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## Trump details his giving to vets charities

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Under pressure to account for money he claimed to raise for veterans, an angry and irritated Donald Trump outlined a list of charities Tuesday that he says have now received millions of dollars from a fundraiser he held earlier this year.

Trump, the presumptive Republican presidential nominee, told reporters at a testy news conference in New York that the fundraiser, held in boycott of a Fox News presidential debate, raised \$5.6 million. Trump had previously refused to disclose which charities had received the funds, and his campaign has gone back and forth about how much was raised.

"The money's all been sent," Trump said at a press conference at Trump Tower. He repeatedly criticized the press for making the money an issue, saying reporters "should be ashamed of themselves" for asking where the money had gone.

Trump's campaign manager, Corey Lewandowski, had originally told The Washington Post that the event had raised about \$4.5 million — less than the \$6 million originally announced by Trump — because some who'd pledged contributions had backed out. Lewandowski also said all the money had been given out.

Trump contradicted those comments when he later told the paper that the total raised was higher and that his team had been busy vetting the groups.

Trump had claimed during the fundraiser that he'd raised \$6 million. But his campaign refused for months to disclose which charities had received the money, leading some news organizations and critics to speculate that the money raised was less than he had claimed.

## DOD: 2 GIs hurt in Syria, Iraq

BY COREY DICKSTEIN

Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — Two American servicemembers were injured over the weekend in separate incidents in Iraq and Syria, although a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday neither was hurt in direct combat.

The two servicemembers were working behind the forward line of troops, advising indigenous fighters battling the Islamic State group in each country, when they were wounded by enemy rocket or mortar fire, said Navy Capt. Jeff Davis, a Pentagon spokesman.

"They were not engaged in active combat," he said.

Davis declined to provide the extent of their injuries or

branch of service, citing longstanding Pentagon policies not to disclose information about injured troops that could "give our enemy free battle damage assessments."

To date, there have been 14 American troops wounded in action in support of the U.S.-led anti-Islamic State group mission Operation Inherent Resolve since it began in June 2014. Three American servicemembers have been killed in action in support of OIR in Iraq.

The Pentagon has said American troops, including hundreds of special operators, serving in Iraq and Syria are not on a combat mission. President Barack Obama recently told Stars and Stripes that they "will some-

times face combat situations."

The three Americans who died in Iraq, Obama said in a written Q&A, "were killed in combat while they were supporting local forces in Iraq."

Two of those Americans were special operators who were killed in fights with Islamic State militants. The other was a Marine killed in an Islamic State rocket attack.

The servicemember hurt in Syria could be the first U.S. casualty in that country, where about 300 Americans are serving as advisers to the U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces as it advances toward the Islamic State group in Raqqa, the terrorist group's "capital" in that country.

## Schools to monitor military students' progress

EdSource via AP

CHULA VISTA, Calif. — Schools across the country are preparing to formally track students from military families, monitoring their academic progress as they move from base to base and state to state, under a new provision in the federal education law.

The change comes in response to concerns raised by the Department of Defense that the children of active-duty members of the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Air Force and Marines have academic and emotional needs that schools are ill-equipped to meet.

At Chula Vista's Veterans Elementary School, a new effort to support students from military families is underway to help students like fifth-grader Victoria Ayekof.

She had a rough start when she arrived last fall from a U.S. Navy base where her father was

stationed. Veterans Elementary is Victoria's fifth school in five years and in the beginning the adjustment was tough.

Her mother, Joyce Ayekof, said school staff reported her daughter was "always isolated and crying."

"You have to adjust, but it's really hard to adjust," Victoria said. "You miss your old friends."

Military children move an average of six to nine times before high school graduation, according to the Department of Defense, but repeating the social and academic upheaval doesn't necessarily make it easier.

Having a parent away on military duty is a major stress on the family. Research has found military children who have a parent deployed are more frequently diagnosed with acute stress, depression and behavior problems than other children

and that these mental health issues can affect learning.

Under the Every Student Succeeds Act — the new federal education law passed in December that takes effect in the 2017-18 school year — school-age children in military families will be assigned an identification number known as a "military student identifier" that will allow schools to keep tabs on test scores, graduation rates and other metrics.

Implementation details have yet to be announced by the U.S. Department of Education.

Joyce Ayekof said her daughter's initial struggles have eased, and Victoria said she feels more comfortable, recalling the day her new classmates made a point of welcoming her in the cafeteria.

"I went to sit down at lunch," she said, "and all the girls followed me."

# Aviator seeks to honor fallen colleague

BY WYATT OLSON  
*Stars and Stripes*

Earlier this year, 91-year-old Thomas Hudner made a request to Navy Secretary Ray Mabus in a letter imbued with a sense of finality.

"It pains me to ask for any favor, but there is one last cause to which I must attend," wrote Hudner, a Korean War Navy aviator, Medal of Honor recipient and namesake of a guided-missile destroyer to be commissioned in 2018.

Hudner requested a ship be named after fellow flier Jesse Brown, the Navy's first African-American aviator and among the first blacks to fly in the newly integrated armed forces. Brown crashed and died on a North Korea mountainside

in 1950 during the infamous Battle of Chosin Reservoir.

Hudner was Brown's wingman — the aviator who flies slightly behind to protect the lead pilot's flank. Hudner spent the fleeting minutes after Brown's crash trying to unpin him from his mangled Corsair fighter that ultimately was his deathtrap.

"I was just the first to act," Hudner said. "That duty should have fallen to me anyway, as I was his wingman."

In one way or another, Hudner, ever the wingman, has spent the past six decades trying to save Brown's memory and preserve his legacy.

Brown was the son of a sharecropper and "had grown up dirt-poor, farming the fields of Mississippi," according to "De-

votion," a 2015 biography of the two men by Adam Makos.

Far from the other side of the tracks was Hudner, who "had spent his summers boating at a country club in Massachusetts as an heir to a chain of grocery stores," Makos wrote.

Hudner had been Brown's wingman for only a few months when they and four other fighters flew from the carrier USS Leyte on Dec. 4, 1950, to support Marines on the ground who were outnumbered and surrounded by Chinese troops. After taking ground fire, Brown's plane started leaking oil and the engine seized up. He crash-landed on a frigid, snow-covered mountainside.

Circling above, Hudner saw Brown wave through the open canopy.

When the plane began to smoke, Hudner knew he could no longer wait for a rescue helicopter. In a split second, he made the decision to crash land his own fighter in an attempt to save Brown.

Hudner, who injured his back in the crash, discovered that Brown's leg was pinned beneath the fuselage.

For 45 minutes Hudner and the helicopter pilot labored with an ax to free Brown. They were unable to quell the flames, now rising from the plane, with a fire extinguisher.

The pilot believed that Brown was dead and motioned for Hudner to board the helicopter.

Hudner's last words to the unconscious Brown was that they would return for him. That didn't happen.

## Defiant North Korea tests another missile

BY KIM GAMEL  
*Stars and Stripes*

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea attempted to fire a missile Tuesday morning, underscoring its determination to defy the international community and march forward in its efforts to develop a nuclear-tipped missile that can reach the U.S. mainland.

The launch happened near Wonsan on the country's east coast at about 5:20 a.m., "but it is presumed to have been unsuccessful," a South Korean military official said. He did not give more details, saying only that the military was investigating and maintaining a high level of combat readiness.

South Korea's Yonhap News agency quoted unidentified sources as saying it could have been a powerful midrange Musudan missile that could reach U.S. military bases in Asia and the Pacific.

The launch came days after President Barack Obama urged

countries to pursue a nuclear-free world during a visit to Hiroshima, Japan, where the world's first wartime atomic bomb fell in 1945. He and other world leaders also discussed ways to deter North Korea from further developing its nuclear program at the G7 summit last week.

Pyongyang staged its fourth nuclear test in early January, followed by a long-range rocket launch that prompted a new round of tougher U.N. sanctions against the isolated nation.

Tuesday's effort would be the fourth launch failure over the past two months. The North also fired a missile from a submarine in April, although it flew only about 20 miles. Analysts have warned against gloating over the failures, saying the North likely is learning from its mistakes. North Korean leader Kim Jong Un recently called for military talks with the South, but South Korea rejected the overture.

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## NATO mulls plans for east

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NATO's top official on Tuesday reaffirmed an alliance plan to position several battalions on the alliance's eastern flank, with final decisions on the size and scope of the mission expected in July at a major summit in Warsaw.

NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg, speaking during a stop in Warsaw ahead of the summit, said that military planners had presented allies with a range of recommendations on how the organization can build up its presence in the region and that those measures are under review.

"This presence will be multinational and rotational," Stoltenberg said during a speech at Warsaw University. "This enhanced force and presence, combined with the ability to deploy forces quickly, will send a clear message."

The moves are part of a plan to reassure allies in Poland and the Baltic states, countries edgy in the wake of Russia's

2014 intervention in Ukraine.

Earlier Tuesday, Stoltenberg held a joint news conference with Polish Defense Minister Antoni Macierewicz, who said the plan to beef up NATO's presence in the east was an important step in adapting to a new security environment.

"Both in Poland as well as the Baltic states there will be full battle groups, full battalion battle groups deployed on a rotational basis," said Macierewicz, echoing Stoltenberg's pledge of a steady circulation of troops in the region.

Since Russia's intervention in Ukraine in 2014, including Moscow's annexation of the Crimea Peninsula, NATO has responded by expanding the size of its crisis-response forces, streamlining command and control systems and intensifying the pace of exercises across Europe.

Those efforts have in turn angered Russia, which has warned of unspecified countermeasures.



# Warriors earn spot in Finals

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Stephen Curry knocked down yet another three-pointer in the waning moments, pulled his jersey up into his mouth and yelled to the rafters in triumph once more.

A special, record-setting season saved for the defending champs, with a memorable comeback added to the long list of accomplishments.

Splash Brothers Curry and Klay Thompson carried the 73-win Warriors right back to the NBA Finals, as Golden State rallied from a 3-1 series deficit to beat the Oklahoma City Thunder 96-88 on Monday night in Game 7 of the Western Conference finals.

Now, Curry and Co. are playing for another NBA title — just as they planned since Day 1 of training camp in September.

Bring on LeBron James again. “You appreciate how tough it is to get back here,” Curry said. “You’ve got to be appreciative of this accomplishment, and look forward to getting four more wins.”

The MVP scored 36 points with seven three-pointers to finish with an NBA-record 32 in a seven-game series, and also had eight assists. Thompson added 21 points and six threes, two days after his record 11 three-pointers led a Game 6 comeback that sent the series home to raucous Oracle Arena for one more.

The Warriors became the 10th team to rally from a 3-1 deficit and win a post-season series. They return to the NBA Finals for a rematch with James and the Cleveland Cavaliers, who lost the 2015 title in six games as Golden State captured its first championship in 40 years.

Game 1 is Thursday night in Oakland. “We survived by the skin of our teeth,” coach Steve Kerr said. “We were able to pull it out, and we’re moving on.”

His signature mouthpiece dangling out and the game ball cradled in his left hand, Curry pumped his right arm as yellow confetti fell through Oracle Arena once the final buzzer sounded.

With the Thunder trailing 90-86, Serge Ibaka fouled Curry on a three-point try with 1:18 to go and the shot clock running out. Curry made all three free throws, then that three-pointer to seal it.

“This is who he is. Having a clutch performance in a Game 7, that’s Steph Curry,” Kerr said.

And Golden State’s beloved “Strength In Numbers” catchphrase coined by Coach of the Year Kerr was needed in every way.

“No one ever had any doubt that we could get this done,” Draymond Green said. “People have seen teams down 3-1 before but they ain’t seen many. They’ve definitely never seen a 73-win team down 3-1.”

Andre Iguodala joined the starting lineup for just the second time all season and the 2015 NBA Finals MVP hung tough against Kevin Durant, who scored 27 points on 10-for-19 shooting. Shaun Livingston’s breakaway, one-handed dunk late in the third provided a big lift off the Warriors bench.

Oklahoma City won Game 1 108-102 at deafening Oracle Arena, so Golden State never envisioned this one coming easily. Russell Westbrook had 19 points, 13 assists and seven rebounds.

“It hurts losing, especially being up 3 games to 1,” Durant said.

It took a quarter and a half for Thompson to warm up after his 41-point performance in a 108-101 win Saturday at Oklahoma City that sent the series back to the East Bay.

He missed his initial seven shots before hitting a three 6:02 before halftime, energizing the Warriors in their first Game 7 at home in 40 years.

Back-to-back three-pointers by Thompson and Iguodala pulled the Warriors within 54-51 with 7:57 left in the third. They tied it on Curry’s three at 7:21 and he followed with another three to give his team the lead.

Curry and Thompson each topped the previous record for threes in a seven-game series, 28 by Dennis Scott and Ray Allen.

# 2 of top 6 women’s seeds out

Associated Press

PARIS — Yes, they actually managed to complete a match on this wettest of weeks at the French Open. Two, even. And both involved surprises: Two of the top half-dozen seeded women lost within minutes of each other, No. 2 Agnieszka Radwanska and No. 6 Simona Halep.

After their fourth-round exits Tuesday, both Radwanska and Halep complained firmly about tournament organizers’ decision to make them play through drizzles — or worse — that made courts slippery and clay-caked tennis balls heavy.

“I mean, it’s not a (low-tier) tournament. It’s a Grand Slam. How can you allow players to play in the rain?” said Radwanska, the 2012 Wimbledon runner-up.

“I don’t know who allows us to play in that kind of conditions,” Radwanska added, saying her racket-wielding right hand gave her problems because she had surgery on it years ago. “I don’t think they really care what we think. I think they care about other things.”

Halep sounded a similar tone, noting it was “impossible to play,” and saying: “No one cares about the players, in my opinion. I don’t care that I lost the match today, but I was close to (getting) injured with my back, so ... that’s a big problem.”

Radwanska dropped 10 consecutive games and got treatment from a trainer on her hand while being beaten 2-6, 6-3, 6-3 by 102nd-ranked Tsvetana Pironkova of Bulgaria. Shortly before that, Halep lost 7-6 (0), 6-3 to No. 21 Sam Stosur in a contest between two past finalists at Roland Garros.

Halep wondered aloud whether those in charge of the French Open insisted on going forward with matches in the rain because they “are scared” about completing the tournament on time. All play was washed out Monday, the first full day lost at the event in 16 years.

“(It’s) not our fault. (It’s) not their fault,” she said. “But the decisions were not, I think, the best.”

Radwanska vs. Pironkova originally began Sunday, and Radwanska was just three games from victory at 3-0 in the second set when play was suspended because of rain. They didn’t make it back on court until Tuesday, began more than an hour late because of more rain, played for about a half-hour, then were halted by a 2.5-hour delay.

There were stretches where action proceeded despite drops falling.

The Stosur-Halep match also was suspended Sunday during the first set. And 2011 U.S. Open champion Stosur — wearing a green long-sleeved shirt against the chill of temperatures in the 50s (about 15 degrees Celsius) — was better throughout Tuesday, her big hitting able to withstand the conditions better than Halep’s spins and angles.

“We’re told to play, we play. If it gets too wet, you’ve got to say something,” Stosur said. “It’s not good out there, but it was fine for us.”

# Durant’s future up in air after OKC loss

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — As Stephen Curry dribbled out the clock in a raucous Oracle Arena, Kevin Durant could only stand and watch.

The Golden State Warriors are heading back to the NBA Finals, while Durant’s future in Oklahoma City is much less certain.

Two nights after blowing an opportunity to close out the defending champion Warriors at home, the Thunder got sent home for the summer when they lost Game 7 of the Western Conference finals 96-88 on Monday night.

“We wanted to win the whole thing,” Durant said. “There’s no moral victories in our locker room after the game. We were all upset. We wanted to get a chance to play for a championship in the finals, so that hurts.”

Instead of becoming known as the team that knocked off the Warriors after their record-setting 73-win regular season, the Thunder will be remembered for a playoff collapse. They became just the 10th NBA team to lose a playoff series after taking a 3-1 lead and now head into an uncertain offseason with Durant eligible to become an unrestricted free agent.

Durant said it was too soon to even think about what will happen in July.

“Unfortunately we didn’t come out on top,” Durant said. “That’s something that all the guys are upset about. But we laid it all out there. Everybody left their soul out

on the court. We have no regrets.”

If he does leave the only franchise he has played for in his nine-year career, he will do it having failed to deliver the championship to Oklahoma City. The closest the Thunder have gotten in Durant’s tenure was when they lost the NBA Finals in five games to LeBron James and the Miami Heat in 2012.

They then lost in the second round the next season, in the conference finals in 2014 to San Antonio before missing the playoffs entirely because of an injury to Durant last year.

But under first-year coach Billy Donovan, Oklahoma City earned the third seed in the top-heavy Western Conference this season and then upset 67-win San Antonio in the second round. The Thunder followed that by winning three of the first four games against the Warriors, with a pair of lopsided wins at home.

But after losing Game 5 on the road, the Thunder blew an opportunity to eliminate the Warriors at home on Saturday night. Oklahoma City led by seven points with less than five minutes remaining but made only one basket and committed six turnovers down the stretch of a 108-101 loss that could haunt the franchise for years.

“There was an opportunity for us to close the series out in 5 and 6 and 7 and we came up a little short,” Donovan said. “But I don’t know if that tells the story of the full seven games if you look at the entirety.”

The Thunder responded on the road in

Game 7 by taking a 13-point lead in the second quarter. But once Curry and Klay Thompson started hitting Oklahoma City with a flurry of three-pointers, the Thunder had no answer. The Splash Brothers combined for 13 three-pointers as Golden State outscored Oklahoma City by 30 points from behind the line.

“They beat us in the three-point line the last two games,” Durant said. “We beat them everywhere else, they beat us from the three-point line and that was the series.”

Oklahoma City’s stars were no match. Russell Westbrook missed 14 of 21 from the field and shot just 36.8 percent in the three potential clinchers. Durant finished with 27 points but took only 10 shots in the first three quarters.

Durant did score seven straight points to cut an 11-point deficit to four with 1:40 remaining. But Serge Ibaka then fouled Curry on a three-pointer with the shot clock running down, allowing Golden State to build the lead back to seven.

“That was the dagger for us,” Durant said. “That kind of hurt us.”

Durant then missed two shots and could only stare blankly when Curry ended Oklahoma City’s season with a 3-pointer with 26.8 seconds left. Now the Thunder can only hope it doesn’t end Durant’s tenure in Oklahoma City as well.

“We just lost like 30 minutes ago,” Durant said. “I haven’t even thought about it. I’m just embracing my teammates and reflecting on the season.”



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# Cubs' bullpen 1-hits Dodgers

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Jason Hammel wasn't thrilled to leave Monday's game after two innings of one-hit ball because of right hamstring cramps.

At least he could joke about it afterward.

"I blew the no-hitter," he cracked.

Travis Wood and three other relievers combined for seven perfect innings after Hammel left, and the Chicago Cubs one-hit the Los Angeles Dodgers 2-0.

It was the Cubs' sixth straight victory after losing eight of 12. They have the best record in baseball and are a season-high 21 games over .500 (35-14).

Hammel exited after cramping while warming up for the third inning. Wood (3-0) pitched four perfect innings in his lon-

gest stint of the season to get the win.

Justin Grimm, Pedro Strop and Hector Rondon pitched one inning each for the Cubs, with Rondon getting his ninth save.

That's the longest hitless performance in a game by Cubs relievers since they went 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings Sept. 26, 1948. Cubs pitchers retired the final 25 batters Monday, a franchise best since at least 1974, according to STATS.

"I think it's truly Travis Wood's day," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said. "He set that whole game up. Period."

Hammel said he is "very optimistic" he will be ready for his next turn in the rotation but would see how he felt Tuesday. He said he'd never had a cramping issue like that and was surprised by this one.

"I honestly felt like I drank the equivalent of Lake Michigan last night," he said.

Ben Zobrist extended his hitting streak to a career-high-tying 16 games. He singled leading off the fifth and reached third when right fielder Yasiel Puig mis-played the ball. He scored on Jason Heyward's infield single.

It was the fewest hits for the Dodgers since the Cubs' Jake Arrieta no-hit them Aug. 30, 2015, in Los Angeles.

"One hit?" Roberts said. "That was unfortunate what happened over there to Hammel with the hamstring. And when you get into their 'pen that early, we felt pretty good about it."

Dodgers starting pitcher Alex Wood (1-4) gave up two runs on seven hits in five innings, striking out seven and walking three.

# Penguins win Cup opener

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Nick Bonino's main job for the Pittsburgh Penguins is to get to the front of the net and create chaos, and he executed perfectly as he scored the winner in a 3-2 victory over San Jose in Monday's opening game of the Stanley Cup Final series.

Bonino took a feed from the corner by Kris Letang and beat Sharks goaltender Martin Jones from in close with 2:33 remaining to lift the Penguins to victory.

"Tanger put it right on my stick," Bonino said. "It was a shot that wasn't my hardest shot by any means but I kind of found a way to flip it over him."

Rookies Bryan Rust and Conor Sheary staked Pittsburgh to an early two-goal lead before the Sharks tied it in the second period on goals by Tomas Hertl and Patrick Marleau. The Penguins responded by upping the pressure in the final period and it paid off with Bonino's fourth goal of the playoffs.

"He does all the things right and found himself in a great position and capitalized on it," Pittsburgh forward Chris Kunitz said. "Any time you're in the slot, get him the puck. It seems like we find a way to win when he scores."

Matt Murray finished with 24 saves for Pittsburgh, which hosts Game 2 on Wednesday.

The Penguins began their bid for their fourth title by peppering Jones constantly in the first and final periods. They threw 41 shots at Jones, well over the 28 he faced on average during San Jose's playoff run.

The Sharks looked a step slow — maybe two steps slow — while searching for their footing in the team's first ever appearance in the Stanley Cup Final.

"You try to keep everything normal but you've been dreaming about it for a while," San Jose defenseman Brent Burns said. "Now we know what we're in for and we'll be better."

Rust, who became an unlikely playoff star by scoring both of Pittsburgh's goals in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference finals against Tampa Bay, gave the Penguins the lead 12:46 into the first when he slammed home a rebound off a Justin Schultz shot for his sixth of the postseason, a franchise record for playoff goals by a rookie.

Less than a minute later Sheary, who didn't become a regular until the middle of January, made it 2-0 when Sidney Crosby whipped a blind backhand cross-ice pass to Sheary's stick. The rookie's wrist shot from the right circle zipped by Jones and the Penguins appeared to be in complete command by overwhelming the Sharks in a way few have in months.

San Jose and its group of Cup newcomers regained its composure in the intermission and responded with a big surge. Hertl jammed a shot from just outside the crease between Murray's legs on the power play 3:02 into the second to give the Sharks momentum. Late in the second, Marleau collected a rebound off a Brent Burns one-timer behind the Pittsburgh net and then beat Murray on a wraparound to the far post that caromed off Murray's extended right leg and into the net.

# Harvey helps Mets shut out ChiSox

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Matt Harvey rediscovered his form with seven dominant innings of two-hit ball, Neil Walker homered off Jose Quintana, and the New York Mets beat Chicago 1-0 Monday to send the reeling White Sox to their seventh straight loss.

Harvey (4-7) has been one of baseball's biggest puzzles, transforming from a premier pitcher to baffled ballplayer.

With both teams wearing special Memorial Day uniforms with camouflage lettering and trim, Harvey struck out six and walked two to win for the first time since May 8. His fastball velocity was up markedly, and he threw 61 of 87 pitches for strikes.

Addison Reed struck out two in a perfect eighth. After wasting a four-run lead in the Mets' win over Los Angeles on Friday and giving up a pair of ninth-inning runs in Sunday's loss to the Dodgers, Jeury's Familia got three straight outs to remain perfect in 17 save chances. He has converted 33 consecutive save opportunities dating to last season.

Quintana (5-5) was almost as good but has lost four straight starts for the first time in his big league career. He allowed four singles before Walker led off the Mets' seventh with his 12th homer, a drive over the 370-foot sign in left.

**Red Sox 7, Orioles 2:** Xander Bogaerts extended his hitting streak to 23 games and drove in two runs, Jackie Bradley put his team ahead for good with a sixth-inning homer and visiting Boston won a matchup of the top two teams in the AL East.

**Angels 5, Tigers 1:** Jhoulys Chacin (1-1) threw a four-hitter to win a scintillating duel with Justin Verlander (4-5), and Cliff Pennington's tiebreaking RBI single during a five-run eighth inning propelled host Los Angeles over Detroit.

**Nationals 4, Phillies 3:** Daniel Murphy hit a solo homer and tiebreaking two-run single, Tanner Roark (4-4) threw seven sharp innings and visiting Washington held on for a win over

Philadelphia.

**Blue Jays 4, Yankees 2:** Marco Estrada (3-2) pitched eight scoreless innings, Ryan Goins homered and host Toronto beat New York for its fifth win in six games.

**Cardinals 6, Brewers 0:** Matt Carpenter had four hits and scored three times, Carlos Martinez (5-5) pitched eight innings and visiting St. Louis beat Milwaukee.

**Athletics 3, Twins 2:** Coco Crisp homered leading off the game, Khris Davis hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the sixth inning and host Oakland beat Minnesota.

**Reds 11, Rockies 8:** Adam Duval had his first career two-homer game, Joey Votto hit his 200th homer and Eugenio Suarez — who came in mired in an 0-for-28 skid — also went deep in visiting Cincinnati's victory over Colorado.

**Astros 8, Diamondbacks 3:** Collin McHugh (5-4) struck out eight in his first career complete game, Jason Castro had three RBIs and visiting Houston continued its recent surge.

**Mariners 9, Padres 3:** Kyle Seager's two-run homer in the sixth inning snapped a 2-all tie and Dae-Ho Lee's three-run shot capped a five-run eighth inning to give host Seattle a victory over San Diego.

**Braves 5, Giants 3:** Mallex Smith hit a three-run triple in the second inning, Mike Foltynewicz (2-2) continued his recent upswing by allowing only three hits and one run in six-plus innings and host Atlanta beat Jeff Samardzija and San Francisco.

**Rangers 9, Indians 2:** Nomar Mazara hit a three-run homer, Ian Desmond had a two-run shot and visiting Texas beat Cleveland.

**Pirates 10, Marlins 0:** Jeff Locke (4-3) tossed a three-hitter and visiting Pittsburgh beat Miami.

**Royals 6, Rays 2:** Eric Hosmer hit a three-run homer after Lorenzo Cain drove in the go-ahead run in a four-run eighth inning and host Kansas City defeated Tampa Bay.

# Hooliganism on rise ahead of Euro 2016

Associated Press

PARIS — Hooliganism is making a comeback, and the timing could be bad with four high-risk matches in the first week of the European Championship in a country where the police force is already under huge strain.

Should one or more of these matches — England vs. Russia in Marseille on June 11; Turkey vs. Croatia the next day; and England vs. Wales and Germany vs. Poland both on June 16 — descend into violence, the soccer itself could quickly become overshadowed.

Police forces in France have been stretched since last November's deadly terror attacks that killed 130 people. The last thing French authorities need is thugs causing mayhem. However, in the last two months alone there has been an increase in soccer violence around Europe.

At the French Cup final, fans managed to sneak flares and objects into the Stade de France, despite a two-meter high security

wall and triple security checks, while others tried to invade the pitch, raising serious concerns ahead of Euro 2016, where the opening match between France and Romania takes place on June 10. In Germany, too, several hundred fans from Dynamo Dresden were held back by riot police to stop them attacking bitter rivals Madgdeberg in a third-division match in April, and mass arrests were made in May during the troublesome local derby between Frankfurt and Darmstadt.

In Sunday's League One playoff final at London's Wembley, fights broke out among supporters; Rangers and Hibernian fans poured onto the field to do battle at Hampden Park in the Scottish Cup final — a worrying throwback to the mid-1980s when hooliganism blighted Britain — Liverpool and Sevilla fans traded punches in the Europa League final in Switzerland; FC Zurich thugs charged down the tunnel last Wednesday to try to attack their own players following relegation from the Swiss Super League, and

then battled riot police outside.

Although centered on inter-club rivalries, these troubles highlight how hooliganism has been creeping back after several years of good behavior.

A further 10 matches at Euro 2016 are identified as risky — including Germany vs. Ukraine; Slovakia vs. England, and Russia vs. Wales — and there will be increased border controls and tighter security at train stations and airports, in addition to eight police spotters from each country to identify potential hooligans.

**Police over-reaction:** Unlike other countries like Germany, the French riot police do not initiate dialogue with troublemakers. It is more about repression than defusing a situation, and police over-reaction can escalate a rowdy situation into a dangerous one. When Lille hosted Everton in the Europa League in October of 2014, beer-fueled Everton fans, singing songs and dropping the odd glass, were baton-charged and had CRS gas sprayed on them.