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SEATTLE Ferry leaves dock minus passengers

People who rode Washington state ferries got used to long delays in the summer. But they don't expect a ferry to take off without them when they're waiting at the dock.

YAKIMA Sheriff suggests building 'jiffy jail'

Yakima County officials are considering buying a "jiffy jail" to solve overcrowding problems at the county jail.

Idaho wildfire swells to 450 acres

CASCADE, Idaho — Hundreds of firefighters waited today to redraw a control line around a wildfire in the Idaho back country after triple-digit temperatures and winds exacerbated all previous suppression efforts.

The number of people on the Marmon Creek fire swelled from about 100 to 420 Tuesday as it exploded to 450 acres within a mile of the South Fork of the Salmon River in the central mountains.

Although the Marmon Creek blaze is raging 12 miles away and not a threat to their livelihoods, two firefighters from the community of Chablock were taken to the hospital for treatment of heat exhaustion.

The couple had moved into the house only four weeks ago and were vacationing in Island Park. Two firefighters from the community of Chablock were taken to the hospital for treatment of heat exhaustion.

TACOMA Cops say shooting was gang-related

Two Tacoma men are dead in a shooting police believe was gang- and drug-related.

Bush motorcade will take it slow

A spokesman for the campaign of Rep. Larry Craig said the motorcade taking President George Bush from the House to City Hall Thursday will slow through downtown on Tuesday night.

Composting grass not like burning it, farmers discover

ALBANY, Ore. — An experiment in composting grass straw has taught farmers and the grass seed industry that the practice will never replace field burning.

Girl, 13, still missing; foul play suspected

ALBANY, Ore. — Lin County authorities fear that a 13-year-old girl, missing from her home in the Cascades for more than a week, is likely the victim of foul play.

Playing it cool

When temperatures in the 90s in central Oregon, Juanita Peyton of Redmond and daughter Cassandra...

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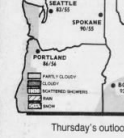


Table with weather forecasts for various regions including INLAND NORTHWEST, PACIFIC NORTHWEST, CANADA, and NATIONAL.

National Weather Service and Associated Press
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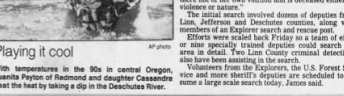
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