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TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Windy and cooler with some sun	Mostly cloudy with showers	Mostly cloudy, a shower or two	Partly sunny	Sunny

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
58°	40°	57°	53°	61°
40°	57°	53°	46°	63°
63°	41°	63°	41°	63°

HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
62°	42°	60°	57°	69°
42°	60°	57°	47°	66°
66°	40°	64°	40°	64°

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PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
65°	45°
Yesterday	62°
Normals	39°
Records	82° (1940) 15° (1911)

PRECIPITATION	
24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.26"
Normal month to date	0.62"
Year to date	12.55"
Last year to date	9.24"
Normal year to date	9.56"

HERMISTON

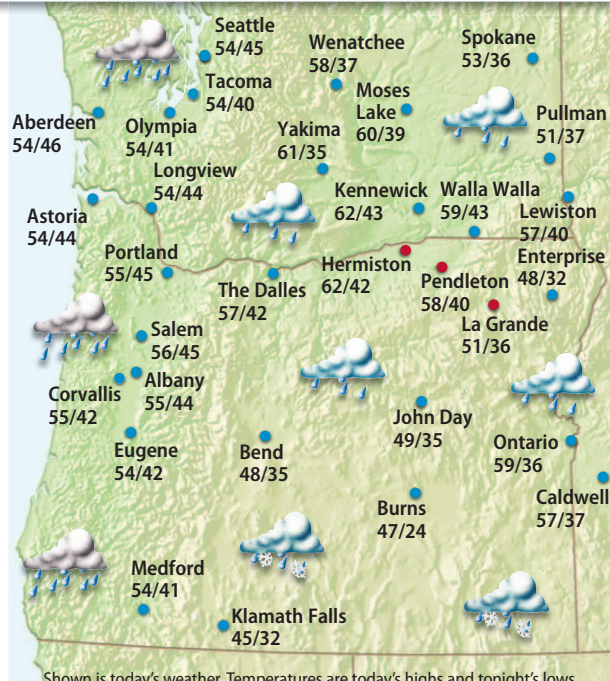
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TEMPERATURE	
HIGH	LOW
65°	43°
Yesterday	64°
Normals	38°
Records	77° (1973) 15° (1949)

PRECIPITATION	
24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.18"
Normal month to date	0.35"
Year to date	7.19"
Last year to date	6.34"
Normal year to date	6.91"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	7:18 a.m.
Sunset tonight	6:01 p.m.
Moonrise today	8:01 a.m.
Moonset today	6:57 p.m.



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Mostly cloudy, rain this morning, then a shower or two. Breezy tonight with rain.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Cooler today with a shower in spots; windy across the north and near the Cascades.

Western Washington: Some rain and a thunderstorm today. A shower tonight, though steadier rain southwest late.

Eastern Washington: Mostly cloudy today; a bit of snow in the mountains.

Cascades: Snow and rain today with snow level mostly 4,000 feet or higher; a few inches above 5,000 feet.

Northern California: A couple of showers today, but a couple of snow showers across the mountains.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	54	44	r	61	51	r
Baker City	52	27	sh	43	37	sn
Bend	48	35	c	57	49	sh
Brookings	54	48	r	56	52	r
Burns	47	24	sn	48	33	r
Enterprise	48	32	r	46	42	r
Eugene	54	42	r	59	52	r
Heppner	56	40	pc	56	51	r
Hermiston	62	42	pc	60	57	sh
John Day	49	35	r	51	49	r
Klamath Falls	45	32	sn	50	33	r
La Grande	51	36	sh	47	44	r
Meacham	48	33	sh	44	41	r
Medford	54	41	r	60	47	r
Newport	54	46	r	58	52	r
North Bend	56	48	r	61	55	r
Ontario	59	36	r	47	42	r
Pasco	61	41	pc	56	53	sh
Pendleton	58	40	pc	57	53	sh
Portland	55	45	r	60	54	r
Redmond	51	33	c	59	49	sh
Salem	56	45	r	62	55	r
Spokane	53	36	c	45	43	r
Ukiah	47	32	r	48	45	r
Vancouver	54	45	r	59	56	r
Walla Walla	59	43	pc	55	53	sh
Yakima	61	35	pc	54	49	sh

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	68	50	s	64	47	c
Hong Kong	84	70	s	83	68	pc
Jerusalem	78	59	s	75	57	s
London	58	54	pc	59	48	pc
Mexico City	76	52	pc	78	52	pc
Moscow	43	32	c	38	26	r
Paris	62	53	pc	63	48	sh
Rome	73	51	pc	74	57	s
Seoul	71	49	s	72	48	s
Sydney	68	58	r	66	57	pc
Tokyo	63	61	r	67	63	r

WINDS

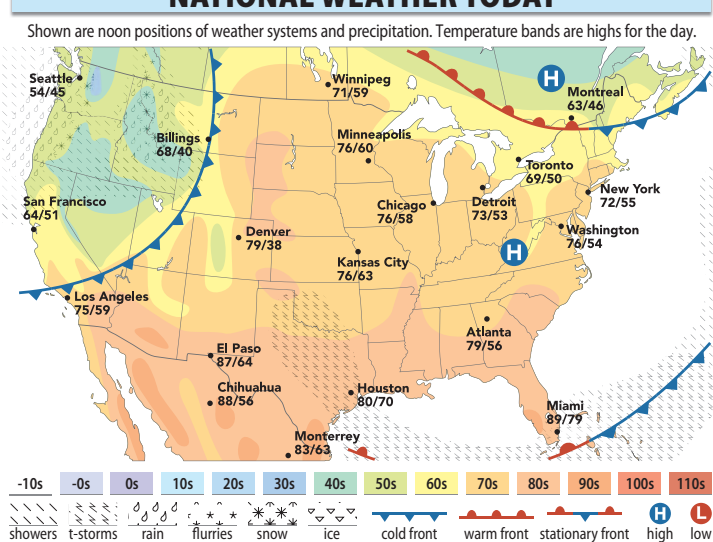
(in mph)	Today	Saturday
Boardman	WSW 10-20	S 7-14
Pendleton	WSW 12-25	S 8-16

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



National Summary: Rain, mountain snow and much colder air will spread over the Northwest and into Northern California today. Showers and storms are forecast in South Florida, Texas and Oklahoma. Most other areas will be dry.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 99° in El Centro, Calif. **Low** 11° in Bodie State Park, Calif.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sat.				Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	76	49	s	65	40	s	Louisville	77	54	s	78	60	pc
Atlanta	79	56	pc	78	60	pc	Memphis	80	61	pc	80	67	pc
Atlantic City	74	52	s	73	56	s	Miami	89	79	pc	87	79	t
Baltimore	75	47	s	76	49	s	Milwaukee	75	58	s	74	61	pc
Billings	68	40	pc	56	43	s	Minneapolis	76	60	s	69	45	t
Birmingham	79	58	pc	80	65	pc	Nashville	78	52	s	80	61	pc
Boise	54	35	r	49	44	r	New Orleans	83	73	pc	84	73	c
Boston	69	52	s	73	55	s	New York City	72	55	s	76	58	s
Charleston, SC	81	56	s	82	63	pc	Oklahoma City	77	66	s	78	47	t
Charleston, WV	76	48	s	81	51	pc	Omaha	78	64	s	69	41	t
Chicago	76	58	s	77	62	pc	Philadelphia	74	53	s	77	56	s
Cleveland	74	52	s	77	58	pc	Phoenix	88	61	s	86	61	s
Dallas	80	69	pc	88	60	pc	Portland, ME	66	42	s	69	46	s
Denver	79	38	s	57	36	pc	Providence	71	49	s	77	50	s
Detroit	73	53	s	74	57	pc	Raleigh	78	51	s	78	53	pc
El Paso	87	64	s	81	51	s	Rapid City	83	42	s	59	34	pc
Fairbanks	21	7	c	22	10	pc	Reno	52	33	c	64	38	pc
Fargo	77	57	s	64	38	pc	Sacramento	68	44	c	71	45	pc
Honolulu	87	74	pc	87	74	pc	St. Louis	79	60	s	79	62	pc
Houston	80	70	t	88	70	pc	Salt Lake City	63	38	c	57	43	pc
Indianapolis	76	54	s	75	60	pc	San Diego	73	61	sh	77	61	pc
Jacksonville	83	67	pc	85	68	pc	San Francisco	64	51	pc	67	53	s
Kansas City	76	63	s	72	47	r	Seattle	54	45	r	55	51	r
Las Vegas	79	54	c	74	55	s	Tucson	90	59	s	83	56	s
Little Rock	78	61	pc	81	63	pc	Washington, DC	76	54	s	76	56	s
Los Angeles	75	59	pc	82	62	s	Wichita	77	64	s	74	44	t

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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This Sept. 4 file photo provided by KATU-TV shows a wildfire seen from Stevenson, Wash., across the Columbia River, burning in the Columbia River Gorge above Cascade Locks. Charges have been brought against a 15-year-old boy who allegedly used fireworks to start the blaze.

Charges brought against teen in Gorge fire

By ANDREW SELSKY
 Associated Press

SALEM — A 15-year-old boy who allegedly started a wildfire by tossing fireworks along a hiking trail in Oregon's scenic Columbia River Gorge, with the blaze causing evacuations, the closing of an interstate highway and causing ash to rain down on Portland, has been charged with several offenses, authorities said Thursday.

He's charged with reckless burning, depositing burning materials on forest lands, criminal mischief and recklessly endangering other persons, Hood River County District Attorney John Sewell said in a statement. The boy, from Vancouver, Washington, was not named.

The fire that started Sept. 2, and which continues to smolder, burned 76 square miles of forestland, devastating beloved day trails around dozens of crystalline waterfalls in Portland's backyard. Witnesses had seen the boy, who was with other youths, tossing fireworks off the trail. A fire quickly started, stranding dozens of hikers who had to retreat into a safe area and wait out the night before being evacuated the next day. Flames leapt from the trees on the gorge's steep slopes, and winds carried sparks across

the broad Columbia River, starting another fire on the Washington state side.

Interstate 84, a major east-west corridor that runs along the Gorge, was shut down, and communities like nearby Cascade Locks, which depend on visitors to inject money into the local economy, suffered a severe setback.

The fire removed vegetation, underbrush and tree roots that support the Columbia Gorge, and now authorities expect landslides and rockslides with additional rain. The Historic Columbia River Highway and State Trail was damaged by fire and rockfall and remains closed. The uncontained portion of the fire is in steep terrain and fire managers do not expect it to spread further, authorities said.

The charges came after a criminal investigation by the

Oregon State Police assisted by U.S. Forest Service investigators.

As the fire took such a toll, many enraged commentators on news media web sites called for charges to be filed, and for the boy's family to pay some of the millions of dollars in costs to fight the fire.

"What happens next is for the courts to decide," said Michael Lang, conservation director for Friends of the Columbia Gorge, a group dedicated to protecting the area. "Friends of the Columbia Gorge is focused on efforts to heal the land, trails, and communities affected by the fire."

The boy was caught due to the efforts of a hiker, Liz FitzGerald of Portland, who said she saw a boy toss a smoke bomb into a ravine as girls with him giggled and another boy took video with his cellphone. FitzGerald

continued up the trail and then looked back, saw smoke was growing, and decided to run back to the parking lot and warn others.

"I passed the teenagers at that point," FitzGerald told *Willamette Week* newspaper. "It was a smaller group of maybe seven or nine. Just as I was passing them I said 'Do you realize you just started a forest fire?' and the kid said, 'Well, what are we supposed to do about it now?' And I yelled over my shoulder 'Call the freaking fire department!'"

After she got to the parking lot by the Eagle Creek Trailhead, she told a law enforcement officer what she had seen. He stopped a van carrying some of the group of youths as they attempted to leave in a van.

The fire was one of the worst to hit the U.S. West during a particularly intense fire season.

Judge tosses statements made by man accused of killing women

PORTLAND (AP)—An Oregon judge has thrown out statements made by a man accused of killing four women, finding that Portland police used improper and coercive tactics during the interrogation.

Homer Lee Jackson, 57, was arrested in October 2015 in the strangling deaths that occurred in the 1980s. After Jackson was apprehended, police questioned him for more than seven hours over two days, *The Oregonian/OregonLive* reported.

Earlier this month, Judge Michael A. Greenlick suppressed the statements obtained by two detectives during the interview. Authorities said the statements were a confession by Jackson.

The detectives, using an array of tactics, encouraged Jackson to confess to killing the women. At one point during the interview, a detective urged Jackson to "get on" the train, and then warned that if Jackson didn't, he would be "run over" by the train, according to transcripts of the interrogation.

The judge cited more than a dozen examples from the interrogation that demonstrated the statements were "made under the influence of fear produced by

threats." The judge said that the types of inducements or threats made by police can create a risk of an inaccurate admission.

"Given the totality of circumstances, I believe the defendant could have started to believe that he would suffer a number of detrimental consequences, including that the judge and the jury would consider him to be a monster, the police would seek the longest possible penalties, the victims would be angry and influence prosecution negatively," the judge said.

Prosecutors have defended the detectives' methods and said the statements were given voluntarily.

"There is simply nothing threatening about calling the defendant a monster nor is it threatening to tell the defendant that the detectives will work as hard as possible to do their jobs and make a strong case against the defendant in order to keep him in prison as long as possible," Deputy District Attorney Susan O'Connor said. "A threat must be more than expression by the officer of an intent to do something that the officer is authorized to do."

Jackson has pleaded not guilty to charges of aggravated murder.

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