

## Blackouts worsening across Ukraine

*Associated Press*

KYIV, Ukraine — Relentless Russian attacks on energy infrastructure prompted Ukrainian authorities on Friday to announce worsening blackouts around the country's largest cities, with Kyiv's mayor warning that the capital's power grid is working in "emergency mode" with energy supplies down as much as 50% from pre-war levels.

Meanwhile, the Russian president sought to dispel criticism of a chaotic call-up of 300,000 reservists for service in Ukraine by ordering his defense minister to make sure they're properly trained and equipped for battle.

In the Kyiv region, as winter looms, the latest damage to utilities would mean outages of four or more hours a day, according to Ukrenergo, the state operator of Ukraine's high-voltage transmission lines.

But Gov. Oleksiy Kuleba warned "more severe and longer shutdowns will be applied in the coming days."

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said last week that 30% of Ukraine's power stations had been destroyed since

Russia launched the first wave of targeted infrastructure strikes on Oct. 10.

In Moscow, Russian President Vladimir Putin told Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu that the thousands of reservists who were recently called up need the right training and equipment so "people feel confident when they need to go to combat."

Shoigu told Putin that 82,000 reservists had been deployed to Ukraine, while 218,000 others were still being trained. He said there were no immediate plans to round up more, but Putin's mobilization order left the door open for a future military call-up.

Putin's effort to beef up the number of troops along the 620-mile front line followed recent setbacks, including a Russian withdrawal from the Karkiv region.

The mobilization, however, fueled scores of protests in Russia and prompted hundreds of thousands of men to flee the country.

Activists and reports by Russian media and The Associated Press said many of the draftees were inexperienced, were told to procure basic items such as medical kits

and flak jackets themselves, and did not receive training before they were sent to fight. Some were killed within days of being called up.

Shoigu acknowledged that "problems with supplies existed in the initial stages," but told Putin those have now been solved.

Putin ordered Shoigu to propose ways to reform the ground troops and other parts of the military based on their performance in Ukraine.

Meanwhile, Russian missile and artillery barrages pounded targets across Ukraine. Several towns across the Dnieper River from the Russian-occupied Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant were struck, the presidential office said.

Shelling damaged dozens of residential buildings in Nikopol, and power was cut there and to thousands of families in neighboring towns.

Moscow also pressed its ground advance on the cities of Bakhmut and Avdiivka after a string of setbacks in the east.

The fighting had turned the entire Donetsk region into "a zone of active hostilities," according to Gov. Pavlo Kyrylenko.

## N. Korea fires 2 ballistic missiles off its eastern coast

**BY DAVID CHOI**

*Stars and Stripes*

CAMP HUMPHREYS, South Korea — North Korea fired two short-range ballistic missiles from its eastern coast toward the East Sea, or Sea of Japan, South Korea's military said Friday.

The missiles were launched from North Korea's eastern Kangwon province at 11:59 a.m. and 12:18 p.m. Friday, according to a message to reporters from the South Korean Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Joint Chiefs estimated the missiles flew 143 miles at a peak altitude of 15 miles.

"Our troops are currently maintaining a full readiness posture and strengthened surveillance and heightened security, working closely together with the U.S.," the Joint Chiefs said.

The U.S. Indo-Pacific Command in a

news release said it is consulting with allies in the region about the launches.

"While we have assessed that this event does not pose an immediate threat to U.S. personnel or territory, or to our allies, the missile launches highlight the destabilizing impact of the [North Korea's] unlawful [weapons of mass destruction] and ballistic missile programs," the release said Friday. "The U.S. commitments to the defense of the [South Korea] and Japan remain ironclad."

The communist regime has test launched more than 40 missiles so far this year, an annual record.

It last fired a missile and over 100 artillery rounds on Oct. 14. A North Korean missile soared over Aomori prefecture in northern Japan on Oct. 4.

North Korea's latest launch comes weeks

after U.S. and South Korean forces conducted a series of joint military exercises. Naval forces from the two countries drilled in anti-submarine warfare in September, preceded by the large-scale Ulchi Freedom Shield command-post exercise that was restarted after a five-year pause.

On Monday, around 240 aircraft and thousands of troops from the U.S. and South Korean militaries are scheduled to begin a five-day, large-scale air exercise.

Around 1,600 sorties will be conducted by a multitude of different fighter jets, including the Marine Corps' F-35B Lightning II, according to U.S. Forces Korea.

North Korea's state-run media outlets frequently describe the U.S.-South Korean military exercises as an existential threat to its survival and justify its own missile and nuclear tests as a deterrent.

# Ariz. agrees no abortion ban until '23

*Associated Press*

PHOENIX — Arizona's attorney general has agreed not to enforce a near total ban on abortions at least until next year, a move that Planned Parenthood Arizona credited Thursday with allowing the group to restart abortions across the state.

The state's largest provider of abortions restarted services at only their Tucson clinics after an appeals court blocked enforcement of the old law on Oct. 7. A lower court had allowed enforcement of that law on Sept. 23, halting all abortions statewide.

On Thursday, Planned Parenthood said services would resume statewide, including at clinics in metro Phoenix and in Flagstaff.

"While we are celebrating today, we can't

ignore that we are still on a long an uncertain path to restoring the fundamental right to abortion in Arizona, and making this essential healthcare truly accessible and equitable for all people," Brittany Fonteno, who heads Planned Parenthood Arizona, said at a news conference. "While abortion is currently legal in Arizona and we have resumed abortion care throughout the state, we know that this could very well be temporary."

The only exception to the law is if the mother's life is in jeopardy. The pre-statehood abortion ban law had been blocked since Roe was decided in 1973, but Republican Attorney General Mark Brnovich asked a court in Tucson to allow it to be enforced

this summer. The law dating to 1864 carries a prison sentence of two to five years.

After the judge in Tucson agreed with Brnovich, the court of appeals temporarily overrode her and set a schedule for Planned Parenthood and the Arizona attorney general's office lawyers to file their legal briefs in the appeal. Those documents are due by Nov. 17.

In an agreement with the abortion rights groups, Brnovich agreed not to enforce the old law until at least 45 days after a final ruling in the case.

Any decision by the court of appeals is certain to be appealed to the state Supreme Court, so the final decision may not be made until well into 2023.

## Pelosi's husband beaten with hammer at home

*Associated Press*

WASHINGTON — Paul Pelosi, the husband of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, was attacked and severely beaten by an assailant with a hammer who broke into their San Francisco home early Friday, according to people familiar with the investigation.

The assailant was searching for the Democratic leader, shouting "Where is Nancy, where is Nancy?" before assaulting her husband.

"The motive for this attack is still being determined," said San Francisco Police

Chief William Scott at a press briefing.

The suspect was identified as David Depape, Scott said. He was in custody.

"Our officers observed Mr. Pelosi and the suspect both holding a hammer," Scott said. "The suspect pulled the hammer away from Mr. Pelosi and violently assaulted him with it. Our officers immediately tackled the suspect, disarmed him, took him into custody, requested emergency backup and rendered medical aid."

Scott said Depape was being charged with attempted homicide, assault with a

deadly weapon, elder abuse and other charges.

Pelosi, 82, suffered blunt force injuries to his head and body, according to two people who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity to discuss the ongoing probe.

He was admitted to Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital for his injuries, the hospital confirmed. His condition was not immediately available.

Pelosi was being treated by doctors for bruising, severe swelling and other injuries.

## Hand-count of votes on hold after Nev. high court ruling

*Associated Press*

PAHRUMP, Nev. — An unprecedented hand-count of mail-in ballots in a rural Nevada county is on hold and may not resume after the Nevada Supreme Court said in an after-hours ruling the current process is illegal and the Republican secretary of state directed the county clerk to "cease immediately."

Volunteers in rural Nye County had wrapped up a second day of hand-counting the ballots on Thursday by the time the Supreme Court issued a three-page opinion siding with objections raised by the American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada.

Secretary of State Barbara Cegavske, who

is in charge of elections and has been been one of the GOP's most vocal critics of the sort of voter-fraud conspiracy theories that fueled the hand tallying of ballots, said the "hand-counting process must cease immediately."

She requested in a letter to Nye County Clerk Mark Kampf that he confirm to her office Thursday night that the hand-count process "had been stopped."

Cegavske's office didn't immediately respond to requests from The Associated Press for an update. But the ACLU said in a statement that Nye County's attorneys had informed the organization's legal staff that

"its hand-count process has been shut down."

Nye County officials and their lawyers did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Cegavske, citing the court's latest ruling, said in the letter the current hand-count procedure was prohibited at least until after the close of polls on Nov. 8.

The ACLU had accused Nye County officials of violating a Supreme Court order issued last week requiring the count to be conducted in a way that prevents public release of early results before polls close to in-person voting Nov. 8.

# Prosecutors take on Baldwin shooting probe

*Associated Press*

SANTA FE, N.M. — A sheriff's department submitted on Thursday its investigative findings to prosecutors in the death of a cinematographer shot and killed by Alec Baldwin on a film set in New Mexico in October 2021.

Santa Fe Sheriff's Office spokesman Juan Ríos said that two binders of information were turned over to the Santa Fe-based district attorney's office, without setting forth any recommendations about possible criminal charges.

He said the case file outlines all the evidence collected, including investigative interviews and forensic analysis of physical evidence by the FBI. District Attorney Mary Carmack-Altwies said through a spokeswoman that investigators and prosecutors will now begin a thorough review to make a timely decision about whether to bring charges, without mention of specific deadlines.

Cinematographer Halyna Hutchins died

shortly after being wounded by a gunshot during setup for a scene in the western movie "Rust" at a filmset ranch on the outskirts of Santa Fe on Oct. 21, 2021. Baldwin was pointing a pistol at Hutchins when the gun went off, killing her and wounding the director, Joel Souza.

The Santa Fe Sheriff's Office already has made public a vast trove of law enforcement files concerning the deadly shooting, including lapel camera video of the mortally wounded Hutchins, witness interrogations, email threads, text conversations, inventories of ammunition and hundreds of photographs.

Santa Fe County Sheriff Adan Mendoza has described "a degree of neglect" on the film set for "Rust" but is leaving decisions about potential criminal charges to prosecutors.

The family of Hutchins — widower Matthew Hutchins and 9-year-old son Andros — recently settled a lawsuit against producers

of "Rust" under an agreement that aims to restart filming with Matthew's involvement as executive producer.

Baldwin has said the gun went off accidentally and that he did not pull the trigger. But a recent FBI forensic report found the weapon could not not have fired unless the trigger was pulled.

New Mexico's Office of the Medical Investigator determined the shooting was an accident following the completion of an autopsy and a review of law enforcement reports.

Rust Movie Productions continues to challenge the basis of a \$137,000 fine against the company by New Mexico occupational safety regulators who say production managers on the set failed to follow standard industry protocols for firearms safety. The state Occupational Health and Safety Review Commission has scheduled an eight-day hearing on the disputed sanctions in April 2023.

## At San Francisco restaurant, pups can chow down

*Associated Press*

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco is a foodie heaven with plenty of Michelin-starred restaurants. And San Franciscans love dogs. So it might come as no surprise that an entrepreneur has decided to combine the two passions, creating what's believed to be the first restaurant exclusively for man's best friend.

Dogue, which rhymes with vogue, opened last month in the city's trendy Mission District.

For \$75 dollars per pup, doggie diners get a multiple-course "bone appetite" meal featuring dishes like chicken skin waffles and filet mignon steak tartare with quail egg.

It also includes a mimosa and a baked treat

for the pup's human.

Rahmi Massarweh, a dog owner and classically trained chef, decided to leave his stressful job running a fine dining restaurant to focus on his new canine cafe.

Some critics have expressed online outrage over the price point for the pampered pets, pointing out income inequality, gentrification and homelessness in the city. For the cost of the tasting menu, you could buy at least five big burritos at one of the many nearby taquerias in the Mission neighborhood.

But Massarweh says that since opening a month ago, he's received overwhelming support from his customers who appreciate having a place to pamper their pups.

On a recent Sunday, Dogue hosted three

fur baby birthday parties simultaneously.

"I wanted to celebrate him. He is so special to me. He's my four-legged child and this is the perfect place to do a really nice celebration," Gledy Espinoza said, as her 11-year-old miniature dachshund Mason enjoyed a bowl of mushroom soup with slices of chicken breast. "We're foodies. I guess he is too, now."

Massarweh spends hours cooking and prepping for his service and says a similar menu for people could cost up to \$500 in the expensive city and the ingredients he uses are not cheap. Everything is human-grade, although if you took a bite, you'd probably find the doggie dishes to be a bit bland for the human palate.

## Hawaii's Big Island gets warning as volcano rumbles

*Associated Press*

HONOLULU — Hawaii officials are warning residents of the Big Island that the world's largest active volcano, Mauna Loa, is sending signals that it may erupt.

Scientists say an eruption isn't imminent, but they are on alert because of a recent spike in earthquakes at the volcano's summit. Experts say it would take just a few hours for lava to reach homes

closest to vents on the volcano, which last erupted in 1984.

Hawaii's civil defense agency is holding meetings across the island to educate residents about how to prepare for a possible emergency. They recommend having a go bag with food, identifying a place to stay once they leave home and making a plan for reuniting with family members.

"Not to panic everybody, but they have to be aware of that you live on the slopes of Mauna Loa. There's a potential for some kind of lava disaster," said Talmadge Magno, the administrator for Hawaii County Civil Defense.

The volcano makes up 51% of the Hawaii Island landmass, so a large portion of the island has the potential to be affected by an eruption, Magno said.



# Musk in control of Twitter and ousts top executives

Associated Press

Elon Musk has taken control of Twitter and ousted the CEO, chief financial officer and the company's top lawyer, two people familiar with the deal said Thursday night.

The people wouldn't say if all the paperwork for the deal, originally valued at \$44 billion, had been signed or if the deal has closed. But they said Musk is in charge of the social media platform and has fired CEO Parag Agrawal, CFO Ned Segal and Chief Legal Counsel Vijaya Gadde. Neither person wanted to be identified because of the sensitive nature of the deal.

A few hours later, Musk tweeted, "the bird has been freed," a reference to Twitter's logo.

The departures came just hours before a deadline set by a Delaware judge to finalize the deal on Friday.

Although they came quickly, the major personnel moves had been widely expected and almost certainly are the first of many major changes the Tesla CEO will make.

Musk privately clashed with Agrawal in April, immediately before deciding to make a bid for the company, according to text messages later revealed in court filings.

About the same time, he used Twitter to

criticize Gadde, the company's top lawyer. His tweets were followed by a wave of harassment of Gadde from other Twitter accounts. For Gadde, an 11-year Twitter employee who also heads public policy and safety, the harassment included racist and misogynistic attacks, in addition to calls for Musk to fire her. On Thursday, after she was fired, the harassing tweets lit up again.

Musk's changes will be aimed at increasing Twitter's subscriber base and revenue.

In his first big move Thursday, Musk tried to soothe leery Twitter advertisers saying that he is buying the platform to help humanity and doesn't want it to become a "free-for-all hellscape."

The message appeared to be aimed at addressing concerns among advertisers — Twitter's chief source of revenue — that Musk's plans to promote free speech by cutting back on moderating content will open the floodgates to more online toxicity and drive away users.

"The reason I acquired Twitter is because it is important to the future of civilization to have a common digital town square, where a wide range of beliefs can be debated in a healthy manner, without resorting to violence," Musk wrote.

# Divers find more human remains at Nevada's receding Lake Mead

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Divers have found more human remains at drought-stricken Lake Mead near Las Vegas, authorities said Thursday.

A National Park Service dive team confirmed Oct. 18 that a bone found a day earlier at Callville Bay was part of "human skeletal remains" on the Nevada side of the Colorado River reservoir behind Hoover Dam, according to a statement from the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.

"At this time, no foul play is suspected," the statement said, and the Clark County coroner's office in Las Vegas was working to confirm the identity of the dead person.

The discovery marked at least the sixth time since early May that remains identified as human have been discovered in shallow water or on the dramatically receding shore

of the lake. The water level has dropped more than 180 feet since the lake was full in 1983, putting it at less than 27% full today.

A man's body found stuffed in a barrel near Hemenway Harbor on May 1 has not been identified, but Las Vegas police said he had been shot, probably between the mid-1970s and the early 1980s, and his death is being investigated as a homicide.

Remains found May 7 at Callville Bay were identified in August as Thomas Erndt, a 42-year-old Las Vegas man believed to have drowned during a family boat outing in 2002. Callville Bay is one of several lake marinas and resort areas.

Several more sets of partial human skeletal remains have been found since then — including on July 25, Aug. 6 and Aug. 16 — generally near a swimming area at the lake. They were not in barrels.

# Death row inmate severs his penis on suicide watch

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee death row inmate Henry Hodges cut off his own penis in a prison cell after slitting his wrists and asking to be put on suicide watch, his attorney Kelley Henry said Thursday.

Henry said she visited Hodges at the infirmary of the Riverbend Maximum Security Institution in Nashville on Thursday, where he has been kept naked in 4-point and 6-point restraints for a week. Henry plans to file a complaint in state court Friday alleging violations of Hodges's constitutional rights.

"He needs competent mental health care," Henry said. "Surely the prison can find a place to put him where he is not a danger to himself or others and does not have to be tied down like an animal."

Tennessee Department of Correction spokesperson Dorinda Carter did not immediately have a comment Thursday morning.

Hodges became upset earlier this month and began smearing feces in his cell after prison officials refused to let him have a special food package he had ordered because he had clear conduct for only the previous five months, rather than the required six months, Henry said. A guard then decided to stop feeding him in order to get him to stop smearing feces, she said. On Oct. 7, Hodges slit his wrists with a razor he had in his cell, Henry said.

He was taken to the infirmary where he asked to be put on suicide watch, Henry said. A "high-ranking correctional officer" told the person treating Hodges that he was manipulating them and could be put on suicide watch back in his cell, she said. He was taken back to his cell where there was broken glass from a window he had broken as well as other razors that he had hidden.

"He used that to completely sever his penis," Henry said.

It all happened within about a two-hour period, Henry said.

Hodges was taken to Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where surgeons reattached his penis. After a couple of weeks in the hospital, he was returned to the prison, where he has been confined to a thin mattress on top of a concrete block and can barely move because of the restraints.

Hodges was sentenced to death in 1992 by a Nashville jury that found him guilty of murdering telephone repairman Ronald Bassett in May 1990.

## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

### Clorox recalls products that may have bacteria

**CA** OAKLAND — If you're thinking of wiping down your kitchen with that bottle of Pine-Sol all-purpose cleaner under your sink — stop. It may contain bacteria that could cause serious illness in people with compromised immune systems.

The Clorox Co. said Tuesday it has recalled its scented multi-surface cleaners and all-purpose cleaners. The recall doesn't include its iconic original pine-scented Pine-Sol, which is its only product registered as a disinfectant.

The products recalled by the Oakland, Calif.-based company also include scented CloroxPro Pine-Sol All Purpose Cleaners and Clorox Professional Pine-Sol Lemon Fresh Cleaners, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission said in a statement.

The products "may contain bacteria, including *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, an environmental organism found widely in soil and water," the commission said.

### Students to receive new coats in 2 counties

**TN** NASHVILLE — First lady Maria Lee has announced that Tennessee elementary and middle school students in Scott and Morgan counties will receive new winter coats.

According to a news release, the coat delivery is part of a partnership with Operation Warm and Tennessee Serves, Lee's initiative that promotes volunteers throughout the state. Scott and Morgan counties are

currently federally designated as distressed.

"Students in our distressed counties face unique challenges, and these new winter coats will provide a source of warmth and comfort for years to come while alleviating financial stress for families during this season," Lee said in a statement.

Coats were distributed to Huntsville Elementary and Oneida Elementary schools. More coats will be distributed later this month to the following schools: Burchfield Elementary School, Coalfield School, Fairview Elementary School, Huntsville Middle School, Oakdale School, Petros-Joyner School, Robbins Elementary School, Sunbright School, Wartburg Central Elementary School, Wartburg Central Middle School and Winfield Elementary School.

### Woman sues over ban on feeding homeless

**AZ** BULLHEAD CITY — A woman who was arrested for feeding homeless people in northwest Arizona is suing over a local ordinance that regulates food-sharing events in public parks.

Norma Thornton, 78, became the first person arrested under Bullhead City's ordinance in March for distributing prepared food from a van at Bullhead Community Park. Her lawyer said the lawsuit, filed Tuesday, is part of a nationwide effort to let people feed those in need.

Criminal charges against Thornton were eventually dropped, but she's seeking an injunction to stop the city from enforcing the ordinance that

took effect in May 2021.

### Truck driver killed after lumber falls onto him

**MI** GRANDVILLE — A semitrailer driver died Wednesday in Michigan after some lumber fell from his truck and onto him, police said.

A trailer was being unloaded when some lumber fell and killed Levi Linton, 51, of Ontario, Canada, the Grandville Police Department said on Facebook.

Police said the accident occurred around 11 a.m. at Standale Lumber in Grandville, which is located southwest of Grand Rapids.

Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration is investigating the incident, police said.

### 14 charged in fraud involving US program

**MS** OXFORD — Fourteen Mississippi residents have been arrested on criminal charges related to a conspiracy to fraudulently obtain government funds through a federal program for small businesses, the U.S. Department of Justice announced Wednesday.

All are charged with conspiracy, illegal financial transactions and wire fraud by applying for loans through the Payroll Protection Program. The loans were dispersed by the U.S. Small Business Administration early on during the COVID-19 pandemic to prevent businesses from failing.

"The Secret Service remains steadfast in our commitment to investigating the exploitation of

pandemic relief funds," said U.S. Secret Service special agent Ben Zack Rogers in a news release. "We are thankful for the hard work and continued support of our partners as we work together to ensure that our country's financial environment remains safe and secure."

If convicted, the defendants face up to 30 years for the conspiracy and wire fraud violations and 10 years for the financial transaction charges, the Justice Department said.

### Park closes some trails while black bears feed

**TN** GATLINBURG — Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials have closed a couple of trails until further notice to allow a large concentration of black bears to feed on acorns.

The Gatlinburg Trail between Gatlinburg and Sugarlands Visitor Center and the Twin Creeks Trail between Gatlinburg and the Twin Creeks Science and Education Center are closed, the park said Wednesday.

The trails will stay closed temporarily for the safety of visitors and to allow bears to feed undisturbed on natural foods, the park said.

Bears often feed for more than 12 hours a day in the fall and are sometimes concentrated in places where food sources are abundant, the park's news release said.

Normally wary bears may act aggressively to defend such areas.

The animals usually are solitary, but they may be seen feeding closely during the fall.

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# Jackson shines as Ravens outduel Bucs

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — The Baltimore Ravens finally have a winning streak.

Lamar Jackson threw for 238 yards and two second-half touchdowns, and the Ravens rallied Thursday night for a 27-22 victory over Tom Brady and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, giving Baltimore consecutive victories for the first time this season.

Brady, on the other hand, finds himself riding a three-game skid for the first time since 2002 — the seven-time Super Bowl champion's first year as a full-time starter for the New England Patriots.

Jackson completed all eight of his passes after halftime, and the Ravens (5-3) finished with 231 yards rushing after only running the ball seven times in the first two quarters.

"I feel like we're very close," Jackson said when asked if he feels the Baltimore offense is moving closer to hitting on all cylinders.

"We're right there, but

there's still room for improvement ... the little mistakes we're still making out there," the Ravens quarterback added. "We change those and I feel the sky is the limit."

The Bucs (3-5) lost for the fifth time in six games following a 2-0 start.

"We just didn't play well enough to win," said Brady, who avoided going a second consecutive game without a touchdown pass by tossing an 8-yarder to Julio Jones in the final minute.

"Until you win ball games consistently, and play four quarters consistently, it is going to be dark," Bucs coach Todd Bowles said. "That doesn't mean we can't get out of it. We just have a lot of work to do, as coaches and as players."

Jackson beat the 45-year-old Brady for the second time in as many career meetings, directing TD drives of 77, 80 and 85 yards after Baltimore sputtered early and trailed 10-3 at halftime.

The Ravens (5-3) ran for all but 27 of its 231 yards rushing in the second half, while Jackson completed 27 of 38 passes without an interception, including TD throws of 5 yards to Kenyon Drake and 10 yards to Isaiah Likely in the third quarter.

Baltimore scored on its first four possessions after halftime, with Justin Tucker booting a 30-yard field goal to make it 27-16 with a little over two minutes remaining.

Brady threw his TD pass to Jones with 49 seconds remaining, finishing 26 of 44 for 325 yards without an interception. He was sacked three times.

Leonard Fournette scored on a 1-yard run, and Mike Evans had six receptions for 123 yards for the Bucs.

Fournette's TD was the first the Bucs have scored in the opening quarter this season. Brady spoke earlier in the week about how helpful it can be to play with a lead, but the offense did little to build on the early advantage after Ryan

Succop's 31-yard field goal made it 10-3.

The Ravens, meanwhile, wasted a couple of opportunities to take control early, settling for a 22-yard field goal after recovering a fumble at the Bucs 6 on a punt return and coming away with no points when Jackson threw incomplete into end zone on 4th-and-3 from the Tampa Bay 10 late in the second quarter.

Another chance to cut into their 10-3 deficit was thwarted when Tucker's 61-yard field goal attempt was deflected at the line as time expired in the half.

## Running with authority

The Ravens averaged 7 yards per carry and topped 150 yards rushing for the seventh straight game, the longest active streak in the NFL.

## Drought continues

Tampa Bay's defense, among the best in the league at forcing turnovers, didn't have a takeaway for the fourth consecutive game.

# Backup leads No. 14 Utah to win over Washington St.

Associated Press

PULLMAN, Wash. — Backup quarterback Bryson Barnes threw for 175 yards and a touchdown as No. 14 Utah beat Washington State 21-17 on Thursday night to stay in the hunt for the Pac-12 championship game.

Barnes, who started in place of injured Cam Rising, completed 17 of 27 passes for Utah (6-2, 4-1), which was off last week after edging Southern California in a 43-42 shootout Oct. 15.

Utah coach Kyle Whittingham said his team found a way to win despite injuries to some key players.

"I'm proud of Bryson," Whittingham said. "He obviously

came into a tough situation and he played well. Had one turnover, but he did a pretty good job of moving the chains."

Rising made the decision not to play, Whittingham said.

"If Cam says he can't play, he can't play. So there was no doubting him whatsoever," Whittingham said. "Bryson was not expecting to be the starter tonight. But that's the nature of the number two quarterback, you're only ever one snap away."

Barnes, a sophomore, said he was prepared when his time came.

"You can always be ready for the moment, but until you get the chance to play you really don't know what it's like,"

Barnes said. "I'm thankful for the opportunity tonight."

Cameron Ward completed 27 of 31 passes for 222 yards for Washington State (4-4, 1-4), which has lost four of its past five games and was also off a week ago. The Cougars were without rushing leader Nakia Watson and top receiver Renard Bell because of injuries.

Washington State coach Jake Dickert said his team is not executing well.

"On offense we are not doing anything well," Dickert said. "We are playing just good enough to get beat."

**No. 24 N.C. State 22, Virginia Tech 21:** At Raleigh, N.C., first-year quarterback MJ Morris threw for three second-

half touchdowns to help the Wolfpack rally from 18 points down in the third quarter to beat the Hokies.

Morris took over for starter Jack Chambers to lead the comeback for the Wolfpack (6-2, 2-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who trailed 21-3 after Grant Wells' 20-yard TD keeper with 4:02 left in the third quarter.

Instead, N.C. State made its biggest comeback since rallying from 27 down to beat Maryland in 2011. It also marked the Wolfpack's second comeback from a double-digit deficit after halftime this month, going back to a rally from 17-3 down at the break against Florida State.

Virginia Tech is 2-6 overall and 1-4 in the ACC.



# No US-born Black players in Series

*Associated Press*

Looking around Memorial Stadium before Game 1 of the 1983 World Series, Philadelphia Phillies star Gary Matthews saw a lot of Black talent.

Joe Morgan. Eddie Murray. Garry Maddox. Ken Singleton. Al Bumbry. Disco Dan Ford. And plenty more that night in Baltimore.

"There were quite a few of us," Matthews recalled.

When fans watch the Houston Astros and Phillies line up to begin the Fall Classic, it will be a much different picture.

To be sure, Houston's Jose Altuve and Philadelphia's Jean Segura are among scores of Latin players helping keep big league rosters diverse.

But for the first time since 1950, shortly after Jackie Robinson broke the Major League Baseball color barrier, there are no U.S.-born Black players in the World Series.

"That is eye opening," said Bob Kendrick, president of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Mo. "It is somewhat startling that two cities that have high African-American populations, there's not a single Black player."

"It lets us know there's obviously a lot of work to be done to create opportunities for Black kids to pursue their dream at the highest level," he said.

Robinson debuted in 1947 with the Brooklyn Dodgers and played in the World Series

that year. Since then, the 1950 matchup between the New York Yankees and Phillies has been the only World Series without a Black player.

Houston and Philadelphia announced their 26-man rosters several hours before Game 1 on Friday night at Minute Maid Park, where Dusty Baker, a Black outfielder for the 1981 champion Los Angeles Dodgers, manages the Astros.

"What hurts is that I don't know how much hope that it gives some of the young African-American kids," Baker, 73, said Thursday. "Because when I was their age, I had a bunch of guys, (Willie) Mays, (Hank) Aaron, Frank Robinson, Tommy Davis — my hero — Maury Wills, all these guys. We need to do something before we lose them."

Starting in 1954 when Willie Mays and the New York Giants played against Larry Doby and Cleveland, every team to reach the World Series had at least one U.S.-born Black player until the 2005 Astros did not.

During that half-century, Black greats such as Aaron, Barry Bonds, Lou Brock, Bob Gibson, Rickey Henderson and Robinson commanded the October stage. In 1979 alone, Willie Stargell and Dave Parker were among 10 Black players on the "We Are Family" Pittsburgh Pirates champions.

For much of that time, baseball was clearly the dominant game in the U.S., the national pastime. Over the years, as basketball and football increased in popularity, base-

ball became more expensive with an emphasis on travel teams and elite showcases.

"Kids started shifting to other sports," Matthews said.

One of Matthews' sons, Gary Jr., was an All-Star outfielder. Another son works in the commissioner's office with diversity programs.

By 2020, when the Dodgers beat Tampa Bay, LA star Mookie Betts was the only Black player in the World Series. At the All-Star Game this summer at Dodger Stadium, Betts wore a T-shirt with the message: "We need more Black people at the stadium."

But on the field this weekend, despite encouraging indicators and multi-layered efforts by MLB, it will be a World Series shutout for the first time in over seven decades.

"It's the exclamation point," said Richard Lapchick, director of The Institute for Diversity and Ethics in Sport at Central Florida. "It's been a story that's been ongoing since the late 1980s, the decline of Black baseball players."

MLB had 38% players of color on opening-day rosters, including Altuve, Yordan Alvarez, Jeremy Peña, Yuli Gurriel, Cristian Javier and Framber Valdez of the Astros and Segura, Ranger Suárez and Seranthony Domínguez of the Phillies.

There is some hope. Last summer, for the first time in MLB draft history, four of the first five players selected were Black.

## Doncic, Mavericks outlast Nets in overtime

*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — Luka Doncic had 41 points, 14 assists and 11 rebounds, setting up three three-pointers in overtime to send the Dallas Mavericks to a 129-125 victory over the Brooklyn Nets on Thursday night.

Doncic found Tim Hardaway Jr., Maxi Kleber and Reggie Bullock for threes in the extra period as Dallas built a nine-point lead en route to its first road win of the season.

Doncic also had two baskets in overtime on the way to becoming the 10th player in NBA history with three 40-point triple-doubles.

Kyrie Irving scored 39 points and Kevin Durant had 37 for the Nets, who have run into some of the NBA's most dynamic players this week and fallen short each time. First it was Ja Morant with 38 points in Memphis and then Giannis Antetokounmpo

with 43 on Wednesday night in Milwaukee.

This time it was Doncic, who had scored more than 30 points in each of the first three games and now has his first 40-point game of the season.

**Warriors 123, Heat 110:** Stephen Curry scored 10 of his 33 points in a tight fourth quarter and had nine assists and seven rebounds as Golden State beat visiting Miami.

Andrew Wiggins added 18 points and 10 rebounds for the Warriors, and Klay Thompson had 19 points with five threes. The Warriors bounced back after a 134-105 thumping in Phoenix on Tuesday night in which a frustrated Thompson was ejected for the first time in his career.

Jimmy Butler scored 27 points for Miami. Bam Adebayo had 26.

**Grizzlies 125, Kings 110:** Desmond Bane made six three-pointers and scored 31

points as visiting Memphis defeated winless Sacramento.

Ja Morant added 22 points, six assists and five rebounds.

De'Aaron Fox had 27 points and six rebounds for the Kings. Sacramento is 0-4 under first-year coach Mike Brown, its worst start since opening 0-5 during the 2019-20 campaign.

**Thunder 118, Clippers 110:** Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 24 points and host Oklahoma City swept a two-game set against Los Angeles.

Lu Dort scored 21 points and Aleksey Pokusevski added 15 for the Thunder. They beat the Clippers 108-94 on Tuesday night.

Clippers forward Kawhi Leonard missed both games while managing his previously injured right knee. Norman Powell led Los Angeles with 21 points.

# Marchand returns, has big night for Bruins

Associated Press

BOSTON — Brad Marchand had two goals and an assist in his season debut and the Boston Bruins extended their winning streak to four games, beating the Detroit Red Wings 5-1 on Thursday night.

Jeremy Swayman made 27 saves, David Pastrnak had a goal and two assists and Charlie Coyle and Craig Smith also scored to help Boston improve to 6-0 at home this season.

Marchand returned after undergoing arthroscopic surgery in May to repair the cartilage in his hips. The 34-year-old forward was expected to be off the ice for six months. Instead, he was proclaimed good to return by Bruins coach Jim Montgomery following the morning skate Thursday.

“He’s a world-class player. It’s amazing how he comes up with pucks. The puck is between three bodies and he’s like the Tasmanian devil, twirling all around,” Montgomery said. “It’s amazing. He tracks and fights for it and bite your leg off for it. That’s why we love him.”

Adam Erne scored for Detroit.

**Oilers 6, Blackhawks 5:** Leon Draisaitl scored the tiebreaking goal with 37.6 seconds left and had two assists to lead visiting Edmonton over Chicago for its third straight victory.

Connor McDavid scored three goals and added an assist in his 12th career hat trick and second this season.

**Flyers 4, Panthers 3:** Joel Farabee had a goal and an assist, Carter Hart made a career-high 48 saves and Philadelphia defeated visiting Florida.

Tony DeAngelo, Scott Laughton and Zack MacEwen also scored for the rebuilding Flyers, who are off to a surprising 5-2 start.

**Predators 6, Blues 2:** Roman Josi had a goal and two assists as host Nashville defeated St. Louis to stop its five-game losing streak.

Michael McCarron, Zach Sanford, Tanner Jeannot, Ryan Johansen and Mikael Granlund also scored for the Predators, and Juuse Saros made 33 saves.

**Stars 2, Capitals 0:** Joel Kiviranta scored an unassisted short-handed goal, Jake Oettinger stopped 27 shots in his first shutout this season and Dallas blanked visiting Washington.

Jason Robertson redirected Nils Lundkvist’s hard shot from the high slot to open the scoring in the first period before Kiviranta’s hustle play gave the Stars some breathing room midway through the third.

**Sharks 4, Maple Leafs 3 (OT):** Erik Karlsson scored on a breakaway 57 seconds into overtime to give host San Jose a victory over Toronto.

Karlsson also had two assists as the Sharks won at home for the first time this season, improving to 1-4.

**Jets 6, Kings 4:** Axel Jonsson-Fjallby scored the go-ahead goal on a deflection

during the third period and Winnipeg rallied to beat host Los Angeles.

Adam Lowry had a goal and an assist for the Jets, who won consecutive games for the first time this season. Mark Scheifele, Pierre-Luc Dubois, Nate Schmidt and Blake Wheeler also scored for Winnipeg, which had 12 players on the scoresheet.

**Canucks 5, Kraken 4:** Ilya Mikheyev scored his first two goals of the season and visiting Vancouver ended its season-opening losing streak at a franchise-record seven games by beating Seattle.

Elias Pettersson, Andrei Kuzmenko and Conor Garland each had a goal and an assist to help coach Bruce Boudreau reach 600 NHL wins. Garland scored the winner into an empty net.

**Wild 4, Senators 2:** Ryan Hartman’s first goal of the season proved to be the winner as Minnesota snapped host Ottawa’s four-game winning streak.

Mats Zuccarello and Kirill Kaprizov scored and Frederick Gaudreau added an empty-netter for the Wild, playing the third game of a five-game trip. Marc-Andre Fleury made 27 saves.

**Canadiens 3, Sabres 2:** Josh Anderson scored with just under four minutes remaining to lift visiting Montreal over Buffalo.

Brendan Gallagher and Kaiden Guhle also scored for the Canadiens. Sam Montembeault made 43 saves.

## Source: Bengals WR Chase to miss weeks with injury

Associated Press

Cincinnati Bengals star wide receiver Ja’Marr Chase could miss several games with a hip injury, a person familiar with his condition told The Associated Press on Thursday.

Chase has been bothered by the hip for several weeks. It’s possible he could wind up on injured reserve, but that hasn’t been decided, said the person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the Bengals are not commenting on Chase’s condition.

ESPN reported Chase will miss four to six weeks.

Chase was held out of practice Thursday as the Bengals (4-3) continued preparing for

Monday night’s game at Cleveland.

Chase was initially bothered by the hip in Cincinnati’s Oct. 16 game at New Orleans. He played in last week’s win against Atlanta, finishing with eight catches for 130 yards and two touchdowns.

On Thursday, Bengals coach Zac Taylor said only that Chase was dealing with a hip issue and his status was day to day.

In other NFL news:

■ Green Bay Packers wide receiver Allen Lazard says his shoulder injury probably will prevent him from playing Sunday night at Buffalo.

Lazard hurt his shoulder in the Packers’ 23-21 loss at Wash-

ington last weekend. Lazard said he could feel immediately that the injury could be troublesome.

■ Broncos quarterback Russell Wilson will start Denver’s game against the Jacksonville Jaguars at Wembley Stadium after practicing Friday with “no limitations,” coach Nathaniel Hackett said.

Wilson was held out of last Sunday’s 16-9 loss to the New York Jets because of a strained hamstring.

**Bowman cleared to race in NASCAR finale**

Alex Bowman will return for the NASCAR season finale after

missing five races with a concussion suffered in a crash in the new Next Gen car.

Hendrick Motorsports said Bowman will be back in the No. 48 Chevrolet next weekend at Phoenix Raceway, his home track. The team said the Tucson, Ariz., native was medically cleared to return following a Thursday evaluation by Dr. Micky Collins, clinical director of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Sports Medicine Concussion Program.

Bowman suffered his concussion in a Sept. 25 crash at Texas Motor Speedway. The injury knocked him out of the playoffs.