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TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Hot with plenty of sun	Hot with plenty of sun	Hot with plenty of sunshine	Plenty of sun	Mostly sunny and very hot
99° 65°	97° 66°	98° 68°	102° 67°	102° 67°
103° 67°	101° 67°	103° 67°	106° 66°	107° 69°

ALMANAC

PENDELTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	96°	61°
Normals	90°	60°
Records	114° (1928)	42° (1897)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.26"
Year to date 6.49"
Last year to date 11.30"
Normal year to date 7.84"

HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

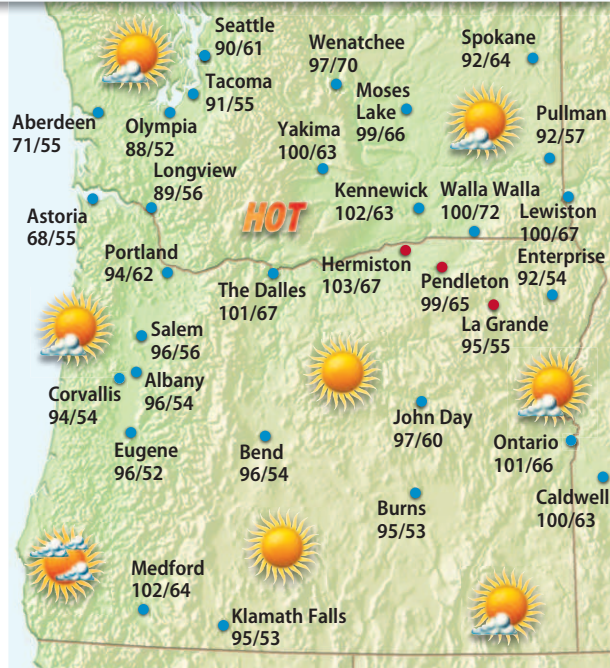
TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	98°	61°
Normals	90°	60°
Records	109° (1928)	45° (1953)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.18"
Year to date 5.10"
Last year to date 6.59"
Normal year to date 5.88"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 5:32 a.m.
Sunset tonight 8:31 p.m.
Moonrise today 7:56 p.m.
Moonset today 4:27 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
July 27	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Partly sunny today; however, low clouds followed by sunshine in the south.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Hot today with plenty of sunshine. A moonlit sky tonight.

Western Washington: Mostly sunny today; however, some clouds at the coast.

Eastern Washington: Mostly sunny today. Mainly clear tonight. Sunny tomorrow.

Cascades: Plenty of sun today. Clear and moonlit tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.

Northern California: Clouds, then sun at the coast today; hot in central parts. Sunshine elsewhere.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	68	55	pc	67	56	pc
Baker City	96	51	s	94	52	s
Bend	96	54	s	93	54	s
Brookings	67	52	pc	67	52	pc
Burns	95	53	s	93	50	s
Enterprise	92	54	s	90	54	s
Eugene	96	52	s	91	50	s
Heppner	96	64	s	95	65	s
Hermiston	103	67	s	101	67	s
John Day	97	60	s	94	59	s
Klamath Falls	95	53	s	92	52	s
La Grande	95	55	s	93	54	s
Meacham	93	51	s	91	52	s
Medford	102	64	s	100	62	s
Newport	61	51	s	61	52	pc
North Bend	65	52	pc	65	53	pc
Ontario	101	66	s	100	66	s
Pasco	102	60	s	100	61	s
Pendleton	99	65	s	97	66	s
Portland	94	62	s	90	62	s
Redmond	99	50	s	96	50	s
Salem	96	56	s	93	56	s
Spokane	92	64	s	90	63	s
Ukiah	92	49	s	90	51	s
Vancouver	92	59	s	90	59	s
Walla Walla	100	72	s	98	71	s
Yakima	100	63	s	98	63	s

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	91	76	s	89	75	s
Hong Kong	90	83	t	90	81	t
Jerusalem	88	68	s	86	67	s
London	92	67	pc	86	62	t
Mexico City	97	56	t	77	57	t
Moscow	82	68	c	84	68	pc
Paris	95	72	t	96	66	pc
Rome	88	68	s	86	70	s
Seoul	92	79	pc	94	79	pc
Sydney	67	46	s	69	51	s
Tokyo	85	74	pc	85	76	pc

WINDS

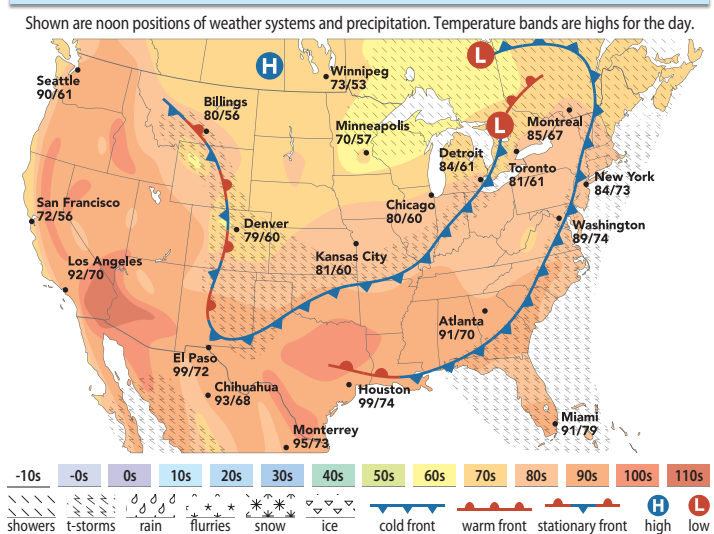
(in mph) Today Friday
Boardman WSW 4-8 W 4-8
Pendleton W 6-12 W 7-14

UV INDEX TODAY

2 4 8 8 4 2
 8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
 0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme
 The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



National Summary: The risk of flash flooding will retreat to the immediate Atlantic seaboard today. Gusty storms will dot the Midwest and southern Plains as storms drench the Rockies. Heat will hold on in the West.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 118° in Thermal, Calif. **Low** 37° in Bodie State Park, Calif.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.				Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	92	67	pc	88	67	t	Louisville	89	70	s	85	64	pc
Atlanta	91	70	pc	92	72	pc	Memphis	92	72	s	85	69	t
Atlanta City	83	73	t	85	72	t	Miami	91	79	t	90	79	t
Baltimore	87	69	pc	89	68	t	Milwaukee	78	58	c	75	59	pc
Birmingham	80	56	pc	74	52	t	Minneapolis	70	57	c	78	58	pc
Boise	92	70	pc	92	72	s	Nashville	91	70	s	87	67	pc
Boston	99	67	s	99	64	s	New Orleans	95	75	pc	94	76	pc
Charlotte, SC	82	72	t	86	73	s	New York City	84	73	sh	87	72	pc
Charlotte, WV	86	66	pc	81	61	c	Oklahoma City	91	69	pc	85	70	pc
Chicago	80	60	pc	76	60	pc	Omaha	83	57	pc	79	60	pc
Cleveland	84	63	t	77	62	pc	Philadelphia	88	74	pc	90	72	pc
Dallas	102	77	pc	99	77	pc	Portland, ME	79	66	r	82	67	s
Denver	79	60	t	86	59	pc	Providence	81	71	t	86	71	s
Detroit	84	61	t	78	60	pc	Raleigh	90	72	pc	91	72	pc
El Paso	99	72	pc	92	72	pc	Rapid City	74	52	pc	70	54	t
Fairbanks	75	59	c	75	54	sh	reno	100	66	s	101	64	s
Fargo	70	51	pc	77	55	s	Sacramento	104	63	s	101	62	s
Honolulu	89	78	pc	90	78	pc	St. Louis	86	63	pc	83	62	pc
Houston	99	74	s	98	76	s	Salt Lake City	95	70	pc	95	71	pc
Indianapolis	85	62	t	79	59	s	San Diego	81	71	pc	81	71	pc
Jacksonville	88	74	t	89	74	t	San Francisco	72	56	pc	72	56	pc
Kansas City	81	60	pc	82	63	pc	Seattle	90	61	s	89	61	s
Las Vegas	112	91	s	112	90	pc	Tucson	104	83	pc	101	78	pc
Little Rock	96	73	s	84	69	t	Washington, DC	89	74	pc	91	72	t
Los Angeles	92	70	s	90	70	s	Wichita	79	65	pc	87	68	pc

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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Defense: If FBI agent had fired, he wouldn't have missed Finicum

By STEVEN DUBOIS
 Associated Press

PORTLAND — FBI special agent W. Joseph Astarita is one of the FBI's best shooters, and he knows when to shoot and when not to shoot, his defense attorney told jurors Wednesday.

Standing within easy striking distance of Robert "LaVoy" Finicum, a militia leader who had come close to killing his fellow agent, Astarita decided to hold fire, the attorney, Robert Cary, said during his opening statement in a case that has become an unlikely footnote to the armed takeover of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in early 2016.

"If he had shot, he would not have missed," Cary said.

Astarita, 41, is charged with making false statements and obstruction of justice after repeatedly telling investigators he did not fire two shots that missed Finicum, an Arizona rancher who served as spokesman for the Ammon Bundy-led group that seized the refuge in southeastern Oregon.

The errant shots came as Finicum left his pickup while authorities tried to arrest leaders of the takeover. Oregon State Police fatally shot Finicum seconds later.

The shooting was deemed legally justified, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Gary Sussman told jurors in his opening that the case is about not whether Astarita was right or wrong to fire. It's about integrity, "without which a law enforcement officer is nothing and



In this Jan. 31, 2016, file photo, makeshift roadside memorial for rancher LaVoy Finicum stands on a highway north of Burns.

has nothing," he said.

"If you shoot, you own your shots," Sussman said.

Sussman portrayed Astarita as a relatively inexperienced member of an elite FBI unit, and the only member of law enforcement who was in position to fire the shots in question.

"Only one guy stood in just the right spot," he said.

"Only one guy stood with his rifle shouldered, aimed right at Robert 'LaVoy' Finicum's truck."

Finicum and the occupiers seized the refuge on Jan. 2, 2016, to protest the imprisonment of two Oregon ranchers who had set fires. President Donald Trump recently pardoned those men, Dwight and Steven Hammond.

On Jan. 26, the FBI learned that Bundy, Finicum and other key figures were leaving the refuge in two vehicles to meet with a sheriff sympathetic to their cause.

Police stopped the vehicles, and several people surrendered, including Ammon Bundy. But Finicum fled at more than 70 mph with Bundy's brother Ryan and several others.

Roughly a mile down the road, Finicum swerved to avoid a roadblock, nearly hit an FBI agent and careened into a snowbank. Three shots, none fired by Astarita, hit the pickup during the chaos.

The two mystery gunshots rang out as Finicum emerged from his pickup and yelled, "Go ahead and shoot me!"

One bullet missed everything and was never recovered. The other struck the pickup and shattered a window. A fragment, possibly from the bullet, went into Ryan Bundy's shoulder. The potential evidence remains embedded.

"He won't give it to us, and we just can't go in and take it," Sussman said.

Search continues for missing "very social" John Day couple

House destroyed in fire, truck missing

By RICHARD HANNERS
 EO Media Group

The Grant County Sheriff's Office has no new leads on the couple who are missing following a house fire near John Day last week.

Sheriff Glenn Palmer said the "phone's been off the hook" as numerous friends and family have called his office after Terry and Sharon Smith's home on Nan's Rock Road burned to the ground July 17-18.

Foul play is not yet suspected, but law enforcement are still looking for the Smiths' vehicle, Palmer said. Friends and family who have contacted the sheriff's office said it was unusual for the Smiths to have lost contact with them, he said.

"They're a very social couple," Palmer said.

Palmer confirmed cadaver dogs searched the debris from the house fire and found no human remains. A search effort was planned for the surrounding area Tuesday, he said.

A statewide press release was issued by the sheriff's office last week, asking anyone with information about the location of Terry Smith, 67, and Sharon Smith, 65, or their silver 2006 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck with license plate 714 EGG to contact law enforcement. Palmer said the press release was not sent to Hawaii, where the Smiths



Terry and Sharon Smith and their pickup are missing after a fire burned down their cabin in the Laycock Creek Road area July 17.

had a home.

Cathy Hinshaw, Sharon's sister who lives in Hawaii, said she spoke to Sharon the evening of the fire, and Sharon said they were headed to bed. Hinshaw said she then got a call about 4 a.m. from a friend of Sharon's who lived near Nan's Rock Road informing her about the fire.

The Smiths' disappearance is very unusual and could suggest foul play, Hinshaw said. She said the Smiths were very social and she talked to Sharon two or three times a day. She said she and Sharon have known Terry since they were in their early teens in Springfield and often went camping together.

Hinshaw also said the Smiths sometimes let people stay on the 80-100 acre property on Nan's Rock Road they bought in the mid-1990s, but the man who served as a caretaker for the property was gone at the time of the fire.

Locating the fire initially proved difficult, John Day Fire Chief Ron Smith told the Blue Mountain Eagle. A "glow" was observed by people west of Mt. Vernon and reported to authorities about 10:15 p.m. on July 17, but the reporting party thought there was a fire on Canyon Mountain.

According to John Day dispatch, crews from the Forest Service, Oregon Department of Forestry, John Day fire and Mt. Vernon fire responded to Nan's Rock Road around 12:15 a.m. in an attempt to locate multiple fire reports.

By the time initial attack crews from ODF arrived, the house on Nan's Rock Road was completely burned to the ground, Smith said. John Day fire crews secured the perimeter to prevent the fire's spread to the surrounding area, which included heavy timber and open meadows covered with dry grass, he said.

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