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Ivanka Trump raises issues father rarely mentions **PAGE 9A**

“I have joined the political arena so that the powerful can no longer beat up on people that cannot defend themselves,” Trump said.

The 70-year-old celebrity businessman’s acceptance of the Republican nomination caps his improbable takeover of the GOP, a party that plunges into the general election united in opposition to Clinton but still divided over Trump. Underscoring his unorthodox candidacy, Trump doubled down on the

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