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Navy to further study Marianas project

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The Department of the Navy has ordered further environmental study after strong opposition to its proposed expansion of training facilities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands near Guam.

An avalanche of opposition from residents and local officials to the draft environmental impact statement on Tinian and Pagan islands could force the Navy to drastically downsize its plan — or even to look elsewhere.

The Navy announced the supplemental analysis Oct. 2, and it's expected to be completed by early next year. It will take a closer look at the project's possible impact on Tinian's groundwater aquifer and on coral reefs near both islands.

The Navy is reviewing about 9,000 comments received on the draft statement, which was released in April, said Maj. Tim Patrick, a Guam spokesman for the project.

"While the Department of Navy hasn't completed a review of all those 9,000 comments, they became aware of at least two areas that warranted supplemental analysis," he said.

Northern Marianas government agencies and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recommended further study of impact on the aquifer and coral, he said.

"Rather than waiting months and months into the future, we'd prefer to be more proactive and start to look at some of the things that have garnered attention and begin conducting extra analysis on those things now," he said.

The Navy wants to acquire the entire island of Pagan for live-fire training and to significantly upgrade training facilities on Tinian, where the U.S. holds leases to two-thirds of the island. Expanding live-fire ranges and training areas on Tinian and Pagan is necessary to increase joint military training capabilities, the Pentagon said.

The call for supplemental

analysis does not change the Navy's preferences for the project, though it's possible that new information could lead to modifications.

The military expansion has met an onslaught of local opposition.

Last month, Tinian Mayor Joey Patrick San Nicolas sent a letter to the Navy outlining a host of objections to the project and alleged deficiencies in the environmental impact statement, asserting that the Department of Defense had failed to explore reasonable alternatives and to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act. He also said the analysis gave short shrift to the Endangered Species Act and the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

"Let us be clear: The people of Tinian oppose and will continue to oppose any plans to carry out the training described in the [EIS]," San Nicolas wrote. "We will do everything that we can — legally, politically and socially — to protect our families, our culture and our island."

Earlier this month, Northern Marianas Gov. Eloy Inos submitted the commonwealth's lengthy response to the draft statement, noting in a cover letter that the proposal "to take the entire island of Pagan for large-scale, live-fire training" would "radically and unilaterally alter the previously agreed activities limited to a portion of Tinian."

"As proposed, these actions represent an existential threat to our tourism-driven economy, our fragile ecosystem, our cultural resources, and indeed our way of life," the letter said.

Among the many objections submitted to the Navy by the governor's office was the failure to explain how the increased military presence would affect the Northern Marianas' burgeoning influx of tourists from China and Russia.

The governor's office also said the conclusion that live-fire activities on Pagan would not interfere with ecotourism is "simply not credible."

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On global tour, new CNO Richardson visits Bahrain

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MANAMA, Bahrain — Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John Richardson told sailors in Bahrain on Sunday the purpose of his around-the-world tour of naval bases is to get a sense of what sailors are thinking and what he can do to facilitate their needs as he settles into the job he took over barely a month ago.

During town hall meetings at Navy bases in Virginia, Hawaii, Japan and South Korea, Richardson has discussed issues ranging from paternity leave to

shorter sea deployments to new uniforms.

It was no different during his stop in Bahrain, where he and Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Mike Stevens spoke for about 15 minutes before turning it over to the sailors to ask questions and to voice their concerns.

"A primary focus of mine early in my CNO tenure is to connect with as many sailors as I can," Richardson said. "It's really just to get a sense of how are things going, what's on our sailors' minds, how's the fleet doing; what can I do to enable them to do their job better."

Sailors didn't shy from the opportunity, asking questions and expressing their opinions about a wide range of topics including performance evaluations, advancement and the new physical fitness assessment standards.

At one point, Richardson asked the sailors to raise their hands when asked if they liked the new physical fitness standards, disliked them or just didn't care. Though a fair number liked the changes, quite a few voted that they didn't like them or didn't care.

The new standards, beginning next year, will relax body weight standards.

Stevens said sailors should expect more changes in the future to the physical fitness assessment, though he did not elaborate on what those might be. He said the Navy is brainstorming possible ways to integrate technology, such as the Fitbit, into physical fitness programs.

Bahrain is home to the U.S. 5th Fleet, which is responsible for 2.5 million square miles, including the strategically important and conflict-prone Persian Gulf.

Richardson's next stop is Naples, Italy, home of the U.S. 6th Fleet.

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Navy to participate in Europe missile defense demonstration

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NAPLES, Italy — The U.S. Navy will participate in a ballistic missile defense demonstration in Europe later this month, according to the U.S. 6th Fleet.

Four U.S. ships will join forces from eight other countries for a test to be conducted before month's end under the Maritime Theater Missile Defense Forum, a coalition of 10 mostly European nations created in 1999 to coordinate missile defense efforts.

Part of the demonstration is interception of an unarmed ballistic missile fired from a U.K. range in the Outer Hebrides near Scotland, according to the 6th Fleet. Participants must also defeat an anti-ship missile

fired simultaneously from closer range. The Navy did not give the date or location of the demonstration, and it did not name the ships.

The exercise is meant to show how allies can coordinate against multiple missiles at one time, a concept known as integrated air and missile defense. The tactic relies on highly automated command-and-control systems, such as the Aegis weapons system installed on more than 30 Navy warships. The Navy uses the SM-3 missile to intercept ballistic missile targets.

The U.S. and NATO have been developing ballistic missile defense capabilities in Europe for more than a decade, citing the threat of Iranian

short- and medium-range ballistic missiles. The Navy recently stationed its fourth and final Aegis-equipped ship in Rota, Spain, part of the U.S.-developed missile shield known as the European Phased Adaptive Approach. It continues to build ground-based interceptor sites in Romania and Poland.

Russia says the interceptor sites threaten its own missiles, a claim the U.S. disputes.

The members of the Maritime Theater Missile Defense Forum are the U.S., Canada, Australia, Spain, France, the U.K., the Netherlands, Germany, Norway and Italy. Australia will not participate in the test, according to the Navy.

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Fundraising site to host charity drive for veterans

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A major crowdfunding site is trying to add to Veterans Day traditions, launching a one-day nationwide fundraising drive for charities focused on Americans who have served.

Razoo, which specializes in online fundraising for nonprofit companies, is hosting Day For The Brave, an online event that will include more than 100 veteran-focused charities, from small local groups to familiar names.

"We just want people to be a little more thoughtful about those who put on the uniform and protect us," Razoo CEO Tom Matthews said in an interview with Stars and Stripes.

The idea was part of a challenge to employees to come up with a pro bono event, Matthews said. Normally, Razoo is paid 4.9 percent of donations but the company will waive its fee for this drive. Charities will only be responsible for fees charged by credit card companies.

Matthews said Razoo hopes the charity drive becomes a staple of Veterans Day for years to come. "As a typical American, you often see it as a holiday and a day off school or a day off work and a day you can buy a mattress at a deep discount," he said. "Ultimately, over time, it's become this national holiday where people forget what this day is all about."

So far, roughly 100 veterans groups have signed up for the drive, but Matthews hopes that will be closer to 200 by Veterans Day. Razoo also is working to find companies that will offer matching donations.

To participate, organizations must be 501(c)(3) nonprofits in good standing, and Razoo is partnering with the charity rating agency Guidestar to post each organization's rating, Matthews said.

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US, India, Japan navies kick off exercise

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The U.S., Indian and Japanese navies kicked off Exercise Malabar 2015 — annual sea and shore training aimed at enhancing maritime security in the Indo-Pacific region — last week in Chennai, India.

This year's drills, which run through Monday, focus on surface and anti-submarine warfare, air defense and search-and-rescue tactics, according to a U.S. Navy statement. At-sea portions of the exercise will take place off India's east coast

in the Bay of Bengal.

Founded in 1992, Malabar traditionally involves just the U.S. and India. Japan took part as a guest in the past, and became a permanent member this year despite protests from China.

"Each iteration of this exercise helps to advance the level of understanding between our sailors, and we hope to be able to continue this process over time," the Navy statement said. "Our navies are natural partners, and we look forward to continuing to strengthen our bonds and per-

sonal relationships."

Representing the U.S. are aircraft carrier the USS Theodore Roosevelt, guided-missile cruiser the USS Normandy and littoral combat ship the USS Fort Worth. A P-8A Poseidon aircraft and a nuclear-powered fast-attack submarine are also taking part.

Participating vessels for India include a destroyer, frigates, a submarine and a support ship. Japan brings the JS Fuyuzuki, a guided-missile destroyer.

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Typhoon Koppu lashes Philippine villages

MANILA, Philippines — Slow-moving Typhoon Koppu weakened after blowing ashore with fierce winds in the northeastern Philippines on Sunday, leaving at least two people dead, displacing 16,000 villagers and

knocking out power in entire provinces, officials said.

Army troops and police were deployed to rescue residents trapped in flooded villages in the hard-hit provinces of Aurora and Nueva Ecija, a nearby rice-growing province where floodwaters swamped rice farmlands at harvest time.

After slamming into Aurora's

Casiguran town after midnight Saturday, the typhoon weakened and slowed down, hemmed in by the Sierra Madre mountain range, a high-pressure area in the country's north and another typhoon far out in the Pacific in the east, government forecaster Gladys Saludes said.

From The Associated Press

Harvey lifts Mets to NLCS opener win

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Matt Harvey delivered his first huge performance on baseball's October stage. Daniel Murphy has been providing them all postseason.

Harvey pitched the game he's been pining for, Murphy took his latest star turn and the New York Mets beat the Chicago Cubs 4-2 Saturday night in their NL Championship Series opener.

"I wanted this game bad," Harvey said.

After eliminating rival St. Louis and streaking into New York with 12 wins in 13 games, the power-hitting Cubs and their young sluggers were stopped cold on a chilly night at Citi Field. Trying to end a championship drought that dates to 1908, they remained four wins from capturing their first pennant in seven decades.

Meanwhile, the Mets have a mind to make some history of their own — the kind that would break the Cubs' hearts one more tormenting time.

"If Harvey wasn't pitching, it would have looked a lot better. He was outstanding tonight," Chicago manager Joe Maddon said. "His stuff is always good, but the command was outrageous tonight."

Game 2 in the best-of-seven set was Sunday night, with Chicago ace Jake Arrieta facing rookie Noah Syndergaard.

Left fielder Yoenis Cespedes cut down a runner at the plate, and Curtis Granderson had two RBIs for New York. Travis d'Arnaud homered off the giant Mets apple in straightaway center field.

"I've never seen that before," Murphy said.

Helped by Cespedes' strong throw, Harvey struck out nine and worked into the eighth for the first time in more than two months — brushing aside all late-season hoopla about his innings limit as his 2015 total reached 202.

"I talk to this guy every day. I know exactly what he's made of," Mets manager Terry Collins said. "He wants the baseball. ... That is not just a mask that he's putting out. This kid likes to compete."

Jeury's Familia got four outs for his third playoff save, and the NL East champs solved the wild-card Cubs for the first time all year. The Mets went 0-7 during the season series and had dropped nine in a row to Chicago overall.

New York is looking to advance to the World Series for the first time in 15 years, the longest absence in franchise history but one the Cubs and all their pained, loyal followers certainly scoff at.

Murphy connected off losing pitcher Jon Lester for his fourth homer of the playoffs and made a diving play at second base for the final out.

"I freaked out when I caught it, and then you've got to make the throw," Murphy said. "I just happened to be in the right spot."

Kyle Schwarber was the only one of those rookie boppers who showed off his prodigious power for the Cubs, hitting a mammoth homer that chased Harvey with two outs in the eighth and pulled Chicago to 4-2.

Starlin Castro had an RBI double in the fifth but was thrown out at the plate by Cespedes on Javier Baez's single.

Murphy finished off the Dodgers in the deciding game of their Division Series with an all-around offensive performance that inspired a "Mr. October" nod in a tweet from the New York original, Reggie Jackson.

Two nights later, the free agent-to-be was at it again, getting the Mets off to a rollicking start against Chicago.

"Once again, put our team behind the 8-ball against a really good pitcher," Lester said. "Just trying to get your

feet wet and trying to figure out what's going on, and boom! You're down 1-0."

Murphy, who set a career high this season with 14 homers, launched another one into the second deck in right field for his fourth of the postseason. By taking Clayton Kershaw (twice), Zack Greinke and Lester deep, the 2014 All-Star has tagged \$517 million worth of pitchers in these playoffs.

"He's locked in, and when he gets locked in he can do some damage offensively, and you're seeing that right now," teammate David Wright said. "It doesn't matter what they throw at him. Left-hander, right-hander. Fastballs, off-speed pitches. It's fun to watch."

It was Murphy's third homer against a left-hander in the playoffs — he had one during the regular season. And by connecting in his third consecutive postseason game, he matched a Mets record set by Donn Clendenon in 1969, the year he was World Series MVP.

"Saving the homers, I guess," Murphy joked. "If I knew what I was doing, I would have hit more homers during the regular season." Granderson's soft RBI single on an 0-2 pitch from Lester put the Mets up 2-1 in the fifth, and d'Arnaud hit a 431-foot drive in the sixth. Juan Lagares stole third against Lester in the seventh and scored on Granderson's sacrifice fly.

With that familiar October chill in the New York air for the first time this postseason, Harvey came out firing 95-96 mph heat on a 48-degree night.

Chicago hit several line drives that were turned into outs, including one that prompted Harvey to duck quickly out of the way and another that struck him near his pitching shoulder.

"The ball kind of dented my arm a little bit, got me right in the triceps," he said. "It's a little bit swollen right now, but the training staff will take care of that and we'll be all set."

Royals pound Price in Game 2

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Kansas City Royals kept waiting for Blue Jays ace David Price to give them some hope.

It turned out to be Toronto's leaky defense that provided it.

After managing one hit over six innings, Ben Zobrist's easy fly that somehow fell for a hit began a five-run rally against Price in the seventh inning Saturday. The Royals rolled the rest of the way to a 6-3 victory over Toronto and a 2-0 lead in the AL Championship Series.

"We needed to catch a break," the Royals' Alex Gordon said, "and Zobrist's ball was it."

Luke Hochevar wiggled out of a jam to keep Kansas City in the game, and Danny Duffy and Kelvin Herrera got the ball to closer Wade Davis, who had to survive a shaky ninth to preserve the win.

Davis gave up a leadoff single and walked pinch-hitter Cliff Pennington, but bounced back to strike out leadoff man Ben Revere and MVP candidate Josh Donaldson. Jose Bautista then flied out to right to give Davis his third postseason save and the Royals another postseason comeback win.

"Our guys never quit," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "They keep going."

Even though they looked foolish flailing at Price's pitches — until the lazy fly ball by Zobrist changed everything. They proceeded to string together four singles and a double in their go-ahead inning, getting run-producing hits from Gordon, Eric Hosmer, Mike Moustakas and Alex

Rios, along with an RBI groundout from Kendrys Morales.

It was a monumental collapse for Price, who had at one point recorded 18 straight outs. He fell to 0-7 in seven postseason starts, including a loss to Texas in their AL Division Series.

"I gave up hits at the wrong time," he said. "I felt good. It's a very scrappy team. They put the ball in play. They continued to battle. It's just a tough loss."

Meanwhile, the reigning AL champs have won nine straight ALCS games dating to their memorable seven-game series against Toronto in 1985 — the year they won their only World Series. The record is 10 straight wins set by Baltimore in the 1960s and '70s.

Now, the Blue Jays head home for Game 3 on Monday night in dire trouble. All but three of the previous 25 teams to take a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven era have won the series — though Toronto did rally from the same hole to beat the Rangers in five games in the division round.

"We've been here before," shortstop Troy Tulowitzki said, "but it's not a place we want to be."

Ryan Goins drove in a run off Ventura in the third, snapping an 18-inning scoreless streak by Royals pitchers. Edwin Encarnacion and Troy Tulowitzki added to the lead in the sixth.

The way Price was carving up the lineup, a 3-0 advantage looked to be enough.

The only bad pitch he threw the first six innings was his first, which Alcides Escobar swatted for a leadoff single.

Price threw first-pitch strikes to 12 of 14 batters at one point, and struck out the side in the sixth inning, giving no indication he was about to implode.

"We just needed to catch a break," Moustakas said. "Price was throwing the ball unbelievable. We got the early hit and he was kind of cruising. We just needed to find a way to get a runner on base so we could do what we can, keep the line moving."

The mistake came when Zobrist sent a popup to shallow right field to start the seventh, and Goins gave chase from second base and Bautista from right field. Both wound up letting it drop for a single, and for the first time all game, a sellout crowd at Kauffman Stadium began to stir.

"I put my glove up and pretty much was saying, 'I'm going to make this play,' and then I didn't make the play," Goins said, "so it's on me."

Lorenzo Cain followed with a clean single to extend his postseason hit streak to 11 games, matching a franchise record. Hosmer's single got the Royals on the board, and Morales added an RBI groundout up the middle, before Moustakas came up. In a 2-for-25 slump and without an RBI this postseason, he pulled a tying double to right field to set the crowd of 40,357 into a frenzy.

Gordon's double gave Kansas City the lead. Rios added another single off reliever Aaron Sanchez to close the book on Price, who was dinged for all five runs in one disastrous inning.

Golovkin still unbeaten

NEW YORK — No big drama this time for Gennady Golovkin. Just a lot of big punches as he dominated his middleweight title fight with David Lemieux.

Golovkin battered Lemieux around the ring Saturday night on the big stage at Madison Square Garden, landing punch after punch before the referee mercifully stepped in and stopped the fight in the eighth round. He remained unbeaten in 34 fights, and stopped his opponent for the 21st straight time.

Fighting before a sold-out crowd of 20,548 cheering his every move, Golovkin was methodical as he knocked down Lemieux in the fifth round, bloodied his nose and dominated almost every second of the way.

"My goal is all the belts in the middleweight division," said Golovkin, who said before the fight he would bring a "Big Drama Show" to the Garden.

Lemieux was on the ropes taking punch after punch when Steve Willis finally stepped in at 1:32 of the eighth round to call an end to the fight. It was a coming-out party of sorts for Golovkin, who was headlining his first pay-per-view fight, and he was at his best as he wore down Lemieux with his relentless punching.

With the crowd chanting "Triple G! Triple G!" Golovkin showed why he is the most feared man in the heavyweight division with yet another impressive win against an opponent who was supposed to be his best yet. He won every round on all three ringside scorecards, pitching a shutout in his biggest fight to date.

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Army knocks off Bucknell

Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — You could describe Army and backup quarterback A.J. Schurr with the same terms on Saturday: hobbled, sometimes ugly, but victorious.

Coach Jeff Monken says masterpiece or not, that's all that matters in the end.

Schurr, who himself missed some practice time because of injuries this week, came off the bench to run for two touchdowns and threw for the winning score to help scuffling Army to a 21-14 win over Bucknell.

Schurr connected with Edgar Poe, who won an underthrown jump ball over Nick O'Brien and ran all the way to the end zone for a 68-yard score, to put Army up with 4:44 left. Chris Carnegie intercepted R.J. Nitti on Bucknell's ensuing drive to clinch it.

"I think we could've played a lot better, but as ugly as it was, it still counts the same in the win column, and that's what we need," said second-year coach Monken, whose team came back from a halftime deficit for the first time in his tenure, improving to 1-8 when down at the break.

Following a 44-3 rout by Duke last week, Army (2-5) won at home for the first time this season despite trailing at halftime 14-7. It

might not have been a happy ending without Poe's grab.

"It's kind of like a grade school play," Schurr said. "Edgar made a heck of a play."

Army quarterback Ahmad Bradshaw, who missed two weeks with an ankle injury, got off to a hot start, rushing for 28 yards before he was shaken up on a quarterback keeper. He left with 7:35 to go in the first and didn't return.

Monken said Bradshaw will have an MRI on his shoulder.

Throwing into triple coverage near mid-field on third down, Schurr was picked off again by a diving Connor Golden, setting Bucknell up on the 44 with 6:10 left in the first half.

Two plays later, Nitti connected with Will Carter, who managed to stay inbounds along the left sideline for a 35-yard touchdown. Bucknell led 6-0 after Jordan Smith blocked the extra point.

Army answered to take a 7-6 lead with 1:52 left in the half. After a Schurr fumble was overturned on review, he found an open Poe for 25 yards, his first completion. Schurr ran in from the 3 on the next play.

The Bison, who committed 14 penalties for 105 yards, are still looking for their first win

against the FBS. It was Bucknell's first game against an FBS team since 2001. Facing Army for the first time in 20 years, the Bison fell to 0-6 in a series that started in 1900.

Colorado State 38, Air Force

23: Nick Stevens threw three touchdown passes, including a pair to Joe Hansley, and Jasen Oden Jr. rushed for two scores as the host Rams beat the Falcons.

Hansley came up big with All-American receiver Rashard Higgins limited by a hamstring injury and an illness. Hansley caught three passes for 75 yards to help Colorado State (3-4, 1-2 Mountain West) capture the Ram-Falcon Trophy, an award given to the winner since 1980.

Air Force (3-3, 2-1) missed out on an opportunity to stay atop the Mountain Division with Utah State, which upset No. 21 Boise State on Friday. Even more, the Falcons lost fullback Shayne Davern in the third quarter with an apparent right knee injury. Davern had 76 yards rushing, including a 60-yard TD run.

Stevens had the Rams clicking on offense, finishing 23 of 30 for a career-best 296 yards. Oden added 89 yards on the ground.

Canadiens remain unbeaten

Associated Press

MONTREAL — Jeff Petry's game-winning goal was special in three ways:

It made the Montreal Canadiens 6-0-0 for the first time in franchise history.

It was the first goal scored by a Canadiens defenseman this season.

It came against Detroit, where he grew up as the son of former Detroit Tigers pitcher Dan Petry.

"It's always nice when you can score a big goal and it just adds a little bit being against that team," Petry said after the Canadiens got a 4-1 victory over the Red Wings on Saturday night.

Brendan Gallagher scored in the second, Tomas Plekanec made it 3-1 and then Brian Flynn scored an empty-netter with one second remaining for Montreal, which last went unbeaten in its first six games in 1977-78 (5-0-1).

Rookie Dylan Larkin scored for Detroit (3-2-0), which was coming off a 5-3 loss to Carolina on Friday night.

"We knew they played last night, so we wanted to get pucks behind them and wear them out," said Petry.

Montreal had a 41-22 edge in shots on Detroit and may have scored more if not for sharp play by goalie Petr Mrazek, who faced 20 alone in the third period.

Oilers 5, Flames 2: Connor McDavid scored twice and added an assist for his first multipoint game and Edmonton beat host Calgary for its first victory of the season.

The first overall pick in the June draft, the 18-year-old McDavid broke a 1-1 tie with 3:29 left in the second period.

Blackhawks 4, Blue Jackets 1: Artem Anisimov and Teuvo Teravainen scored in a 1:05 span late in the second period to break a scoreless tie for host Chicago.

Penguins 2, Maple Leafs 1: Evgeni Malkin and Olli Maatta scored first-period goals and host Pittsburgh held on.

Phil Kessel faced Toronto for the first time since the Leafs shipped the three-time All-Star to Pittsburgh in July.

Islanders 6, Sharks 3: Kyle Okposo broke a tie early in the third period and added two assists to help host New York hand San Jose its first loss of the season.

Capitals 4, Hurricanes 1: Nicklas Backstrom had a goal and two assists in his season debut to help host Washington beat Carolina.

Backstrom, the NHL assists leader last season with 60, missed the first three games while recovering from arthroscopic hip surgery. The center scored in the third period and assisted on power-play goals from T.J. Oshie and John Carlson.

Stars 4, Panthers 2: Tyler Seguin and Jamie Benn each scored two goals to lift visiting Dallas past Florida.

Lightning 2, Sabres 1: Ben Bishop broke host Tampa Bay's record for career victories and Alex Killorn scored the go-ahead goal on a power play with 3:57 left.

Bishop made 31 saves in his 84th victory for the Lightning, one more than Nikolai Khabibulin.

Bruins 5, Coyotes 3: Patrice Bergeron scored twice in the last 11 minutes to lift visiting Boston past Arizona.

Predators 4, Senators 3 (SO): James Neal scored two power-play goals and added the shootout winner in visiting Nashville's victory over Ottawa.

Craig Smith also scored, and Carter Hutton made 38 saves in his first start of the season to help Nashville improve to 4-1-0. Mike Hoffman scored twice, and Mark Stone added a goal for Ottawa.

How the AP college football Top 25 fared

1 Ohio State (7-0) beat Penn State 38-10. At Columbus, Ohio, J.T. Barrett played finisher for Ohio State, running for two touchdowns in the first half and then taking over full-time for Cardale Jones in the third quarter.

Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.

2 Baylor (6-0) beat West Virginia 62-38. At Waco, Texas, Corey Coleman matched and then broke the single-season school record for TD catches, his nation-leading 16 coming halfway through the regular season for the Bears.

Next: vs. Iowa State, Saturday.

3 TCU (7-0) beat Iowa State 45-21. At Ames, Iowa, Trevone Boykin threw for 436 yards and four touchdowns. Boykin's 3-yard scoring run with 14:36 left put TCU ahead 38-21.

Next: vs. West Virginia, Oct. 29.

4 Utah (6-0) beat Arizona State 34-18. At Salt Lake City, Travis Wilson threw for 297 yards and two touchdowns and Utah remains the lone undefeated team in the Pac-12.

Next: at Southern Cal, Saturday.

5 Clemson (6-0) beat Boston College 34-17. At Clemson, S.C., Deshaun Watson threw for three touchdowns and a season-best 420 yards.

Next: at Miami, Saturday.

6 LSU (6-0) beat No. 8 Florida 35-28. At Baton Rouge, La., Leonard Fournette ran for 180 yards and two touchdowns, and LSU coach Les Miles victimized Florida with a fake field goal for the second time in five years.

Next: vs. Western Kentucky, Saturday.

7 Michigan State (7-0) beat No. 12 Michigan 27-23. At Ann Arbor, Mich., Jalen Watts-Jackson grabbed the ball on a flubbed punt attempt and lumbered 38 yards into the end zone for a touchdown on the final play.

Next: vs. Indiana, Saturday.

8 Florida (6-1) lost to No. 6 LSU 35-28. At Baton Rouge, La., Florida receiver Antonio Callaway had his hands on a long pass to the end zone from Treon Harris, but LSU's Dwyane Thomas punched it out to prevent a tying touchdown.

Next: vs. Georgia at Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 31.

9 Texas A&M (5-1) lost to No. 10 Alabama 41-23. At College Station, Texas, Christian

Kirk and Ricky Seals-Jones scored touchdowns to cut the score to 28-20, but Minkah Fitzpatrick returned an interception for a score to seal the victory.

Next: at No. 13 Mississippi, Saturday.

10 Alabama (6-1) beat No. 9 Texas A&M 41-23. At College Station, Texas, Derrick Henry ran for a career-high 236 yards and two scores and Alabama added a school-record three touchdowns on interception returns.

Next: vs. Tennessee, Saturday.

11 Florida State (6-0) beat Louisville 41-21. At Tallahassee, Fla., Everett Golson threw for 372 yards and three touchdowns and Florida State rallied.

Next: at Georgia Tech, Saturday.

12 Michigan (5-2) lost to No. 7 Michigan State 27-23. At Ann Arbor, Mich., with the Wolverines up 23-21 with 10 seconds left, punter Blake O'Neill bobbled a low snap, and spun around to try and make the kick. But he was hit, the ball popped free and Jalen Watts-Jackson caught it and made it into the end zone.

Next: at Minnesota, Oct. 31.

13 Mississippi (5-2) lost to Memphis 37-24. At Memphis, Tenn., Ole Miss jumped out to a 14-0 lead less than 6 minutes into the game, but Memphis responded with 31 unanswered points to take the lead.

Next: vs. No. 9 Texas A&M, Saturday.

14 Notre Dame (6-1) beat Southern Cal 41-31. At South Bend, Ind., Corey Robinson made a diving catch in the end zone midway through the fourth quarter and the Irish rebounded after squandering a two-touchdown lead.

Next: at Temple, Oct. 31.

15 Stanford (5-1) beat No. 18 UCLA 56-35, Thursday. At Stanford, Calif., Christian McCaffrey had a school-record 243 yards rushing and four touchdowns.

Next: vs. Washington, Saturday.

16 Oklahoma State (6-0) did not play. At Stillwater, Okla., the Cowboys were utilizing the bye week to make some adjustments to their ground attack and address the team's struggles on first downs.

Next: vs. Kansas, Saturday.

17 Iowa (7-0) beat No. 20 Northwestern 40-10. At Evanston, Ill., Akrum Wadley stepped in for injured running back Jordan Canzeri and ran for 204 yards and tied a school record with four rushing

touchdowns.

Next: vs. Maryland, Oct. 31.

18 UCLA (4-2) lost to No. 15 Stanford 56-35, Thursday. At Stanford, Calif., an interception returned for a touchdown, a long kickoff return allowed that set up another score and 10 penalties for 93 yards were far too much for the Bruins to overcome.

Next: vs. No. 23 California, Thursday.

19 Oklahoma (5-1) beat Kansas State 55-0. At Manhattan, Kan., Baker Mayfield threw five touchdown passes and Oklahoma bounced back from its upset loss to Texas to beat Kansas State.

Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.

20 Northwestern (5-2) lost to No. 17 Iowa 40-10. At Evanston, Ill., redshirt freshman Clayton Thorson was 17-for-35 passing for 125 yards with a touchdown and interception, but Northwestern turned the ball over three times.

Next: at Nebraska, Saturday.

21 Boise St. (5-2) lost to Utah State 52-26, Friday. At Logan, Utah, Marwin Evans returned an interception 90 yards for a touchdown as time expired before half-time, and Utah State turned Boise State's seven first-half turnovers into 35 points.

Next: vs. Wyoming, Saturday.

22 Toledo (6-0) beat Eastern Michigan 63-20. At Toledo, Ohio, Phillip Ely threw for 327 yards and four touchdowns to help Toledo improve to 6-0 for the first time since 1997.

Next: at UMass, Saturday.

23 California (5-1) did not play. At Berkeley, Calif., the Golden Bears look to rebound from last week's loss to Utah when Jared Goff threw a career-high five interceptions.

Next: at No. 18 UCLA, Thursday.

24 Houston (6-0) beat Tulane 42-7, Friday. At New Orleans, Greg Ward Jr. ran for three touchdowns and threw a scoring pass to help lift Houston.

Next: at UCF, Saturday.

25 Duke (5-1) did not play. At Durham, N.C., going into their bye week, the Blue Devils are tied atop the ACC Coastal Division with Pittsburgh at 2-0.

Next: at Virginia Tech, Saturday.