Today is Thursday, March 18, the 77th day of 2021. There are 288 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On **March 18**, 1963, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that state courts were required to provide legal counsel to criminal defendants who could not afford to hire an attorney on their own. In 1910, the first filmed adaptation of Mary Shelley's novel "Frankenstein," a silent short produced by Thomas Edison's New York movie studio, was released. In 1922, Mohandas K. Gandhi

was sentenced in India to six years' imprisonment for civil disobedience. (He was released after serving two years.)

In 1925, the Tri-State Tornado struck southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois and southwestern Indiana, resulting in some 700 deaths.

In 1937, in America's worst school disaster, nearly 300 people, most of them children, were killed in a natural gas explosion at the New London Consolidated School in Rusk County, Texas. In 1940, Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini met at the Brenner Pass, where the Italian dictator agreed to join Germany's war against France and Britain.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed an executive order authorizing the War Relocation Authority, which was put in charge of interning Japanese **Americans** 

In 1965, the first spacewalk took place as Soviet cosmonaut Alexei Leonov went outside his Voskhod 2 capsule, secured by

In 2017, Chuck Berry, rock 'n' roll's founding guitar hero and storyteller who defined the music's joy and rebellion in such classics as "Johnny B. Goode," "Sweet Little Sixteen" and "Roll Over Beethoven," died at his home west of St. Louis at age 90.

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama demanded that Moammar Gadhafi halt all military attacks on civilians and said that if the Libyan leader did not stand down, the United States would join other nations in launching military action against him.

Five years ago: A jury in St. Petersburg, Florida, sided with ex-pro wrestler Hulk Hogan, awarding him compensatory damages in his sex tape lawsuit against Gawker Media. North Korea ignored U.N. resolutions by firing a medium-range ballistic missile into the sea.

One year ago: The U.S. and Canada agreed to temporarily close their shared border to nonessential travel. Describing himself as a "wartime president," President Donald Trump said he would invoke emergency powers to let the government steer production of needed medical supplies by private companies. Trump signed a \$100 billion aid package to boost testing for the coronavirus and guarantee sick leave to workers who become ill.

Today's Birthdays: Composer John Kander is 94. Nobel peace laureate and former South African president F.W. de Klerk is 85. Movie writer-director Luc Besson is 62. TV personality Mike Rowe is 59. Singer-actor Vanessa L. Williams is 58. Olympic gold medal speedskater Bonnie Blair is 57. Rock musician Jerry Cantrell (Alice in Chains) is 55. Actor Michael Bergin is 52. Rapper-actor-talk show host Queen Latifah is 51. Former White House Chief of Staff Reince Priebus is 49. Actor-comedian Dane Cook is 49. Country singer Philip Sweet (Little Big Town) is 47. Rock singer Adam Levine (Maroon 5) is 42. Olympic gold medal figure skater Alexei Yagudin is 41.

— Associated Press

### Death Notices

Samuel Dewey Bell March 19, 1956 - March 8,

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# Facebook: Officials applaud expansion, but not everyone thinks it's good news

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He continued: Plumbers, electricians, construction workers, and many more trades are in high demand at sites like Facebook's and it continues to add to the job market in our area."

Facebook's data centers have worked to be energy and water-efficient. The Prineville center is supported by two solar projects. It also has a water restoration project to overcome increasing water demands to cool the center.

Typically data centers aren't large employers for their size. They are drawn to the community because of Oregon tax breaks that provide tax exemptions, low power costs and stable weather. Apple also has a data center in Prineville.

The area where the data centers are located is called an enterprise zone that gives businesses property tax exemptions for a period of years. For Facebook, it's 15 years.

The expansion, while applauded by city and state officials, was not embraced by Rick Steber, a Prineville businessman.

"I do realize there is a need for the services provided by Facebook and Apple centers, but it's that old adage, not in my backyard," Steber said. "They are an eyesore when viewed from anywhere on the north side of Prineville.

The issue, like everything else in America, has people about evenly divided, for and against. I'm somewhere in the middle."

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Submitted photo

Facebook's Prineville data center campus to expand to 4.5 million square feet.

## Judge restricts Portland Police use of less-lethal launchers

A judge on Tuesday restricted Portland Police use of less-lethal launchers by its Rapid Response Team officers at protests.

The restriction will be in effect until the city can assure the court that additional training has been offered and that each officer "can recognize and articulate a threat without speculating and before using less-lethal force," The Oregonian reported.

U.S. District Judge Marco A.

Hernandez also ordered the police bureau to investigate allegations of misconduct by Officer Brent Taylor stemming from his firing of munitions during a June 30 protest. The judge ordered him removed from policing crowd management pending the inquiry's outcome.

A lawsuit filed by Don't Shoot Portland, a Black-led nonprofit that advocates for social and racial justice, prompted the rulings.

### Hit-and-run

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Two vehicles had to brake hard as they approached him. Another driver said she felt concern as she passed Hall, but when she checked her rearview mirror, she saw him flying through the air. A witness driving behind Vasquez's red SUV

told police she saw it swerve to the right and moments later, saw a man in her lane but had no time to avoid running over him, court records

An officer on scene said the driver displayed no signs of impairment.

Witnesses told police they saw the driver of the red SÚV get out of the vehicle, look at Hall's body before returning to the SUV and driving to a nearby mobile home reported the driver of the SUV yelled, "I hit him. I hit him," before driving off.
Around 25 minutes later,

Redmond officer Nathan Rankin saw a red SUV with front-end damage and one headlight out, and pulled it over at SW Highland Avenue and SW 15th Street. Rankin told the driver, Vasquez, his vehicle resembled one reportedly involved in the hit-and-run. and Vasquez reportedly replied, "Yeah." Rankin wrote in his report Vasquez smelled of marijuana and a marijuana dab oil pen was found in his right

front pocket.

Rankin reported Vasquez displayed numerous signs of impairment, including poor balance, bloodshot eyes, difficulty following instructions, a lethargic and dazed facial expression and an overly relaxed demeanor. He also reportedly performed poorly on

two roadside sobriety tests, the one-leg stand and the walk-and-turn.

Vasquez reportedly told the officer he fled the scene because he was scared, but he denied smoking marijuana that day, court records state.

Police also searched Vasquez's phone and a count of third-degree sexual abuse was added to his indictment, which was approved by a grand jury in January. Deschutes County District Attorthe charge concerns a separate incident from the crash.

Vasquez is represented by Bend attorney Bryan Donahue, who did not return a call seeking comment.

A similar case in Deschutes County in 2017 yielded a conviction against the driver, Justice Knight Collins, who was sentenced to three years in prison and a lifetime license revocation. Collins was high on marijuana when he caused the death of Jason M. Franklin of Madras. Reporter: 541-383-0325,

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Born in Coos Bay,

Oregon as Rosemarie

Sorenson, she was raised in Port Orford.

She attended nursing

school in Portland

and met and married

life as a military family,

living in Germany, Libya,

Texas, and Colorado

Springs, all while raising

In 1975, they retired

and moved to Bend. They were married

4 children.

Wayne Richardson. They led an interesting

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Rosemarie Richardson

February 3, 1927 - March 6, 2021

nearly 60 years when her husband died and she went

on to enjoy her children and grandchildren and many

Rose is survived by her 4 children, Donna St.Louis,

Dennis Richardson, Doris Richardson, Dale Richardson,

and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-

great-grandchildren. She is mourned by all her family

and many long time friends. We will all miss her.

### **Survey**

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Roughly 600 Oregonians, who are part of a professionally-maintained polling group, participated in the online survey in January, with participants selected to correspond with state demographics. The poll's overall margin of error

Here are the key findings: • Democrats (51%) are significantly more positive about the state's near future, compared with Republicans (23%) and voters who belong to neither party (28%). Conversely, 66% of Republicans had a negative view of Oregon's future, compared with 29% of Demo-

crats and 48% of independents. Just 2% of poll respondents rated Oregon's economy as excellent, vastly outnumbered by those who scored the state economy as poor (31%) or only fair (47%). Middle income earners (83%) were more likely to downrate the economy than the working class (74%).

 Nearly half of residents (47%) predict Oregon's economy is getting worse, compared to 11% who see an upturn on the horizon and 36% who foresee it treading water.

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Women (52%) were more likely to predict tighter wallets than men (43%). The most pessimistic age group was the middle aged.

• A slim majority (53%) are very or somewhat worried about their personal finances, while 45% are not too worried or not at all worried. Nearly two-thirds (63%) of those making less than \$50,000 are concerned about the state of their pocketbook, compared with 33% of those bringing in more than \$100,000 yearly.

• When asked about 2021 in general, rather than just Oregon, most residents (59%) are optimists, though (38%) are pessimistic.

Portlander Amy Bradley said the biggest factor in her sunny outlook was the rebalancing of power in Washington, D.C.

"I think the Democrats

holding two branches of government is a good thing," the 51-year-old said. "People are out and spending money. Help is coming, and is coming to those who need it."

Chris Billington, who lives in the Sylvan area near Beaverton, admitted that mask wearing can be tiresome — and she's eager for restrictions to lift so she can take a dip in the pool – but said the state's response to climate change promised economic opportunities.

"There's a potential for new and different kinds of jobs," she said. "My biggest concern is the Republican walkout (of the Oregon Legislature), because that's just disruptive."

Republicans walked out of the 2019 and 2020 legislative sessions, and briefly walked out again this year. The 2020 walkout ended the session before it really began.



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