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World Series

Chicago's curse is broken

Cubs win World Series for first time since 1908

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Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The wait 'til next year is finally over. The Chicago Cubs are World Series champions. Ending more than a century of flops, futility and frustration, the

Cubs won their first title since 1908, outlasting the Cleveland Indians 8-7 in 10 innings of a Game 7 thriller early Thursday.

Lovable losers for generations, the Cubs nearly let this one get away, too. All-Star closer Aroldis Chapman blew a three-run lead with two outs in the eighth when Rajai Davis hit a tying homer.

But the Cubs, after tormenting their fans one more time, came right back after a 17-minute rain delay before the top of the 10th.

Ben Zobrist hit an RBI double and Miguel Montero singled home a



run to make it 8-6. Davis delivered an RBI single with two outs in the bottom half, but Mike Montgomery closed it out, and the celebration was on.

Blue-clad Cubs fans filled nearly the entire lower deck behind the

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Chicago Cubs celebrate after Game 7 of the Major League Baseball World Series against the Cleveland Indians Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016, in Cleveland. The Cubs won 8-7 in 10 innings to win the series 4-3.

HERMISTON

Bulldogs advance to quarterfinals



Hermiston's Miguel Hoyos heads the ball for a goal in the Bulldogs' 5-1 win against Ashland on Wednesday in Hermiston.

Hermiston nets five in second half to coast past Ashland

By ERIC SINGER
East Oregonian

For the second straight year, the Hermiston Bulldogs are into the quarterfinals of the 5A state playoffs.

Hermiston overcame a 1-0 first half deficit and exploded for five goals in the final 30 minutes of play to send home the Ashland Grizzlies 5-1 in a first round playoff game on Wednesday at Kennison Stadium.



"It was great feeling," Hermiston senior Gio Madrigal said of the victory. "We felt good and it gives us high hopes for next game too, it let's us know we're never out of it."

Wednesday's game played out similarly to Saturday's play-in game against Sandy did — a slow start with a big finish.

Hermiston (12-3-1) controlled the ball for much of the half and developed several scoring chances near the net, but came up empty each time. The lone blemish for the Bulldogs came early in the first half when Ashland had some luck fall its way to net a goal, as Hermiston goalkeeper Antonio Campos attempted to catch a centering pass but instead the ball

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Alejandro Llamas (10) and Bryan Altamirano (4), of Riverside, and Jayce Roth (2) and Luke Williams (6), of Western Menonite, focus on the ball Wednesday in Boardman.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney



BOARDMAN

Persistent Pirates purge Pioneers

Riverside reaches quarterfinal round for 10th straight season

By MATT ENTRUP
East Oregonian

Riverside's relentless assault on the opposing net and senior goalkeeper Adolfo Bedolla's seventh-straight shutout were more than enough to extend the Pirates' run of 3A/2A/1A boys soccer state quarterfinals appearances with a 5-0 win over Western Menonite on Wednesday.

No. 4 Riverside (11-3-1) averaged a shot every two minutes and 51 seconds, and controlled



the middle of the field while only allowing No. 13 Western Menonite/Perrydale (10-7-1) four shots the entire game as Bedolla needed just three saves to pick up his 10th shutout of the season.

Five different Pirates found the net, and sophomore Alexis Cambero put them on top in the fourth minute when he used his thigh to redirect a rebound coming off the crossbar.

"I just saw the open space and went for the rebound, it hit

the crossbar and I was just there," Cambero said. "I gave it a little tap."

The Pirates continued to come at Pioneers goalkeeper Sean Webster in the first half, but the junior made numerous athletic saves to keep the score at 1-0 headed into intermission.

In one particularly impressive stretch he turned away shots from close range in the 36th, 37th and 39th minutes.

"(Webster) was really good, in the first half we had many shots and he was just good," senior Alejandro Llamas said. "Our key is pressure. That's why we have the ability to keep going hard, hard, hard. We had many shots but we needed to finish."

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Sports shorts

Turner resigns as Vikings OC

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) Vikings offensive coordinator Norv Turner abruptly resigned Wednesday, two days after Minnesota lost its second consecutive game.

The Vikings have scored only 10 points in each of those losses after a 5-0 start to the season. Turner was replaced on an interim basis by Pat Shurmur.

Turner said in several interviews Wednesday that the decision stemmed from differing views with Zimmer about the direction of the offense.

"It just got to the point where I didn't think it was going to work with me, so I removed myself," Turner told the Minneapolis Star Tribune.

Turner has been a head coach in the NFL for 15 years. This was his 10th season as an offensive coordinator in the league.



Turner

"I don't know [anything] about Von Miller money. Nothing. Never heard of that. Never came out of my mouth ... I'm not Von Miller, just so you know. Let's be smart now. Let's use some common sense."

— Jamie Collins

The new Cleveland Browns spoke for the first time about his trade from New England on Tuesday. Collins, who is a free agent after the season, was reportedly traded because of his demands for a contract extension in the range of Von Miller's deal with Denver.

Mariners outright three players to Triple-A Tacoma

SEATTLE (AP) The Seattle Mariners on Wednesday outrighted catcher Steve Clevenger and pitchers Charlie Furbush and Ryan Cook to Triple-A Tacoma, and claimed right-handed pitcher Ryan Weber off waivers from Atlanta.

All three players sent to Tacoma have been on the 60-day disabled list and each has the right to choose free agency because of major league service time. Clevenger was suspended by the team in September for a series of tweets regarding a police shooting in Charlotte, North Carolina, and the Black Lives Matter movement. He was removed from the suspended list and placed on the 60-day DList on Oct. 31.

Furbush is expected to be out until the 2018 season due to shoulder issues.

Weber appeared in 16 games with Atlanta this season and was 1-1 with a 5.45 ERA.



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1996 — Jerry Rice becomes the first player with 1,000 career NFL receptions in San Francisco's 24-17 victory over New Orleans.

2007 — Navy snaps an NCAA-record 43-game losing streak to Notre Dame with a 46-44 victory in triple overtime. It's the first time Navy beat Notre Dame since 1963.

2012 — Kenjon Barner rushes for a school-record 321 yards and five touchdowns and No. 2 Oregon produces another landmark offensive performance in a 62-51 victory over No. 18 Southern California.

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