

## Zelenskyy wants more arms; US officials to visit

*Associated Press*

KYIV, Ukraine — Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy pressed the West for more powerful weapons as he prepared for a scheduled meeting with top U.S. officials in the war-torn country's capital Sunday, while Russian forces concentrated their attacks on the east, including trying to dislodge the last Ukrainian troops in the battered port of Mariupol.

Zelenskyy announced the planned visit by U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken and U.S. Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin at a news conference Saturday night in a Kyiv subway station. The White House has not commented.

Zelenskyy said he was looking for the Americans to produce results, both in arms and security guarantees.

"You can't come to us empty-handed today, and we are expecting not just presents or some kind of cakes, we are expecting specif-

ic things and specific weapons," Zelenskyy said.

The visit would be the first by senior U.S. officials since Russia invaded 60 days ago. Blinken stepped briefly onto Ukrainian soil in March to meet with the country's foreign minister during a visit to Poland. Zelenskyy's last face-to-face meeting with a U.S. leader was Feb. 19 in Munich with Vice President Kamala Harris.

While the West has funneled military equipment to Ukraine, Zelenskyy has stressed repeatedly that the country needs more heavy weapons, including long-range air defense systems, as well as warplanes. His meeting with Austin and Blinken was set to take place as Ukrainians and Russians observed Orthodox Easter, when the faithful celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Speaking from Kyiv's ancient St. Sophia Cathedral, Zelenskyy, who is Jewish, highlighted the significance of the occasion to a nation wracked by

nearly two months of war.

"The great holiday today gives us great hope and unwavering faith that light will overcome darkness, good will overcome evil, life will overcome death, and therefore Ukraine will surely win!" he said.

Still, the war cast a shadow over celebrations. In the northern village of Ivanivka, where Russian tanks still littered the roads, Olena Koptyl said "the Easter holiday doesn't bring any joy. I'm crying a lot. We cannot forget how we lived."

The Russian military reported hitting 423 Ukrainian targets overnight, including fortified positions and troop concentrations, while its warplanes destroyed 26 Ukrainian military sites, including an explosives factory and several artillery depots.

Most of Sunday's fighting focused on the Donbas in the east, where Ukrainian forces are concentrated and where Moscow-

backed separatists controlled some territory before the war. Since failing to capture Kyiv, the Russians are aiming to gain full control over the eastern industrial heartland.

Ukraine's national police said two girls, aged 5 and 14, died in shelling in Ocheretyne, part of the industrial region.

Russian forces launched fresh airstrikes on a Mariupol steel plant where an estimated 1,000 civilians are sheltering along with about 2,000 Ukrainian fighters. The Azovstal steel mill where the defenders are holed up is the last corner of resistance in the city, which the Russians have otherwise occupied.

Zelenskyy said he stressed the need to evacuate civilians from Mariupol, including from the steel plant, in a Sunday call with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who is scheduled to speak later with Russian leader Vladimir Putin.

## Concerns raised over spate of sailor suicides from same ship

*The Washington Post*

A string of recent suicides among sailors assigned to the same U.S. aircraft carrier has sparked concern, prompting questions about mental health issues in the military and potential barriers to seeking treatment.

Navy officials confirmed at least four sailors assigned to the USS George Washington have died by suicide in the past year — three of them in the past month. Petty Officer 3rd Class Mikail Sharp was found dead April 9 at an off-base location in Portsmouth, Va.; Petty Officer 3rd Class Natasha Huffman was found dead April 10 in Hampton, Va.; and on April 15, Seaman Recruit Xavier Hunter

Mitchell-Sandor was found unresponsive on board the ship in Newport News, Va., and later died, officials said. The fourth sailor, who has not been publicly identified, died by suicide in 2021, and the cause of a fifth death that occurred last year is undetermined, according to officials.

"Each death is tragic in its own right," Pentagon press secretary John Kirby said during a news conference last week. "Our thoughts and prayers continue to go out to the families and, frankly, the shipmates because they're affected, too — they're part of a sailors' family."

Mental health experts have said the recent spate of suicides is concerning and raises ques-

tions about whether there are underlying issues in the military's culture contributing to the problem — and how to fix them.

Experts have said suicide deaths among service members have been steadily climbing during the past several years.

A Department of Defense report shows there were 287 suicides in 2017 among active-duty members in all branches of the military, 326 in 2018, 349 in 2019 and 386 in 2020. The number of suicides dropped in 2021 to 328, according to the report.

The coronavirus created unique stressors and, in fact, military suicides spiked during the pandemic, experts said.

Craig Bryan, a professor of

psychiatry and behavioral health at Ohio State University, said suicide clusters are often a coincidence. But mental health experts also see them when there is an underlying factor affecting an entire group, and "some people who are perhaps more vulnerable kind of exceed the thresholds for suicide," he said.

The third scenario is when the suicides are directly linked to one another, Bryan said.

Lt. Cmdr. Rob Myers, a public affairs officer with Naval Air Force Atlantic, said in a statement that the investigation is ongoing, but "there is no initial indication to suggest there is a correlation between these tragic events."

# USS Lincoln displays its naval airpower

By ALEX WILSON  
*Stars and Stripes*

ABOARD THE USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN — U.S. fighters put on a display of naval airpower Saturday over the USS Abraham Lincoln in the Philippine Sea for two VIPs, and a sent a message to potential adversaries.

U.S. Ambassador to Japan Rahm Emanuel and Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshi- masa Hayashi watched from the aircraft carrier's flight deck as F-18 Super Hornets and F-35C Lightning II stealth fighters roared through maneuvers about 140 miles off the coast.

Emanuel and Hayashi were escorted aboard the carrier by Vice Adm. Karl Thomas, the commander of 7th Fleet, headquartered at Yokosuka Naval Base. He reminded reporters of the Russian invasion of Ukraine,

now 2 months old; of China's growing military capability and its willingness to flex its muscles in the South and East China seas; and North Korea's steady stream of missile tests taking flight this year.

"We're all watching what's happening in Europe, with Russian aggression. We're watching China gain confidence and expand their exercises. Certainly, North Korea has launched more missiles recently," Thomas said during a news conference aboard the carrier. "The key is deterrence, and I think you're standing onboard a large piece of that deterrence."

Emanuel and Hayashi flew south from Naval Air Facility Atsugi on a V-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft to tour the Abraham Lincoln and watch the Hornet and F-35C flights and the launch of an E-2D Hawkeye from the carrier deck.

The Hawkeye D model is an updated version of a Navy workhouse that provides airborne early warning, airborne battle management and command and control for the carrier strike group, among many other missions.

The demonstration concluded with a single Super Hornet exhibiting its flight capabilities over the course of about 20 minutes.

"Today, the foreign minister and I saw a powerful demonstration of our naval and air capabilities with the F-35 and the E-2," Emanuel told reporters inside one of the carrier's hangars. "These are capabilities that the United States shared with Japan, and now both of our countries deploy [them]."

The Abraham Lincoln and its carrier strike group on Tuesday trained alongside the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force in the Philippine Sea and East China Sea.

## USMC deactivates two helo squadrons based in Hawaii

By WYATT OLSON  
*Stars and Stripes*

FORT SHAFTER, Hawaii — A pair of Hawaii-based Marine Corps helicopter squadrons were deactivated last week, casing the colors of units that trace their lineage to World War II.

Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 463 cased its colors during a ceremony Thursday, followed by the deactivation Friday of Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 367, the Marine Corps said in separate news releases.

Both squadrons were part of Marine Aircraft Group 24 at Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

Squadron 463, nicknamed Pegasus, was stood up in 1944 and was involved in the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm and more recently to operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"When you think of every clime and place, you must think of the Marines and Sailors of Pegasus," Maj. Gen. Brian Cava-

naugh, commander of 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, said in a news release Thursday following the deactivation ceremony at Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay.

Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 367, nicknamed Scarface, activated in 1943 as Marine Observation Squadron 351 in Quantico, Va.

"Legacy is what makes today's deactivation ceremony special," Lt. Col. Page Payne, Squadron 367's commander, told the ceremony's audience on Friday according to a news release that day. "Scarface is fortunate to have a guaranteed future in the very near term, resurrecting to carry on our legacy, lineage, and the warfighting spirit of those before us."

The squadron will later this year be reactivated as a unit of Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station Camp Pendleton, Calif., the Marine Corps said.

## Report: Leadership lapse led to battalion outbreak

By NANCY MONTGOMERY  
*Stars and Stripes*

A major lapse in precautions led to a COVID-19 outbreak last year that ravaged a Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., Army battalion and demonstrated how the illness could rapidly degrade readiness, according to a recent report in the military's monthly medical journal.

In February 2021, more than 140 soldiers in an unspecified infantry battalion became infected after a training exercise at a facility near Yakima, Wash., an article in the January issue of Medical Surveillance Monthly Report said.

The article was only recently posted online following months of delay affecting the December, January and February issues.

It faulted the unit for a complete lack of predeployment testing before the roughly two-week training.

Shortly after returning to the

Tacoma-area base, soldiers began reporting symptoms of COVID-19, which testing revealed was of the highly transmissible and potentially virulent beta variant.

Medical authorities had to launch an expansive testing and contact tracing effort that resulted in quarantines for scores of people.

The article did not identify which of several infantry battalions at the installation was involved, and base officials declined to do so or say whether unit leaders had faced repercussions.

The report said that 142 coronavirus cases came from the single battalion, meaning that 23.8% of its soldiers were infected. A total of 164 people involved tested positive between Feb. 14 and March 5, all but one of them soldiers. Two medics at the exercise who had been vaccinated did not become infected, the article noted.

# US military drops appeal of order to drain tanks

*Associated Press*

HONOLULU — The U.S. government on Friday dropped its appeal of a Hawaii order requiring it to remove fuel from a massive military fuel storage facility that leaked petroleum into the Navy's water system at Pearl Harbor last year.

Attorneys for the U.S. Department of Defense notified the state and federal courts of its decision. The move comes more than a month after Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin said the military would permanently shut down the tanks and drain

all of their fuel.

The Hawaii Department of Health, which issued the order, said the decision regarding the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility was a "step forward."

"While today's announcement is good news, the work continues," the department said in a statement. It said it would "continue to act expeditiously and proactively to oversee the safe defueling and decommissioning of Red Hill and restoration of the aquifer."

David Henkin, an attorney for Earthjustice, which is repre-

senting the Sierra Club of Hawaii as an interested party in the case, said his clients would remain vigilant to make sure the tanks are promptly defueled.

"It's a wonderful Earth Day gift to the people of Hawaii and in particular to all the residents of Oahu who depend on safe, clean drinking water when they turn on their tap," Henkin said.

Henkin said even if Austin were to change his mind and try to keep the tanks open, the military will now face "an enforceable, unimpeachable, unchallengeable order from the De-

partment of Health that they need to follow."

The order from the Hawaii Department of Health requires the military to remove fuel from the tanks 30 days after it's safe to do so. The military will have to stick to this deadline now that it's dropping the appeal, Henkin said.

The military, with oversight from the state health department and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, is currently developing plans to safely remove the fuel. It's uncertain how long this will take.

## Army probes PFAS chemical leak on Marshall Islands base

**BY WYATT OLSON**  
*Stars and Stripes*

The Army is investigating the leak of about 380 gallons of a firefighting foam into the ground on Kwajalein Island in the Marshall Islands, Army Garrison-Kwajalein said in a newsletter published April 16.

The material contained small quantities of chemical compounds common in manufacturing called polyfluorinated substances, or PFAS, which are associated with certain forms of cancer and other adverse health effects.

The firefighting material, called aqueous film forming foam, leaked from 11 drums that had been stored in an "isolated warehouse" on the west end of the boomerang-shaped island since August 2020, Army Garrison-Kwajalein said in an email Thursday in response to a query by Stars and Stripes.

The leak was discovered by a contractor on March 22, but it remains unknown when the leakage occurred, the garrison said.

Kwajalein Atoll, a lengthy string of about 100 small coral islands, is roughly 1,600 miles from Guam and more than 2,000 miles from Hawaii.

The atoll's Kwajalein and

northern Roi-Namur islands are home to the Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site and the Air Force's Space Fence, which tracks objects orbiting the Earth.

The entirety of Kwajalein Island is essentially a military base administered by the Army garrison. About 1,300 Americans, mostly federal employees and contractors, live on the two islands.

PFAS have been used widely since the 1940s, but health risks associated with exposure to the compounds are not fully understood, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"Current scientific research suggests that exposure to high levels of certain PFAS may lead to adverse health outcomes," the EPA states on its website.

The island's drinking water is still safe to consume, Col. Tom Pugsley, the garrison commander, wrote in the newsletter.

"Potable water has been tested regularly for the entire time period in which leakage could've occurred," he said. "No contaminants were found, and all results were well below EPA guidelines and mirror what you would expect of any industrial area throughout the world."

## US-based firm buys former Navy shipyard in Philippines

**BY WYATT OLSON**  
*Stars and Stripes*

The U.S.-based private equity firm Cerberus Capital Management has completed its purchase of the Subic Bay shipyard in the Philippines, laying to rest concerns of a possible sale to interested Chinese companies.

"The completion of the Subic Bay shipyard will redound to benefits for the country, bring jobs to the local communities, increase economic activity and at the same [time] fortify our strategic security measures," Jose Manuel Romualdez, Philippine ambassador to the United States, said in a news release Thursday.

"Working with the United States on this project will help ensure that we are able to protect our interests not only for our country, but the whole region," he said.

The sale of the former U.S. Navy base is an "important example of U.S.-Philippine public-private partnership," Ely Ratner, assistant secretary of defense for Indo-Pacific security affairs, said in a tweet Wednesday.

The date and purchase price of the sale were not included in the news release. Agila Naval

Inc. will operate the shipyard, according to reports last month in Philippine media. Further information on Agila was unavailable Friday.

Reuters reported last month that Cerberus was buying the shipyard for \$300 million. Cerberus did not respond Thursday to a request for comment from Stars and Stripes.

Several Chinese companies were among eight parties that expressed interest in 2019 in buying the shipyard, which holds strategic importance because of its deep-water port and proximity to the contested South China Sea.

The Subic Bay shipyard had been operated by Hanjin Philippines, a South Korean firm that defaulted on loans of \$1.3 billion in 2019, according to Reuters. Hanjin's shipbuilding activity employed about 20,000 workers.

Cerberus, based in New York, has approximately \$55 billion in assets in credit, private equity and real estate, according to its website. A potential partner in the deal, Australian shipbuilder Austal, was not involved in the final agreement and is no longer a tenant at the shipyard, according to a March 9 report in Maritime Executive.



# Retired Utah Senator Orrin Hatch dies at 88

*Associated Press*

SALT LAKE CITY — Orrin G. Hatch, the longest-serving Republican senator in history who was a fixture in Utah politics for more than four decades, died Saturday at age 88.

His death was announced in a statement from his foundation, which did not specify a cause.

A staunch conservative on most economic and social issues, he also teamed with Democrats several times during his long career on issues ranging from stem cell research to rights for people with disabilities to expanding children's health insurance. He also formed friendships across the aisle, particularly with the late Democratic Sen. Edward M. Kennedy.

Hatch also championed GOP issues like abortion limits and helped shape the U.S. Supreme Court, including defending Justice Clarence Thomas against sexual harassment allegations during confirmation hearings.

He later became an ally of Republican President Donald Trump, using his role as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee to get a major rewrite of the U.S. tax codes to the president's desk. In return, Trump helped Hatch deliver on a key issue for Republicans in Utah with a contentious move to drastically downsize two national monuments that had been declared by past

presidents.

Hatch retired in 2019. Though Trump had encouraged him to run again, the longtime senator would have faced a tough primary battle and had promised to retire. Hatch instead stepped aside and encouraged Republican Mitt Romney, a critic of the former president, to run to replace him as junior senator.

Hatch came to the Senate after a 1976 election win and went on to become the longest-serving senator in Utah history, winning a seventh term in 2012.

He became the Senate president pro tempore in 2015 when Republicans took control of the Senate. The position made him third in the line of presidential succession behind then-Vice President Joe Biden and the Speaker of the House. His tenure places him as the longest GOP senator, behind several Democrats.

While unquestionably conservative, there were times Hatch differed from many of his conservative colleagues — including then-President George W. Bush when Hatch pushed for federal funding of embryonic stem cell research. In 1997, Hatch joined Kennedy in sponsoring a \$24 billion program for states to provide health insurance to the children of low-income parents who don't qualify for Medicaid.

## 10 from sunken Japan tour boat confirmed dead

*Associated Press*

TOKYO — Rescuers said that 10 people who were retrieved Sunday from the frigid sea and the rocky coast of a northern Japanese national park had died, a day after a tour boat with 26 aboard apparently sank in rough waters, triggering questions about why it was allowed to sail.

The search for the others is still ongoing after the boat sent a distress call on Saturday afternoon saying it was sinking. The location, near the Kashuni Waterfall, is known as a difficult place to maneuver boats because of its rocky coastline and strong tide.

There were two crew and 24 passengers, including two children, on the the 19-ton Kazu 1 when it ran into troubles while traveling off the western coast of the Shiretoko Peninsula. The coast guard said the 10 victims — seven men and three women — were adults.

The Transport Ministry launched an investigation into the boat's operator, which had two accidents last year.

Following an intensive search that went through the night, rescuers on early Sunday found four people near the tip of Shiretoko Peninsula and later six more in the same area, about 8.7 miles north from where the boat sent a distress call. Some of them were plucked from the sea, while others were washed onto the rocky coast.

## Airlines substitute buses for planes amidst pilot shortage

*Bloomberg*

U.S. airlines are facing a pilot shortage that's complicating efforts to ramp up flights, forcing them to step up training programs, recruit foreign pilots and even replace planes with buses.

The industry needs to hire an average of 14,500 new pilots each year until 2030, according to federal labor statistics. But carriers say there's no way they can bring on that many due to long lag times for credentialing. Worse, experts say the staffing bottleneck is unlikely to end anytime soon.

The issue isn't new — airlines already faced difficulty finding and retaining pilots before the pandemic — but a purging of employees at the start of the downturn in 2020 has left the industry ill-prepared for a rebound. Thousands of pilots accepted

buyouts or retired early when federal aid to avoid furloughs failed to cover all the airlines' labor costs, especially for veteran pilots earning six-figure salaries.

Two years on, airlines are unable to find enough qualified crews to fully reinstate route maps.

Airlines have scaled back plans for a rapid resumption of pre-pandemic flight schedules. United expects flying this quarter to be down 13% from 2019, while Delta Air Lines projects a 16% decline, American Airlines as much as 8% and Alaska Air, about 9%. JetBlue Airways is trimming 10% of its planned summer flights.

The problem is most acute at regional airlines, where pilot ranks have been depleted by hiring at larger carriers. A beggar-thy-neighbor strategy has left smaller aircraft

idle and cut flights dedicated to shorter routes.

Regional airlines play a critical role in ferrying passengers from smaller markets to hub airports where they board flights operated by larger partners. These workhorses of the industry have capacity purchase agreements binding them to one or more primary airlines such as American or Delta, which control scheduling, pricing and ticketing.

In lieu of puddle-jumper flights, some airlines are linking up with charter bus services. United and American have contracted with Landline Co., a Fort Collins, Colo.-based startup, to ferry passengers and their bags by motorcoach on some shorter routes, allowing them to sell destinations where they don't fly.

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**Woman rescued from toilet after phone fell in**

**WA** QUILCENE — A woman who accidentally dropped her cellphone into the hole of an outhouse in a national forest and fell in while trying to retrieve it had to be rescued by firefighters in Washington state.

Brinnon Fire Department Chief Tim Manly said the woman, who was at the top of Mount Walker in the Olympic National Forest northwest of Seattle, had been using her phone when it fell into the toilet, The Kitsap Sun reported.

Manly said she disassembled the toilet seat and used dog leashes to try and get the phone and eventually used the leashes to tie herself off as she reached for it. That effort failed and she fell into the toilet headfirst.

Responding firefighters passed her blocks to stand on to reach a harness, which they used to pull her out of the vault.

**Ex-officer pleads guilty to drinking, ignoring calls**

**CT** STAMFORD — A former Connecticut police officer accused of drinking alcohol on the job with another officer and disregarding dispatcher calls has pleaded guilty and agreed to pay \$1,000 in fines.

Former Norwalk officer Sara Laudano pleaded guilty to misdemeanor larceny and reckless endangerment charges, Hearst Connecticut Media reported.

Police officials said Laudano and former Officer Michael DiMeglio were found at a Norwalk hotel after drinking alcohol in their cruisers and failing to respond to calls while on duty in

October 2020.

Both former officers resigned from the force and their state certifications to serve as police officers were revoked.

**Students facing charges, tickets after hazing probe**

**VT** NORTHFIELD — Three Norwich University students are facing criminal charges and others are being ticketed for hazing after an investigation into allegations of branding and waterboarding involving the women's rugby team at the private military college, Northfield police said.

One 22-year-old female student is charged with simple assault and another is charged with reckless endangerment in the incident. Another student, 21, is charged with both simple assault and reckless endangerment, according to the police department.

They and three other students are being ticketed for hazing, a civil infraction. Five of the students are members of the women's rugby team and one is on the women's lacrosse team, Norwich said.

The student athletes named in the investigation were suspended immediately from representing the school in athletic competition, the school announced.

**Fred Hampton childhood home has landmark status**

**IL** MAYWOOD — The Illinois childhood home of Fred Hampton, an iconic Black Panther Party leader who was shot and killed during a 1969 police raid of his Chicago apartment, has been designated a historical landmark.

In a news release, organizers

of the Save The Hampton House initiative, led by Hampton's son and his mother, announced that the Maywood Village Board voted to recognize the house as a historical landmark.

The vote in the Chicago suburb follows a yearlong campaign that was tied to the Academy Award-winning film about Hampton and his death called "Judas and the Black Messiah."

**Politician's house looted, burned; 2 arrested**

**AL** TUSCALOOSA — Police in Alabama have arrested two people who are accused of breaking into a New Orleans-area estate belonging to Louisiana's lieutenant governor, stealing from it and setting a fire.

Tuscaloosa police arrested Robert Kelly and Angela Goodfellow, both 43, on burglary and simple arson charges after getting word that a Jeep allegedly used in the theft was in the area, news outlets reported.

Louisiana Lt. Gov. Billy Nungesser told reporters that robbers smashed antique china and stole rare coins, sports and political memorabilia and liquor from his house and a dump truck from across the street. The truck, still holding some of his belongings, was found in Mississippi. Kelly and Goodfellow are from Slidell, La., news outlets reported.

**Video shows Mike Tyson punch airline passenger**

**CA** SAN FRANCISCO — Authorities were investigating an incident in which former heavyweight champ Mike Tyson was recorded on video punching a fellow first-class passenger aboard a plane

at San Francisco International Airport.

The video showed Tyson leaning over the back of his seat repeatedly striking the unidentified man in the head, drawing blood.

"Unfortunately, Mr. Tyson had an incident on a flight with an aggressive passenger who began harassing him and threw a water bottle at him while he was in his seat," representatives for Tyson said in an email to The Associated Press.

Prior to the physical altercation, the man is seen on the video standing over Tyson's seat, waving his arms and talking animatedly while the former boxer sits quietly.

Both were released pending further investigation, the statement said.

**Prosecutor accidentally shoots himself in office**

**GA** SPRINGFIELD — An assistant prosecutor accidentally shot himself with his own handgun while trying to show it to a co-worker at their courthouse office in southeast Georgia, according to sheriff's reports.

Assistant District Attorney Matthew Breedon was wounded in the right leg when the gun fired as he drew it from its holster, according to an incident report filed by the Effingham County Sheriff's Office.

Breedon reached for his gun to show it to a co-worker interested in buying the same model, the report said. The shooting happened inside their office at the Effingham County courthouse, about 25 miles northwest of Savannah.

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# Tigers' Cabrera reaches 3,000 hits

Associated Press

Miguel Cabrera achieved another major milestone as the Detroit Tigers ruled the day.

Austin Gomber and the Colorado Rockies won the night.

Cabrera needed only one at-bat Saturday in Detroit to deliver his long-awaited 3,000th career hit, quickly reaching the mark as the Tigers routed the Rockies 13-0 in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

Gomber tossed six scoreless innings as Colorado spoiled the major league pitching debut of Beau Brieske with a 3-2 victory in the nightcap.

Cabrera became the 33rd player in major league history and first Venezuelan-born player to reach the 3,000-hit mark when he

grounded a first-inning single into right field. The hit came against fellow Venezuelan Antonio Senzatela and set off rousing cheers and chants at Comerica Park.

"I think I'm still dreaming," Cabrera said. "To be able to see 3,000 up there, pretty special."

Cabrera added a bases-loaded, two-run single in the sixth, then was pulled for a pinch-runner and drew another huge ovation. He had a first-inning single in the nightcap and finished the day with 3,002 hits.

The 39-year-old Cabrera became just the seventh player with 500 home runs and 3,000 hits. He joined an exclusive club that also includes Hank Aaron, Willie Mays, Eddie Murray, Rafael Palmeiro, Albert Pujols

and Alex Rodriguez.

He's the seventh Latino player to get 3,000 hits. Pujols was the previous player to reach the mark, doing it in 2018.

Cabrera is the third to get his 3,000th hit in a Detroit uniform, joining Ty Cobb and Al Kaline.

"We're going to walk away today positive," Tigers manager A.J. Hinch said. "Obviously, it's a bummer to lose the game tonight, we've got some things to work on and get better at. But any day you're involved in a historic day, it's a good day."

After getting his 2,999th career hit on Wednesday, Cabrera went 0-for-3 on Thursday. The Rockies-Tigers game scheduled for Friday night was rained out, putting history on hold for another day.

# Kiermaier, Rays rally past Red Sox in the 10th

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Kevin Kiermaier capped Tampa Bay's three-run 10th inning with a game-ending homer, and the Rays beat the Boston Red Sox 3-2 on Saturday night after losing their bid for a combined no-hitter in the top half of the final frame.

Matt Wisler (1-0) surrendered Boston's first hit when Bobby Dalbec opened the 10th with a triple, driving in automatic runner Jackie Bradley Jr. for a 1-0 lead. Christian Vázquez followed with a sacrifice fly to left.

Major League Baseball rules say it doesn't count as a no-hitter until the game ends and a team finishes with no hits.

"You don't want to see that go to waste," Kiermaier said. "They threw great. Both sides did. This is about as good as pitchers' duel as you can get, each team using six or seven arms. But this is 2022 for you. Nothing is normal anymore."

**Yankees 5, Guardians 4:** New York fans in the right-field bleachers pelted Cleveland outfielders with bottles, cans and debris in a chaotic scene moments after Isiah Kiner-Falefa

and pinch-hitter Gleyber Torres got RBI hits with two outs in the ninth inning to lift the host Yankees.

Rather than a celebration, Aaron Judge and other New York players rushed toward the wall in right-center field, trying to calm the crowd as security personnel joined the effort.

**Padres 3, Dodgers 2 (10):** Austin Nola hit a sacrifice fly with one out in the 10th inning and host San Diego snapped a 10-game losing streak to rival Los Angeles.

Nola's sac fly scored rookie CJ Abrams, who started as the automatic runner at second base and advanced on Trent Grisham's sacrifice bunt. Justin Bruihl (0-1) took the loss.

**Giants 5, Nationals 2:** Alex Wood pitched five effective innings and San Francisco's bullpen closed it out, leading San Francisco to victory at Washington.

Wilmer Flores and Joc Pederson each had two hits for the Giants, who won for the third time in four games.

**Cubs 21, Pirates 0:** Alfonso Rivas had three hits and five RBIs, and host Chicago stopped a four-game slide by pounding

Pittsburgh.

The Cubs finished with 23 hits in their most lopsided shutout win dating to at least 1901.

**Twins 9, White Sox 2:** Byron Buxton and Luis Arraez each had four hits, helping Dylan Bundy and host Minnesota beat banged-up Chicago.

Bundy (3-0) continued his surprising start to the season. He permitted four hits in five scoreless innings, lowering his ERA to 0.59 this season, the third-best mark in the majors.

**Brewers 5, Phillies 3:** Willy Adames stole home, Hunter Renfroe homered and Adrian Houser tossed six solid innings to lead Milwaukee to a win at Philadelphia.

Phillies ace Zack Wheeler (0-3) had another unimpressive outing as he works his way back from right shoulder soreness.

**Rangers 2, Athletics 0:** Brad Miller hit a key single in the eighth inning that drove in two runs after a replay review initiated by the umpires, and Texas won at Oakland.

The winning rally started when Adolis Garcia and Willie Calhoun chased Frankie Montas (2-2) with consecutive one-out singles.

**Cardinals 5, Reds 0:** Dakota Hudson pitched 6⅔ innings of one-hit ball, Paul Goldschmidt drove in two runs with a sixth-inning double and St. Louis handed host Cincinnati its 11th straight loss.

**Blue Jays 3, Astros 2:** George Springer hit a leadoff homer in the first game against his former team, and Santiago Espinal homered for the second straight game to lift Toronto to a win at Houston.

**Orioles 5, Angels 4:** Ryan Mountcastle drove in three runs, including the go-ahead single in the seventh inning, and visiting Baltimore overcame two homers by Mike Trout to rally past Los Angeles.

**Marlins 9, Braves 7:** Pinch-hitter Garrett Cooper's bases-loaded, go-ahead single in the seventh drove in two runs and visiting Miami beat Atlanta.

**Diamondbacks 5, Mets 2:** Arizona's offense had a season-high 11 hits and Humberto Castellanos pitched five solid innings in a win over visiting New York.

**Mariners 13, Royals 7:** Ty France had five hits, including a three-run homer, and host Seattle outslugged Kansas City.



# Celtics clamp down, lead 3-0

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NEW YORK — The stoppers are suffocating the scorers.

And as Boston was finishing another shutdown effort against Kevin Durant and the Nets, a loud “Let’s Go Celtics! Let’s Go Celtics!” chant broke out from the many fans in green who had seats in Barclays Center.

There wasn’t much for the home fans to cheer about as Brooklyn faces a team that just won’t let it get anything going.

“More of the same,” Boston coach Ime Udoka said. “We’re making it tough.”

Jayson Tatum scored 39 points, Jaylen Brown had 23 and the Celtics took a 3-0 lead over the Nets with a 109-103 victory Saturday night.

Again making things difficult on Durant and Kyrie Irving, Boston put itself in position to sweep its way into the second round with a victory Monday night in Brooklyn.

The Celtics forced 21 turnovers that led to 37 points. Tatum had six of their 13 steals.

“My message is, nobody plays harder than we do,” Tatum said.

Durant took only 11 shots, finishing with 16 points, eight rebounds and eight assists. Irving was 6-for-17, missing all seven three-pointers, and also had 16 points for the Nets, who have to decide if they will give Ben Simmons his debut Monday in an elimination game.

Boston’s defense against Brooklyn’s firepower was supposed to make this a can’t-miss series, even though it matches a No. 2 seed against a No. 7.

But it’s been mostly all Celtics since Tatum’s basket at the buzzer gave them a victory in Game 1. Durant and Irving combined for just one basket in the second half of Game 2, never had much impact in this one and might get only one more chance.

“We know what it is,” Durant said. “I don’t think no speech or anything will do at this part of the year. You know what it is. We’re down 3-0. We got another game on Monday. Just come out and play.”

# Go-ahead Gobert dunk lifts Jazz

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SALT LAKE CITY — Rudy Gobert gave Utah the lead with an alley-oop dunk with 11.0 seconds left and the Jazz held off the Dallas Mavericks 100-99 on Saturday in Game 4 to tie the first-round series.

Spencer Dinwiddie missed a three-pointer at the buzzer for Dallas.

Utah held the Mavericks to 18 points in the fourth quarter after surrendering a double-digit lead in the second half. Dallas made just two baskets through the first seven minutes of the fourth and shot 33% overall in the quarter.

“This is the team we want to be,” Gobert said. “This is who we are.”

Jordan Clarkson scored 25 points for the Jazz, Donovan Mitchell added 23 points and seven assists. Gobert had 17 points and 15 rebounds — 10 off the offensive glass. He was 3-for-8 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter and 9-for-18 overall.

Mavs star Luka Doncic had 30 points, 10 rebounds four assists in his return from a three-game absence because of a strained left calf.

“Getting my wind back,” Doncic said. “A little bit tired now but it felt great to be back.”

Jalen Brunson added 23 points, and Dorian Finney-Smith, Dwight Powell and Reggie Bullock had 11 points apiece.

Game 5 is Monday night in Dallas.

“We were down 12 at the half and we stayed the course, and it comes down to the last possession,” Mavs coach Jason Kidd said. “If you’re on the road in the playoffs and it comes down to the last play, you can’t ask for a better situation.”

After going 3½ minutes without a basket, Utah took a 95-94 lead on Mitchell’s layup with 1:27 remaining. Doncic answered with back-to-back baskets to put Dallas up 99-95.

Mitchell converted a three-point play to bring the Jazz within one. Powell missed a pair of free throws with 19.8 seconds left, opening the door for Gobert’s winner.

Timberwolves 119, Grizzlies 118: Angry after two rough games, Karl-Anthony Towns had to channel his emotions in a productive way — a skill he’s still trying to master.

Towns found his peace at the free-throw line. Seventeen tries gave him plenty of time to stay calm.

Raptors 110, 76ers 102: Pascal Siakam scored 15 of his 34 points in the fourth quarter, Gary Trent Jr. added 24 points and host Toronto beat Philadelphia to avoid a series sweep.

Game 5 is Monday night in Philadelphia. No team has come back from a 3-0 deficit to win an NBA playoff series.

# Fury TKOs Whyte, says he’s retiring

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LONDON — What might be the final punch of Tyson Fury’s controversial boxing career smashed into the chin of Dillian Whyte, sending him to the canvas and one of his teeth flying through the air.

Fury raised his right hand in celebration, knowing there would be no coming back from an uppercut seemingly felt all around Wembley Stadium.

And sure enough, there wasn’t.

With a brutal finish in the last seconds of the sixth round, Fury defeated Whyte — his fellow Briton and former sparring partner — in front of more than 94,000 fans inside England’s national soccer stadium to stay unbeaten with the 32nd win in his 33-fight professional career.

And that, the 33-year-old Fury said, could be it.

“This might be the final curtain for the Gypsy King,” Fury said in the ring, with his WBC and Ring Magazine belts around his shoulders. “What a way to go out.”

Fury was soaking in perhaps his last moments in a ring after 14 years as a professional. For his last fight — or so he says — he gave a clinic.

After a gripping trilogy with Deontay Wilder in the United States, Whyte was a big step-down for Fury, who mostly toyed with his compatriot after sizing him up in a cagey opening couple of rounds.

Fury was in control of the fight without truly exerting himself until the fifth round, which he dominated. A body shot and then a straight right rocked Whyte back, getting the crowd going.

Whyte — the long-time mandatory challenger — was mostly reckless with some big but wayward shots. He tried to play rough and get in the head of Fury, while hoping to land the one big punch to turn him into a superstar overnight.

In the end, it came from the right hand of Fury, which sent Whyte collapsing to the canvas.

Whyte eventually got to his feet and tried to show he was ready to continue but then staggered toward the ropes, leading the referee to end the fight.

“He didn’t just fight a world champion in this game,” Fury said of Whyte, “I’m a legend ... what a way to top it all off. “I think even Lennox Lewis would be proud of that uppercut.”

# Panthers run winning streak to 13

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SUNRISE, Fla. — Brandon Montour scored 2:26 into overtime and the NHL-leading Florida Panthers extended their winning streak to a franchise-record 13 games by beating the Toronto Maple Leafs 3-2 on Saturday night.

The winning streak matches the seventh-longest in NHL history and is the league's longest since Columbus won 16 consecutive games in the 2016-17 season. The victory also marked Florida interim coach Andrew Brunette's 50th in just 71 games behind the Panthers' bench.

Claude Giroux had a goal and two assists for Florida, while Aleksander Barkov had a goal and an assist and Mason Marchment had two assists. Sergei Bobrovsky stopped 34 shots.

"We go into games with a lot of confidence," Giroux said. "I feel after each win, we say we can play better. Everything is going great right now. We're getting some bounces, making plays and having fun. We just have to keep going."

Justin Holl and Mitch Marner had goals for Toronto. Jack Campbell finished with 32 saves.

"I thought the guys came out, played hard, overcame a lot of adversity," Campbell said. "You obviously want to come away with two points, but it is what it is. Just proud of the effort from the guys."

**Lightning 6, Predators 2:** Victor Hedman, Nikita Kucherov and Anthony Cirelli scored in the first period, and host Tampa Bay beat Nashville.

Hedman became the second defenseman in franchise history to score 20 goals in a season, joining Dan Boyle in 2006-07.

Kucherov finished with a goal and two assists, Steve Stamkos also had a goal and two assists, and Ross Colton also scored for the Lightning. Brian Elliott made 19 saves.

Tampa Bay is three points ahead of Boston in the race for third place in the Atlantic Division.

Predators defenseman Roman Josi scored a power-play goal to become the first NHL defenseman to reach the 90-point mark since Boston's Ray Bourque (91 in 1993-94).

**Stars 3, Kraken 2:** Roope Hintz scored two goals in a span of about two minutes to pull host Dallas even in the second, and Vladislav Namestnikov got the game-winner for the playoff-contending Stars.

Not only did Dallas overcome an early two-goal deficit, the team rebounded from losing all three games on its trip to Canada

that was made even more miserable because of travel issues on the way home.

With three games left in the regular season, all at home, the Stars have 93 points and are tied with Nashville for the Western Conference's two wild-card spots. The Predators, who lost 6-2 Saturday to Tampa Bay, have four games left. Vegas has 89 points with four games remaining. The Golden Knights are home Sunday against San Jose before playing in Dallas on Tuesday night.

**Hurricanes 3, Devils 2 (OT):** Rookie Seth Jarvis scored 1:39 into overtime, lifting visiting Carolina to its third straight win.

The Hurricanes trailed 2-0 before Brady Skjei and Nino Niederreiter scored in the final five minutes of regulation. Rookie Pyotr Kochetkov made 17 saves in winning his NHL debut.

Yegor Sharangovich and Nico Hischier scored for New Jersey. Jon Gillies, who was minutes away from his first NHL shutout, made 26 saves for the Devils in his first start in a month.

**Bruins 3, Rangers 1:** David Pastrnak scored his team-leading 39th goal after missing the previous eight games with an undisclosed injury, helping host Boston to the win over New York.

Taylor Hall and Trent Frederic also scored for the Bruins, who are jockeying for playoff seeding in the Eastern Conference. They had lost four of their previous six games.

Having locked up home ice in the opening round of the playoffs with a victory over the Islanders on Thursday, the Rangers had their four-game winning streak snapped.

**Penguins 7, Red Wings 2:** Evgeni Malkin scored two goals, leading Pittsburgh to the road win.

Kris Letang had a goal and two assists for the playoff-bound Penguins, who won for the third time in four games. Sidney Crosby, Rickard Rakell and Chad Ruhwedel each finished with a goal and an assist.

**Sabres 5, Islanders 3:** Tage Thompson scored his team-leading 37th goal, and host Buffalo beat New York in a matchup of non-playoff teams.

The Sabres hung on for their fourth straight victory, the team's longest since a 10-game run in November 2018.

**Sharks 4, Blackhawks 1:** Kaapo Kahkonen stopped 27 shots, leading host San Jose to the victory.

Timo Meier had a goal and an assist for the Sharks, who won for just the second time in 13 games.

Chicago outshot San Jose 28-19, but only managed a second-period goal by Tyler Johnson.

**Senators 6, Canadiens 4:** Mark Kastelic scored his first two NHL goals, powering host Ottawa to the win.

Austin Watson, Josh Norris, Parker Kelly and Alex Formenton also scored for the Senators. Anton Forsberg made 44 saves.

Rem Pitlick had a pair of goals and Cole Caufield and Joel Edmundson also scored for Montreal, which has lost eight straight.

**Blues 5, Coyotes 4 (OT):** Justin Faulk scored his second goal 30 seconds into overtime and visiting St. Louis extended its point streak to 15 games.

The Blues jumped on Arizona early, building leads of 3-0 and 4-1 against one of the NHL's worst teams. The Coyotes clawed their way back early in the third period, 4-3, on goals by Bokondji Imama and Michael Carcone 46 seconds apart.

J.J. Moser tied it with just under five minutes left, but Faulk ended it quickly in overtime, beating Harri Sateri to pull St. Louis into a tie Minnesota for second in the Central Division with 107 points. The Blues, who are 13-0-2 their past 15 games, are fighting the Wild for home-ice advantage in their first-round playoff series that was locked up earlier this week.

**Kings 4, Ducks 2:** Alexander Edler scored the tiebreaking goal early in the third period, and host Los Angeles closed in on its first playoff berth in four years.

Arthur Kaliyev, Matt Roy and Alex Iafallo also scored, and rookie Quinton Byfield and Anze Kopitar had two assists apiece in the Kings' fourth straight victory.

Trevor Zegras became the top rookie scorer in Anaheim history with a second-period goal.

**Flames 6, Canucks 3:** Dillon Dube scored twice and Elias Lindholm got his 40th goal to lead host Calgary.

Brett Ritchie, Nikita Zadorov and Johnny Gaudreau also scored to help the Flames — assured of first place in the Pacific Division — win for the ninth time in 11 games (9-1-1). Dan Vladar had 28 saves to improve to 12-5-2.

Quinn Hughes, Conor Garland and Elias Pettersson scored for Vancouver, which lost its third straight (0-2-1). Thatcher Demko finished with 25 saves and fell to 33-22-7. With three games remaining, the Canucks trail Nashville and Dallas in the Western Conference wild card race by six points. Vegas is two points ahead of Vancouver.