

Good morning

Today's forecast

Cloudy with a slight chance of snow. Highs near 20. West winds 10-miles an hour. Cloudy with a good chance of snow tonight. Lows 10 to 15.

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Magic Valley

Super shopping

Magic Valley retailers kept busy Wednesday as traditional day-after-Christmas shoppers swarmed to stores, ending a season at least as busy as last year.

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Fourth liver

Tracie O'Gorman of Twin Falls received a new liver for Christmas in Omaha, Neb.

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First big chance

Ex-Idaho quarterback John Friesz, who has missed all of his rookie season in the NFL due to a shoulder injury, gets his shot at starting for the San Diego Chargers this weekend.

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Falcons seek respect

Air Force understands it isn't in the hunt for the national college football title but it wants some respect from Ohio State in tonight's Liberty Bowl.

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Trampled by protectors

Conservationists are so conscious of saving the fragile waterways of coastal Alaska that they are threatening its natural state with ever-increasing tours.

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Poacher to poacher

The federal government is using video by former poachers to fight the increasing problem of illegal hunting and fishing throughout the nation.

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Cut tax bill before year-end

Despite significant changes in the new tax law, it still holds true that big tax savings come from techniques that have been around for years, columnist Sylvain Porter explains.

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Vulturous busybodies

Meaning well is no excuse for meddling in other people's private affairs, today's editorial says. Reflections on the Nancy Cruzan case.

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How to beat Saddam

Former arms-control adviser Paul H. Nitze offers a suggestion about how to defeat Saddam Hussein: Use superior air and naval power to squeeze Iraqi forces, and then wait.

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Idaho tops million mark, keeps 2 seats in House

The Associated Press

for the next decade.

WASHINGTON — The U.S. population stood at 249,632,692 as of the 1990 census, the government said Wednesday. And Idaho officially topped the 1 million mark, with 1,011,986 persons counted.

That is an increase of 7.2 percent from the 943,935 Idahoans counted in 1980, and assures that the Gem State will retain two seats in the House of Representatives

The national population total, reported in the Census Bureau's first major release of "final" figures from the nation's 21st official head count, reflected a 10.2 percent increase from the 226,504,825 people counted in the 1980 census.

That was below the 11.4 percent population growth recorded from 1970 to 1980, and the 13.4 percent rate from 1960 to 1970.

The figures represent just the first trick-

le of what will become a flood of census information, used by the states to redraw voting-district lines and by the federal government to determine how monetary assistance to the states should be divided.

California, the nation's largest state, added more than 6 million people in the decade, a 26.3 percent increase to 29,839,250 people.

Wyoming remained the smallest state, with 455,975 people, down 2.9 percent from 1980.

The final national population total was nearly 4 million people more than the preliminary number released by the bureau earlier this year.

Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher has until July 1991, to decide whether to adjust the census numbers to account for a statistically determined undercount of minorities. An adjustment would increase political representation of areas-

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Floating flakes



ANDY ARENZ/The Times-News

Crystalline snowflakes with ornamental structures fluttered from the sky most of Wednesday in Twin Falls. A close up view shows a few of the fragile flakes gathered on the back of a car. Water drops were left after a brief period of sunshine melted some of the snowflakes.

Nancy Cruzan dies peacefully at 33

The Associated Press

MOUNT VERNON, Mo. — Nancy Cruzan, whose case led to a landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision on the right to die, died peacefully Wednesday, her parents by her side and euthanasia foes camped outside the hospital.

The 33-year-old woman's death at the Missouri Rehabilitation Center came 12 days after a feeding tube implanted in her stomach nearly eight years ago was removed under court order at her parents' request.

The Cruzans had said their daughter, who was left in what doctors called an irreversible vegetative state from a car accident, would not want to continue living.

"She remained peaceful throughout and showed no sign of discomfort or distress in any way," Joe and Joyce Cruzan said in a statement.

"Knowing Nancy as only a family can, there remains no question that we made the choice she would want," the Cruzans said. "Nancy, we will always love you and hold

Case produces local living wills

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Nancy Cruzan case has prompted several local people to write living wills to avoid situations in which others would make "right-to-die" decisions for them, a hospital official says.

"It was an awareness building case," said Rosemary Barta, administrative representative for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Bioethics Commit-

tee. About 80 elderly people attended a "living will" seminar in October at the hospital, she said. And after a Supreme Court decision on the Cruzan case in June, several people called and asked questions about living wills.

Cruzan, 33, died early Wednesday after a feeding tube that had kept her alive, but in a vegetative state, for eight years was removed at her parents' request. It was removed Dec. 14.

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Her legacy - A4

your memory in our hearts."

Funeral arrangements were not announced.

The Cruzans had fought for three years

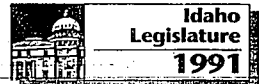
to allow their daughter to die, and the case eventually reached the U.S. Supreme Court.

In its 5-4 decision in June, the court blocked the Cruzans from withholding food and water in the absence of "clear and convincing" evidence she would have wanted

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Tax issues may wind up atop education agenda

Editor's note: This is the continuation of a series of articles looking at issues that will come before the 1991 Legislature. The stories were developed from two round-table discussions held with the news staff and legislators earlier this month in which the issues were debated.



By Anita Dennis
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Public education will stay its course through the 1991 Idaho Legislature, although changes may be in store the state's community colleges.

"I don't see any change in direction," said Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, a member of the House Education Committee.

Idaho education has had two record-breaking years of financial support from the Legislature, but equity and tax issues may replace funding atop this session's education agenda.

"Two hot school issues — consolidation and revision of the state's formula for funding education — have to wait until a court rules on two cases challenging the equity of state, legislators said.

"It's a complicated, complicated formula,"

la," said Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, vice chairman of the House Education Committee. "It's a theoretical calculation ... there are all kinds of other things that add to the inequity."

"In my opinion, there's a pretty fair chance there will be a ruling from the court that we have to do something with the schools. How wide that window will be and how much we want to do while that window is open I don't know," Jones said.

Another issue, reducing the "supermajority" — the two-thirds vote needed to pass bond issues for school construction — to 60 percent is unlikely to make headway.

The argument for reducing the supermajority is not popular in parts of the state, said newly elected Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion.

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Lawmakers say schools won't get less money in '91

Editor's note: A group of Magic Valley representatives discussed education issues and funding with The Times-News earlier this month, and the following are excerpts of that conversation.

Participating were Reps. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls; Lee Barnes, R-Dubu; Doug Jones, R-Filer; Jim Kempton, R-Albion; Mark Stubbs, R-Twin Falls; and Ralph Peters, R-Jerome.

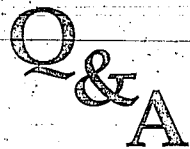
By Anita Dennis
Times-News writer

On schools:

The Times-News: "Speaker of the House Tom Boyd, R-Genesee, said the education will be first hit in the budget this year."

Jones: "They're not going to get any less money. What Tom was saying was the increase is not going to be near as

Perspectives



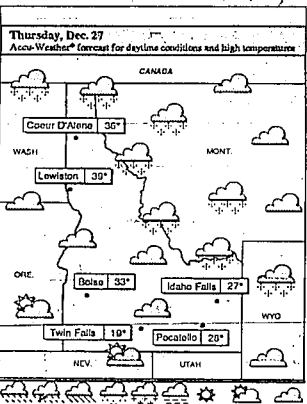
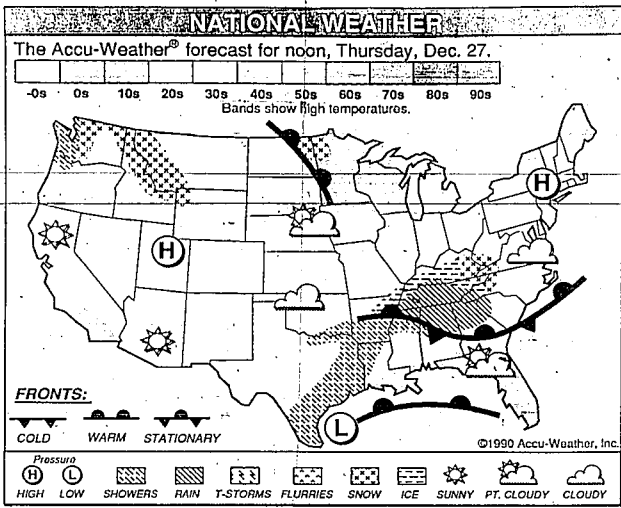
On the News

much as it was last year. ... Roughly 50 percent of the General Fund goes to schools. Another 23-24 percent goes to higher education."

The Times-News: "Public education is receiving a smaller and smaller percentage of state funding in recent years. In

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Weather



Temperatures

| City | Max | Min | Pop |
|----------------|-----|-------|-----|
| Albuquerque | 35 | 5 | |
| Atlanta | 36 | 24 | |
| Boston | 37 | 24 | |
| Chicago | 12 | -6 | |
| Dallas | 37 | 30-32 | |
| Denver | 20 | 4 | |
| Des Moines | 12 | -5 | |
| Detroit | 14 | 6 | |
| Honolulu | 76 | 63 | 07 |
| Houston | 45 | 41-33 | |
| Indianapolis | 16 | 6 | |
| Kansas City | 23 | 7 | |
| Las Vegas | 49 | 21 | |
| Los Angeles | 68 | 43 | |
| Miami | 86 | 25 | |
| Miami Beach | 77 | 69-33 | |
| Milwaukee | 9 | -7 | |
| Minneapolis | 0 | -22 | |
| New Orleans | 56 | 41 | |
| New York | 36 | 25 | |
| Oklahoma City | 40 | 24 | |
| Omaha | 15 | -2 | |
| Phoenix | 57 | 32 | |
| Pittsburgh | 4 | -7 | |
| Portland, Me. | 54 | 31 | |
| Portland, Ore. | 33 | 32-09 | |
| St. Louis | 19 | 9 | |
| Salt Lake City | 22 | 7-03 | |
| San Francisco | 59 | 38 | |
| Seattle | 39 | 34-01 | |
| Spokane | 20 | 13 | |
| Washington | 40 | 25 | |

Twin Falls

| Day | Max | Min | Pop |
|------------------|-----------|-----|-----|
| Yesterday | 13 | -4 | |
| Last year | 42 | 12 | |
| Normal | 39 | 21 | |
| Sunset today | 5:11 p.m. | | |
| Sunrise tomorrow | 8:07 a.m. | | |

Idaho

| City | Max | Min | Pop |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Boise | 13 | 1 | 06 |
| Burley | 14 | -3 | 11 |
| Hagerman | 23 | 4 | |
| Idaho Falls | 10 | -1 | 02 |
| Lewiston | 32 | 20 | 06 |
| McCall | 12 | 0 | |
| Pocatello | 11 | 0 | 13 |
| Salmon | 17 | 3 | 02 |

Forecasts
Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today cloudy with a slight chance of snow. Not so cold with highs near 20. West winds 10 mph. Tonight and Friday night cloudy with a good chance of snow. Lows 10 to 15. Highs in the upper 20s. Breezy.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Mostly cloudy today with a slight chance of snow. Not so cold with highs near 20. Tonight and Friday cloudy with a good chance of snow. Lows zero to 5 above zero. Highs in the mid-20s.

Extended forecast: Saturday through Monday: Bitterly cold through the period with dangerously low-windchill temperatures Saturday: Windy Saturday with chance of snow mainly east. Fair Sunday and Monday: Highs 5 above to 25 below zero. Lows 5 to 20 below zero west and 10 to 25 below zero east.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah — Mostly cloudy today with a few flurries. Local south winds 10-20 mph in the afternoon. Highs near 30. Tonight and Friday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows 20-25 and highs in the mid-30s.

Nevada — Areas of low clouds and patchy valley fog continuing into this morning. A little warmer today. An increasing chance of snow north tonight becoming windy with scattered snow and winds spreading to the central portion Friday. Highs from the low 30s to low 40s. Lows tonight mostly teens and 20s.

Weather summary

The National Weather Service in Boise reports a brief warming trend between cold spells.

A fairly moist north-westerly flow across the Gem State kept skies mostly cloudy Wednesday, with a few persistent snow showers in the southeast and at the higher elevations north. Fog also formed in some areas across the south and lingered in some locations most of the afternoon.

A bonus to the cloudiness was an increase in temperatures. Most afternoon highs reached the teens and 20s, and even into the mid-30s.

The warming trend may last into Friday, and then Idaho is in the path of another blast of frigid arctic air. It will be accompanied by strong, gusty winds which will result in extremely low windchill temperatures.

The warmest temperature in the state was 36 degrees at Lowell. Fairfield and Ketchum reported the coldest at 14 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere in the nation Wednesday, the highest temperature was 83 degrees at Homestead and Naples, Fla. The lowest was 38 below zero at International Falls, Minn.

Americans continue s-s-s-shivering in record c-c-c-cold

The Associated Press

Bitter cold permeated much of the nation Wednesday and the Pacific Northwest braced for a new blast of arctic air this weekend.

Sacramento, Calif., shivered through a seventh day of record-breaking temperatures, with a low of 23 degrees. Other low temperature records shattered included 29 degrees below zero in Aberdeen, S.D.; 23 below in Alamosa, Colo.; 5 in both Albuquerque, N.M., and Amarillo, Texas; zero in Colorado Springs, Colo.; 22 below in Dickinson, N.D.; and 25 below in Duluth, Minn.

International Falls, Minn., had a record-breaking low of 38 below.

The low temperature for the nation Wednesday was 45 degrees below 25 at Embarrass, Minn., and Park Rapids, Minn.

Kasparov keeps world chess title following draw

LYON, France (AP) — Garry Kasparov of the Soviet Union retained his title as world chess champion Wednesday with a draw in the 22nd game, defeating his longtime rival, countryman Anatoly Karpov.

The pair ended the 27th of the 24-match chess championship series with a draw after 43 moves. The half-point each player received put the 27-year-old Kasparov ahead 12-10, allowing him to remain champion.

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Education

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That is urban areas. That's a big issue and it's urban-directed," he said. Reducing the supermajority won't happen without tax reform, Kempton said, and that, too, is unlikely.

"What I hope there is a move for tax programs to assist in some of the funding problems happening in districts like in Jerome," Kempton said. "Everything is going to be impacted and education gets the biggest chunk of the budget so it'll be impacted more severely," said Rep. Mark Stubbs, R-Twin Falls.

But belittling work is not the strict, Jones said. It means "the increase is not going to be near as much as" last year.

Jones co-chaired an interim legislative committee examining Idaho's community college system, and the committee's recommendations will translate into legislation.

Recommendations include building more community colleges — starting at Idaho Falls — increasing state funding to 85 percent, develop-

ing outreach programs, exploring a soda pop tax as an alternative to property tax as the source of income for the colleges and beefing up vocational education in high schools.

"There are some very complicated issues there to be dealt with. How do we provide higher education opportunity in a rural state? How do we provide access to higher education?" Jones said.

"And how can we afford (it)," Stubbs said.



Jones



Black

Lawmakers

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the 1990 election, virtually every candidate ran on a pro-education platform.

Barnes: "When you're talking about percentages, the pie grew from an 8-inch pie to a 12-inch pie. So it's true. But dollarwise they still got \$150 million more than they got in the previous year."

Two years ago public education (funding) began to grow on higher education, to where they went up above 50 percent and higher education (funding) went down. Now you're seeing higher education go up and public education go down. But if you look at the overall education spending percentages, you'll find they haven't deviated that much. But there is a percentage shift between public education and higher education."

Jones: "Strictly from a dollar standpoint, education's worst enemy is the department of Health and Welfare."

Kempton: "And coming up fast is Corrections ..."

Jones: "We will get roughly same amount of federal vocational dollars this year, but money is directed to 'disadvantaged' students, including commonly disadvantaged. It's going to drive it into the urban school

districts. The small rural school districts, which run relatively high-cost programs like vocational ag and industrial arts are going to find themselves with a whole lot less money. We don't want to see those programs dropped in those schools, so we end up going in and picking them back up with state dollars ..."

Stubbs: "There's a lot of different views of pro-education. A point of view I think needs to be explored is what if we turned the whole education system upside down and inside out and we talked about education reform, about how the dollars get delivered to the students and about how you penetrate the morass of bureaucracy and administration and deliver the services ... You can put more money in at the top, but the percentage that gets down to the bottom where the actual services are delivered to the client, it shrinks every time ..."

On community colleges:

The Times-News: "How will the state pay for the community colleges?"

Jones: "It would probably move toward General Fund-funding. Why should we pay property tax as citizens of Twin Falls and Jerome coun-

ties to get the services that the College of Southern Idaho provides when if you live in Ada County, you get those services out of Boise State University as a 100 percent state-funded institution, in Pocatello out of Idaho State University and in Lewiston out of Lewis-Clark State College? There's an inequity to the taxing public."

The Times-News: "How about a unified state system, like California?"

Jones: "They have over 50 community colleges that are 100 percent state funded."

Black: "You've got a different population base there to start with. And then you have four-year institutions fighting against a two-year recognized statewide system because they feel it's going to pull money from them."

Jones: "There's no question that four-year institutions are not necessarily enthused ... They don't want a community college found to dilute their enrollment."

Black: "There's animosity even within CSI and North-Idaho College that they don't want more than 50 percent funding because of the loss of control on a local level if you get up into that 85 percent range."

Census

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with a high percentage of minorities, and lower than that of other areas.

By the numbers reported Wednesday, the census, required every 10 years by the Constitution, will cause a shift in 19 House seats. Eight states, mostly in the Sun Belt, will gain representation, and 13 will lose representation.

California will gain seven seats, giving it 52 in the 435-member

House. Florida will gain four; Texas, three; and Arizona, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia and Washington, one seat each.

New York will lose three seats; Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania, two seats each; and Iowa, West Virginia, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Montana, New Jersey and West Virginia, one seat each.

The 1990 population count was nearly 64 times the 3,929,214 count-

ed in 1790, the first census in the nation's history. By 1990, the population had reached 76,212,168.

In 1950, the first census after World War II, the population was 151,325,798.

In January, the Census Bureau will begin sending information on small areas to state legislatures so they can begin drawing new congressional and legislative boundaries.

Hospital

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Although thousands of similar decisions are made between physicians, patients and family members nationwide, in this case shocked people into looking at the right-to-die issue, county hospital attorney Kent Taylor said.

It has caused people look twice at the issue of who can make a directive to end medical life support systems and under what circumstances, he said.

The hospital will make changes to its "do-not-resuscitate" policy, which includes a living will clause, after reviewing the Cruzan case and state laws around the country.

"The issue becomes how much evidence do you need to execute a do-not-resuscitate order," Taylor said.

The hospital may also institute a central registry for living wills.

The Cruzan case has shown that interdisciplinary groups similar to the hospital's Bioethics Committee are a good option for families seeking comfort, support and guidance.

The committee is also useful in helping to resolve differences when family members disagree about

what course should be taken for another family member who is unable to make decisions for himself.

"I want to emphasize the need for physician input in life process," Taylor said.

Decisions by a Bioethics Committee are generally honored in court, although they are not binding, said Surgeon Harry Brumback, a member of the bioethics committee.

"We have protocol to follow if someone came to us and requested a committee," Brumback said. "Philosophically we feel this is a local problem with people and should be made locally."

He said every case is different.

"My concern is the government getting into the act and making a decision based on financing," Brumback said.

Although the "right-to-die" issue is controversial, most people do not want to be kept alive artificially — slobbering in a fetal position, Brumback said.

"I don't think anyone in their right mind would want to be kept that way," he said.

Cruzan

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to die.

After former co-workers testified that they recalled Ms. Cruzan saying she would never want to live "like a vegetable," a state judge ruled such evidence existed and gave permission Dec. 14 to remove the tube.

A spokesman for the Society For The Right To Die said the ramifications of the case would be far-reaching.

"They (Supreme Court judges) found that there is a constitutional basis for the right to refuse treatment," spokesman Doron Weber said from New York. "There is a constitutional basis for the right to refuse treatment."

"We feel that Nancy Cruzan has made legal history. (But) her dying is an entirely private matter."

Ms. Cruzan's court-appointed guardian, attorney Thad McCanse, had agreed with the family that allowing her to die was in her best interest.

"I'm grateful that the ordeal is over for Nancy and the family," said McCanse. "I also feel they can be proud that Nancy has had an impact, so people can make plans about things that are terrible, things you hope never will happen."

But the Rev. Joseph Foreman of Atlanta, a founder of the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue, called Ms. Cruzan's death a tragedy with dangerous implications.

"I think in the next few years you will see an entire industry spring up around putting people to death whom family, friends and so forth have deemed to be no longer of use to anybody," Foreman said.

"There will be wings of hospitals devoted to putting people to death like this."

After the tube was removed, euthanasia opponents went to court to force the state to resume feeding.

Idaho lottery
BOISE (AP) — Winning numbers drawn Wednesday night in the Idaho Super Lotto-Lotto America game are:
6-32-35-39-48-52 (six, thirty-two, thirty-five, thirty-nine, forty-eight, thirty-two)
The estimated jackpot is \$16.7 million, lottery officials said.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — Most Idaho highway ways were snow-covered or icy Wednesday, according to the Idaho Transportation Department said.

Road conditions:
U.S. 95 — Plummer-Canadian border, icy spots, broken snow floor; Riggs-White Bird Hill, icy; White Bird Hill-Redmond, snow, snow floor; Grangeville-Moscow, broken snow floor; Weiser-New Meadows, snow floor; Marsing-Overline, snow floor; Interstate 90 — Fountain of July Canyon, broken snow floor; Lookout Pass, broken snow floor, chains advised.
U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Koozickia, broken snow floor; snowing; Lowell-Lolo Pass, broken snow floor, snow floor.
Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Boise, broken snow floor; Boise-Mountain Home, icy spots; Mountain Home-Glenns Ferry, snow floor; Bliss-Twin Falls-Burley, icy spots, snow floor; Burley-Idaho City, icy, broken snow floor.
Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend Hill-Danville, snow floor; Danville-Melba-New Meadows, snow floor.
Idaho 21 — Snow floor.
U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield,

snow floor; Fairfield-Carey, broken snow floor; Carey-Idaho Falls-Ashton, icy spots; Ashton-Montana, broken snow floor, snowing.
U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming, icy spots, broken snow floor; Blackfoot-Arco, icy spots, snowing.
Idaho 51 — Snow floor, snowing, drifts.
U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Carey-Arco, broken snow floor; Arco-Salmon, icy spots, broken snow floor; Lost Trail Pass, broken snow floor.
Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, icy spots; broken snow floor; Galena Summit, snow floor, broken snow floor.
Interstate 86 — Icy, broken snow floor, snowing.
Interstate 15 — Utah-Malad Pass, icy spots; Pocatello-Idaho Falls, icy spots, snow floor, snowing; Idaho Falls-Dobbs, icy spots, snowing; Montida Pass, icy spots, drifting.
U.S. 30 — McCammon-Soda Springs, icy spots, broken snow floor; Soda Springs-Montpelier, broken snow floor; Montpelier-Wyoming, icy spots, broken snow floor.
U.S. 91 — Icy spots, broken snow floor.

Medicare prices for physicians will be controlled starting Jan. 1

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — The federal government is imposing price controls on doctors treating Medicare patients beginning Jan. 1, a policy intended to drive down the health care costs for older Americans.

However, it might reduce the number of doctors willing to take Medicare patients.

Under the new rule, Medicare patients cannot be billed more than 125 percent of Medicare's maximum fee for a procedure. The rate drops to 120 percent in 1992 and 115 percent in 1993.

The only exception is for general practitioners and internists, who can charge patients up to 140 percent of the Medicare fee in 1991.

Doctors who overcharge could be fined \$2,000 per incident and excluded from the Medicare program.

Some say they may leave on their own. "I bill for my legitimate office

work and as a result, for the past year I have stopped taking new Medicare patients. If... reimbursement schedules get worse, I intend to drop my Medicare practice altogether," said Dr. Alan Drake, a family practitioner in Sparta, Tenn.

The price controls are one of the most far-reaching attempts to put the brakes on medical care costs, which rose 11.1 percent to \$604 billion nationally in 1989.

The nation's 600,000 physicians had an average income of \$155,800 in 1989, according to the American Medical Association.

Previously, doctors who did not participate in Medicare — about 22 percent of physicians who treat Medicare patients — set their own fees.

Medicare reimbursed patients according to its established rate for a procedure, leaving the patient to pay the sometimes considerable difference to the doctor under what has come to be known as balanced

billing. Highly paid medical specialists, such as surgeons and radiologists, and doctors in wealthy areas such as Palm Beach and Park Avenue will likely see their incomes drop as a result of the new balanced billing limit.

"It's a more equitable system of government bureaucrats telling physicians how to run their practice. It's never really pleasant," said Jean Wickler, executive director of the Palm Beach County (Fla.) Medical Society.

But the loudest complaints are coming from general practitioners, who say their fees are so low already that they can't make a living.

But officials of the Health Care Financing Administration say they are trying to protect Medicare beneficiaries.

They say the new limit will prevent doctors from shifting more costs to Medicare patients when expected cuts in Medicare rates begin in 1992.

Frey handles appeals for Iran-Contra cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Deputy Solicitor General Andrew L. Frey will handle appeals for the office of Iran-Contra independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh, the office announced Wednesday.

He will be responsible for arguing against the appeal by former National Security Adviser John M. Poindexter and for continuing the appellate proceedings against former NSC aide Oliver L. North.

Frey, 52, was deputy solicitor general from 1973 to 1986 and gained public attention for successfully appealing the convictions against Lyn Nofziger, the one-time political director for former President Reagan.

Poindexter is appealing his five convictions of April 7.

Existing-home sales show modest increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of existing homes showed a modest 3 percent increase in November, a real estate trade group said Wednesday.

Some analysts took the report as a possible harbinger of better days ahead for the slumping housing industry.

The National Association of Realtors said that sales of existing single-family homes last month posted their first increase since a 5.1 percent advance in August.

Sales had fallen 9.4 percent in September and 3.8 percent in October, pushing the annual sales rate to its lowest level in almost six years.

The 3 percent November rise lifted sales to an annual rate of 3.14 million units, still 12 percent below where they were a year ago.

Some analysts, however, said they believed the November increase could at least mark the end of a two-year slide in housing although they cautioned against looking for much of a rebound before spring.

"Although the worst is probably over for the housing sector, it is going to be a long bottom," said David Wyss, an economist with DRI-McGraw Hill Inc. "Mortgage rates have not come down that much and with home prices still declining, people are afraid to buy."

Wyss said that he expected to see housing sales begin to rebound in the spring, helped out by the aggressive credit easing being conducted by the Federal Reserve.

Alten Simek, chief economist of the Boston Co., said a rebound in the depressed housing industry will be critical if the country is to avoid a lengthy recession since there is little prospect that other segments of the economy will be showing much

strength. Home sales and housing construction have really been in a recession for two years now. Housing is the first sector in the first sector out and we think that will occur this time as well," he said.

Analysts credited the slight improvement in November to continuing declines in mortgage rates. Rates on 30-year fixed mortgages, which have fallen to the lowest levels in three years now stand at 9.64 percent.

Harley E. Rouda, president of the Realtors group, said he believed that consumers had been scared away from potential purchases in August and September because of the turmoil in financial markets following Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

"Once mortgage rates settled down, consumers felt more at ease about buying a home," Rouda said. "The median price for a home in November was \$91,300, down 1.7 percent from the mid-point level in October and down 1.9 percent from the median price a year ago."

The November sales increase was led by strength in the South and West. Sales in the South jumped 7.3 percent and in the West, an annual rate of 1.32 million units, down 17 percent from the same period a year ago.

Sales in the Midwest were unchanged in November from the October sales rate of 820,000 units.

15 die in year near Border Patrol check

SAN ONOFRE, CALIF. (AP) — The number of persons killed this year near a U.S. Border Patrol station has risen to a record 15 after two people were fatally struck as they tried to circumvent the checkpoint, authorities said.

Fourteen were killed last year near the checkpoint, which is on Interstate 5 about 70 miles north of San Diego.

Since 1987, at least 65 people, mostly Mexican immigrants, have been hit by cars as they tried to skirt the checkpoint by crossing the eight-lane freeway, the California Highway Patrol said. Three have died.

The most recent pedestrian deaths occurred Christmas Eve, the CHP said. Elva Valdes Lopez, 37, and Del Carmen Valdez Hidalgo, 15, both from the Mexican state of Michoacan, were struck by a sedan.

Bush interrupts holiday with full day of work

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush planned to interrupt his extended holiday stay at Camp David, Md., to return to the White House on Thursday for a day of what aides described as routine paperwork.

"He just wanted to come back and be in the office a little bit," White House spokesman Steve Hart said Wednesday.

He said Bush had no plans for staff consultations, although it was likely that he would meet with his national security advisers on Saturday, as he does on a daily basis when both are in town.

Hart also rejected any suggestion that the president was hurrying back to deal with any pressures relating to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bush's day was to be "very routine," and he planned to return to Camp David in the afternoon before an expected storm swept through the area, Hart said.

One White House source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Bush was "bored to tears" midway through his 12-day stay in the Maryland countryside.

The president, a well-known workaholic, has been at the presidential retreat two hours outside the capital since Friday. He took the new British prime minister, John Major, with him to Camp David on Saturday, and was briefed on the Persian Gulf military situation by top advisers on Monday.

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VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (AP) — An argument between two groups of teen-agers during an opening-night showing of "The Godfather Part III" erupted in gunfire that killed a teen-ager caught in the cross-fire, police said.

Panicked patrons scrambling for the exits Tuesday night when the shooting broke out about an hour into the film. The theater in suburban Long Island had a full house of about 700 people for the 10:25 p.m. show. Two teens and two adults — all bystanders — were caught in the line of fire and wounded, police

said. A 15-year-old male died Wednesday while undergoing surgery for a head wound.

Spent shells that were recovered indicated at least four handguns were fired, said Nassau County police, who have made no arrests.

Police who arrived at the 14-screen Sunrise Cinema complex found the movie still running and had to ask the projectionist to stop the film and turn on the lights, said homicide Detective Sgt. William Cocks.

He said that two groups of teens scalded in different areas got into an argument that escalated.

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Cruzan case heightened interest in right to die

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nancy Cruzan's "right-to-die" legal odyssey sensitized millions of Americans to their opportunity to plan ahead for critical medical decisions they might otherwise be incapable of expressing, experts said Wednesday.

"Her case increased tremendously the public's knowledge of the existence of such documents as a living will and a durable power of attorney for health care," said John H. Pickering, a Washington attorney who chairs the American Bar Association's Commission on Legal Problems of the Elderly.

"I think this increased awareness will help prevent the tragic kind of situation Nancy Cruzan and her parents found themselves in," Pickering said.

Ms. Cruzan, 33, died Wednesday, 12 days after a feeding tube that had kept her alive in a vegetative state for eight years was removed at her parents' request.

Ms. Cruzan's death, like the last years of her life, was not free of controversy.

David O'Steen of the anti-abortion National Right to Life Committee said her death "diminishes hope for thousands of medically dependent people nationwide."

Ed Grant of Americans United for Life, although expressing sympathy for what Ms. Cruzan's family "has suffered through the past eight years," said his organization is trou-



Demonstrators hold candles in cups after learning that Nancy Cruzan died earlier Wednesday.

bled by "a move toward passive euthanasia."

The Cruzan family's effort to end the life-sustaining treatment was the focus of a three-year legal battle that

led to a landmark Supreme Court decision last June 25.

The court recognized a constitutional right for competent adults to refuse all medical treatment but ruled

against Ms. Cruzan's parents because they had not offered "clear and convincing" evidence she would have wanted to die.

The case returned to Missouri courts, and a state judge allowed removal of the feeding tube after hearing new evidence that Ms. Cruzan had said she would never want to live "like a vegetable."

The court recognized a constitutional right for competent adults to refuse all medical treatment but ruled against Ms. Cruzan's parents because they had not offered 'clear and convincing' evidence she would have wanted to die.

Medicaid funding to tell all patients of their (right-to-die) options under their state laws.

The federal law takes effect in November 1991.

"Right now, only 5 to 10 percent of all adults have a living will or a durable health care power of attorney," Pickering said. "I hope this new law will help raise that percentage."

John McCabe, legal counsel for the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, credited the Cruzan case with "sensitizing people, especially young people, to the need of planning in advance how to deal with such catastrophes."

But he said the new emphasis on documents "makes the issue of uniformity among the states a key."

"Lawyers are in a quandary over what advice to give if, for example, a person has a primary residence in one state but spends a considerable amount of time in another state," McCabe said.

Genetic engineering makes hemophilia clotting protein

BOSTON (AP) — Hemophilia victims, many already unwittingly infected with AIDS, should be spared from other blood-borne viruses by highly purified clotting proteins made through genetic engineering, new research suggests.

The first large-scale testing of this gene-spliced substance, called recombinant factor VIII, shows that it works just as well as the natural variety of factor VIII derived from human blood plasma.

The development could allow hemophiliacs to routinely take preventative doses, as diabetics take insulin, one specialist says.

"It's a tremendous advance and one we are all excited about for the hemophilia community," said Dr. Jenne M. Lusher, who tested the new clotting material at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. Hemophilia is caused by a genetic defect that is passed from mothers to sons and affects about 20,000 American men. Victims fail to produce enough factor VIII, a protein necessary for the body to form clots to stop bleeding. Without treatment, cuts may bleed for days, and bleeding into the joints can cause crippling deformities.

Injections of factor VIII derived from donated blood can control bleeding. But early in the AIDS epidemic, factor VIII was widely tainted with HIV, the AIDS virus, though no one knew it at the time. As a result, about 60 percent of hemophiliacs are infected with HIV, even though most do not have AIDS.

New purification techniques have made factor VIII free of HIV, but some specialists worry that some new microbe might silently infiltrate this treatment again if

blood remains the sole source.

Now, two companies are competing to introduce factor VIII made by inserting a human gene into animal tissue that churns out the protein in large quantities. Since they involve no blood, the products should not contain viruses or potentially harmful human proteins that can slip through purification processes.

"There is an inherent risk with using any human plasma-derived blood product," said Lusher. "The main advantage is that since these products are not derived in any way from human blood, there is no risk of transmitting human blood-borne viruses."

Last year, Baxter Healthcare of Deerfield, Ill., reported on preliminary use of its variety of recombinant factor VIII on two patients. In Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, Berkeley, Calif.-based Cutter Biological described results of testing its competing product on 107 hemophiliacs. Both forms of factor VIII are being considered for approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

"The results were excellent," said Cutter's Dr. Richard S. Schwartz. "We could demonstrate that biologically, recombinant factor VIII behaves similarly to plasma-derived factor VIII."

Most of the patients in the study have been using the genetically engineered factor VIII for nearly two years. The treatment effectively controlled their bleeding and caused no unwanted side effects.

Besides being safe, the recombinant products also should help assure a steady supply. Two years ago, hemophiliacs experienced a shortage of factor VIII after a mix up in HIV screening.

Study finds poor blood flow can be factor in heart attacks after surgery

BOSTON (AP) — Patients who develop poor blood flow to their hearts soon after surgery are nine times more likely than other patients to suffer heart attacks within a few days, according to a study.

Heart attacks are a major hazard in the days after surgery among people with heart disease. The new research was intended to find signs that could help doctors identify patients who are at especially high risk.

The study found a strong link between ischemia — disruption in the flow of blood to the heart's own muscle — and the chance of cardiac death, non-fatal heart attacks or ominous chest pain while at rest.

The researchers said further studies will be necessary to see if more aggressive use of medicines, such as beta blockers, can reduce the risk of such heart trouble after operations.

They noted that at least 1 million Americans with coronary artery disease have non-cardiac surgery each year. About 50,000 suffer heart attacks soon after the operations, and 20,000 die as a result. The medical cost of treating these heart attacks totals more than \$500 million annually.

"Early detection and treatment of ischemia may well be the key to decreasing heart attacks and deaths after surgery," said Dr. Dennis T. Mangano. "The potential savings in lives and medical costs are enormous."

His study, conducted at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in San Francisco, was published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

The study was based on 243 men who had coronary artery disease and 231 who were at high risk of it. All of them underwent elective, non-cardiac surgery. Forty-one percent developed ischemia in the first 12 to 48 hours after their operations, and 17 percent suffered some kind of cardiac emergency while still in the hospital.

Those who developed ischemia within two days of surgery were nine times more likely to have a heart attack than those who had no post-operative ischemia.

Bridge flap burning issue in Cincinnati

CINCINNATI (AP) — Civic leaders are worried the city is burning its bridges by refusing to pay for one.

Years of shoring up relations with northern Kentucky communities could come apart if the city refuses to pay its \$10 million share for a new bridge over the Ohio River, development officials said.

"This is foolishness we don't need," said John Williams, president of the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.

"One benefits from a fight between the north and south sides of the river."

One repression of the bridge debate is renewed sentiment among

some Kentucky leaders to rename the Greater Cincinnati International Airport, which is in northern Kentucky.

Four years ago, former Kentucky Gov. Martha Layne Collins proposed that the airport's name be changed to reflect its location. Cincinnatians were horrified.

But the movement is gaining strength again now that the city is backing out of the bridge project, Williams said.

"I've already heard rumblings about it on that side of the Ohio River," he said.

Irvin Callery, a city commissioner in Covington, Ky., is one of those doing the rumbling.

"I'm prejudiced, but I've always thought its name should be the Greater Covington Airport," he said. "It only makes sense."

The bridge that's been the center of the dispute has a proposed bridge studies show that the existing bridges becoming overcrowded as more people build homes in northern Kentucky and work in Cincinnati.

Roughly 15,000 northern Kentuckians work downtown.

Standing in the way of the \$55.9 million project is the Cincinnati City Council's refusal to put up the \$10 million because of a tight budget and other development projects that have higher priority.

Victimized hero finds gifts pouring in

WATERBURY, Conn. (AP) — A jobless truck driver who was robbed as he rescued a motorist from a frigid pond has been inundated with presents and even job interviews from people who heard the story of his heroism.

"I didn't expect this kind of response," said Anton El-Massri.

People bearing gifts have found their way to his second-floor apartment in Waterbury since Christmas morning, the day after a story detailing his heroism appeared in The Waterbury Republican-American.

The newspaper's switchboard was flooded with calls from people who wanted to help.

People brought enough money to cover this month's rent, more than making up for the \$370 stolen from

him during the rescue Dec. 17.

His family also has received more than 30 Christmas cards, candy, fruit, wine, a ham, three turkeys, and a box of toys for his three children.

"At first I felt like I was robbing people," he said, explaining that he tried to refuse the gifts. "Then I realized that people want to give things, they want to help."

When El-Massri dove into a frigid pond Dec. 17 to help save a mo-

torist's life, someone stole his jacket, which he had taken off before plunging into the water. It contained \$370, money from his last unemployment check.

El-Massri said he was upset at losing the money, but was even more troubled because bystanders were so reluctant to help him during the rescue.

He said the experience caused him to question the generosity of others.

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New ethics law squeezes federal workers on outside employment

WASHINGTON (AP) — As of Jan. 1, federal workers will lose some options to make money on the side, and they'll face tighter restrictions as well on what they can do, even if they quit the government. Under the Ethics Reform Act of 1989, government workers will not be allowed to take pay for giving speeches, making other public appearances or writing articles — even those unrelated to their jobs. Other provisions, also effective Jan. 1, will curtail the contacts that ex-government officials can have with former colleagues and with foreign clients. The most restrictive rules cover Cabinet-level officials and other top presidential appointees. They will be barred from lobbying anyone in the executive branch for a year after leaving their government jobs. Some already have cited the tighter conflict-of-interest standards as a reason to quit before the new year. And at least one lawsuit has been filed by federal workers who see the honoraria ban as an infringement of their right to free speech. The increased focus on government ethics was cited by outgoing drug policy adviser William Bennett

when he walked away from a new job, the Republican national chairman, after being advised by the White House that the show-up ban from taking outside income to avoid any appearance of conflict, even if technically legal. "I clearly cherish the Bush administration has placed a real priority on the area of ethics and has said everybody better pay attention. People are much more cognizant of potential conflicts," said Don Campbell, spokesman for the Office of Government Ethics. Officials in his office say the most controversy surrounds the new honoraria ban, affecting all government workers. Already proposals are circulating in Congress to relax the rule somewhat. But in the meantime, it means Internal Revenue Service worker Jan Adams Grant of Ogden, Utah, will no longer be able to supplement her salary by writing and editing four camping and the environment for such magazines as Woman's Day and Camping Today. Grant joined the National Treasury Employees Union just seeking a declaration that the honoraria ban is unconstitutional, insofar as it ap-

plies to activities which bear no connection to government service. The new rules also: • Bar former officials who have worked on trade or treaty negotiations from using their inside information to advise a client. • Bar senior government officials from representing any foreign government or political party before any government agency, except Congress, for a year after leaving office. • Extend the one-year ban on lobbying by Cabinet-level and high-

White House officials to cover not just the department where an individual worked but the entire executive branch of government. • Limit any outside income for high-level, non-career workers to 15 percent of the government's Executive Level salary II, which will be \$125,100 on Jan. 1. The Pentagon's top procurement officer, John A. Bell, said he was resigning effective Dec. 31 so that he would not be covered by the ethics restrictions. Earlier, NASA lost several key employees who cit-

ed similar grounds for quitting earlier than they had planned. Bennett, in turning down President Bush's request that he head the Republican National Committee, was unhappy with the rule barring him from representing the interests of outside employers to the White House for one year after his departure from the drug policy post. Bennett had a keen interest in making money on the lecture circuit. According to the Government Ethics Office, Bennett wouldn't have had a problem if he just paid to make

a speech to a group. But he would have been prohibited from directly representing that group's interests to the White House. As a Republican chairman, Bennett would have been constantly in touch with the White House over political issues. "And that would present a clear appearance" if not legal problem, according to White House Counsel C. Boyden Gray, Bennett's brother. Senate Ethics Committee special counsel Robert Bennett, agreed with that assessment.

Keep plugging away, banking head decides

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Donald W. Riegle Jr., D-Mich., says he will keep "plugging away" as chairman of the Senate Banking Committee despite suggestions at home that he step aside in the wake of ethical questions raised in the Keating Five savings and loan scandal. Riegle intends to continue hearings on money for the Resolution Trust Corp., the agency selling off assets of defunct thrifts, and he has prepared legislation to rescue the government fund that guarantees bank customers' deposits. He likely will call Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan to testify in February. Just the type of setting that attracts heavy media coverage and gives lawmakers a forum for expressing concern about the victims of a slowing economy. But while Riegle busies himself for work covering his industry in financial distress, he also must defend himself against fresh questions in the heavily publicized Keating Five hearings — and fend off Republican calls to relinquish his committee chairmanship. "He has compromised himself and he should step down," said Ronna Romney, a Republican National Committee member from Detroit. "There's no question that his behavior has been highly unethical. He's become a symbol of just what's wrong with the system in Washington." The Detroit News issued a similar call earlier this month after James Grogan, thrift executive Charles H. Keating Jr.'s former lobbyist and corporate counsel, gave the most damaging testimony against Riegle since the committee hearings began Nov. 15 into the ties between the lawmakers and Keating. Grogan, the first Keating insider to go before the panel, appeared under limited immunity, meaning his testimony could not be used against

him unless he committed perjury. He insisted that Riegle had proposed and arranged on April 2, 1987, meeting between chief bank regulator William H. Miller and four senators to discuss problems of Keating's Irvine, Calif.-based Lincoln Savings and Loan. The institution later was taken over by the government at an expected cost to taxpayers of \$2 billion. The 1987 meetings are the focus of the Ethics Committee's probe of Riegle and Sens. Alan Cranston, D-Calif.; John Glenn, D-Ohio; Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz.; and John McCain, R-Ariz. The committee is investigating whether the senators improperly intervened with regulators on behalf of Keating's firm after receiving a total of \$1.3 million in contributions from the businessman and his associates. Grogan's assertion directly contradicted Riegle's sworn statement to the committee in March that he arranged for Keating to give another week later involving five senators — including himself — and regulators from the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. "But Grogan also said he did not believe Keating's donations to the five senators prompted them to assist Keating in fighting their regulators or that Keating expected such. Riegle, 52, whose political fortunes have plummeted at home, has been absent from most of the Keating hearings, as have the other four senators, who are under investigation. He has strongly denied any wrongdoing. The hearings are in recess until Jan. 2. Riegle received \$78,250 from Keating and associates for his 1988 re-election campaign and returned the money following newspaper disclosures of the contributions to Keating, saying he wanted to avoid an appearance of conflict of interest. He denies the donations motivated him to help Keating. In an interview, Riegle shrugged off his difficulties. "It's fair to say I'm a battle-hardened veteran of anything that comes with this job," he said. "You take everything in stride, and I've learned to do that. We're just plugging away." Democrats met early in January to vote on committee chairmanships, and there is no hint that Riegle might be asked to step down by his party colleagues. And so far, no Senate Republican has challenged his fitness. "I didn't see any evidence this year that his performance had been impaired in the least," Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, said. Garn said he would reserve judgment on Riegle's future until the Ethics Committee concludes its work. "I haven't seen anything that shows me any ethics violations. But that's a very preliminary opinion," he said.

Enrollment up at universities this school year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Enrollment at the nation's colleges and universities rose this year, despite a declining number of high school graduates, according to a survey released Wednesday. The survey by the American Council on Education showed the increase in enrollment for the 1990-91 school year was largest at two-year community colleges, where tuition is lower and many schools cater to older students. Increases in enrollments at community colleges between the fall of 1989 and this past fall ranged from 2 percent to 6 percent, the survey said. The increase at four-year colleges and universities ranged from about 1 percent to 3 percent, it said. The survey covered both private and public colleges and universities in 14 states. The sample accounts for about 45 percent of the total enrollment and can be taken as a general indicator of national trends, said David Menkowitz, a spokesman for the council.

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Actor Gerald Raney, who stars in the television series "Major Dad," signs autographs for Specialist Lisa M. Cyrus of Gardona, Calif., during a visit to the Army's 18th Airborne Corps headquarters area in Saudi Arabia Wednesday. The actor made a tour of several U.S. positions as part of a morale-boosting holiday visit.

Gulf crisis has defense mappers working at hectic wartime pace

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Operating at a wartime pace, the U.S. Defense Mapping Agency says it has shipped 35 million maps to the nearly 300,000 U.S. troops stationed in the Persian Gulf.

"That may seem like overkill. But the military needs maps of varying detail and intricacy, with many to be used once and discarded, the agency says.

"We certainly hope it doesn't come to war, but if it were to become a hostile action, we want our troops to have the best products they can," said Dave Black, the agency's director of public affairs. "When the Joint Chiefs of Staff lay out the requirements, we meet them."

Cartographers at the agency's two major production centers in St. Louis and Brookmont, Md., have been working 10 to 12-hour shifts seven days a week, since shortly after the United States began sending troops to the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield.

"They worked around the clock through Labor Day and Thanksgiving, and there might not be any extra time at home for Christmas, ... not with a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait or face possible military action.

All of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq have been committed to paper, Black said. The agency has mapped every country in the volatile Middle East mapped for several years, relying heavily on detailed satellite photos. About 4,500 different maps have been used in the territory covered by Operation Desert Shield, breaking down the topography into relatively small coverage areas for pilots, tank commanders, admirals and ground troops.

Generally, pilots need the big picture. But pilots of low-flying aircraft including helicopters and jets launched from aircraft carriers need more specific information about hills and other terrain than bomber pilots. Soldiers on the ground need to know where roads and power lines are.

"The number of maps shipped to the gulf include countless spare. Pi-



Prossman At-Door checks finished maps coming off press.

lots might mark out a mission on a map, then discard it. Ground troops do likewise for another reason.

"You've got these things folded up and stuffed in your pocket, so after a sweaty day in the desert they literally come apart," said A. Clay Ancell, deputy director in charge of production at the center in St. Louis, where aeronautical maps are made. Maps for land and sea are produced at Brookmont, near Washington, D.C. Nearly every soldier in the desert has some sort of map. The first ones began arriving in Saudi Arabia about a week after the first U.S. troops landed there.

"Thanks to improved technology, map production has already overstepped what was done during the Korean and Vietnam wars.

"During the Korean War, the presses ran 24 hours a day, seven days a week for years," said Otto Stoessel, graphic arts chief of the aerospace division. "We turned out a

lot of work, but compared to Operation Desert Shield it was nothing. "We've done 10 times the amount of work in the last two months than we did during all of Korea," he said. The Defense Mapping Agency has been in existence since 1972. Before that, each branch of the service took care of its own requirements, which often caused duplication.

About 8,000 people are employed at the centers in St. Louis and Brookmont, and even before the Persian Gulf crisis they were busy, said Ancell. Maps constantly must be updated, and before last August the agency also was busy making maps used in the nation's battle to stop the flow of drugs from South America.

"We're always playing catch-up," Ancell said. "If you would gather up the Joint Chiefs of Staff, none of them would be lippy with the support that their command receives. They always want more."

Iraqi vessel boarded outside Persian Gulf after shots fired

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — U.S. Navy sailors boarded an Iraqi freighter in the Arabian Sea Wednesday and fired warning shots in a fracas with the crew and female members of a peace mission aboard the vessel, a U.S. military spokesman said.

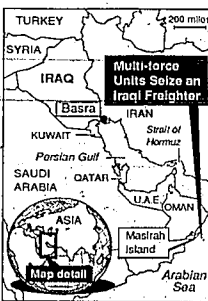
In the 30-minute confrontation aboard the 11,333-ton Ibn Khaldoun, the sailors also fired a smoke grenade and a noisemaker grenade "for crowd control," said a U.S. Navy spokesman, Cmdr. Mark Neuhart.

The vessel, en route to the Iraqi port of Basra, carried 800 tons of sugar, Neuhart said. The cargo was in violation of a U.N. embargo on trade with Iraq aimed at forcing Saddam Hussein to relinquish Kuwait.

A British defense ministry spokesman, quoted by the Press Association in London, said helicopterborne U.S. sailors led the boarding party and British and Australian military men later followed by boat.

He said the operation was carried out off Oman near Masirah Island. The ship was "secured" and escorted to a port of anchorage, he said.

Neuhart said the trouble started when the sailors approached the pilot house of the freighter "and a number of the crew attempted to hold the boarding party members back and



Map detail

boardings, but a U.S. Navy medical officer found the claims unfounded, Neuhart said.

Pro-Iraqi Arab news reports have dubbed the Ibn Khaldoun "the peace ship" and said it was sailing to Basra in a demonstration of support for Saddam and his initiatives for solving the Persian Gulf crisis.

The Ibn Khaldoun went through the Suez Canal in mid-December on a route from Algeria. The shipmaster gave the vessel's origin of voyage as Aden, Yemen.

The vessel refused to stop for a search after "repeated requests" when first intercepted by the Australian frigate HMAS Sydney early Wednesday. The Sydney, five U.S. warships and the British's HMS Brazen were involved in the boarding.

grab their weapons."

He said members of a female peace delegation aboard the ship, which included Americans, also joined in the fracas, but that neither the crew nor the women used weapons against the boarding party.

He said that in the fracas, "one of our guys was knocked over by one of the women."

The Iraqi ship's master claimed that there were two heat attacks and two miscarriages because of the

Iraqi in U.S. Navy glad to be on U.S. side

ABOARD THE USNS MERCY (AP) — One seaman aboard this hospital ship has two things that set him apart from the rest of the U.S. military.

They are an Iraqi passport and a brother fighting for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

The 21-year-old escaped Iraq for the United States during the middle of the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war, and he has been in the Navy for two years.

He is still not sure how his mother arranged his airplane ticket out in 1984, but guesses it took a large bribe.

"A lot of kids were coming home in body bags and my mother didn't want me to," said Wa'el, using only his first name because his entire family remains in Baghdad.

His only brother, then 16, had already been drafted. Wa'el is sure his brother is back in the military, but escaped Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has mobilized everyone up to age 33 since he invaded Kuwait on

Aug. 2.

"I don't know what border he is on. Maybe the border with Iran, maybe Turkey," Wa'el said. "But most likely Kuwait."

He has not talked with his brother at least eight months, and the conversations they had before that were always terse because they were being tapped. He learned a little during two visits from his mother.

The brother said the elite Republican Guard was deployed behind his regular army unit to make sure it held firm against the Iranians.

"If people wanted to chicken out, they just shot them, if they tried to retreat," Wa'el said.

While his brother was fighting, Wa'el was living with his grandmother and uncle in Paramus, N.J. He joined the Navy after graduating from Paramus High School in June 1988.

"I love the culture and the people and felt like I owed something to the people," he said.

As a child he worshipped Saddam. Wa'el remembers the time he and his brother hurtled themselves out of the house half-dressed when they heard Saddam was visiting a nearby school.

They were ecstatic because the Iraqi president kissed his brother's hand and patted Wa'el on the head.

"We thought he was a hero," he said. That feeling gradually changed as the war with Iran dragged on. His father's insurance business collapsed, although the well-to-do family maintained a comfortable life. Neighbors who publicly denounced the war disappeared.

Iraq was easy to forget when Wa'el was far away, but memories are returning now.

He hopes his family does not know he is in the Persian Gulf. He told his relatives in the United States if anyone from Iraq got through on the telephone to tell them he had gone to college and had yet to get in touch.

"My mother would have a heart attack if she knew I was here," he said.

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CNN airs Desert Shield briefings live

NEW YORK (AP) — CNN on Wednesday televised live the first of what will be weekly U.S. military briefings for reporters who are in Saudi Arabia covering Operation Desert Shield.

The briefings are being held in the Saudi capital Riyadh, said Cable News Network spokesman Steve Harworth. He said CNN will provide full or partial live coverage of each week's briefings, depending on events.

The network's reports are seen in

100 countries, including Iraq, whose Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait sparked the Persian Gulf crisis.

Ground rules forbid the disclosure of exactly where in Riyadh the U.S. briefings are held.

But the city also is where the United States and Saudis have set up a joint military command post to direct operations of their troops in the event of war with Iraq, which faces a Jan. 15 deadline to leave Kuwait.

Riyadh is about an hour's flight southwest from the Persian Gulf city

of Dhahran where many news organizations, including the four major U.S. television networks, have set up bureaus.

Reporters seeking to visit U.S. troops in the field must register in Dhahran with the Joint Information Bureau run by the Saudis and the U.S. military. Shortly before Christmas, nearly 360 print and broadcast journalists from various countries were registered with the bureau. The bureau said 110 were from CNN, ABC, NBC and CBS.

dependents of U.S. government personnel are being asked to leave Jordan "well before the Jan. 15 deadline," the department said. There has been strong pro-Iraqi sentiment in Jordan, and King Hussein has been an outspoken advocate of a negotiated settlement to the gulf conflict.

The statement indicates concern over the possibility that pro-Iraqi sentiment in the eight countries affected by today's announcement could be directed at U.S. diplomatic offices. Large anti-American demon-

Some Americans ordered home due to crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans connected to U.S. embassies in six Middle East and two African countries are being ordered home or permitted to return voluntarily as a result of "unstable conditions" related to the Persian Gulf, the State Department said today.

A U.S. official said these conditions have intensified following the decision of the U.N. Security Council to set a Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to get out of Kuwait.

All non-essential personnel and de-

pendents have taken place in the Sudan and Jordan.

In a separate announcement, the department advised U.S. citizens to defer all travel to Sudan.

Besides Jordan, the department also announced the following steps:

• Dependents and non-essential personnel are being sent home from U.S. embassies in Sudan and Yemen.

• The voluntary departure of U.S. government dependents and non-essential employees was authorized from Jordan and Mauritania.

Opinion

Editorial

Cruzan's death won't settle debate, but she leaves legacy

We cannot know whether Nancy Cruzan felt relief at being freed from her comatose body. We cannot know whether she had any thoughts at all about her death.

We cannot even know whether the human essence we call her soul departed at 3 a.m. Wednesday, as the death certificate will say, or whether it had been gone since her fateful car accident eight years ago.

But we can be reasonably sure she would not have chosen to die as she did, with her body lingering for eight terrible years, an emotional burden on her family and a financial burden on society. We know, from the court testimony of those who knew her, that she had made comments to that effect before her accident.

That testimony finally gave a judge sufficient evidence to allow removal of her feeding tube. Thanks to that somewhat tenuous proof, her family finally prevailed over the vulturous pack of protesters that had tried to prolong her heartbeat.

Ultimately, Cruzan's death occurred the best way it could under the circumstances. It took place according to her family's wishes, backed by her physicians' best wisdom and supported by the judgment of the courts.

One might be tempted to sympathize with the anti-outlet activists who injected themselves into the case. True, they put the family through a hell of legal battles. True, they stormed the hospital to impose their will through violence.

But they were acting according to conscience, weren't they? They meant well, didn't they?

Such sympathy would be a mistake. All busybodies mean well. All interlopers who think they have a corner on morality and a direct line from God's mouth mean well. Meaning well is no excuse for meddling in

strangers' lives.

Nancy Cruzan's death won't settle anything for those ghosts. It only allows her family at last to mourn her death in the privacy that, until now, has been denied them. For the family, the ordeal is over.

For American society, however, Cruzan's death closes only one chapter in a longer story. We can expect more confrontations, more heart-wrenching debate, and — alas — more intrusions by self-righteous activists into the realm of private grief.

The debate, at least, is healthy, and in a way we can thank Nancy Cruzan for bringing public attention to the right-to-die issue. She inspired state and federal legislation, and she inspired many people to think about living wills — which could spare families some of the trauma that befell the Cruzans.

Cruzan's case also yielded a ground-breaking Supreme Court ruling, setting a standard that calls for "clear and convincing" evidence that a patient would have chosen death over lingering coma. We can thank Nancy Cruzan for that.

If Cruzan were here to speak for herself, she likely would decline such benefits. After all, she never volunteered to be a national test case, or to lie in a hospital bed for eight years. She didn't want to be argued about. She wanted to live.

None of us, however — except for a few tortured depressives — volunteers for death. Death selects each of us in turn, and it makes its own schedule. Cruzan's case will not let us set death's agenda. But, by forcing lawmakers, judges and individuals to think about painful matters, it may allow some other souls to meet death with a bit more dignity.

Voluntary or not, that is Nancy Cruzan's contribution.

Meddling with freedom is dangerous

Your Dec. 16 editorial about the School Board's decision to discriminate against Bible clubs in public schools is probably the most disappointing piece of newspaper work I have ever read. (I still say it displays hypocrisy and cowardice not to sign your editorials when you insist that all letters to the editor be signed by the sender.)

You claim that the "true culprits of this issue... are the religious and political proselytizers..." Actually, the true culprit is the intolerant bigotry advocated by editorials such as yours.

Fortunately, a big share of my learning 'not to be a bigot came from my experience as a child in public schools. In high school, I was involved in a religiously oriented organization by students that met in a school lecture hall during lunch hour. I also was involved in sports, student government, band, service clubs, etc. The "Bible-centered club" was just part of student life of one segment of the students. The club was open to all who wanted to attend and though we would invite other students who did not attend, we never tried to force or coerce others into coming.

What I learned from these experiences is this: It is OK, even right and natural, for people to have varying beliefs and convictions and to get together with those who share the same convictions. And it is OK to allow others to peacefully exist if they have

Tim Baker
Reader comment

convictions that differ from mine. The only time there is a problem is when they try to force or coerce people into joining them or their activities become criminal in nature. In the latter case, it then is a matter for legal authorities.

But if they are simply there for those interested in those activities, simply an extension of legitimate outside interests of a portion of the students, then they are valid. Some students are interested in skiing, some in rodeo, some in the Bible. So? The parents of the students who want the Bible Club pay taxes just like the parents of the students who want the ski club. Doesn't their child have the right to use the facilities their parents pay for, just the way the ski club child does? "Public" schools need to serve all segments of the public — not be selective. And to say that having a Bible Club in the school that is totally voluntary in attendance is "teaching" religion in the schools is absolutely ludicrous.

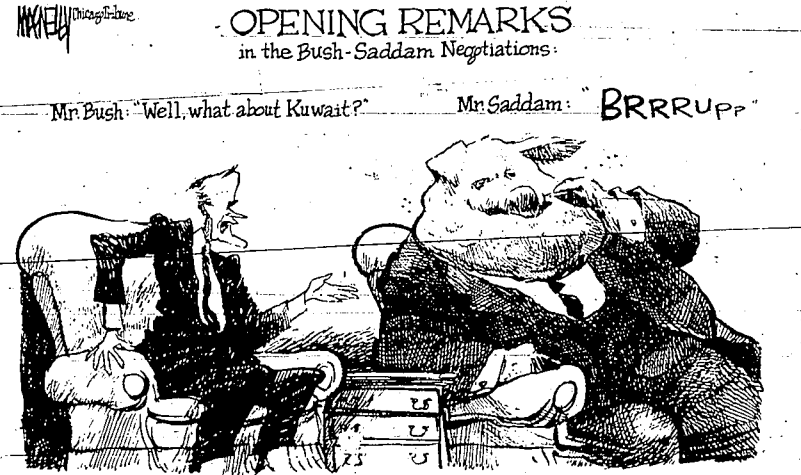
Another example of intolerance is the issue of Creationism you mentioned. The Creationists have been willing to allow both sides of the issue to be taught on the basis of scientific evidence. But because those who

believe in Creationism also believe in the Bible, the evolutionists seek to deny our scientific evidence for themselves and experience the mind-sharpening exercise of defending your view against an opposing one.

You see, cowardly editorialists who seek to hide your bigotry behind anonymity, you are the problem. You are the one who forced passage of the Equal Access Law. You are the one who will be responsible when the rodeo and ski clubs are banned. You are the one whose views and actions keep leading to the restrictions of more and more of our freedoms. Because you and others like you, by your writings and actions, have taught a generation of Americans to be bigoted and intolerant toward whatever one personally disagrees with or dislikes.

You say that "The U.S. Constitution already has ample assurances of free speech and equality." I agree. If you will quit trying to take this freedom and equality away from the large portion of our nation with religious convictions, we won't be forced to fight you for them. If you start selecting whom you will and will not allow to have freedom, pretty soon someone is going to decide not to allow you your freedom.

The Rev. Tim Baker is a Hailey minister.



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Reading Saddam correctly important to U.S. strategy in gulf

President Bush has accused Saddam Hussein of being uninterested in a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crises.

He told Turkish President Turgut Ozal that the Iraqi leader does not believe that he, Bush, has the will or the support of the American people to launch military action, particularly if Saddam makes some conciliatory move.

It is, of course, possible that Saddam is bluffing and has no intention of finding himself in general hostilities with the United States and those committed to the military support of forcing Iraqi compliance with the U.N. Security Council resolutions. But how certain can we be that he is bluffing? Is there another possible way to read his mind?

Paul H. Nitze

After eight years of frustration and tactical defeats in his war with Iran, Saddam called a temporary halt to military operations and conducted a full review of Iraq's military policy, strategy and tactics in that war. As a result of that review he put his country into full mobilization, replaced his top generals, and revised his strategy and his tactics.

Within eight months, his reorganized forces destroyed the forces of Iran. Of Iran's 5,000 tanks, the Iraqis destroyed 4,500. Iranian casualties amounted to 800,000 men. Iran was forced to sue for a cease-fire.

Is it not possible that Saddam sees Bush as committed not only to add air attack to the current U.S. naval blockade of Iraq's oil exports, but also sees the president as committed to use U.S. and allied ground forces in an attempt to oust Iraq ground forces from Kuwait, in particular from Kuwait City and its port?

If Iraq's battle-hardened forces were to have the enormous advantages of being dug-in in prepared positions and of being on the defensive, can he not have confidence that they could hold their own against U.S. and allied forces traversing more than 100 kilometers of desert for the attack?

Even if the Americans must be conceded to have the ability to achieve superiority in the

air, can air superiority be decisive against dug-in tanks and trained infantry? Couldn't Saddam Hussein be confident that his forces could not be winkled-out one by one with truly unacceptable American casualties?

Why was such a commitment made? Was it because the U.S. Army, in order to enhance its prestige as being a necessary part of joint offensive action in the Gulf at a time of impending budget cuts, did not wish to see the Navy — perhaps eventually augmented by selective air attack but without active participation of the Army — progressively squeeze Iraq into full compliance with the U.N. resolutions?

In sum, shouldn't the president now capitalize on Saddam's release of the hostages by

switching his tactics to the more certain and prudent approach of giving the Navy and the Air Force time progressively to squeeze the Iraqi forces to the point where they would either themselves take offensive action against wholly unfavorable odds, or better still, where Iraq would decide to comply with the U.N. resolutions?

The object of a strategy in a serious context is to deny the opposition any possibility of finding a winning strategy of its own.

Paul H. Nitze's most recent government service was as a special adviser to the president and secretary of state on arms control in the Reagan administration. He wrote this article for the Washington Post.

Letters

Coop loan program solid

Re: Articles in the Dec. 23 *Times-News* — "Electric cooperative losses threaten rural electric agency," and "Coop loan program head foresees trouble."

Mr. Bob Bergland, executive vice president of the Rural Electric Cooperative Association, dismissed the reports as absurd and said the report paints an incorrect picture of the rural electric industry.

The administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration, Mr. Gary Byrne, observed that the portfolio of troubled loans had shrunk by more than half — from \$8 billion to \$3 billion — and most of the financial troubles stem from a strong national push for nuclear power in the 1970s.

This information is from the Dec. 14 *Rural Electric Newsletter*, which also pointed out that the wire service report was using outdated information.

"The Rural Electric Newsletter article quoted Mr. Bergland: 'The rural electric program is in sound financial shape. Recent charges to the contrary are absurd.' If continued, "... American taxpayers are not going to have to bail out the REA program."

There is a handful of troubled systems — five out of 1,000 to be exact — that are engaged in working out their financial problems. The Rural Electric Newsletter reported July 13 that "Repayments of principal and interest on REA electric and telephone loans exceeded loan advances by more than \$2.5 billion in 1990." It is inappropriate to

put the REA program in the same class as the savings and loans when so few of the cooperatives are financially troubled.

There are two electric cooperatives that are REA borrowers in this area — Raft River Rural Electric Cooperative Inc. in Malin, and Prairie Power Cooperative Inc. in Fairfield. Statewide, 14 cooperatives have borrowed money from the REA.

A lot of the argument over the REA program is pure politics. The productivity of the American farmer and rancher depends on the availability of energy, especially electricity. Remember, "If you eat, you're involved in agriculture." Even if you don't get your electricity from a rural electric cooperative, you have still benefited from the REA program — one of the few federal programs that has paid its way!

DONALD F. CARSON
General Manager
Prairie Power Cooperative Inc.
Fairfield

Family found many friends

A few months ago, I wrote to you about the theft of a planter from the porch of my daughter's home. My daughter and son-in-law had recently lost their only child, a month-old son, through an accident at the baby sitter's home. The planter, stole was a gift from a friend during this tragedy. Since then, many people have been kind enough to inquire as to whether or not the planter was, by any chance, returned. I am sorry to say that it was not, but in its

place, my children received a greater gift — a gift of friendship and understanding and a gift of knowledge that there still are, in this world, people who are kind and thoughtful. Twin Falls and the surrounding area is richly blessed with people who care.

May God bless each and everyone of you during this holiday season.
NORMA SANDERS
Twin Falls

State should halt Malad project

This letter regards the Malad High Drop Project and Helen Chenoweth's article in your opinion section on Dec. 7.

The most recent high drop proposal has for greater impact to Malad Gorge State Park than the existing licensed project. It would create visual impacts along the park's most popular hiking trail and at several popular viewing points along the canyon rim. We are also concerned that the noise from the actual generation of power will detract from a visitor's enjoyment of the canyon.

Construction of the pipeline within the park boundaries on land owned by the Department of Lands will create physical scars that will remain for many years. Blasting during construction could damage the unstable canyon walls and the recently rediscovered paleontological site near the project area.

Bypassing 320 cfs of water around the upper stretch of the Malad River as proposed may indeed benefit the trout population in that reach of the river. However, no studies

have been conducted to determine the impact of returning that same low-quality water to the Malad at the proposed site.

At the present time, the lower Malad River receives the water after it has been cooled, reoxygenated, and filtered by the springs and rapids located on the upper reach of the stream.

It would appear that be eliminating the cleansing action of the upper Malad River the new effect on the lower section would be negative.

That desperate handful of individuals opposed to the Malad High Drop Project represent many people in the Magic Valley.

Included in this group are landowners affected by the project and individuals who support Malad Gorge State Park and its pro-

grams. Many are concerned citizens that, over the years, have seen this valley's natural treasures damaged or destroyed under the name of progress.

While it is important to provide for future energy needs, it is really necessary to do so at the expense of our few remaining natural wonders?

Considering the impacts mentioned above, the overwhelming public opinion against this latest proposal and the principal that a state park should not be used for commercial purposes, we urge the Department of Parks and Recreation to remain firm in its position against this project.

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Because of space constraints, please limit letters to 400 words. Longer letters will be shortened. The *Times-News* reserves the right to edit all letters.

We look forward to hearing from you!

West

Water not yet assured

The Associated Press

Heavy snowpack in the northern Utah mountains is cause for some hope of drought relief this spring and summer, but does not guarantee the state's parched reservoirs will be filled. Water supply experts say it will all depend on how much snowfall Utah receives during the balance of the winter, the amount of water in the snowpack, temperatures and other factors.

Currently, the National Weather Service and the U.S. Soil Conservation Service agree that the state's water outlook is shaping up nicely — with the rejoinder that it's too early to make promises.

William J. Alder, meteorologist in charge of the Salt Lake NWS office, said Tuesday that while Utah has received a good amount of snow in recent days, it has been low on actual water content.

"The snowpack in all the drainage basins is below normal to well below normal. To me it looks like the drought is alive and well," he explained.

"We need more storms the remainder of December and through April. I would like to see water in the snowpack at 125 percent of normal. But that may be too much to ask. Even numbers close to normal or 100 percent would be wonderful," Alder added.

Jon Werner, USSCS snow data collection officer, said water in the snowpack was about 65 percent of normal. Storms during the past week have resulted in about a 5 percent increase in water content in the snow. "Big improvements have been noted along the Wasatch Front and in the Weber Basin drainage, where we have moved from 64 percent to about 75 percent of normal. The (latter figure) is only three-fourths of normal, but much better than 64 percent," Werner said.

Figures for the Provo River drainage jumped from 56 percent to 65 percent and the Sevier River system, from 76 to 89 percent of average.

A large increase — from 69 to 90 percent — was reported for the Virgin River drainage, located in the Zion National Park area. "This is the time of the year when the water (big) increases in snow each week. When that fails to happen, we see the percentage figures begin to drop. Regular storms are needed between December and January," Werner said.

Concerned BYU professors head Russian relief effort

PROVO, Utah (AP) — About \$4,000 has been raised by a Russian relief program launched by two Brigham Young University professors concerned over food shortages in the Soviet Union.

"It's been heartwarming to see this kind of outpouring," said Don Jarvis, a Russian language professor. "People have so many good places to put their money this time of year."

The two professors plan later this week to wire the money to BYU colleague Gary Browning, president of the Mormon Church's Finland Helsinki East Mission. Browning has agreed to distribute the money or goods purchased in Europe to Soviet citizens in need, Jarvis said.

"We also contacted (U.S. Rep.-elect) Bill Orton, and I'm very pleased to report Orton was already independently researching sending food to Russia by airlift," said Alan Keele, associate dean of BYU's honors program.

Orton said he is working through congressional and state department offices to put together an air transport of foodstuffs from Utah to Moscow and Leningrad.

"I feel doing this can create long-term friendships with people in those cities," Orton said.

Much of the Soviet Union's fall harvest was lost to bad weather this year. The food shortage is worsened by poor transportation, inadequate storage and processing facilities and a

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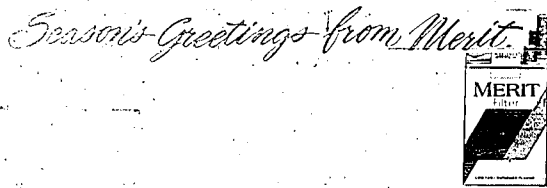
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Opinion

Editorial

Cruzan's death won't settle debate, but she leaves legacy

We cannot know whether Nancy Cruzan felt relief at being freed from her comatose body. We cannot know whether she had any thoughts at all about her death.

We cannot even know whether the human essence we call her soul departed at 3 a.m. Wednesday, as the death certificate will say, or whether it had been gone since her fateful car accident eight years ago.

But we can reasonably sure she would not have chosen to die as she did, with her body lingering for eight terrible years, an emotional burden on her family and a financial burden on society. We know, from the court testimony of those who knew her, that she had made comments to that effect before her accident.

That testimony finally gave a judge sufficient evidence to allow removal of her feeding tube. Thanks to that somewhat tenuous proof, her family finally prevailed over the vulturous pack of protesters that had tried to prolong her heartbeat.

Ultimately, Cruzan's death occurred the best way it could under the circumstances. It took place according to her family's wishes, backed by her physicians' best wisdom and supported by the judgment of the courts.

One might be tempted to sympathize with the anti-euthanasia activists who injected themselves into the case. True, they put the family through a hell of legal battles. True, they stormed the hospital to impose their will through violence.

But they were acting according to conscience. Weren't they? They meant well, didn't they?

Such sympathy would be a mistake. All busybodies mean well. All interlopers who think they have a corner on morality and a direct line from God's mouth mean well. Meaning well is no excuse for meddling in

strangers' lives. Nancy Cruzan's death won't settle anything for those ghouls. It only allows her family at last to mourn her death in the privacy that, until now, has been denied them. For the family, the ordeal is over.

For American society, however, Cruzan's death closes only one chapter in a longer story. We can expect more confrontations, more heart-wrenching debate, and — alas — more intrusions by self-righteous activists into the realm of private grief.

The debate, at least, is healthy, and in a way we can thank Nancy Cruzan for bringing public attention to the right-to-die issue. She inspired state and federal legislation, and she inspired many people to think about living wills — which could spare families some of the trauma that befell the Cruzans.

Cruzan's case also yielded a ground-breaking Supreme Court ruling, setting a standard that calls for "clear and convincing" evidence that a patient would have chosen death over lingering coma. We can thank Nancy Cruzan for that.

If Cruzan were here to speak for herself, she likely would decline such thanks. After all, she never volunteered to be a national test case, or to lie in a hospital bed for eight years.

She didn't want to be argued about. She wanted to live.

None of us, however — except for a few tortured depressives — volunteers for death. Death selects each of us in turn, and it makes its own schedule.

Cruzan's case will not let us set death's agenda. But, by forcing lawmakers, judges and individuals to think about painful matters, it may allow some other souls to meet death with a bit more dignity.

Voluntary or not, that is Nancy Cruzan's contribution.

Meddling with freedom is dangerous

Your Dec. 16 editorial about the School Board's decision to discriminate against Bible clubs in public schools is probably the most disappointing piece of newspaper work I have ever read. (I still say it displays hypocrisy and cowardice not to sign your editorials when you insist that all letters to the editor be signed by the sender.)

You claim that the "true culprits of this issue... are the religious and political proselytizers..." Actually, the true culprit is the intolerant bigotry advocated by editorials such as yours.

Fortunately, a big share of my learning not to be a bigot came from my experience as a child in public schools. In high school, I was involved in a religiously oriented organization run by students that met in a school lecture hall during lunch hour. I also was involved in sports, student government, band, service clubs, etc. The "Bible-centered club" was just part of student life of one segment of the students. The club was open to all who wanted to attend and though we would invite other students who did not attend, we never tried to force or coerce others into coming.

What I learned from these experiences is this: It is OK, even right and natural, for people to have varying beliefs and convictions and to get together with those who share those convictions. And it is OK to allow others to peacefully exist if they have

Tim Baker
Reader comment

convictions that differ from mine. The only time there is a problem is when they try to force or coerce people into joining them or their activities become criminal in nature. In the latter case, it then is a matter for legal authorities.

But if they are simply there for those interested in those activities, simply an extension of legitimate outside interests of a portion of the students, then they are valid. Some students are interested in skiing; some in rodeo, some in the Bible. So? The parents of the students who want the Bible Club pay taxes just like the parents of the students who want the ski club. Doesn't their child have the right to use the facilities their parents pay for, just the way the ski club child does? "Public" schools need to serve all segments of the public — not be selective. And to say that having a Bible Club in the school that is totally voluntary in attendance is "teaching" religion in the schools is absolutely absurd.

Another example of intolerance is the issue of Creationism you mentioned. The Creationists have been willing to allow both sides of the issue to be taught on the basis of scientific evidence. But because those who

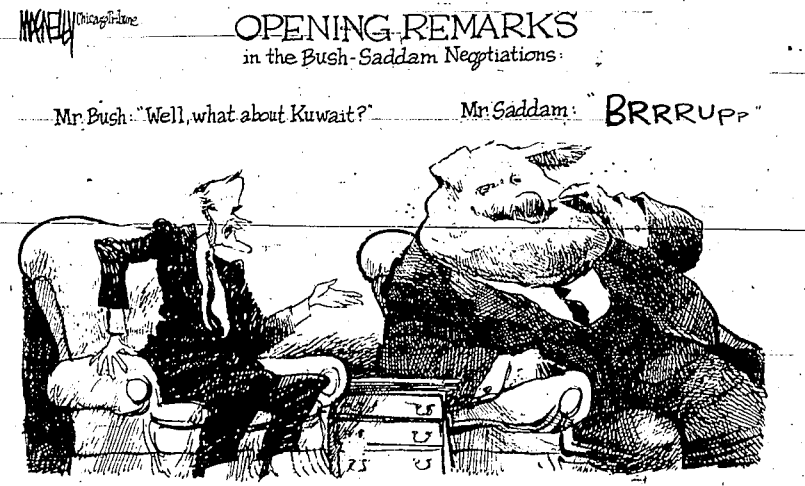
believe in Creationism also believe in the Bible, the evolutionists seek to deny our young people the opportunity to examine all the scientific evidence for themselves and experience the mind-sharpening exercise of defending your view against an opposing one.

You see, cowardly editorialist who seeks to hide your bigotry behind anonymity, you are the problem. You are the one who forced passage of the Equal Access Law. You are the one who will be responsible when the rodeo and ski clubs are banned. You are the one whose views and actions keep leading to the restrictions of more and more of our freedoms. Because you and others like you, by your writings and actions, have taught a generation of Americans to be bigoted and intolerant toward whatever one personally disagrees with or dislikes.

You say that "The U.S. Constitution already has ample assurances of free speech and equality."

I agree. If you will quit trying to take this freedom and equality away from the large portion of our nation with religious convictions, we won't be forced to fight you for them. If you start selecting whom you will and will not allow to have freedom, pretty soon someone is going to decide not to allow you their freedom.

The Rev. Tim Baker is a Hailey minister.



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Reading Saddam correctly important to U.S. strategy in gulf

President Bush has accused Saddam Hussein of being uninterested in a peaceful solution to the Persian Gulf crisis.

He told Turkish President Turgut Ozal that the Iraqi leader does not believe that he, Bush, has the will or the support of the American people to launch military action, particularly if Saddam makes some conciliatory move.

It is, of course, possible that Saddam is bluffing and has no intention of finding himself in a military hotbed. The United States and those committed to the military support of forcing Iraq compliance with the U.N. Security Council resolutions. But how certain can we be that he is bluffing? Is there another possible way to read his mind?

Paul H. Nitze

After eight years of frustration and tactical setbacks in his war with Iran, Saddam called a temporary halt to military operations and conducted a full review of Iraq's military policy, strategy and tactics in that war. As a result of that review he put his country into full mobilization, replaced his top generals, and revised his strategy and his tactics.

Within eight months, his reorganized forces destroyed the forces of Iran. Of Iran's 5,000 tanks, the Iraqis destroyed 4,500. Iranian casualties amounted to 800,000 men. Iran was forced to sue for a cease-fire.

Is it not possible that Saddam sees Bush as committed not only to add air attack to the current U.S. naval blockade of Iraq's oil exports, but also sees the president as committed to use U.S. and allied ground forces in an attempt to oust Iraqi ground forces from Kuwait, in particular from Kuwait City and its port?

If Iraq's battle-hardened forces were to have the enormous advantages of being dug-in in prepared positions and of being on the defensive, can he not have confidence that they could hold their own against U.S. and allied forces traversing more than 100 kilometers of desert for the attack?

Even if the Americans must be conceded to have the ability to achieve superiority in the

air, can air superiority be decisive against dug-in tanks and trained infantry? Couldn't Saddam Hussein be confident that his forces could not be winkled-out one by one with truly unacceptable American casualties?

Why was such a commitment made? Was it because the U.S. Army, in order to enhance its prestige as being a necessary part of joint offensive action in the gulf at a time of impending budget cuts, did not wish to see the Navy — perhaps eventually augmented by selective air attack but without active participation of the Army — progressively squeeze Iraq into full compliance with the U.N. resolutions?

In sum, shouldn't the president now capitalize on Saddam's release of the hostages by

switching his tactics to the more certain and prudent approach of giving the Navy and the Air Force time progressively to squeeze the Iraqi forces to the point where they would either themselves take offensive action against wholly unfavorable odds, or better still, where Iraq would decide to comply with the U.N. resolutions?

The object of strategy in a serious contest is to deny the opposition any possibility of finding a winning strategy of its own.

Paul H. Nitze's most recent government service was as a special adviser to the president and secretary of state on arms control in the Reagan administration. He wrote this article for the Washington Post.

Letters

Coop loan program solid

Re: Articles in the Dec. 23 *Times-News* — "Electric cooperative losses threaten rural electric agency" and "Coop loan program head foresees trouble."

Mr. Bob Bergland, executive vice president of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, dismissed the reports as absurd and said the report paints an incorrect picture of the rural electric industry.

The administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration, Mr. Gary Byrnes, observed that the portfolio of troubled loans had shrunk by more than half — from \$8 billion to \$3 billion — and most of the financial troubles stem from a strong national push for nuclear power in the 1970s.

This information is from the Dec. 14 Rural Electric Newsletter, which also pointed out that the wire service report was using out-of-date information.

The Rural Electric Newsletter article quoted Mr. Bergland: "The rural electric program is in sound financial shape. Recent changes to the contrary are absurd." He continued, "... American taxpayers are not going to have to bail out the REA program. There is a handful of troubled systems — five out of 1,000 to be exact. And they are engaged in working out their financial problems."

The Rural Electric Newsletter reported July 13 that "Receipts of the principal and interest on REA electric and telephone loans will exceed loan advances by more than \$2.5 billion in 1990." It is inappropriate to

put the REA program in the same class as the savings and loans when so few of the cooperatives are financially troubled.

There are two electric cooperatives that are REA borrowers in this area — Raft River Rural Electric Cooperative Inc. in Malta, and Prairie Power Cooperative Inc. in Fairfield-Statenwide. 14 cooperatives have borrowed money from the REA.

A lot of the argument over the REA program is pure politics. The productivity of the American farmers and ranchers depends on the availability of energy, especially electricity. Remember, "If you eat, you're involved in agriculture." Even if you don't get your electricity from a rural electric cooperative, you have still benefited from the REA program — one of the few federal programs that has paid its way!

DONALD F. CARSON
General Manager
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Family found many friends

A few months ago, I wrote to you about the theft of a planter from the porch of my daughter's home. My daughter and son-in-law had recently lost their only child, 4-month-old son, through an accident at the baby sitter's home. The planter stolen was a gift from a friend during this tragedy. Since then, many people have been kind enough to inquire as to whether or not the planter was, by any chance, returned.

I am sorry to say that it was not, but in its

place, my children received a greater gift — a gift of friendship and understanding and a gift of knowledge that there still are, in this world, people who are kind and thoughtful. Twin Falls and the surrounding area is richly blessed with people who care.

May God bless each and everyone of you during this holiday season.
NORMA SANDERS
Twin Falls

State should halt Malad project

This letter regards the Malad High Drop Project and Helen Chenoweth's article in your opinion section on Dec. 2.

The most recent high drop proposal has far greater impact to Malad Gorge State Park than the existing licensed project. It would create visual impacts along the park's most popular hiking trail and at several popular viewing points along the canyon rim. We are also concerned that the noise from the actual generation of power will detract from a visitor's enjoyment of the canyon.

Construction of the pipeline within the park boundaries on land owned by the Department of Lands will create physical scars that will remain for many years. Blasting during construction could damage the unstable canyon walls and the recently rediscovered paleontological site near the project area.

Bypassing 320 cfs of water around the upper stretch of the Malad River as proposed may indeed benefit the trout population in that reach of the river. However, no studies

have been conducted to determine the impact of returning that same low-quality water to the Malad at the proposed site.

At the present time, the lower Malad River receives the water after it has been cooled, reoxygenated, and filtered by the springs and rapids located on the upper reach of the stream.

It would appear that be eliminating the cleansing action of the upper Malad River the new effect on the lower section would be negative.

That desperate handful of individuals opposed to the Malad High Drop Project represent many people in the Magic Valley.

Included in this group are landowners affected by the project and individuals who support Malad Gorge State Park and its pro-

grams. Many are concerned citizens that, over the years, have seen this valley's natural treasures damaged or destroyed under the name of progress.

While it is important to provide for future energy needs, it is really necessary to do so at the expense of our few remaining natural wonders?

Considering the impacts mentioned above, the overwhelming public opinion against this latest proposal and the principle that a state park should not be used for commercial purposes, we urge the Department of Parks and Recreation to remain firm in its position against this project.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

Water not yet assured

The Associated Press

—Heavy snowpack in the northern Utah mountains is cause for some hope of drought relief this spring and summer, but does not guarantee the state's parched reservoirs will be filled.

Water supply experts say it will all depend on how much snowfall Utah receives during the balance of the winter, the amount of water in the snowpack, temperatures and other factors.

Currently, the National Weather Service and the U.S. Soil Conservation Service agree that the state's water outlook is shaping up nicely — with the rejoinder that it's too early to make promises.

William J. Alder, meteorologist in charge of the Salt Lake NWS office, said Tuesday that while Utah has received a good amount of snow in recent days, it has been low on actual water content.

"The snowpack in all the drainage basins is below normal to well below normal. To me it looks like the drought is alive and well," he explained.

"We need more storms the remainder of December and through April. I would like to see water in the snowpack at 125 percent of normal. But that may be too much to ask. Even numbers close to normal or 100 percent would be wonderful," Alder added.

Jon Werner, USSCS snow data collection officer, said water in the snowpack was about 65 percent of normal. Storms during the past week have resulted in about a 5 percent increase in water content in the snow. "Big improvements have been noted along the Wasatch Front and in the Weber Basin drainage, where we have moved from 64 percent to about 75 percent of normal. The latter figure is only three-fourths of normal, but much better than 64 percent," Werner said.

Figures for the Provo River drainage jumped from 56 percent to 65 percent and the Sevier River system, from 76 to 89 percent of average.

A large increase — from 69 to 90 percent — was reported for the Virgin River drainage, located in the Zion National Park area. "This is the best of the year when we usually have (big) increases in snow each week. When that fails to happen, we see the percentage figures begin to drop. Regular storms are needed between December and January," Werner said.

Concerned BYU professors head Russian relief effort

PROVO, Utah (AP) — About \$4,000 has been raised by a Russian relief program launched by two Brigham Young University professors concerned over food shortages in the Soviet Union.

"It's been heartwarming to see this kind of outpouring," said Don Jarvis, a Russian language professor. "People have so many good places to put their money this time of year."

The two professors plan later this week to wire the money to BYU colleague Gary Browning, president of the Mormon Church's Finland Helsinki East Mission. Browning has agreed to distribute the money or goods purchased in Europe to Soviet citizens in need, Jarvis said.

"We also contacted (U.S. Rep.-elect) Bill Orton, and I'm very pleased to report Orton was already independently researching sending food to Russia by airlift," said Alan Keel, associate dean of BYU's honors program.

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Authorities probe 2 Las Vegas explosions

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Federal authorities on Wednesday were seeking a motive for two high-powered explosions that knocked out power at an electrical substation and at a hotel-casino just outside this gaming resort city.

They also were trying to determine whether the two Saturday night blasts, caused by dynamite or some kind of high explosive, were related to the detonation of a smoke bomb at the same hotel-casino a short time later.

"There were two separate explosions and we believe they could

have been related," said Sig Celaya, resident agent-in-charge of the Las Vegas office of the federal bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

No injuries were reported in the explosions, which caused an estimated \$650,000 damage and left 3,000 Nevada Power Co. customers without electricity for several hours.

Authorities said they had no suspects and no arrests had been made.

The first blast destroyed a Nevada Power Co. substation at Jean, about 30 miles southwest of Las Vegas. Damage was estimated at \$400,000.

A second blast a short time later

destroyed an emergency generator at the nearby Nevada Landing Hotel and Casino and blew out windows on one side of the complex, causing an estimated \$250,000 in damages.

Guests were transferred to other hotels.

The explosions were similar in size and detonation, Celaya said Wednesday.

A man in the casino set off a smoke grenade after the second explosion, said Celaya. "We don't want to speculate on the situation," he said.

"We don't know if the smoke

grenade was related to the two bombings," Celaya said. "It could have been anything from using the grenade to provide light, to a robbery situation."

No robbery demands were made and no robbery took place, he said.

Las Vegas Metro Police and Clark County Fire Department investigators joined the ATF in searching for clues.

Evidence from the blast sites was sent to the ATF's laboratory in San Francisco, Celaya said.

Nevada Landing reopened this week.

Cold beauties



Paul Welleck looks over buckets of mums and plants of paradise in Pasadena, Calif., Wednesday morning. The flowers, to be used for floats in the Rose Parade, were damaged by freezing temperatures. Welleck said he hoped to be able to save the mums.

PUC says new program pays for itself

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Power Co. figures a new energy conservation program for manufactured homes can save \$250 per year in energy costs.

It will cost about \$3,000 per home for energy-efficient construction, but the projects will pay for themselves within 12 years, the utility says, and incentives will cover half the cost.

The Public Utilities Commission announced Wednesday it has approved Idaho Power's request to expand its Good Cents residential conservation program to include manufactured homes.

During the three-year program, the company will pay rebates to customers buying mobile homes designed and built to energy conservation standards. The utility also will offer technical assistance to manufacturers and marketing, and advertising help to dealers.

After the hook-up and on-site inspection certifies that the residence meets standards, Idaho Power will pay an incentive of \$1,000 to the owners of homes with 1,050 square feet or less and \$1,500 to owners of larger homes. Dealers will be paid \$100 to encourage participation.

The company projects 247 Good Cents manufactured homes will be built in its service territory through 1993. The predictions are for a savings of 3,734 kilowatt-hours per year for small homes and 5,677 kw/h for larger homes.

"These averages represent savings of about 50 percent of the kilowatt-hours used for space heating in standard construction manufactured homes," said Kent Butler, coordinator of energy management programs.

Appeals court upholds long prison term for 66-year-old sex offender

BOISE (AP) — A man convicted of sex offenses against teen-age boys claims his 15-year prison term is excessive, because it amounts to a death sentence for a man who is age 66 and in poor health.

But the Idaho Court of Appeals on Wednesday rejected an appeal filed by Richard James Anderson, and upheld the prison sentence.

The court cited Anderson's near half-century record of sex offenses in concluding there was little likelihood of rehabilitation and society needs to be protected from a repeat pedophile.

In an Ada County case, Anderson pleaded guilty to one count of sexual abuse of a child under the age of 15. Fourth District Judge George Carey noted that Anderson had a record of sex abuses dating to 1941 and ordered him to prison for up to 15 years.

Anderson's attorney argued that the man had an alcohol problem and health problems stemming from a

traffic accident that caused serious brain damage.

The court said Anderson was convicted of sex offenses, most involving minors, in British Columbia, Indiana, Oregon, California, British Columbia again and Idaho in 1984.

"In light of the nature of this offense and the character of this defendant, the sentence imposed was not unreasonable," the court said.

The Court of Appeals also rejected an appeal filed by Jeffrey James Smith in an Ada County robbery case. Smith's appeal claimed charges should have been dismissed because police "improperly seized" a \$2 bill as evidence.

The court said the police followed proper procedure by obtaining another search warrant after spotting the bill while searching Smith's residence for other items.

Tom Cruise marries in secret ceremony

New York Daily News

Most-eligible Hollywood hunk Tom Cruise was married to Australian actress Nicole Kidman in a secret Christmas Eve ceremony at the Colorado ski resort of Telluride, a spokesman for the bride's family said Wednesday.

"I'd say it was the show business secret of the year," the bride's uncle, Barry Fawcett, said in Sydney, Australia.

"It was so hush-hush that even my wife and I didn't know about it. I only found out about it when Nicole's father rang us here at the house on Christmas Day and said, 'I've got something wonderful to tell you. Tom and Nicole have got married.'"

Dustin Hoffman and about 10 others witnessed the ceremony. Hoffman is starring with Kidman in "Billie Butler," a movie taken from E.L. Doctorow's best seller.

Cruise, 28, the most bankable star in Hollywood, was divorced this year from actress Mimi Rogers, 34, after two years of marriage.

The marriage was a first for Kidman, 23, a wildly popular Australian

with crimped red hair who began her acting career at 16 in Sydney.

Hawaii-born Kidman and Cruise met as co-stars during the filming of "Days of Thunder," in Daytona Beach, Fla., while he was still married to Rogers.

Not long after, he flew to Sydney to meet her parents.

No honeymoon was planned immediately.

Workers evacuated after chemical spill

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah (AP) — A chemical spill forced evacuation of 15 workers from the SPS Technologies building Wednesday, but no injuries were reported.

Salt Lake County Fire Department officials said an unspecified amount of the chemical — believed to be an-

hydrous ammonia — spilled from a 500-gallon container.

Salt Lake County firefighters and hazardous-materials teams were sent to the scene about 9:30 a.m.

One worker said he heard what sounded like a high-pressure gas leak when he entered the large building.

Ammon firm tries to speed up computers

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A computer company at Ammon, Nanotek, is developing technology allowing a new generation of computers to perform faster and better.

It's one of more than 200 companies nationwide developing industry standards for "futurebus-plus," a technology that allows different computer components to communicate with each other.

Since the 1970s, buses have been an important part of computer systems. They allow different parts of the system to talk to each other. Futurebus can speed the process and make systems quicker and more powerful, said Nanotek engineer James Brown.

"They always want more computing power than what is available," he said.

Computer users have been able to select computer boards with different functions for assembly into a system, but getting them to transfer information quickly always has been difficult.

Bottlenecks often occur because information moves too slowly from one unit to another.

Nanotek began developing a futurebus system after investigating the technology for a company that was developing a satellite system.

"Futurebus" became bigger after that, Brown said.

The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, a worldwide professional group of professional engineers, has called on companies to develop futurebus prototypes so the technology will become standardized.

Developing standardized systems has been important since the 1980s when small companies broke into the market with systems compatible with those developed by large manufacturers.

Boise man appointed

BOISE (AP) — Boise attorney Phil Barber has been re-appointed to the Idaho Code Commission. The governor's office announced the appointment Wednesday.

Barber will serve another five years on the commission. It is duty to keep the Idaho Code up to date with the new laws enacted by the legislature.

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Around the valley

Twin Falls couple dies in Christmas accident

TWIN FALLS — A local couple was killed on Christmas Day when their pickup skidded into the path of an oncoming semi-truck.

Steven Reeves, 39, and his wife, Grace, 38, were dead when police arrived on the scene of the accident, 1 miles south of Kimberly Road on Blue Lakes Boulevard, Idaho State Police Lt. Glen Schwartz said.

Steven Reeves was driving a 1975 Ford pickup south on Blue Lakes when he apparently lost control of the vehicle and slid head-on into the northbound truck driven by Dennis Peters, 44, of River Bank, Calif., Schwartz said.

Peters was not injured in the accident, which occurred at about 3:40 p.m., Schwartz said. The crash closed a stretch of Blue Lakes Boulevard South for a couple of hours, he said.

Nevada man charged with aiming gun at motorist

JEROME — A Silver Peak, Nev., man was arraigned Wednesday for allegedly pointing a sawed-off shotgun at a passing motorist.

Sean Sanderson, 22, was charged with aggravated assault and driving under the influence after being arrested early Tuesday morning.

Police found Sanderson at about 2:20 a.m. Tuesday sitting in his car parked at a trailer park at 1015 First Ave., said Jerome Police Chief George Silver III.

Sanderson first refused to get out of the car, but police finally talked him into surrendering and he was taken into custody, Silver said. Sheriff's deputies from Jerome, Gooding and Twin Falls counties assisted a high Christmas crew from the Jerome Police Department, Silver said.

A preliminary hearing for the felony aggravated assault charge is scheduled for Jan. 4. Sanderson was released Wednesday after posting \$1,000 bond.

More locals report for duty in Saudi Arabia, Persian Gulf

The Times-News continues to receive news of local men and women deployed in or returning from Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield, the American military response to Iraq's August invasion of Kuwait. Here is the latest list:

• Charles (Chad) Black, 22, Army specialist E-4, received orders for Saudi Arabia recently after graduating from ACO school in Burbach, Germany.

Black has been stationed in Germany for three years and is a communications specialist attached to the Second Armored Division. He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1986. His wife of six months, Dagmar Funk of Garlstadt, will remain in Germany. He is the son of Ron and Guel Black of Twin Falls.

• Sgt. Tracy A. Read of Moscow is an Army reserve firefighter. He left for the Middle East in November.

Read, 24, is a 1984 graduate of Valley High School. He is engaged to Cheryl Stallings of Moscow. Read's parents are Kathleen Brady of Jackpot, Nev. and Robert S. Read of Reno, Nev.

Naval Petty Officer 2nd Class Jerry O. Seamons, 31, recently returned from a seven-month deployment in the Persian Gulf. Seamons was stationed in the gulf when Iraq invaded Kuwait and took part in Operation Desert Shield. Seamons is the son of Oleen Seamons of Twin Falls.

Alleged Jerome church vandals admit other crimes

JEROME — Four juvenile boys picked up by police earlier this month in connection with several incidents of vandalism at a local church have confessed to a string of other break-ins stretching back to the summer.

The three 14-year-old boys and a 15-year-old boy admitted to several break-ins at the high school, the Jerome County Fairgrounds, Sagebrush 3's convenience store, and a car owned by the state Department of Health and Welfare, Jerome Police Chief George Silver III said Wednesday.

After being picked up at school Dec. 6, the youngsters were released to their parents. They are awaiting their first appearance in court for five counts of burglary.

Those charges stem from a string of break-ins "that resulted in more than \$10,000 damage to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Jerome."

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Arctic Express slates return for New Year's

By N.S. Nokkved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As if the cold this week hasn't been enough, more of the same is on the way into the Magic Valley.

"It looks like it could get cold again," said Bill Galkin of the National Weather Service's Kimberly station.

But we're in for a short break before the Arctic Express rolls in again — perhaps just long enough for plumbers and heating repair services to catch their breath, and long enough for those who sell cold-weather items to restock their empty shelves.

"We might get up to our normal low for a high" Thursday, Galkin said. The normal temperatures for late December are a high of 40 and a low of 21 degrees — above zero.

But the break might not be enough. Another arctic storm straight from the Yukon is musing this way, and it's expected to reach the Magic Valley sometime Friday.

By Saturday, south-central Idaho will be back in the freeze with daytime highs hovering around zero and nighttime lows down in the neighborhood of minus 20, Galkin said.

On Wednesday, temperatures soared to a positively balmy 13 above zero in Twin Falls, 16 in Jerome, 14 in Burley and 9 in

Hailey. Today they will rise to 16 in Twin Falls, 19 in Jerome, 17 in Burley and 12 in Ketchum before the bottom falls out again on Friday.

Tire stores, heating contractors, auto parts stores and anybody who sells anything that will help people cope with the cold, start their cars or thaw their frozen pipes have been unable to keep up with the demand so far.

"We've been swamped," said Terry Greene, owner of Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning. Even with four people working full time, Greene has had to turn people away, he said.

D&B Supply on Addison Avenue East in Twin Falls already has gone through its stock of 500 cases of automobile fuel line antifreeze — its normal winter supply.

"Saturday is when they really hit us hard and fast," assistant manager Larry Koldewey said.

Space heaters also were a hot item. "They went first," Koldewey said. Wholesalers and factories also are out, and resupply is doubtful, he said. Other cold-weather items such as long underwear and insulated coveralls also are gone.

Byron Rosencrans of Les Schwab Tires on Blue Lakes said the weather has kept his store hopping selling tire chains, batteries

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Twin Falls woman receives her 4th liver in time for Christmas

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Tracie O'Gorman's Christmas present was her fourth liver.

The 21-year-old Twin Falls woman was in serious condition Wednesday after an eight-hour operation on Christmas day at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, hospital spokeswoman Mary Zgoda said.

Liver transplant patients are usually in critical condition for several days after a transplant, she is doing.

"Since she is doing so great it looks like her body will accept the liver," Zgoda said. Twenty percent of liver transplant patients reject their new livers and after the first year, only 5 percent reject livers, she said.

Tracie wanted to thank the people she works with and friends at the College of Southern Idaho for their support, Zgoda said.

"She said she feels very blessed," Zgoda said.

This is the third liver Tracie has received.

Her body rejected the first, on March 9, 1989, and she received the second 10 days later.

For 17 months after the second liver transplant she was doing well. This fall she began having problems and returned to Omaha at the end of October.

Doctors at first tried some new medicine for transplant patients but Tracie's condition did not improve, Zgoda said.

A month ago the hospital placed her on a priority list for new livers.

Surgery and medical care for a liver transplant costs anywhere between \$190,000 and \$300,000.

Tracie will stay in the hospital for the next five weeks and then live near the hospital for an additional two weeks for outpatient care, Zgoda said.

Blaine County court case may provide test for state tax laws

The Associated Press

BOISE — A lawsuit against the state Tax Commission could help decide whether property taxes for health districts and courts are exempt from the limits which apply to other property taxes.

Bonner, Kootenai and Blaine counties are seeking a judge's ruling whether those levies are exempt from a state law limiting increases in county property taxes to no more than 5 percent per year.

The limit was applied after voters approved a property tax initiative in the 1978 election. The Legislature was not able to agree on enactment and imposed the 5 percent cap instead.

Increases in levies for health districts and the courts in each of the three counties

pushed the total increase past the 5 percent limit, and the state Tax Commission has refused to approve the levies.

"The counties contend they have no control over budgets for the courts and health districts, and those funds should be outside the 5 percent limit."

"The suit is not a surprise to us," said Tax Commissioner Robert Hodge. "It was anticipated because all the taxing districts are under budgetary pressures and limitations."

He said the Tax Commission is aware of the problems, but without action by the Legislature or a court order, it must enforce the tax limits.

The limits are applied to all property taxes except those specifically exempt, he said.



Michael Infanger, 5, finds a place to sit while waiting for his parents, John and Debby Infanger, to exchange merchandise at the Magic Valley Mall. Also waiting are Michael's brother Ray and sister Ann, in cart.

Magic Valley retailers see solid holiday sales

By Craig Lincoln
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Christmas shopping season that started with weather balmy enough for a game of golf ended with shoppers slipping and sliding their way to buy anything that could keep them warm.

Magic Valley retailers kept busy Wednesday with traditional post-Christmas exchanges and returns after a holiday shopping season was at least as strong as last year.

Shirt-sleeve weather during the Thanksgiving weekend turned to arctic cold as the holiday shopping season entered its last few weeks. Shoppers responded by searching for long underwear, snow boots, car-engine heaters — anything that would keep them or their cars or their houses warm.

"Anything that would heat your home or your car is pretty much gone throughout the town," K mart Manager Brad Adams said.

The weather turned shopping patterns upside down. Merchants were unable to predict when customers would gingerly make their way to the stores during a season that provides as much as one-half of the year's retail sales.

"It was just odd, unpredictable," Blue

Lakes Shopping Center Manager Katie McAlindin said.

Burley's Snake River Plaza Manager Donna Meade said the cold and snow helped the Mini-Cassia shopping center. "It kept our shoppers from traveling," Meade said. "Instead of going to Twin Falls, it kept them in Burley."

National economic woes and a dismal shopping season in most parts of the country apparently didn't discourage Magic Valley shoppers.

One of the major tenants in the Snake River Plaza reported a 12 percent increase in sales over last year, Meade said. At the Magic Valley Mall, Manager Don Chandler said sales appeared to be up as much as 20 percent.

Blue Lakes Shopping Center and the downtown clothing store Roper's reported sales at least as good, and probably slightly up.

For Roper's Twin Falls Store Manager Dennis Blevins, that was fine. The store sold clothes at a record-setting pace during the last two years.

"Just to stay even was good," Blevins said.

Apparently even big-ticket items also were moving well this season.

"We had a marvelous season," Cain's Home Furnishings President Les Hazen said.

Protecting the environment on legislative agenda

By Anita Dennis
Times-News writer

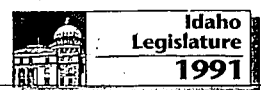
TWIN FALLS — Protecting fish, rivers and groundwater are on the agenda for the 1991 Idaho Legislature.

"My pet bill is to take a look at saving the (salmon) without detrimental effect to the state of Idaho," said Sen. Lynn Tominga, R-Rupert. "It's probably going to take some state legislation and cooperation with our state agencies and cooperation with the governor's office."

As for specific legislation, Tominga said, "It will probably deal with protecting habitat in the Salmon River watershed because that's where our prime habitat is. Also, we're probably talking about some flows to flush the fish down. We're also talking about power generation. We need to work with the Public Utilities Commission. It's going to be a many-faceted type of thing."

Five species of salmon are under consideration as federal endangered species because dams have decimated their runs on the Snake and Columbia rivers.

Utilities, regulatory agencies, environmental groups, farmers, Indian tribes, sports enthusiasts and legislators have met in recent months at informal "salmon summit" conferences in Boise and Portland, Ore., in search of common ground for saving the salmon. An endangered species listing would have far-reaching impact on land



and water use.

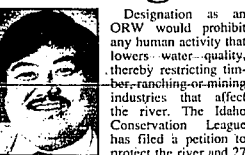
Tominga, a member of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee, said a solution will involve all those interests and the states of Oregon and Washington.

"We need to try to do as much as possible to save the fish but we've also got to make sure we protect Idaho, too," he said.

"It's real interesting because the downstreamers have a real different idea of what's going to be needed and they're looking at Idaho for all the solutions and we don't see any returns coming back."

Salmon the river as well as salmon the fish will be a matter of contention in Boise this winter. Sen. John Peavey, D-Carey, said he wants the Middle Fork designated Outstanding Resource Waters to protect water quality and salmon-spawning habitat.

"If you follow the main stem of the Salmon River down through Clayton, Challis and Salmon and through North Fork, until it meets the Middle Fork, it looks ... very clear, a crystal-clear stream. But when it gets to the confluence of the Middle Fork, it's decidedly dirty. It's basically all of man's activities up and down there, the main Salmon," Peavey said.



Tominga

Welfare Board will consider next month. If the board agrees, a recommendation goes to the Legislature.

"The question is, to what extent is an ORW feasible?"

"Even a septic tank will eventually go into the system," Tominga said. "If you've got a cabin and it's set off 400 feet, eventually, some of that nitrate from the septic tank is going to get into the water."

"I hate to use that as an excuse not to extend the designation because I think that's pushing what we're talking about," Peavey said. Existing industry that is not polluting the river could continue, he said.

And are individual tributaries or is the watershed designated?

"Basically you're looking over the middle part of the state from ever doing anything again and I have problems with that," Tominga said. "So I'd like to take a look at it and if we need to spend the resources and

the money to go out and define that, let's do it. But just don't say let's lock it all up."

But Peavey, who also sits on the Senate Resources and Environment Committee, said the time to act is now.

"You can study this thing to death and wait until the water quality deteriorates to the same level of the main Salmon and then it's too late to do anything," he said.

On solid ground, contaminants and other types are of concern. Pending federal regulations aimed at protecting groundwater from contaminants that leak from landfills mean counties must find improved — and potentially costly — waste disposal systems.

Can the state help?

"I think we should certainly aid in regionalization efforts where they're appropriate," Peavey said, "and I think there should be a lot of education and it would be helpful if promoted by the state."

Tominga said the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, its Division of Environmental Quality and regional health districts will have to work out management.

Health and Welfare has made a supplemental budget request for solid waste management, but the Legislature has given the health districts the task of planning, Tominga said.

"It seems there's probably going to be a struggle between the health districts and the Division of Environmental Quality over who's going to have ultimate control."

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Obituaries



Clara L. Matthews

FILER - Clara Lorraine Matthews, 71, of Filer, died Monday, Dec. 24, 1990, at her home. She was born Oct. 31, 1919, in Paradise, Mo., the daughter of Charles and Nora Wilson Cox. She graduated from Parnell High School and moved to the Magic Valley area following graduation. She married Wilbur R. Matthews on July 24, 1938, in Regester. They moved to Filer, in 1955. She had worked as an obstetric nurse at the Magic Valley Memorial Hospital from 1962 to 1985 and had worked for the Red Cross blood drawings for 32 years.

Matthews had been a member of the Methodist Church since the age of 11, a member of the Filer Grange for 26 years and an active member of the Filer Chapter No. 40 Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the Daughters of the Nile and Normals. Surviving are her husband of 52 years, Carl R. Matthews of Twin Falls and Charles Matthews of Filer, one daughter, Nora Matthews Austin of Montville, N.J.; one sister, Cora Bonstah of Twin Falls; and six grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls with the Rev. James Amend officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary. The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children. Contributions may be left at or mailed to White Mortuary, P.O. Box 845, Twin Falls 83303.

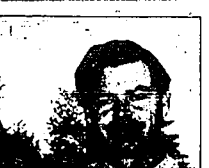


Helen Newman

BURLEY - Helen Newman, 56, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 22, 1990, at Casvia Memorial Hospital in Burley. She was born July 12, 1934, in Tacoma, Wash., the daughter of Joe and Aileen Cavough. She attended schools in Washington and graduated from Washington State University. She married William L. Newman on June 15, 1956, in Auburn, Wash., and they were later divorced. She taught school in the Burley School District for many years and was teaching second grade at Dvorshek Elementary School at the time of her death.

Newman was a member of the Catholic Church, the American Association of University Women, the Book and Reading Foundation, Burley and Afton Community Meeting, the Public-therapeutic Educational Organization. Surviving are two sons, Scott Newman of Wenatchee, Wash., and Blaine Newman of Burley; one daughter, Rose Warren of Denver; one partner, Granite Falls, Wash.; and two grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today at the Little Flower Catholic Church, 16th Street and Oakley Avenue. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at the Little Flower Catholic Church with the Rev. James Amend officiating. Burial will be at the Pleasant-View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at McCulloch Funeral Home in Burley and from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.



Steven D. Reeves

TWIN FALLS - Steven Douglas "Dewey" Reeves, 39, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was born April 8, 1951, in Twin Falls, the son of Walter E. Carroll and Charles Edmund Reeves. He graduated from Twin Falls High School. He married Grace May Dawson on Jan. 5, 1969, in Twin Falls. He had worked for Universal Frozen Foods for the past 21 years.

Surviving are two sons, Jason W. and Eric Reeves; one brother, Terry L. Reeves; one stepbrother, Calton Ginnell; his stepmother, Colleen Reeves; and his godfather, Jess M. Todd, all of Twin Falls. He was preceded in death by one son and his parents.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Wendell LDS Church with Bishop Ron-Buhler officiating. Burial will be at the Wendell Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Demary's Wendell Chapel and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.

Jessie Le Barton - Jess Le Barton, 84, of Burley, died Monday, Dec. 24, 1990, at her home. She was born Oct. 7, 1906, in Petersburg, Kan., the daughter of Oliver Franklin and Corinda Sumner Lee. As a child she moved with her parents to Idaho and homesteaded in the Sublett area. They later moved to Burley and she graduated from Burley High School in 1924. She attended the Albion State Normal College and then taught school in Hegler for awhile. She married William "Bill" Barton on

Jan. 1, 1934, in Rupert. She worked for M.H. King Co. for several years. Barton was a member of the Burley First Christian Church and the Ruth Rebekah Lodge No. 107. Surviving are several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband on July 30, 1988, her parents and two sisters.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 28, 1990, at the Joseph Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main, with the Rev. Daniel M. Dixon officiating. Burial will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Friday at the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Jessie Metcalf - Jessie Metcalf, 65, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. She was born Sept. 5, 1925, in Novinger, Mo., the daughter of Lowengo and Edith Bishop. She grew up in Missouri and married Carl Metcalf in 1943. They moved to Idaho and then to the Marysville, Calif., area. She moved to Bull about four years ago and then later moved to Twin Falls.

Surviving are one son, Carl Metcalf of Edmonds, Okla.; two brothers, Browne Bishop of Bull and Emery Bishop of Barrow, Calif.; five sisters, Ruth Hamilton and Katherine Van Orsdel, both of Napa, Calif.; Minnie Rutherford of St. Helena, Calif.; Pearl Shuster of Olivesth, Calif.; and Grace Shivers of Oceanville, Calif.; and one grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband before she moved to Bull.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls with the Rev. Myron Glaz of the Grace Baptist Church officiating. Burial will take place in Marysville, Calif.

Hilton Greenhalgh - Hilton H. Greenhalgh, 63, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. He was born Aug. 15, 1927, in Nephi, Utah, the son of Herbert Henry and Ida Lazelle Chase Greenhalgh. He spent his early years in Nephi and Laketon, Utah, and in the Burley/Rupert area. He graduated from Rupert High School and attended the University of Idaho in Moscow. He has lived in Twin Falls for the past 30 years and was taken care of by Al and Donna Benkula during his disability.

He played tennis for many years and received awards for his painting ability. Greenhalgh was a member of the LDS Church. Surviving are his mother of Heyburn; two brothers, Carl Greenhalgh of Middlesex, N.J., and Nile Chase Greenhalgh of Mundell, Ill.; and one sister, Marcelle, of Bend, Ore. He was preceded in death by his father in 1951.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Joseph Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main. Burial will be at the Reynolds Funeral Home in Twin Falls from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Friday at the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Russell Bennett - TWIN FALLS - Russell "Rocky" Bennett, 45, of Phoenix and formerly of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Dec. 20, 1990, in Phoenix. He was born Nov. 6, 1945, in Twin Falls. He was a student at Arizona Pacific University, the American Baptist Seminary of the West. He had lived in Ontario, Ore., and moved to Arizona in 1985. He was a member of the Hope Baptist Church in Phoenix. Bennett was a member of the Hope Baptist Church in Phoenix and a former member of the Lions Club in Oregon.

Surviving are his wife, Joy Bennett of Phoenix; one daughter, Deana Janett Bennett; one son, Kyle Russell Bennett; and his parents, all of Phoenix; and one brother, Larry Jay Bennett, address unknown. The memorial celebration will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Hope Baptist Church, 4842 N. 51st Ave. in Phoenix. A private burial will be at the Reshavan Park Cemetery in Glendale, Ariz. Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Hope Baptist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hope Baptist Church in Phoenix. Arrangements are under the direction of the Green Acres Mortuary in Glendale, Ariz.

R. Tom Church - BURLEY - R. Tom Church, 87, of Burley, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, at the Casvia Memorial Hospital in Burley. He was born Aug. 24, 1903, in Eureka, Utah, the son of Robert R. and Mary Catherine Nielsen. He married Sara Kent on June 17, 1921, in Stars Ferry, Idaho. They moved to Utah and then to Berkeley, where they have lived. He owned and operated the Burley Beverage Co. from the mid-1940s until his retirement. Church was a past exalted ruler of the Burley Elks Lodge and was active in the chamber of commerce.

Surviving are his wife and two sons, Tom and Kent Church, all of Burley; one daughter, Kathryn Hoff-Burley of Ashland, Ore.; one brother, William F. Church of Heyburn; one sister, Hatlie Wilson of Phoenix; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

A private family service will be held with a graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the cemetery from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday. The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the Elks Convalescent Home in Boise or to the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City. Arrangements are under the direction of McCulloch Funeral Home in Burley.

Brad L. Jaynes - BRUII - Brad Lee Jaynes, 16, of Bull, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, from an accidental gunshot wound. He was born June 6, 1974, in Twin Falls, the son of Robert and Alene Hoyer. He was a junior at Bull High School and an Eagle Scout. Jaynes was a member of the LDS Church. Surviving are his parents and his grandparents, Wilma Hurl, all of Bull; four brothers, Kim Jaynes of Logan, Utah; Todd Jaynes of Ogden, Utah; Dell Jaynes of Provo, Utah; and Scott Jaynes of Bull; four sisters, Lynn Hoyer of Bull; and one sister, Shanna Tomkins of Jerome, and Jan and Fwan Jaynes, both of Bull. He was preceded in death by two sisters, one brother and three grandparents.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the LDS Church on Fair Street in Bull with Bishop Ron Clark officiating. Burial will follow at the West Elks Cemetery in Bull. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Bull and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church.

Elwin A. Searle - BURLEY - Elwin A. Searle, 75, of Burley, died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 1990, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. He was born May 14, 1915, in Marysville, Wash., the son of Joseph Edwin and Mary Alice Moffitt Searle. He married Inez Manning on Sept. 12, 1933, in View, and they were later divorced. He farmed in the view area.

Searle was a member of the LDS Church. Surviving are three sons, Joe, Kay and Dean Searle, all of Burley; two daughters, Ruth and Susan; one brother and Martene Zollinger of Burley; four brothers, Harold Searle of Long Beach, Calif., and Gale, Orval and Raymond Searle, all of Burley; one sister, Ruby Searle of Burley; 27 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, one sister, one son and one great-grandson.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the View Ward LDS Chapel, 500 E. 550 S., with Bishop Harold Quast officiating. Burial will be at the View Cemetery. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the Farmer Funeral Home in Burley and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church.

Byron O. Strickland - FAIRFIELD - Byron O. Strickland, 66, of Fairfield, died Monday, Dec. 23, 1990, at the Blaine County Memorial Hospital in Frank. He was born Jan. 17, 1924, in Shanon, Kan., the son of Frank and Choro Dark Strickland. He moved to Wendell with his parents in the fall of 1927. He graduated from eighth grade at Orchard Valley School and attended Wendell High School. He enlisted in the Marines in October 1943 and served in the South Pacific during World War II. He married Edna Hess on Jan. 12, 1947, in Jerome, and their marriage was later solemnized in June 1965 in the Logan, Utah, LDS Temple. They lived in Redondo Beach, Calif., and Fallon, Nev. They returned to Gooding in 1978 and then moved to Fairfield in 1988. He had worked as a carpenter and cement finisher for 30 years.

He was a life member and past commander of the Fallon, Nev., Chapter No. 6 of the Disabled American Veterans, a member of the Northern Nevada Square Dance Callers Association for 20 years and a member of the LDS Church, where he was an elder at the time of his death. Surviving are his wife of Fairfield; one daughter, Phyllis Wiggins of Carlsbad, Calif.; one son, Rex Strickland of Fairfield and Ed Strickland of Waitsburg, Wash.; two sisters, Goldie Hawkins of Wendell and Ethel Kiser of Jerome; two brothers, Richard Strickland of Gooding and Forest Strickland of Cherrylva, Kan.; and eight grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Wendell LDS Church, Burley, with Bishop Ron Clark officiating. Burial will follow at the Wendell Cemetery with military honors by Elmer Miller Post No. 11 of the American Legion. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Demary's Wendell Chapel and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Monday at the church.

W. Oabm, 91, of Gooding, who died Sunday, will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Demary's Gooding Chapel with the Rev. David White officiating. Burial will be at the Gooding IOOF Lodge No. 130. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

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Jerome superintendent confident despite setbacks

By H.R. Weixel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The school district is going to survive in spite of possible funding cuts and the defeat of a bond issue to build a new elementary school, said Superintendent Will Brown as he sat alone in his office during Christmas break. He was assessing the district's needs and several different possible ways to meet those needs.

Like other school districts in the state, Jerome faces a probable cut in state funds because of a high student-teacher ratio and because of increased enrollment statewide. "We stand to lose about \$130,000 in state allocations based on our student load at the beginning of the year, but that's a worse case scenario," Brown said.

Student loads tend to be highest at the beginning of the school year and then taper off, Brown said. The state Education Department could assess the figures and cut funding, he said. Brown attributed his optimistic view and the stability of the district's "excellent financial status" to former Superintendent Richard Kugler. "He was a good financier and left us in real good shape," Brown said. Kugler retired at the end of the 1989 school year. "We have a certain amount of money in the pot, the cash flow is good, plus we have funds from the emergency levy, so we're not going broke," he said.

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - It will be sometime after 6 p.m. Friday when Safeway Stores employees get back to work after settling a 10-week contract dispute and strike, a company official said Wednesday. The back-to-work order between the Oakland, Calif.-based food giant and the United Food and Commercial Workers union, Local 1439, was endorsed a day before the Christmas holiday. Gary Carlsoff, Safeway industrial relations manager, said Wednesday. "You won't see a massive return to work until after 6 p.m. Friday," Carlsoff said. "Shifts that begin on or after 6 p.m. Friday will be staffed with regular (union) people."

HOSPITALS
MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Glen Garner, Crystal Keim and Mysha Baxter, all of Twin Falls; and Deanne Reeves of Hansen; Erliche Gieske of Bull; and Alberta Bauer of Jackpot, Nev.

BIRDS
Brenda Beeson and Pamela Coggin and daughter, all of Bull; and Margaret Ragain of Twin Falls. A daughter was born to Steven and

ARCIC
Continued from B1 and studied snow tires. He is not out yet, but he is running low. United Automotive has plenty of batteries and antifreeze, but other items related to cold weather are gone, said Harvey Fairchild. In Keelium, Appliance Co. Sales Service and Parts has had trouble keeping up with demand, but mostly because its trucks won't start. "My car hasn't started in a week," sales manager Mark Fisher said. He tried to get dipstick heaters for the company trucks, but none were available anywhere.

Suburban Propane has sold all the heaters in stock, said manager Gene Matthews. He has ordered more, but wasn't sure if he would be able to get them. People afraid of running out of gas also have kept propane delivery trucks rolling on overtime. The trucks have held, but slippery roads and the cold have slowed delivery. It takes about twice as long as normal to do half as much, Matthews said. Twin Falls city crews have plowed and sanded city roads and streets, but the salt mixed in with the sand has not worked effectively because of the cold, City Engineer Gary Young said.

The city normally uses a mixture of seven parts salt to one part sand, but the new snow falling and the extreme cold has rendered the effort nearly useless. "This is the worst winter in seven years," Young said that with the snow and frozen ground, a sudden thaw and rain could cause flooding. But

Crystal Keim of Twin Falls. Sons were born to Daniel and Erliche Gieske of Bull, and to Mysha Baxter of Twin Falls. Admitted: Garth Osterhaut of Burley; Verle Anderson of Malak; and Tammy Welch of Rupert. Released: Myrle Fisher, Virginia Rogers and Lamar Stuck, all of Burley.

WEATHER
The current weather forecast that is not likely to happen - not this week anyway. Another problem caused by the cold is freezing moisture under the road surface, resulting in frost heaves. The usual result is broken asphalt and potholes come spring. Young said. Even with all the snow that's fallen in the past week, it's very dry and snowpacks still are below normal. The Big Wood River basin snowpack is about 48 percent of average, and the Salmon Falls and Oakley basins are about 66 percent, according to the Soil Conservation Service Snow Survey in Boise.

After this next storm, what then? The weather service's crystal ball says the Magic Valley has a chance of near-to-below-normal temperatures and near-normal precipitation through the middle of January, Galkin said. Meanwhile ranchers in higher elevating areas are worried about effects of cold and wind chill on their stock. In Three Creek a few days ago it was 50 below without the wind. "That's just plain cold," Galkin said.

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BURLEY - The funeral for William Evan Baker, 64, of Burley, who died Sunday, will be at 11 a.m. today at the Unity LDS Ward Chapel, 275-S. 250 E., with Bishop Dennis Crane officiating. Burial will be at the View Cemetery. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

BURLEY - The funeral for Willard Prescott, 72, of Boise and formerly of Burley, will be at 10 a.m. today at the McCulloch Funeral Home in Burley. Burial will be at the Riverside Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at McCulloch Funeral Home.

BURLEY - The funeral for Sully Hodge, 75, of Burley, who died Sunday, will be at 2 p.m. today at the McCulloch Funeral Home in Burley. Burial will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at McCulloch Funeral Home.

GOODING - The funeral for Elton

West

Montana 'clean coal' project looks toward Midwest as market

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — A coal-cleaning project starting in southwestern Montana will target Midwestern utilities as its initial major market, an official of a Montana Power Co. subsidiary said Wednesday.

However, the synthetic enriched coal produced at the new plant will have wider national, and possibly international, industrial implications as Western Energy Co. moves to provide a cleaner coal capable of meeting the new Clean Air Act, said

Paul Gatzemeier, vice president of Western's Montana-Wyoming division.

The preliminary market analysis came with announcement Wednesday of a five-year, \$69 million coal-cleaning research project. It is a joint effort by the U.S. Department of Energy, Western Energy Co., and the NRG Group, a subsidiary of Northern States Power Co. of Minneapolis, Minn.

"We don't have any buyers, yet," Gatzemeier said during a telephone

news conference from Billings. "Our target is Midwestern utilities.

"Another market is industries needing higher heating value coal, such as sugar plants, papermills and cement plants," he said.

"The cleaned, compressed coal will feature less water and ash content, about half the sulfur of the original coal and roughly 34 percent more heat per pound.

The cost of low-rank sub-bituminous and lignite coals now being burned ranges from \$7-\$10 a ton

while a preliminary estimate is that synthetic coal from the new plant will cost between \$18-\$20 per ton, he estimated.

"We're creating a new product that has higher value" than the source coal, Gatzemeier said, forecasting a potential market of about 30 million tons a year.

He said utilities and industries now buying an estimated 60 million tons of coal annually will have to either make plant modifications or improve the quality of their coal to

meet provisions of the new Clean Air law.

"We'll be taking non-compliance coal and making it into a compliance product," he said.

Gov. Stan Stephens applauded the announcement as a demonstration of "real faith in the future of Montana and our coal industry."

"It's a major investment in Montana by the Department of Energy and the private firms which opens up new job opportunities and increases our coal industry's ability to suc-

cessfully compete in the national and international energy markets," the Republican governor said.

Officials said site preparation would begin almost immediately, with construction under way next spring. The plant should become operational early in 1992, Gatzemeier said. The estimated construction-phase payroll at a rate "in excess of \$1 million a year." The construction plant will involve about 150 construction jobs next year and 21 operating jobs when completed.

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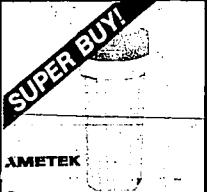


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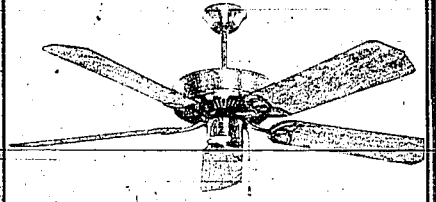
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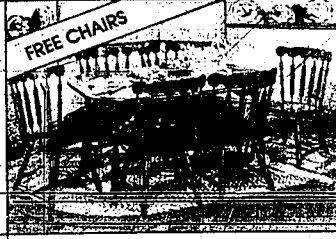
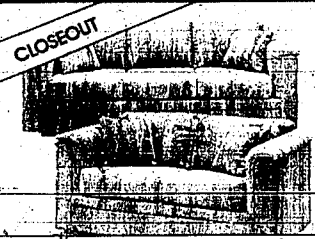
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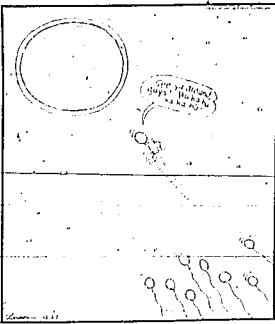
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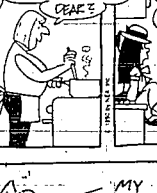
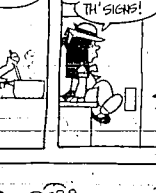
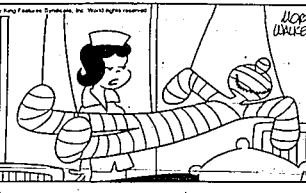
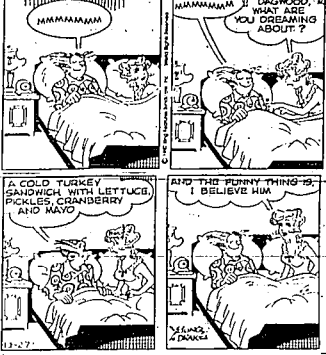
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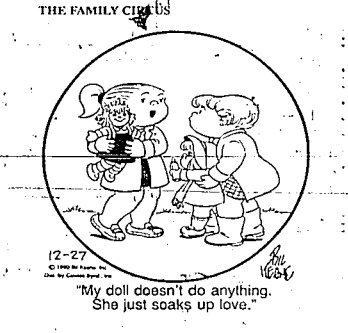
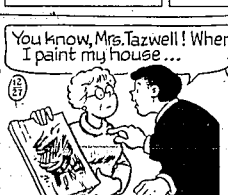
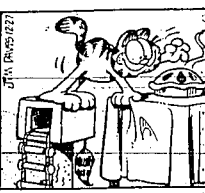
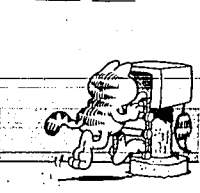
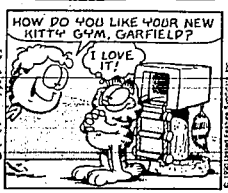
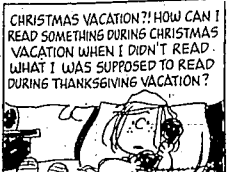
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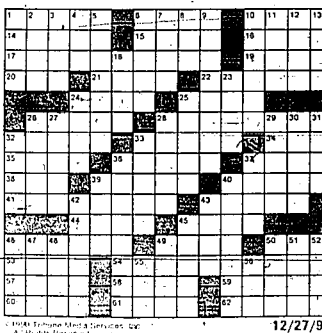
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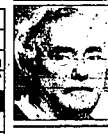
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39 Hawaiian food
40 Colonel



Sydney Omarr
Astrological Forecasts

IF DECEMBER 27 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are far-reaching, seldom are prepared by rules, regulations, and you are...
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Accent on responsibility, pressure, deadline, commentary regarding insurance policy. Focus also on education, spirituality, communication, possible journey. Leo plays paramount role.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll "wake up" with answers. Means you'll know without formal training. Intuitive intellect...
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Diversify. Personal matters attracted to you will confide, possibly purchase. Check references, records, legal rights. Gemini involved.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Frantic, intense romance, including repair of household items. Check automobile tires, batteries. Individual who relies upon you seeks ride to work. Taurus, Scorpio persons in picture.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Read and write, communicate, let others know if you are sensitive, caring, perceptive. Scenario highlights personal magnetism, creativity, sensuality, sex appeal. Virgo represented.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Attention revolves around home, security, sale or purchase of art object, luxury item. Muse will be in your life tonight. Family member says, "We must do this, more or less."
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on flimsy, intrigue, mystery, your ability to "read minds." Short trip involves, relaxation. Another person says, "I've seen a play."



L.M. Boyd
What's what?

Hum that paragraph
Q. What's that language based on notes of the musical scale?
A. Solfeggio. Understand you actually can hum the Gettysburg Address or whatever.
Something else the psychologists now say is certain people with a deep-seated desire to hide tend to blink their eyes a lot.
Q. Which came first, the hotdog or the mustard?
A. Call it a dead heat. Sausage in a bun and prepared mustard each first showed up at the 1904 St. Louis Exposition. But those early comestibles, sausage and mustard seed, go back a whole lot farther than anything written about them. As you might expect, to China.
Company rules say you can't haul bull semen on a greyhound bus.
The law in Mason, Ga., stipulates that no man can put his arm around a woman without "a legal reason" for doing so.

One cattail plant can turn out 250,000 seeds, you know. Some theorists think swamp folk worldwide endow will firm cattails for vehicle fuel. There'll be marsh wars. Between-cattail barons. Price of lowlands will go so high the ducks won't stand a chance.
Q. Progeria is the disease that causes children to grow prematurely old. What's their average age at death?
A. 13.
Q. Who's the patron saint of athletes?
A. St. Sebastian.
BOTTOM DOLLAR
Q. "I bet your bottom dollar" came from where?
A. Early poker players. With silver dollars for chips. Refers to the last one in your stack.
You can hike from the tropics into the Arctic in about three days. Sort of. By climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.
Name of sailing's America's Cup alludes to a vessel, not a country. Until that yacht "America" won it, it had been called the Hundred Guinea Cup.
A marijuana plant can grow 10 feet in three months.
To see a foot-long centipede, you'll have to go to India.

Valley life

Nude model uncovers confidence

DEAR ABBY: I was amused to read the letters concerning nudity from "Baffled in Vancouver" and "Stark Naked in San Marcos."

Some years ago, at the age of 55, I responded to a city college request for figure models for its art classes. (Their models are unclothed.) I found it to be a most liberating growth experience, one which gave me enough insight into societal response to nudity to form the basis of a term paper for a psychology class I had. As a result of that experience, I became a confirmed nudist, visiting the nude beaches in Santa Barbara as often as I could, and doing my housework in a like state, as well as enjoying a lady friend's invitation to use her back yard for sunbathing. I think many of us might do well to confront our own feelings on the subject.

Through such exposure, like olives, may not be everyone's taste, there is a certain exhilaration and self-confidence that can be derived. Let us remember, we were all born without clothing.

— NATURE BOY IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR NATURE BOY: There is nothing unnatural about the unclothed body. Being self-conscious (or ashamed) of one's body is



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

learned behavior. For years, nudists of all ages have formed colonies all over the world, enjoying nature with not so much as a fig leaf between them.

DEAR ABBY: I have this nagging feeling that I should have a will. My husband doesn't have one either, and we are both getting up there in years.

The problem is, we don't have much, and I hesitate to bother a lawyer with so meager an estate as ours. We live on the edge of Palm Springs, where there are a lot of wealthy people, and the lawyers here cater to these rich people.

How do I find a lawyer who wouldn't turn up his nose at our few possessions? I would sure appreciate your suggestions, as I have been worrying lately.

— GROWING OLD IN CATHEDRAL CITY

DEAR GROWING OLD: Call the Riverside County Bar Association and tell the people there what

you have told me. Regardless of how modest your means, I assure you they will refer you to a lawyer who will not turn up his/her nose at your business. Trust me.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were married on Sept. 15, 1972. We had a child in 1973. We were divorced in 1975. Exactly 11 months later, we remarried and had two more children. We've been happily married ever since. What anniversary do we officially celebrate? And please don't say, "Both of them," because, face it, you can have only one 25th wedding anniversary party.

— WONDERING IN INDIANA

DEAR WONDERING: Start counting from 1972, and forget that 11-month "hiatus."

Most teen-agers do not know the facts about drugs, AIDS and how to prevent unwanted pregnancy. It's all in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Five generations



Rose Blunt of Mitchell, Neb., celebrated Thanksgiving 1990 with five generations of relatives in Twin Falls. Blunt, formerly of Twin Falls, moved to Wyoming in 1949 to take over the family ranch. With Rose, seated at bottom right, are (clockwise) her great-great-granddaughter, Samantha Hock; great-granddaughter Krista Hock; granddaughter Pam-Thomas; son George Tracy; and daughter-in-law Thelma Swartz.

CSI's ready

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is gearing up for its spring semester with placement testing, orientation and registration events scheduled.

Registration for spring semester will be held Jan. 9-11 and classes start Jan. 14. A schedule of classes will appear Monday in *The Times-News*. Placement testing for prospective students will begin Jan. 2. The tests are required of all students seeking a certificate or degree and those enrolling in a single math or English class. Results are used to help advise students.

Tests will be given in Room 125 of the Canyon Building at 1 p.m. Jan. 2, 3 and 4. Testing will continue at 9 a.m., 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. on Jan. 7, 8 and 11. Tests will be given Jan. 8, which is an advising and orientation day.

Placement tests also will be given at noon and 7 p.m. Jan. 2 and Jan. 8 at the Mini-Cassia Center in Burley. The test takes about two hours to complete and begins promptly at the times scheduled. For more information call 733-9554 ext. 250.

Orientation activities on Jan. 8 will help students make a successful start on campus. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Room 115 of the Shields Building with group advising set for 10:30 a.m. A chili feed will be held at noon in the Taylor Building cafeteria.

Special sessions for re-entering adult students will be held at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., and another session of student orientation will be held at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 8 in the Southern Idaho Development Center. Students at the Mini-Cassia Center will be involved in this program via telecommunications. Group advising will also be held at 7 p.m. Locations of the group advising meetings will be posted in the Shields and Taylor buildings.

Valley happenings

Asletts will be honored at open house

SHOSHONE - Devon and Myra Aslett will be honored at a 30th anniversary open house set for 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Shoshone American Legion Hall.

Devon Aslett and Myra McClure were married Dec. 28, 1960, in Dietrich.

They have been active in the Catholic Church and the Shoshone Booster Club.

The open house will be given by their children: Karleen Aslett and Rhonda Aslett of Twin Falls, Myra Aslett and Zachary Aslett of Shoshone, and Matt Aslett, stationed with the Air Force in Italy.

Anniversary party set for Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Friends and relatives are invited to help Duane "Chris" and LaWanda Christensen celebrate their 40th anniversary at an open house set for 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday at 219 Earl Drive. The couple were married Dec. 30, 1950, in Pocatello and have lived in Twin Falls 31 years. He worked at Sears, and she worked in the Twin Falls High School lunch program. The open house will be given by their children, Kit Christensen of Alta Loma, Calif.; Martha Toustey and Kirk Christensen of Twin Falls; Julie Jorgensen of Aloha, Ore.; and Barb Nary of Boise. The couple have 12 grandchildren.

Heat grants available

BOISE - Community action agencies throughout Idaho are accepting applications for home-heating grants through March 31 under a federal program administered by the Department of Health and Welfare.

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program pays utilities and fuel suppliers to provide heat for families who qualify. Eligibility is based on gross income and number of people per household. A family of four could qualify with a monthly income up to \$1,144.

For more information, contact the South Central Community Action Agency at 733-9351.

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Walt Disney PICTURES
THE RESCUERS DOWN UNDER
ALSO SPEAKING
PRINCE & PAUPER
DAILY
12:30 - 2:40 - 4:50
TWIN CINEMA

Schwarzenegger
Go ahead, you tell him you didn't do your homework.
Kindergarten COP
TUES 5:10 - 7:20 - 9:30
WED/THURS 7:20 - 9:30
FRI - SUN 12:50 - 3:00 - 5:10 - 7:20 - 9:30
VERBOME CINEMA

THE STORY OF AN AMERICAN FAMILY CLOSES
ON OUR 40 FOOT SCREEN AND 6 TRACK DOLBY STEREO PHONIC SURROUND
TODAY SHOWTIMES 1:30 - 4:45 8:00
TWIN CINEMA

ALL THE POWER ON EARTH CAN'T CHANGE DESTINY.
FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA'S
The Godfather PART III
PARAMOUNT PICTURES PRESENTS AL PACINO DIANE KEATON TALIA SHIRE ANDY GARCIA

S-O-B-I-G! - NOW ALSO AT THE JEROME CINEMA
Lt. John Dunbar is about to discover the frontier... within himself.
KEVIN COSTNER
DANCES WITH WOLVES
DAILY 7:30
FRI - SUN & TUES 12:30 4:00 - 7:30
TUES 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
WED/THUR 7:00 - 9:00
FRI - SUN 1:00 - 3:00 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
BOTH TOWNS TWIN CINEMA MALL

MIKEY'S BACK
ANBARCEL DEFACE HIS GREATEST CHALLENGE: HIS NEW BORN SISTER
JOHN FAVOLTA KIRSTIE ALLEY
LOOK WHO'S TALKING TOO
TODAY 12:30 - 2:00 3:40 - 5:20 - 7:00
TWIN CINEMA

THE MOVIE EVERYONE CAN'T STOP TALKING ABOUT!
FROM JOHN HUGHES
A FAMILY COMEDY WITHOUT THE FAMILY.
HOME ALONE
TUES 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
WED/THUR 7:00 - 9:00
FRI - SUN 1:00 - 3:00 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
TODAY 1:00 - 3:00 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
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WED/THUR 7:00 - 9:00
FRI - SUN 1:00 - 3:00 5:00 - 7:00 - 9:00
TODAY 1:00 3:00 - 5:00 - 7:00 9:00
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The timeless story set in Toyland.
the Nutcracker & Prince
TODAY 12:30 - 2:00
TWIN CINEMA

World

Jewish radicals released after serving part of term for killings

JERUSALEM (AP) — Three Jewish radicals were freed Wednesday after serving less than seven years for killing three Arabs and maiming two Palestinian mayors in car bombings.

They were greeted as heroes by fellow Jewish settlers. The three, members of the Jewish Underground that carried out attacks in the West Bank in the early 1980s, had their original life sentences reduced three times by Israeli President Chaim Herzog. They were released on good behavior.

In the occupied Gaza Strip, Israeli troops shot and killed a Palestinian after he stabbed three soldiers on patrol in the Shati refugee camp, the army said.

Doctors at Gaza's Shifa hospital said the Palestinian was shot more than 30 times. Palestinian reporters identified him as Ala Abdul-Latif Oheid, 30, from Shati.

The army reported two of the stabbing victims were in moderate condition and the third was slightly injured.

Brig. Gen. Shmuel Zucker, division commander in the Gaza Strip, noted that the attack followed a rash of stabbings that have been "grabbing headlines."

"Everyone who intends to hurt an army patrol tries to do this with a knife when he can't get a gun," he told army radio.

The death brought to 780 the number of Palestinians killed by Israeli soldiers or civilians during the 17-year-old uprising against Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

At least 322 Palestinians have been slain by fellow Arabs, most on suspicion of helping Israel. Fifty-seven Israelis also died in the violence.

Dozens of West Bank settlers danced and chanted outside Maasiyahu Prison in the central Israeli town of Ramle as the three former members of the underground — Menahem Livni, Shaul Nir and Uzi Sharbaty — were released.

Members of the crowd hoisted the three men on their shoulders, and Naam Arnon of the Gush Emunim settler movement praised them for their love of Israel.

"They are heroes because they decided to sacrifice themselves, their future, their families, for the security



AP Laserphoto

Shmuel Nir hugs his mother as he walks out of Israeli prison.

of Jews," he said on Israeli radio. Tiran Pollock, a leader of the anti-Arab Kach movement, said on army radio that the underground created a spirit taken up by other Israelis.

"You see it on the streets... you see it more and more. The underground has only begun," he said.

About a dozen Israeli liberals held a counter-demonstration to protest that the early release of the men would encourage attacks on Arabs.

"This is a message of contempt for human life, of making a difference between one type of life and another, and it violates the basic tenet of equality before the law," said Yitzhak Zamir, a former attorney general.

The three settlers were the last of 27 members of the Jewish Underground to be freed from prison. The group carried out car bombings that blew the limbs off two

West Bank mayors, Bassam Shakna of Nabulus and Karim Halaf of Ramallah, and a grenade and gun attack that killed three students and wounded 30 others at Hebron's Islamic College.

Failed attempts to bomb five Arab buses and blow up the Dome of the Rock, one of Islam's holiest monuments, were also blamed on the group. Livni, the leader of the group, was asked by Israel radio Wednesday if he was sorry for his actions.

"The use of the word regret in this case is childish," he replied. He said he acted because of the government's failure to combat Arab terror.

Herzog reduced the sentences of the three men to 24 years, then 15, then 10. After announcing the last reduction in 1989, the president's spokesman said Herzog was "convinced that the three had expressed unambiguous and honest regrets."

Israel plans apartments in occupied area

JERUSALEM (AP) — Left-wing legislators accused the government Wednesday of risking U.S. aid for absorption of Soviet immigrants by erecting hundreds of trailer homes and apartments in the occupied territories.

About 100,000 Israelis live among 1.7 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, captured by Israel in the 1967 Middle East War. The United States objects to these settlements and considers them an obstacle to peace efforts.

Haim Oron of the socialist Mapam party said Housing Minister Ariel Sharon told Parliament's Finance Committee on Monday that 1,000 trailers and another 1,200 apartments would be set up in the West Bank and Gaza in the coming year.

Another 300 trailer homes have been moved into the disputed territories in the past year, Oron quoted Sharon as saying.

Oron said Sharon insisted the government was not steering Soviet immigrants to the occupied territories, in keeping with American conditions, for \$400 million in loan guarantees voted by Congress this year.

But Oron argued that a housing shortage in Israel could easily propel immigrants to the occupied territories.

"People go where there are apartments, whether they are immigrants or old-timers," Oron said. "Sharon never said it was being built for immigrants, but I think he's putting the issue at risk, since the Americans are unequivocally against their money reaching the territories," Oron added.

A communication from Sharon's office said a total of 33,000 trailers were to be purchased over the next year but did not say where they would be parked.

"Sharon's spokesman," Nimrod Granit, was not available at his office to comment.

IT'S GOING ON NOW! WILLS TOYOTA

No new restrictions reported following coup in Suriname

PARAMARIBO, Suriname (AP) — The military has not restricted the press or civil rights since toppling a democratically elected government in a bloodless coup on Christmas Eve, a newspaper editor said on Wednesday.

"The deposed president, Ramsewak Shankar, said he and his ministers were not under house arrest and that he had complete freedom of movement.

"I'm free to go wherever I want to," said Shankar, reached by telephone at his home late Tuesday. Citizens stayed home from work on Wednesday, a regularly scheduled national holiday. Their only information about the coup came from radio and television broadcasts.

Newspapers do not publish on



Christmas Day or the day after. But Leo Morpurgo, editor of the morning daily De Ware Tyd, said there were no moves to restrict press freedom or other liberties.

The army leaders who seized power in Suriname, a former Dutch colony on South America's northeastern coast, pledged allegiance to democratic principles. They promised to govern in consultation with the elected National Assembly until elections can be held.

The army has not specified the motives behind the takeover, but is expected to blame Shankar for not restoring economic health.

In a Christmas Day radio address, the acting army chief said the military regime would set up an interim government.

Albanian party told reforms needed

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Albanian President Ramiz Alia told party officials Wednesday they must deviate from many principles of socialism "as the nation faces its hard-line Stalinist policies.

Alia promised to reform the party and also to allow Albanians to work abroad, local journalists said. He also said the country needs foreign aid and credit to revive its wrecked economy.

According to an employee at the state news agency ATA, Alia addressed a national conference of Albania's Labor (Communist) Party. The officials were debating radical policy changes to prepare for February elections, in which the party will face opposition candidates for the first time.

Alia reversed almost 50 years of policy earlier this month, permitting non-Communist parties after student protests over slum-like dormitories grew into demands for democracy in Europe's last bastion of Stalinism.

Summing up the party's dominance of the nation since the Communists took power in 1944, Alia told more than 1,000 delegates from party branches nationwide that "mistakes were made."

He said a new party platform would "deviate from many principles of Socialism as a social order... (and) correct many attitudes of the past."

Until this month, Albania has refused to stray from Communist dictates.

Alia stressed the party "does not intend to abandon its Marxist ideology."

Excerpts from Alia's speech to the one-day conference were translated and made available to The Associated Press by an Albanian journalist in a telephone interview from Tirana. ATA was to release a full transcript of the speech later Wednesday.

Gramoz Pashko, co-founder of the new opposition Democratic Party, said the Communists were seeking to stay in power by promising reform.

In a telephone interview from Tirana, he said "if the people support the Communists they will do even more damage to the country and to themselves."

The Democratic Party plans to contest the February elections, the first multiparty vote since the Communist takeover.

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Briefly

Rabies outbreak sparks hunt in Oman

MUSCAT, Oman — Police marksmen went looking for foxes and wild dogs on Wednesday as authorities began trying to curb an outbreak of rabies that has left one 8-year-old boy dead.

The outbreak, also in wild animals and other tribal livestock, and it is believed to be centered in northern Oman near villages surrounding Ibra, 200 miles from the capital.

The boy who died of the disease, was the first documented case of human rabies infection in the sultanate.

A task force from the World Health Organization will work with state health and agricultural officials to try to stop the spread of the disease. As part of the effort, police will shoot wild dogs and other animals that can carry the disease.

Chinese zoo saves performing pandas

BEIJING — Emergency medical care at a Chinese zoo saved two star performing pandas that had become critically ill because of intestinal problems, an official newspaper reported.

The Liberation Daily said Tuesday that the pandas at the Fuzhou Zoo in southeastern Fujian province were near death when they were diagnosed as having acute intestinal inflammation and intestinal blockage. The diagnosis was made early this month after zoo officials held urgent consultations with medical and animal experts, the newspaper reported. After nine days of special treatment, Qingqing and Yuanyuan had recovered, it said.

The report said Qingqing, 15, and Yuanyuan, 9, have performed for audiences around the world, including stops in the United States, Australia and Hong Kong.

Japanese expense account record set

TOKYO — Japanese corporate executives winced, dined and golfed their way to a record \$36.53 billion in expense account spending between February 1989 and January 1990, a tax agency report said Wednesday.

The annual report compiled by the National Tax Administration Agency said the figure was 9.4 percent higher than the previous year's, which had been the record.

The agency said it calculated this year's figure by analyzing reports from 59,772 of 1,962,026 businesses.

Romania throws ex-king out of nation

GENEVA — King Michael, Romania's former monarch, returned to his Swiss exile Wednesday after being expelled by the Bucharest government less than 12 hours after he had arrived on a surprise visit, his first in four decades.

The 69-year-old former king returned to Romania exactly a year after the execution of Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu in a popular revolution. The monarch had been forced into exile with the Communist takeover 43 years ago.

Iranian: Rushdie death decree stands

NICOSIA, Cyprus — Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, said Wednesday the death decree against Salman Rushdie is irreversible, despite the British author's attempts at reconciliation with Muslims offended by his novel.

Compiled from wire reports

1990 was the year to remember — or maybe not

The Associated Press

Maybe 1990 was a year to remember. But forget about that. Consider instead all the un-memories of the past year, the shadows of events hauled out in mind-cleaning and dumped by the curb of public consciousness, bound for the trivia scrap heap:

STORIES WE FORGOT TO REMEMBER

Whither Star Wars? President Reagan's probably impossible impenetrable missile shield in space, once a cornerstone of American defense policy, is on nobody's lips these days.

Whatever happened to the Exxon Valdez?

The tanker that caused the nation's worst oil spill in March 1989 got a new name and a new job in 1990.

The Exxon Mediterranean now hauls crude around the region it is renamed for.

Remember the benzene in the Perrier? The psyllium in the cereal? The alar in the apples? The oat bran in the beer?

1990 YEAR IN REVIEW

Has everyone forgotten "Landscape with an Obelisk" by Govert Flink? It was one of 11 paintings snatched from Boston's Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum on March 18 in the nation's biggest-ever art heist.

Remember how two robbers dressed as police officers made off with works by Rembrandt, Degas, Vermeer and others, later estimated to be worth \$200 million? And how art security specialists called the theft "incredibly stupid" because most of the paintings will always be too hot to fence?

Don't forget: There's a \$1 million reward for pertinent information.

Surely few remember North and South Yemen.

They merged in May.

Even fewer people remember the

Bull Market of 1990. The Dow hit its all-time high of 2,999.75 on July 16.

FORGETTABLE FACES

Muammar Gadhafi, upstaged by Saddam Hussein.

The Crips and the Bloods, the Southern California rival gangs that were so ubiquitous a year ago. The police no doubt remember these guys.

Michael Dukakis? Probably forgotten in 1989. Nancy Reagan? Ditto.

It's tough to remember exactly when everyone forgot about one-time Chicago Mayor Jane Byrne, but she's trying to be unforgettable by running for mayor again. Political observers say she should forget about being elected.

Jesse Jackson, uncharacteristically low-profile, now the shadow senator from Washington, D.C., an inherently forgettable job.

In the out-of-sight, out-of-mind department, author Salman Rushdie, almost forgotten by most people except the Muslim zealots he wishes would forget about him. It also is safe to say that no one except the



Jesse Jackson Profile decreased

aforementioned fanatics remember what the sit-in was about in the first place.

Also forgotten include the following:

- Jim—Wright, Imelda Marcos, Leona Helmsley, Ivan Boesky, Tavanna Brawley, Tammy Faye and Jim Bakker, Pat Robertson, Joseph Hazelwood, Vanna White, Frank

DOWN UN-MEMORY LANE

Couples no longer in the memory banks: Madonna and Sean Penn, Madonna and Warren Beatty, Madonna and Sandra Bernhard.

Also Mike Tyson and Robin Givens, and Beauty and the Beast. Comedy comedians: Andrew Dice Clay, and his eminently forgettable screen debut, "Ford Fairlane." Also Sandra Bernhard.

Worth not remembering: nighttime TV soap "Dallas," in the ratings dumped after 14 years. You may even have forgotten who shot J.R. Does anyone remember "The Pat Sajak Show," CBS's late-night talk show disstar, canceled in April after 15 tedious months?

In the sorry-we-forgot-your-birthday category, Disneyland turned 35 in 1990. Putty hit 40. M&M's and Bugs Bunny celebrated 50 years each.

Gone forever and probably forgotten: the eight colors tossed out of Crayola's 64-crayon box. Five-foot-tall models of the retired crayons: blue gray, green blue, violet blue,

orange red, orange yellow, lemon yellow, raw umber and maize — plus encased in plastic in the lobby of the crayon tour center.



Madonna No more Sean Penn

Binney & Smith, the Crayola company, invited people who can't forget the late eight to "come and see your favorite colors whenever you need 'em."

Or whenever they remember.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF A WATER RIGHT
Notice is hereby given that MONTEVIEW CANAL CO., MONTEVIEW, ID, has applied to the Department of Water Resources to ADD POINTS OF DIVERSION of the a ground/water resource. The right sought to be changed is evidenced by a License and recorded as follows:

| LICENSE NO. A31-02273 | AMOUNT: 4.00 CFS |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| PRIORITY: 3-6-1944 | |
| POINTS OF DIVERSION: | |
| T06N, R34E, SEG. 21 | N1/2NESE, SWSWSW |
| 26, N1/2W1/2SW1/4 | SWSWSW |
| 27, E1/2W1/2SE | SESESE |
| 28, NWSWNE | E1/2W1/2SW1/4 |
| 29, NWSWNE | |
| 33, SENEWN | |
| 34, NWNE | |

The water issued from APRIL 1 to NOVEMBER 1 to irrigate 5,480 acres within:

| T07N, R35E, SEC. 02 | N1/2 | SW1/4 |
|---------------------|--------|-------|
| 03, | | |
| 04, | E1/2 | |
| 10, | | SE1/4 |
| W1/2 | | |
| 14, | NE1/4, | |
| 15, | NW1/4 | |
| W1/2 | | |
| 23, | SE1/4 | |
| 24, | NW1/4, | |
| 25, | NW1/4, | |
| 26, | N1/2, | SE1/4 |
| 27, | NW1/4, | |
| 28, | NE1/4, | |
| 29, | E1/4, | |
| 34, | NE1/4, | S1/2 |
| 35, | | |
| 36, | NWNE | |

TO BE CHANGED FOLLOWS
DESCRIPTION OF RIGHTS OR PORTION THEREOF, AFTER THE REQUESTED CHANGE. This is a consolidation of License A31-02273 with the following claims:

| WATER RIGHT NO. | PRIORITY | CFS | DIVERSION |
|-----------------|------------|--------|-----------|
| A31-02263 | 02/12/1925 | 0.50 | |
| A31-02265 | 06-10-1940 | 8.61 | |
| A31-02273 | 03-10-1938 | 12.80 | |
| A31-02279 | 03-06-1944 | 4.00 | |
| A31-02284 | 06-26-1946 | 5.22 | |
| A31-02284 | 07-21-1948 | 18.20 | |
| A31-02294 | 10-06-1945 | 16.00 | |
| A31-02323 | 10-20-1949 | 9.60 | |
| A31-02332 | 05-14-1953 | 13.10 | |
| A31-02348 | 06-22-1955 | 17.78 | |
| A31-02359 | 11-28-1956 | 20.00 | |
| A31-02460 | 07-15-1960 | 20.00 | |
| A31-02466 | 06-26-1954 | 20.00 | |
| A31-10640 | 04-01-1961 | 27.48 | |
| | TOTAL | 233.29 | CFS |

The 203.29 CFS of water will be diverted from the following:

| T06N, R34E, SEC. 21 | N1/2NESE, | SWSWSW |
|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 26, | N1/2W1/2SW1/4 | SWSWSW, SWSWSW (NEW), |
| 27, | NWSWSW (NEW) | |
| 28, | N1/2W1/2E, | SESESE, SESENE (NEW) |
| 29, | NWSWNE, | E1/2W1/2SW1/4 |
| 33, | NWSWNE | |
| 34, | NWNE | |

Any protests against the proposed change must be filed with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, 150 Shoup Ave., Idaho Falls, ID, 83401, on or before JANUARY 7, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson
Director
PUBLISH: Thursday, December 20, and 27, 1990.

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BEFORE THE IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD
Notice of Intent to Adopt Amended Rules Governing the Water Supply Bank is hereby given pursuant to Section 67-5203, Idaho Code, that the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board) proposes to adopt amended Water Supply Bank Rules and Regulations.

The Water Supply Bank Rules and Regulations were first adopted in 1980 and describe the procedures for placing water rights into the water supply bank operated by the Board and procedures for the sale and rental of water rights from the bank. The rules also provide for the appointment of local committees by the Board to facilitate the lease and rental of water rights through the operation of a rental pool.

Rule 1 is a general rule describing the purposes of the rules. Rule 2 consists of a definition section. Some definitions have been added.

Rule 3 describes the sale and rental of water rights from the bank. A new rule describing the procedure for placing a right into the bank has been added.

Rule 4 describes the sale and rental of water rights from the Board's water supply bank. The rule has been changed to allow the Director to approve rentals for up to 5 years without Board review rather than the 2 years previously allowed.

Rule 5 describes handling of money associated with the Board's water supply bank. The rule clarifies the depositing and use of funds received.

Rule 6 describes the appointment of local committees by the Board. Rule 6.2, which describes the appointment of local committees by the Board, has been amended to provide that the procedures for placing water rights into the water supply bank operated by the Board and procedures for

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT
NO. 3-30371 & 31-0331
Notice is hereby given that HOLLY WATER ASSOCIATION, Hamor, ID, has applied to the Department of Water Resources to add points of diversion of the waters of a ground/water resource. The rights sought to be changed are evidenced by Decree No. 3-10371 & 31-0331 and are recorded as follows:

| No. 31-0371 | AMOUNT: 25.0 | PRIORITY: September 10, 1929 |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| No. 31-0331 | AMOUNT: 24.0 | PRIORITY: January 25, 1930 |
| T6N, R35E, B.M. | SEC 2, NESE | ASHCRAFT WELL |
| | SEC 5, NWSE | BYBEE WELL |
| | SEC 22, SWSE | MURDOCK WELL |
| | SEC 25, NWSE | HOLLEY WELLS |
| | SEC 26, SESE | HOLLEY WELLS |
| | SEC 35, SESE | HOGGAN WELL |
| | SEC 35, NWNW | HOLLEY WELLS |

The water is used from April 1 to November 15 to irrigate 3,230 acres of land.

PLACE OF USE:

| T6N, R34E, B.M. | SEC 11, N1/2 | SEC 11, NWSE |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| T6N, R35E, B.M. <td>SEC 2, N1/2, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4</td> <td>SEC 2, N1/2, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4</td> | SEC 2, N1/2, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4 | SEC 2, N1/2, SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4 |
| | SEC 3, E1/2SE1/4 | SEC 9, E1/2SE1/4 |
| | SEC 10, NENE, S1/2NE1/4, SENW, S1/2 | SEC 10, NENE, S1/2NE1/4, SENW, S1/2 |
| | SEC 14, N1/2SW1/4 | SEC 15 |
| | SEC 22, NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, NESW, SE1/4 | SEC 22, NE1/4, E1/2NW1/4, NESW, SE1/4 |
| | SEC 36, NWNW | SEC 36, NWNW |
| | SEC 36, NESW, W1/2SW | |

TO BE CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:
The water will be diverted and used to irrigate as follows:

| T6N, R35E, B.M. | SEC 2, NESE | ASHCRAFT WELL |
|-----------------|--|----------------------|
| | SEC 10, SWSE <td>TORGSONER WELL (NEW) </td> | TORGSONER WELL (NEW) |
| | SEC 15, NWSE <td>BYBEE WELL </td> | BYBEE WELL |
| | SEC 22, SWSE <td>MURDOCK WELL </td> | MURDOCK WELL |
| | SEC 25, NWSE <td>HOLLEY WELLS </td> | HOLLEY WELLS |
| | SEC 26, SESE <td>HOLLEY WELLS </td> | HOLLEY WELLS |
| | SEC 35, NESE <td>HOGGAN WELL (NEW) </td> | HOGGAN WELL (NEW) |
| | SEC 36, NWNW <td>HOLLEY WELLS </td> | HOLLEY WELLS |
| | SEC 15, N1/2SW1/4 <td>76.6 ACRES </td> | 76.6 ACRES |
| | SEC 10, W1/2SW1/4, SESE <td>95.0 ACRES </td> | 95.0 ACRES |
| | SEC 15, N1/2SW1/4 <td>77.5 ACRES </td> | 77.5 ACRES |
| | SEC 35, SE1/4 <td>126.0 ACRES </td> | 126.0 ACRES |

Any protest against the above change to a water right must be filed with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, 150 Shoup Ave., Idaho Falls, ID, 83402, on or before JANUARY 7, 1991.

R. Keith Higginson
Director
PUBLISH: Thursday, December 20 and 27, 1990.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.

Case No. CV90-0344E-13
NOTICE OF HEARING

A motion by Marilyn Leo Mort, born at Harvey, Illinois, now residing at 3080 Jasper Ave., Twin Falls, Idaho, proposing a change in name to Marilyn Leo Piper, has been filed in the above-entitled court, the motion for the change in name being together with the petition of petitioner's maiden name, The name of petitioner's father is Albert C. Piper, Sr., whose address is 3 Heathside Court, Mattoon, Illinois. Said petition will be heard at 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd day of January, 1991, and objections may be filed by any persons who can, in writing, object to the change of name, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name.

Witness my hand and the seal of said District Court this 20th day of December, 1990.

RICHARD A. PENCE
Clerk of the Court
Camille Jones
Deputy Clerk
Attorney for the Petitioner:
G. Richard Bobson,
Tolson & Tushnet,
P.O. Box 1900,
Twin Falls, Idaho 83403

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PUBLISH: Thursday, December 6, 13, 20, and 27, 1990.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PAYETTE.
Case No. 10704
SUMMONS
CYRUS GENE MURPHY, Plaintiff,
vs
ELENA LUJAN SALAS, Defendant.
THE STATE OF IDAHO vs ELENA LUJAN SALAS, THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a Complaint has been filed against you in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, and for the County of Payette (in the Magistrate Division thereof), by the above named Plaintiff and you are hereby directed to file a written answer and for the return of the said Complaint within twenty (20) days of the date of this Summons; and you are further notified that unless you do so within the time specified, the Plaintiff will take judgment against you as prayed in the said Complaint.

The nature of the claim against you is for the amount of \$20,580.00 interest thereon at 16.50% per annum in the amount of \$3,138.88 as of October 31, 1990, and accrued interest. All delinquent taxes on the amount of 608.69 an delinquent, plus penalty and interest.

The principal balance is \$20,580.00 interest thereon at 16.50% per annum in the amount of \$3,138.88 as of October 31, 1990, and accrued interest. All delinquent taxes on the amount of 608.69 an delinquent, plus penalty and interest.

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Dated the 5th day of November, 1990.
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE CO.
By: Darlene Diah-Nilla, Trust Officer.

PUBLISH: Thursday, December 20, 27, 1990 & January 3, 1991.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.
Case No. CV 90-03356-2
ANOTHER SUMMONS
THOMAS KING HOOPER Plaintiff
vs
JANICE LEE HOOPER Defendant.
THE STATE OF IDAHO vs JENICE LEE HOOPER, FENDANT; JANICE LEE HOOPER.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint has been filed against you in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, and for the County of Twin Falls by the above-named Plaintiff and you are hereby directed to file a written answer and motion in defense to said Complaint within twenty days (20) of the service of this Summons; and you are further notified that unless you do so within the time herein specified, the Plaintiff will take judgment against you as prayed in said Complaint.

The nature of the claim against you is for the amount of \$20,580.00 interest thereon at 16.50% per annum in the amount of \$3,138.88 as of October 31, 1990, and accrued interest. All delinquent taxes on the amount of 608.69 an delinquent, plus penalty and interest.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1990.

RICHARD A. PENCE,
Clerk
PUBLISH: Thursday, December 6, 13, 20, and 27, 1990.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS.
Case No. CV 90-0342 M
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RICHARD A. SCHNITKER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice. All claims will be paid only if presented to the law offices of HOBBY & HOBBY, P.O. Box 175, Coalinga, Idaho 83300; or filed with the Court. DATED this 21st day of December, 1990.

Patricia M. Fuller
Personal Representative
PUBLISH: Thursday December 27, 1990 and January 3, 6, 1991.

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and things required to exist, to happen and to be performed...

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION
This Bond is one of the Local Improvement District No. 92...

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED That printed herein is a true and complete copy of the...

Assignment
FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On the 2nd day of April, 1991 at the hour of 9:45 o'clock A.M. of said day...

LEGAL NOTICE
An Ordinance of the City Council
WHEREAS, the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, is a city...

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WHEREAS, NELDA M. JANSSON had made application for a rezoning...

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On the 28th day of March, 1991 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M. of said day...

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January 9th, 1991. SALMON RIVER CANAL COMPANY, LTD. James H. Heron, President...

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007-Jobs of Interest: 733-2009 for professional services service-Roy Slotton Listening Post-733-2009.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): CNAs & NAs, Skilled long term care facility is seeking interested nurses and aides.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): Needed RN full and part-time positions available, day shift, please call Ken Howell, 538-6363.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): RNs WANTED for charge nurse position with choice of schedules available - full-time, 9 days per week + 3 evening shifts per week - part-time 2 days per week - full-time 3 evenings per week.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): R and J Loading of Payette, Idaho is accepting applications for long haul truck drivers, to run 11 weekstays or 48 states. Sole or team operation is available upon your choice.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): Earn Extra Christmas \$\$\$ SELF AVOID 734-9256. Experienced accounts payable clerk needed part-time, 11:30 to 5:30 Monday-Friday.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): BUNKRUPTCY Stop foreclosures, repossessions, suits, garnishments and must furnish action. Free telephone consultation.

003 Special Notices: Wn H. Mulberry Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 186, Rife, Idaho 83443 1-800-548-2168

003 Special Notices (continued): WEDNESDAY'S 7:9 pm. Personal achievement Center, 128 North Locust, Call 734-1237, for information.

003 Special Notices (continued): USE BOLD IN YOUR ADS! It really draws ATTENTION. Only \$.25 per word.

006 Personal: ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Call 733-8300. HOTEL-INE-733-0122. A woman is not a problem when shared.

007-Jobs of Interest: Big book store expansion. Need part-time sales people, no experience necessary. Also arts, crafts and ceramic teachers.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): MEN & WOMEN WANTED We will recruit several people for a professional sales career. We offer a good salary, paid vacation, excellent benefits, security, and a professional training program.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): GON PAULOS CHEVROLET We will recruit several people for a professional sales career. We offer a good salary, paid vacation, excellent benefits, security, and a professional training program.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): The Times-News Customer Service Dept. for your BOLD classified ad today! 733-0931.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): FREE Line of Classified Advertising when you place your classified ad today! Call Pregnancy Hotline & Crisis Center.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): MOUNTAIN VIEW CARE CENTER 423-5591.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): Needed RN full and part-time positions available, day shift, please call Ken Howell, 538-6363.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): RNs WANTED for charge nurse position with choice of schedules available - full-time, 9 days per week + 3 evening shifts per week.

007-Jobs of Interest (continued): South Central Community Center is seeking a Program Manager for the Barley CAA Office.

010 Professional Services: AMERICAN Personnel Temporary Services, Inc. "Seven offices to serve you!"

014 Childcare Services: Child care available in Jerome. Call 524-3837. Child care provided in Twin Falls home.

017 Business Opportunities: ATTENTION CLASSIFIED READERS! If you have had problems with any products or services supplied by our advertiser...

020 Money To Loan: I buy contracts, mortgages, notes, and trust deeds. Any size, any condition, local buyer. Call 733-5279.

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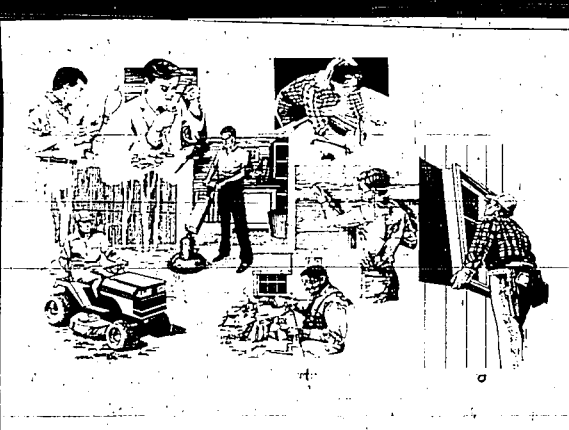
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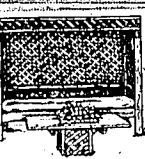
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175-Auto Dealers

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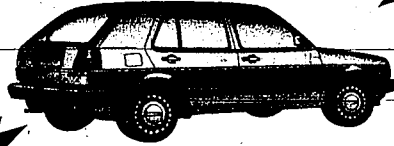
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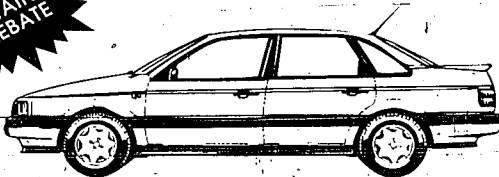


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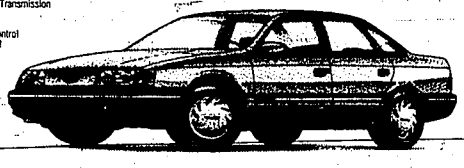
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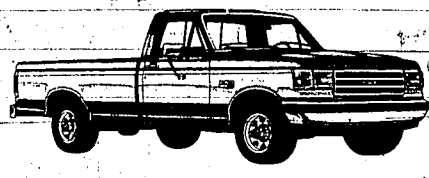
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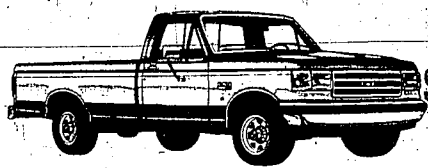


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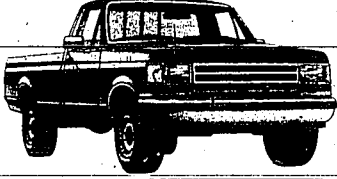
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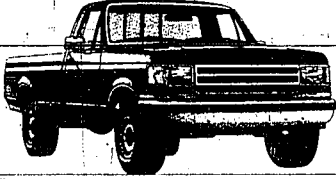
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Briefly

Ryan chosen Sporting News Man of the Year

ST. LOUIS — Nolan Ryan, the 45-year-old who pitched his record sixth no-hitter in 1990 and won his 300th game, was chosen Wednesday as the Sporting News Man of the Year.

Ryan led the American League with 232 strikeouts last season and also pitched his record-tying 12th one-hitter. He got his 300th victory on July 31 as Texas beat Milwaukee.
 Ryan is 302-272 lifetime with a record 5,308 strikeouts.

Bulls' Jordan leads Eastern Conference in all-star votes

NEW YORK — Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls is the early leading vote-getter among Eastern Conference players for the NBA All-Star game in Charlotte on Feb. 10.

Jordan, who leads the league with a 29.7 scoring average, leads the guard position with 50,465 votes in fan balloting. Detroit's Isiah Thomas is second with 22,745 votes.

Patrick Ewing of the New York Knicks leads all Eastern Conference centers with 37,998 votes followed by Robert Parish of the Boston Celtics with 12,997.

Recurrence of cancer strikes 25-year-old woman golfer

PHOENIX — Heather Farr, who tried to make a comeback on the LPGA Tour this year after breast cancer surgery in 1989, has had a recurrence of the disease and will undergo chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant.

"My breast cancer has returned inside the bone," Farr, 25, said Wednesday. "There is a spot in the back of my skull and a spot in a back vertebrae."

The former Arizona State standout was coming off her most successful year on the LPGA Tour when she was diagnosed with breast cancer in July of 1989 and underwent a mastectomy.

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"It's actually an indication, I think, of survival because I'm most proud of not the number 1 score, it's that I stayed all these years."

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— New York Jets placekicker Pat Leahy after being named the team's MVP

Friesz gets 1 game to impress Chargers

Former University of Idaho star will start against L.A. Raiders on Sunday

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Chargers coach Dan Henning says Billy Joe Tolliver's benching for the season finale should be taken as a message by the rest of the team as well as the quarterback.

"Position by position, we're looking for the right guys," Henning said Monday. "Some of those that are (on the team) now may not be the right guys."

Henning voiced concern about Tolliver's technique and ability to produce in the clutch in announcing that rookie John Friesz will start Sunday's game against the Los Angeles Raiders.

The surprising announcement follows consecutive losses to Denver and Kansas City. Tolliver threw a crucial interception late in the fourth quarter of both games to eliminate any chance of a rally.

"I think Tolliver has a future as a quarterback in this league and can win," Henning said. "He has gotten to the point where he does many things far and above from what you'd expect a second-year quarterback to be able to do in his development."

"But he still has a track record in the last part of the game in a number of situations of not making the play that has to be made. That has to be taken into consideration."

Henning noted that Tolliver, a second-year player, hasn't shaken a season-long tendency to overthrow receivers. Both his interceptions against Kansas City came on overthrow balls.

The coach also made it clear that the club will try to acquire another quarterback if Friesz is unable to provide quarter-season competition for Tolliver.

"We need to let Billy know competition is going to take place, whether it is from (Friesz) or from other areas," said Henning, who has fended off criticism of Tolliver for most of the season.

Friesz, a sixth-round draft pick from Idaho, has been on injured reserve all season with what the club has said was a shoulder ailment.

"At this time, I don't know the difference between the Raiders and New England. It's all the NFL to me," said Friesz.

"The first question is whether I can lead this team. Billy Joe is more vocal and I'm more reserved. My way to get respect is to go out and prove I can do it."

Friesz said Tolliver phoned him to extend his best wishes and voice his support. "I think he feels a lot like I've felt the last 15 weeks," said Friesz. "Somehow, the tables have turned and I think he wants me to do well."

Friesz was the Big Sky Conference's Offensive Player of the Year in 1989. He passed for 10,697 yards at Idaho while setting 24 school, 18 conference and 5 NCAA Division I-AA records.

Henning said there was a split opinion among Chargers offensive coaches and personnel department members on whether to start Friesz.

"I'm concerned about what this will mean to his development," Henning said. "I'm not sure this is in our best interests in winning (against the Raiders). In the long run, it will be best to find out about his competition with Billy and what route to go in the offseason, whether it be with another team or through the draft."

The change is intended not only as a message to Tolliver.

"This decision is as significant for Billy as it is a symbol for our team that we're not going to sit pat and say it's good enough to be in position to win and not win against a Kansas City team going to the playoffs," Henning said. "Whatever it takes, whether through personnel or a change in approach, we're going to do it."

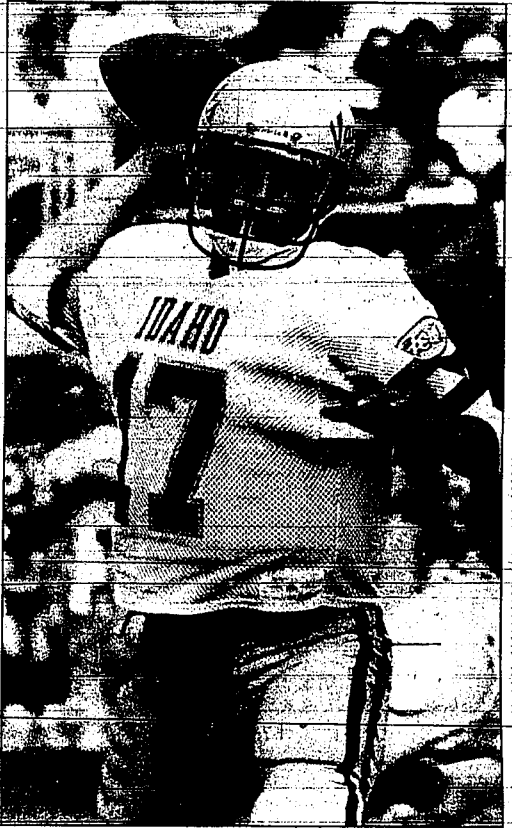
The Chargers need to beat the Raiders to avoid their sixth straight 6-10 finish.

Mark Vlasic, a third-year veteran who started in a season-opening 17-14 loss at Dallas, apparently was not considered as the starter Sunday. He isn't expected to be protected under Plan B, and his days with San Diego seem numbered.

"I can't tell you whether Mark Vlasic or John Friesz will be in the competition next year," Henning said. "I can tell you Billy Joe Tolliver will be. He'll probably be at the head of the class. The message I told Billy is he can't make critical errors at critical situations."

Tolliver has thrown 16 touchdowns and 16 interceptions this season. His 52.7 percent completion percentage ranks 27th in the NFL, but he was 18 of 27 against the Chiefs and made the right choice on 46 of 50 plays in the game, Henning said.

Tolliver will be the No. 1 receiver Sunday. The amount of Friesz's playing time will depend on how well the Chargers are doing, Henning said.



Commenting on his first NFL start, Chargers QB John Friesz says he doesn't know the difference between the Raiders and the Patriots at this point.



Air Force's Rod Stephen, left, and Byron Love go through a quickness drill Wednesday in preparation for tonight's Liberty Bowl game against Ohio State.

Air Force shoots for respect out of Liberty Bowl contest

The Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Air Force is back in the Liberty Bowl this year and wondering when are they going to get a little respect.

The Falcons aren't pretending they're contending for the national title, but they do wish someone, especially Thursday night's opponent, Ohio State, would recognize them as deserving of a postseason bid.

"Ohio State has only one more win than we do. And four of the teams we've played

are playing in bowls," said Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry.

His Falcons (6-5) are an underdog to the Big Ten Buckeyes (7-3-1) going into the 8 p.m. EST game.

"Many teams go to bowls at 6-5. We deserve it as much as anyone, because of the way we played late in the season," DeBerry said.

Air Force wrapped up the Commander-in-Chief's trophy and the host spot in the Liberty Bowl by downing Army at West

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Florida State QB wary of Penn State's defense

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Florida State quarterback Casey Waldon heads into Friday's Blockbuster Bowl against Penn State.

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Detroit group wants to buy Tigers from present owner

Knight-Ridder News Service

DETROIT — We already know that money can't buy health or happiness. But maybe, just maybe, it can buy the Detroit Tigers.

"At least, a group of local businessmen interested in the Tigers hopes so."

Headed by former Tigers pitcher Hank Aguirre, the group intends to ask club owner Tom Monaghan to give up the team, and let new owners take it into the future.

"I can't tell you anything about this yet," Aguirre said. "At the moment, we don't even know whether Monaghan is interested in selling the team."

It's not likely that Monaghan suddenly has lost his love of the Tigers and baseball, despite criticism heaped upon him in recent weeks.

Organized and otherwise, fans have all but begged Monaghan to cancel his plan to abandon Tiger Stadium, and protested the scheduled firing of announcer Eric Harwell. This new move by Aguirre, one of the team's most popular

former stars, can only add to the continuing turmoil of the Tigers.

Months ago, Monaghan revealed he intends to sell his interest in Domino's Pizza, the source of his huge fortune. He never suggested he would sell the Tigers.

Just in case Monaghan might be tempted, however, Aguirre has called a news conference for Thursday to announce the existence and interest of his group.

Aguirre's group is the first that would rid the town of Monaghan, whose popularity among fans has waned since the Tigers won the 1984 world championship.

"I've never handled anything this big before," Aguirre said. "I'd like to keep the details quiet for a few more hours — the way Harwell did when he announced his press conference last week."

The following morning, Harwell stunned his listeners by revealing the Tigers would fire him at the end of next season.

"I can't tell you right now who else is involved with me," Aguirre said. "In fact, I probably won't be able to identify

them publicly even after the press conference."

The group's interest was fanned originally by indications that within the next five years or so, the Tigers would be moved out of Tiger Stadium into a western suburb.

Aguirre, president of Mexican Industries in Michigan, which supplies interiors and parts to the auto industry, said the makeup of his group is similar to one he was involved with in Denver.

"It was a minority group seeking a new major league baseball franchise for Denver," Aguirre said. "Our group here is something like that."

To be true, Aguirre and p-tiners might be involved in nothing more than wild and wishful dreaming in their quest for the Tigers.

There have no recent price of a major league baseball team to use as a precise gauge in today's market. But a reasonable estimate would place the value of the Tigers near \$100-million.

Such a price would put the team out of range of all but the richest men and the majority of corporations in the U.S.

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Blazers improve NBA-best record to 25-3

NEW YORK (AP) — Clyde Drexler and Kevin Duckworth combined for 20 points as the Portland Trail Blazers outscored New York 28-19 in the third quarter and defeated the Knicks 108-92 on Wednesday night.

The Trail Blazers, who have won their last nine road games against Atlantic Division opponents since March 31, 1989, extended a 4-point halftime lead to 76-61 in the final minute of the third quarter, which ended 76-63.

Drexler scored 12 of his 27 points in the third period, including eight of his 24 as Portland upped the NBA's best record to 25-3 and 10-2 on the road.

Celtics 152, Pacers 132
Drexler (AP) — Boston added another blowout to its season of lopsided victories and won its eighth straight game as Brian Shaw matched his season-high of 26 points in a 152-132 rout of the Pacers on Wednesday night.

Boston broke its previous season-high of 148 points against Denver on Dec. 5. The Celtics' 23-4 record on their best start since they had the same mark in 1984-85. They have won 21 games by at least eight points and 17 by at least 10.

SuperSonics 99, Cavaliers 97
RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — Derrick McKey took a feed from Dana Barros and swished an 18-foot baseline jumper with 2.3 seconds remaining as Seattle won its fifth straight game.

Brad Daugherty's dunk tied it for Cleveland with 12.4 seconds to go. After a Seattle timeout, Barros got the inbound pass from McKey at midcourt, drove the middle and fed McKey on the left side.

Hawks 113, Nets 111
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Kevin Willis, who had 26 points and Tom Browning, four more than Bud Black, five more than Zane Smith and eight more than Charlie Leibrandt, but nobody is saying Scott Sanderson is in that class of pitchers, which is why the Oakland Athletics — who have reluctantly retained rights to him — have given the New York Yankees 72 hours to sign him and take him off their hands.

And while the Yankees have professed pessimism at their chances of reaching a contract agreement with him, they have the chances of working out a deal were good.

Why? Because in the Yankees' and Sanderson's cases, bankers can't be choosers.

Pro basketball

the game without starting forward Chris Morris, lost forward Derrick Coleman to a sprained knee in the second quarter and center Sam Bowie to fouls in the fourth.

Pistons 102, Hornets 94
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Joe Dumars scored 19 points and William Bedford 16 as struggling Detroit handed Charlotte a franchise-tying 10th straight loss.

The Pistons, who lost nine of their previous 12 games, led throughout after breaking a 60-61 tie. Charlotte made it close near the end, trailing within six points with 6:34 remaining.

76ers 106, Bulls 105 OT
BALTIMORE (AP) — Charles Barkley scored 35 points, including four in the extra period to lead Philadelphia to its fourth straight victory.

Barkley, the league's second-leading scorer, tied the game at 100 with one minute remaining in regulation on a 19-foot jumper. Just 15 seconds earlier, Bernard King had given the Bulls the lead on an 11-foot baseline jumper.

Spurs 111, Heat 97
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Willie Anderson scored 24 points and Rod Strickland 21 as San Antonio came out an 11-minute basketball stretch in the first half.

The Spurs, winning their ninth in 10 games, took control late in the third quarter as Miami shot just 20 percent in the period.

Bucks 126, Warriors 119
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Jay Humphries and Ricky Pierce scored 23 points apiece, and Alvin Robertson had his third triple-double of the season as Milwaukee remained unbeaten at home with 14th victory.

Pierce scored 17 points in the fourth quarter, including seven straight in a 9-2 surge that gave the



Indiana's Mike Sanders, left, passes the ball away after Boston's Larry Bird blocks his path during the Celtics' 152-132 victory.

Bucks a 112-106 lead with 3:06 remaining. Robertson had 25 points, 16 rebounds and 12 assists.

Magie 109, Rockets 103
ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Nick Anderson scored a career-high 31 points, including 17 in the third period, as Orlando broke an eight-game losing streak.

Anderson made 11 of 18 shots and

grabbed eight rebounds, while Jerry Reynolds came off the bench to score 24 points and Terry Catledge 20 for the Magie.

Suns 115, Mavericks 88
PHOENIX (AP) — Tom Chambers had 24 points and 12 rebounds while Kevin Johnson added 19 points as Phoenix continued its mastery of

USC's 1990 Rose Bowl MVP will miss John Hancock Bowl

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Tailback Ricky Ervins, the most valuable player in USC's 17-10 victory over Michigan last Jan. 1 in the Rose Bowl, didn't even make the trip with the Trojans Wednesday as they flew to El Paso for Monday's John Hancock Bowl against Michigan State.

Ervins sprained his left ankle while gaining a season-high 199 yards against Ohio State three months ago at Columbus, Ohio. He returned briefly five weeks later, gaining 113 yards in two carries against Oregon State, but re-injured his ankle and missed the Trojans' last two games.

"His ankle just hasn't responded," Coach Larry Smith said. "He really couldn't do anything (in practice last week), so we met and I said, 'Do you want to go?' He said, 'Well, I can't play, so I'd rather not.'"

Smith said that Ervins, who ranks

eighth on USC's all-time rushing list, would stay in Los Angeles to rehabilitate his ankle. Ervins is scheduled to play in the Japan Bowl all-star game next month at Tokyo.

Smith said that he didn't have "the slightest idea" who would start at quarterback against Michigan State.

"We could start any one of four guys," Smith said, alluding to Todd Marinovich, Shane Foley, Pat O'Hara and Reggie Perry. "I've opened it up completely. I've even entertained the idea of playing all four — one a quarter. It's not very practical, but it's what I'd like to do."

Marinovich missed a week of practice because of an ear infection, but returned for three days of pre-practice work.

"If we weren't playing the game today, we wouldn't be the starter because he's missed so much work," Smith said.

Scores and stats

Basketball

NBA standings

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College football

College bowl games

| Time | Home | Visitor |
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| 12:00 P.M. | Alabama | Georgia |
| 1:00 P.M. | Florida | South Carolina |
| 2:00 P.M. | Arkansas | Mississippi State |
| 3:00 P.M. | Texas | Oklahoma |
| 4:00 P.M. | LSU | Auburn |
| 5:00 P.M. | Michigan | Ohio State |
| 6:00 P.M. | Illinois | Wisconsin |
| 7:00 P.M. | Nebraska | Iowa |
| 8:00 P.M. | Minnesota | North Dakota |
| 9:00 P.M. | Washington | Oregon |
| 10:00 P.M. | Arizona | Utah |
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Baseball

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Niners QB gets clearance to start

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Joe Montana has been given medical clearance to start for the San Francisco 49ers on Sunday against the Minnesota Vikings.

Montana, who aggravated a groin injury early in the week's 13-10 loss to New Orleans, returned to practice Wednesday.

"I feel we will go with same plan we had going into the last game," coach George Seifert said following Wednesday's practice.

"He'll start the game and play about a half," followed by Steve Young. Now if something came up and we didn't like what was taking place, for whatever reasons, then we could limit that. By tomorrow I might change my mind, but I think it will be right now. He's OK. — I feel good."

Montana said the injury is much

better, and he hopes to play. "I think the plan is for me to play a half," he said. "But it's hard to say. You'd like not to miss a beat as a team and stay tuned up. We're playing a good opponent, but it will be a good test for us. Then again, you look at the other side and some of the injuries that are happening late in the season to players. Plus, it's an artificial turf."

Montana hinted that his not starting on Sunday was more a precautionary measure than anything else.

"I can move, throw and do just about everything," he said. "My (medical experts) were just making sure that it was cleared before sending anything (to cause further damage). It was our decision to play a half anyway, so why take a chance?"

Mets, outfielder apparently agree on contract extension

NEW YORK (AP) — Outfielder Kevin McKeon and the New York Mets apparently have agreed to a contract extension on Monday called a news conference for today to announce it.

Mets spokesman Jay Horwitz did not say Wednesday what the news conference was about. However, McKeon and his agent, Tom Seikowitz, traveled to New York on Wednesday night and were staying in a hotel near Shea Stadium.

McKeon, 31, is to earn \$2.1 million next season in the third year of a \$5.5 million deal. He had been seeking a three-year extension worth \$10.5 million, and without an extension could have faced free agency following the 1991 season.

McKeon hit .269 last season with 24 home runs and 82 RBIs, his fourth consecutive season with 20 or more home runs. He has a .270 career hitter over seven full seasons with 167 homers and 621 RBIs.

Liberty

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Point, N.Y. on Nov. 10, its first victory on Army soil since 1982.

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The Falcons have made up for their lack of an overhead attack by putting together the nation's No. 7 rushing game, averaging 267 yards a game.

The Falcon wishbone boasts nine players who have rushed for more than 100 yards this season, but none who have topped the 600-yard mark.

Jason Jones tops Air Force with 598 yards and averaged 5.8 yards a carry. Quarterback Perez is 386 yards in three games with 545 yards for the season.

In contrast, Ohio State quarterback Greg Fry needs only 48 passing yards Thursday night to become the first Buckeye quarterback to pass for 2,000 yards in three consecutive seasons.

The Falcons are making their fifth bowl appearance in seven years under coach DeBerry and have shown they can play with more publicized teams.

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3 bowl games could figure in national championship

By Rick Warner
The Associated Press

College football will offer a 3-for-1 special on New Year's Day — three bowls with a chance to produce the No. 1 team.

The national champion could emerge from the Orange (Colorado-Notre Dame), Cotton (Miami-Texas) or Citrus (Georgia Tech-Nebraska). In fact, all of those teams except Nebraska have a shot to win it all.

Top-ranked Colorado (10-1-1) has the clearest path. Despite the lingering controversy over their fifth-down victory against Missouri, the Buffaloes can lock up their first national title by beating No. 5 Notre Dame.

However, Colorado loss would open the door for No. 2 Georgia Tech (10-0-1), No. 3 Texas (10-1), No. 4 Miami (9-2) or Notre Dame (9-2).

Tech could grab the top spot if it beats Nebraska and Colorado losses. But even then, the fight is regarded Yellow Jackets might lose out to Texas if the Longhorns come up with an impressive win over Miami.

If Colorado and Tech lose, any kind of Texas victory would probably vault the Longhorns to No. 1. But what if Colorado, Tech and Texas lose?

That would set up an intriguing battle between Miami and Notre Dame, one strikingly similar to the photo finish for last year's national title.

Last year, Miami and Notre Dame finished with one loss. But the Hurricanes edged the Irish in the final poll, mainly because they won their head-to-head meeting.

If they both win on Jan. 1, Miami and Notre Dame again will finish with the same number of losses. This time, however, the Irish would have the edge because they beat the Hurricanes during the season.

The debate promises to be lively. So do the three top games on New Year's Day.

ORANGE
Did somebody say deja vu? For the second straight year, Notre Dame plays top-ranked Colorado in the Orange Bowl. And for the second straight year, the Irish hope to spoil the Buffaloes' bid for a national championship and claim it themselves.

Last year, Notre Dame beat Colorado 21-6. This year, the Buffaloes will get even. The Irish will win if they do. Notre Dame isn't as good as last year and Colorado is better.

The Buffaloes played one of the toughest schedules in the nation and still came within two points of a perfect season. The only blemishes on their record are a 31-31 tie with Tennessee and a 23-22 loss to Illinois — two of five Colorado opponents playing in New Year's bowls.

The oddsmakers are calling it a tossup. ... COLORADO 28-20.

COTTON
Finally, a Cotton Bowl that matters.

After a decade of decline, the Cotton has a chance to produce its first national champion in 13 years.

Miami made a habit of winning national titles in the 1980s. The Hurricanes are going for their second straight championship, third in four years and fourth since 1983. They also have a chance to become the first school to finish No. 1 or No. 2 for five consecutive years.

Texas, which won a pair of national titles under Darrell Royal in the 1960s, rebounded from such a losing season to win its first Southwest Conference championship in seven years.

But the Longhorns won't be able to hook the Hurricanes.

Miami has one of the nation's most potent offenses (483 yards and 36.5 points per game) and a stellar rushing defense led by Oakland Trophy winner Russell Maryland.

Miami is favored by six points. ... MIAMI 24-14.

CITRUS
Is Georgia Tech for real? Unfortunately, this game won't provide the answer.

Although they're unbeaten, the Yellow Jackets are still searching for respect because of a mediocre schedule that included only one foe currently in the Top 25.

What they need is a big-time win over a big-time team. Nebraska, which lost its only two games against ranked opponents, doesn't fit the description.

Still, Tech can cap a remarkable season with a victory over the 19th-ranked Cornhuskers (9-2). The Yellow Jackets won their first Atlantic Coast Conference title, gained their highest ranking since 1966 and were the only major unbeaten team in the country.

Sophomore quarterback Shawn Jones directs Tech's high-octane offense, while All-American safety Ken Swilling anchors a stingy defense.

Nebraska is favored by 1 1/2 points. ... GEORGIA TECH 24-23.

OTHER NEW YEAR'S GAMES
Gator — Michigan (minus 11) vs. Mississippi ... MICHIGAN 42-21.

Hell of Fame — Clemson (minus 1-2) vs. Illinois ... CLEMSON 17-14.

Fiesta — Alabama (minus 9) vs. Louisville ... ALABAMA 24-14.

Rose — Washington (minus 9) vs. Iowa ... WASHINGTON 34-17.

Sugar — Tennessee (minus 5 1-2) vs. Virginia ... TENNESSEE 42-38.

Season record: 183-52 (straight), 102-111 (spread).

Newest Sun not bitter toward SuperSonics

SEATTLE (AP) — Xavier McDaniel says he's not bitter at being traded to the Phoenix Suns even though it may sound that way. But he does think the Seattle SuperSonics gave him away too cheaply.

And he says he probably wouldn't have accepted a trade to any team but a championship contender like the Suns.

"To be real honest, I might not have shown up if Seattle sent me to a team with no chance of going anywhere," McDaniel told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. "All I would do is score a lot and get banged up every night."

Spending Christmas Eve alone in a Phoenix hotel room, the 6-foot-8 forward said he deplored his fistfight with former teammate Dale Ellis and missed his old stomping grounds.

"I'm not bitter or mad at anyone," McDaniel said. "I'm glad now about the move and this is the place for me, but I miss my home, I miss Seattle. I love the guys on that team like brothers."

Going into Wednesday's game in Cleveland, the Sonics are 5-3 and have won four straight since McDaniel left.

The Suns have won six of eight games since the Dec. 7 deal that sent McDaniel to Phoenix for Eddie Johnson and two first-round draft choices.

The Suns' first-round pick in 1991 is certain to be late and the 1993 pick, from Philadelphia, is at Phoenix's option to keep. If '93 is a lottery choice, the Sonics instead receive the 1994 choice.

"Me, I'd want that option for myself," McDaniel said. "Guys on the Suns were laughing at the low picks, saying I was a steal. They ask why Seattle strengthens a strong team in their own conference."

"KJ (Kevin Johnson) said he's going to shake (Suns president Jerry's (Colangelo) hand for not giving up anything for me. People on the street say, 'We stole you from Seattle.'"

McDaniel also said he was chagrined about his fistfight with Ellis in front of the Sonics' offices last month.

"I have no beef with Dale and I don't blame him for the fight. I blame myself," McDaniel said. "I should have more respect for myself for getting into it knowing he was having problems."

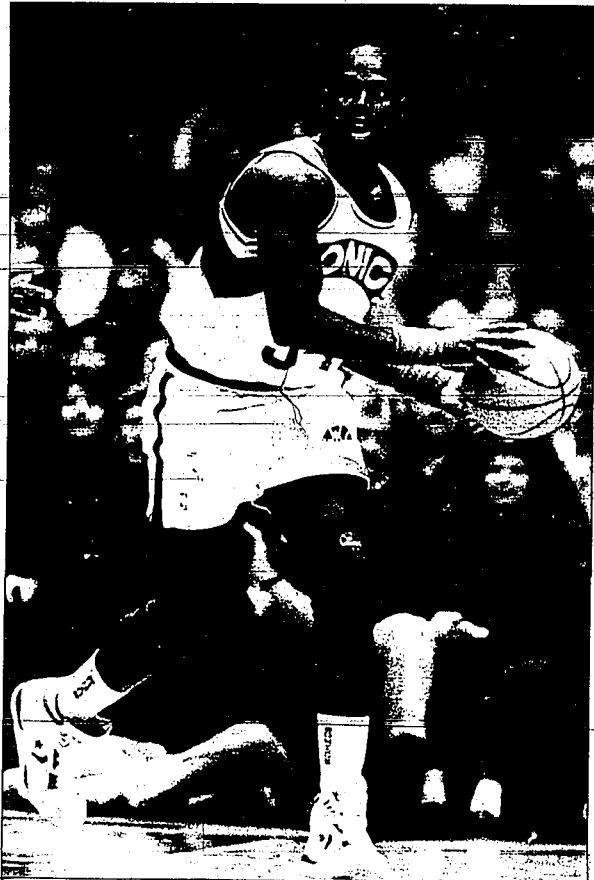
Ellis, who was already sidelined with a foot injury, was suspended for several games after the fight. McDaniel wasn't disciplined.

McDaniel said the Sonics have "written off the season" and doubts the big man Seattle needs is available, either in the NBA or the college draft.

He traces his departure from Seattle back one season to the sixth-man experiment under former coach Ben Bickerstaff.

"Bernie would get mad at me, but he couldn't figure out whether he wanted me to be a scorer one night or a rebounder the next. Bernie was the first one who wanted to get rid of me."

Like Tom Chambers before him, McDaniel said Phoenix made him feel wanted, and Seattle wanted to get rid of him. He says it's no coincidence that Phoenix is pursuing the playoffs with Seattle's former starting forward.



Former SuperSonics player Xavier McDaniel has helped the Suns win six of their last eight games.

Bears' top rusher will return for final game of season

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Bears on Wednesday said Neal Anderson will return for the regular season finale despite a cracked rib, and the club re-signed Brent Snyder as a third-string quarterback for the playoffs.

Anderson, the team's leading rusher and No. 2 pass receiver, gave the coaches the go-ahead to play him in Saturday's home game against the Kansas City Chiefs. He missed Sunday's 27-14 victory over Tampa Bay because of a cracked rib he suffered a week earlier.

"I feel fine, I'm rested. I didn't do anything last week," said Anderson, whose absence Sunday was his first since 1987. "It was the first time that I was hurt on the sidelines and that was tough being in the locker room."

Because Saturday's contest doesn't mean much to the Bears — who already know they begin the playoffs at home Jan. 5 or 6 against either Dallas or New Orleans — Anderson could have decided to rest another week and avoid the risk of injury.



Neal Anderson returns after missing his first game since 1987 because of a rib injury.

"That's what I get paid to do and I feel I'm healthy enough," Anderson said.

"I wouldn't want to just sit out this one and wait on the playoffs. I want to get myself ready and stay on top of my game," he said.

With all the recent injuries to NFL quarterbacks, the Bears felt they needed a backup in case anything happens to Mike Tomczak or Peter Tom Willis.

Jim Harbaugh, who had started the first 14 games this season, is out for a month with a separated right shoulder. Tomczak stepped in Sunday and threw for 239 yards and two touchdowns against the Buccaneers.

Snyder, a Joliet native who was a seventh-round pick from Utah State, left the Bears after his rookie season a year ago as a Plan B free agent. He joined the New York Jets, then went to the Houston Oilers. He had been working as a substitute teacher in Salt Lake City when the Bears contacted him Friday.

Coaching changes likely won't be limited to NFL have-nots

By Bill Ordine
Knight-Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA — At this time of year, successful NFL teams look forward to the playoffs and not-so-successful teams look for new head coaches.

In rare cases — maybe in Philadelphia — making the playoffs doesn't ensure stability for coaches. While Buddy Ryan says he is "99 percent" sure he'll be back next season with the Eagles, that situation is muddled for two reasons: Ryan hasn't been asked to return, and he could receive a better offer from another team.

Already this season, two head coaches, Cleveland's Bud Carson and Tampa Bay's Ray Perkins, have been replaced. The interim replacements are not expected to stay. It appears that at least one more coach, Rod Rust of 1-14 New England, will be fired. And two more, the Los Angeles Rams' John Robinson and Minnesota's Jerry Burns, are likely candidates.

Even coaches whose clubs have made the playoffs — Ryan, the New York Giants' Bill Parcells and Washington's Gene Gibbs — have been subjects of "speculation" that they might go elsewhere.

There is a look at how the head-coaching picture might change in the next month or two.

CLEVELAND — Jim Shofner, Carson's interim replacement, has questioned his abilities as a head coach — and he should, as the Browns are 1-5 under him and are routed every week.

Although Shofner won't be back as head coach, Cleveland's new head coach, Bill Parcells, has promised him an administrative job, which would create a crowded front office. Ernie Accorsi, executive vice president for football

operations, and Mike Lombardi, personnel executive, have had the major input in the draft and trades.

Modell has vacillated on his preferences concerning the new coach. Indications are that he would like a young, offensive-minded coach, but the Browns' defense needs to be re-built.

Modell wants a strong staff of assistant coaches, but a younger head coach may not have the contacts to assemble such a staff.

University of Illinois head coach John Mackovic, a Canton, Ohio, native, looked like the front-runner for Cleveland, but it appears that New England will get Mackovic. A raft of other names has been floated in Cleveland — Kansas City assistant Bill Cowher, University of Florida coach Steve Spurrier, Seahawks president Tom Flores and Eagles' offensive coordinator Rich Kotite, who was an assistant with Shofner in Cleveland from 1978-80.

The best fit, though, may be Robinson, if he becomes available.

At 55, Robinson may not be as young as Modell would like, but he has a reputation as a motivator.

Robinson's preference for a front-office attack suits Cleveland's front office, and would help protect in-jury-prone quarterback Bernie Kosar. And Robinson has more than enough contacts to assemble a strong staff.

As far as Ryan is concerned, Modell has probably had enough of defensive head coaches; that was Carson's strong suit. And Ryan would hate the committee-like direction in which the Browns seem headed.

NEW ENGLAND — The hiring of former University of Miami athletic director Sam Walsh as director of operations sealed Rust's fate. Although he is in his first year and has time left on his guaranteed contract,

Rust and his staff probably will be fired right after the playoffs and his possession debriefings in early January.

While at Miami, Jankovich always hired offensive-minded coaches who ran pro-style, pass-oriented offenses.

Mackovic, who took the Kansas City Chiefs to the playoffs in 1986 before being fired in an in-house coup, is the odds-on favorite to sign with the Patriots.

TAMPA — BAY — Richard Williamson is the interim caretaker but has no chance to stay on. If former San Francisco coach Bill Walsh wants the job, it's his, and Walsh has expressed interest. "But there's a lot of intrigue here."

There is speculation that Walsh, who works for NBC as its top game analyst — may be in danger of being moved off the No. 1 broadcast team. So some NFL observers wonder if Walsh is up for Tampa Bay to strengthen his hand with the network.

After Walsh, Buccaneers owner Hugh Culverhouse's wish list is a little hazy. Spurrier would be a box-office favorite, but he keeps straight-arming NFL overtures. Louisville coach Howard Schnellenberger won a national championship at Miami, and Culverhouse is likely to give Schnellenberger the type of total control he would want. Robinson would be another natural in Tampa.

He won't probably be a smart choice for the Bucs, but sources close to the Culverhouse family say that Ryan rubs the Tampa Bay organ-

ization the wrong way.

LOS ANGELES — Robinson's tenuous situation with the Rams is linked to his tenuous relationship with John Shaw, the executive vice president, who runs the club. Shaw, with player-personnel director John Math, has significant input in personnel matters, and Robinson has frequently complained about the material he has been handed.

The pivotal off-season move that exacerbated the Robinson-Shaw rift was the coach's insistence that Shaw get rid of running back Greg Bell and sign Curt Warner as a Plan B free agent.

Bell had had back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons, but Robinson couldn't stand him, and the best Shaw could get from the Los Angeles Raiders in a trade was a fourth-round draft pick. Then the Warner signing didn't pay off, and the veteran back was cut in mid-season.

Shaw has said that he and Robinson need to evaluate the team's direction at the end of the season. At the least, Robinson will be asked to fire some assistants. Defensive coordinator Fritz Shurmur, a close friend of Robinson's, is likely to go. Offensive coordinator Ernie Zampese, a Shaw favorite, is certain to stay, and he may get Robinson's job if he wants in.

Because the Rams' fall to 5-10 is largely due to a defensive collapse, because he is an intriguing possibility, Shaw also may evaluate the team as having an attitude problem, something Ryan could fix in a hurry. But again, Ryan would have to cope with the prospect of sharing some personnel decisions with Shaw and Math, something he doesn't have a deal with in Philadelphia. And nobody has accepted the Rams of being particularly extravagant spenders.

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Outdoors

How to stay warm out in the field

It seems like it was just yesterday that I was complaining the 60 degree temperatures left something to be desired as far as duck hunting weather was concerned.

The weather changed and the last time I left the house to go duck hunting the mercury was 20 degrees in the minus column.



David Hocklander
Hunting

High or low temperatures may not affect the quality of the hunt, but the lower temperatures do increase the risk involved in being out in the field. But that risk can be minimized by following some basic cold weather hunting guidelines.

At the top of the cold survival list comes keeping dry. In the case of the waterfowl hunter this means not taking a tumble out of the boat or falling down while wading to set out or pick up decoys. Survival time in water under cold conditions is measured in minutes.

A wet hunter can also be the result of either precipitation or perspiration. Both leave the hunter susceptible to hypothermia.

Keeping dry can be as simple as using shelter, such as a blind, or as sophisticated as purchasing modern waterproof clothing. In either case keeping dry is paramount.

Perhaps a more common occurrence for the waterfowler is that of wet feet and hands. Nothing ruins the enjoyment of a hunt faster than cold wet feet and few things are more painful than picking up decoys with frozen, wet hands.

Protecting the feet is simple by using rubber boots with felt liners which both keep the feet dry and warm. Leather boots which are treated or make use of a Gore-Tex liner also work well to keep the water on the outside.

Several choices are also available for the hands. I have recently rediscovered wool gloves. Wool may not keep your hands dry under extreme conditions but they will continue to keep them warm.

Another fine product is neoprene gloves which keep the hands dry and warm. The only problem I have with my pair is that they fit so tightly that they require.

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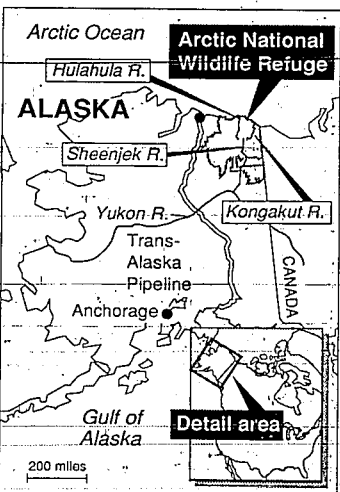


George Heim of Alaska River Adventures says some rivers in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge have lost some of their wilderness character.

Wilderness buffs may pose danger to refuge

The Associated Press
ANCHORAGE, Alaska - Wilderness buffs worried about losing the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge's coastal plain to oil drilling have been visiting it in record numbers - and may pose a threat of their own to the fragile area.
Environmentalists fear the refuge is straining resources along the refuge's major rivers.
Commercial operators worry that hundreds of rafters, hikers and photographers who come to see grizzlies, caribou and untrampled tundra each summer are running into other people, too.

Three major rivers - the Kongakut, Hulahlula and Sheenjek - has increased more than 500 percent, from 355 visitors to 1,794 in 1989. The number of visitors on private backpacking, fishing or hunting trips isn't known, Edgerton said.
Although those numbers are tiny compared to those at many national parks and refuges, they have a stronger impact in this sensitive region of tundra and short growing seasons.
"The farther north you go, the slower it takes to recover," Edgerton said.
Many of the environmental groups that oppose drilling on the coastal plain also are calling for greater recreational restrictions, such as keeping group sizes to six and the number of river trips to one a week.
"You certainly want people to be able to get out and enjoy their wilderness, but the downside is people can have a place to death," said Sharon Sturges of the environmental group Trustees for Alaska.



Some of the plans, however, would restrict access and activities not just by commercial recreationists but by hunters, trappers and others who use the Arctic refuge.
"Ed Grasser, a hunting guide who visits the refuge in the off-peak months of August and September, agreed river rafters perhaps should be restricted to ease crowding. But he said his business shouldn't be limited unless wildlife populations are shown to have suffered.
"It's public land, and as long as visitation is regulated to the point where habitat or wildlife aren't being harmed, I don't think it's right to prohibit people from visiting simply because a small group of people have an aesthetic sense that they don't want to have violated," Grasser said.
"If it's actually doing environmental damage, I sure haven't been able to locate any. That's a vast, vast area."
The 19 million-acre refuge in the northeast corner of Alaska was created by Congress in 1980, but its 1.5 million-acre coastal plain was exempted from wilderness designation.
The oil industry believes huge oil fields lie beneath the coastal plain and has asked Congress to approve drilling there.

"When we took a look at the increase of use along selected rivers, it became evident there was some reason for possible concern," said Tom Edgerton, the agency's Fairbanks-based recreation planner for the Arctic refuge.
He stressed that federal officials are trying to prevent potential problems and aren't sure if higher visitor traffic actually is damaging wilderness.
"I haven't seen any documentation that shows damage to wildlife at this point, but it's one of the things that we'll be looking at," said Edgerton.
He said he has gotten reports of caribou harassed by airplanes and of litter along the rivers.
Since 1985, commercial recreational use on the refuge's

Several other convicted poachers have agreed to appear in the agency's evidences.
"This is the only way we can make conservation enforcement effective," Hall said.
Alaska has 54.5 million acres of national park lands and just 11 patrol rangers. That comes to nearly 5 million acres per ranger.
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Briefly

Group appeals decision to permit coyote killing

The Associated Press
ST. GEORGE, Utah - The Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance has appealed a decision permitting the aerial shooting of coyotes in Dixie National Forest during the winter months.
In response, the intermountain regional forester issued a stay Thursday in order to gather sufficient information for a ruling on the appeal.

Environmentalists are delighted that the stay will at least temporarily protect coyote populations on those allotments of the Dixie where the coyote-gunning program was authorized to begin on Dec. 25, said Ken Rait, issues coordinator for SUWA.

The authorization signed by acting DNF Supervisor Robert Meinrod would permit the shooting program on the Cedar City, Powell and Teasdale ranger districts at the request of local sheep grazing permittees.

Despite the opposition, local forest officials are standing behind their decision to allow what they say is an established practice on multiple-use land.

The Forest Service lets the Animal, Plant and Health Inspection Service, a sister agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to do the coyote control work.

Rait said environmentalists believe the practice "is an illegitimate use of our public lands done for no other reason than to placate the ranching community."

But Meinrod said the purpose of the DNF project is to alleviate alleged coyote predation on domestic sheep grazing during the summer months.

"We're only talking about 11 percent of the whole forest. There's about 2 million acres on the Dixie and we're only planning on utilizing aerial shootings on 210,000 acres," he said. "We're only talking about 50 coyotes a year."

Big game poachers help deter illegal hunting

The Associated Press
ANCHORAGE, Alaska - Federal wildlife agents are using a new weapon in their battle against big game poachers - the poachers themselves.
A U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service program is turning convicted poachers into video producers. Violators tell fellow hunters and hunting guides about the impact of the illegal killing of grizzlies, wolves, caribou, Dall sheep, elk and other big game and waterfowl in Alaska and the West.

Hall visited Hayes several times in prison, and helped show him of the error of his ways. On Hall's urging, Hayes agreed to help make a 30-minute video last summer for the service's use and to cooperate with a National Geographic Society television documentary on poaching to be broadcast this spring.
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Hall has put his emphasis on guides because Alaska prohibits non-residents from

hunting big game without the services of one of the approximately 450 guide-outfitters in the state.
For the National Geographic Society project filmed during the summer, Hayes re-created his poaching technique on the Katmai National Park and Preserve by herding a grizzly to a hunting party with his airplane.
"It's a startling admission," Hayes said in the film that of the 37 grizzlies he helped hunters place in the Boone and Crockett Club's record book, every one was shot after being herded illegally to the hunter with an airplane.
The National Geographic film will be broadcast this spring as one of four segments on poaching in its "Explorer" series. Other segments will deal with poaching of waterfowl and elk and a national overview of the problem.
Because of Alaska's size and the number of trophy animals hunted, poaching in the state has become a major problem, officials said.
There are no figures for the number of animals killed illegally. But state wildlife

officials say hunters come to Alaska from around the world seeking trophy-sized sheep, grizzlies and wolves and to hunt moose and caribou, black bear, waterfowl and other game animals.
Not all poaching is for sport.
Some hunters illegally kill big game animals for selected body parts. Bear gall bladders are used in some Asian cultures for medicinal purposes, bear claws are used to make jewelry, and caribou antlers are ground up to make powdered potions said to enhance sex.

Federal and state officials, however, said they are most concerned about trophy poachers.
"The guides are under great pressure to produce trophy animals - and have a huge financial stake in hunters' success. Guides get paid on a per-animal basis, and can receive \$7,000 or more for a Dall sheep and between \$8,000 and \$10,000 for a grizzly, according to Jim Hannah, a National Park Service district ranger in the 13-million-acre Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve.

Officials plan to capture endangered panthers for breeding

By Neil Santanello
Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel
FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. - Federal wildlife officials announced Monday they were forging ahead this winter with plans to capture up to 50 Florida panthers over a six-year period and breed them in zoos to

save the endangered cats from extinction.
Animal rights activists attacked the decision as premature. They criticized U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director James Pulliam for rushing into the captive breeding program without requiring in-depth environmental impact statement.
The activists said they were prepared to

take legal action to halt the program, which would selectively raise enough panthers, a tawny species of mountain lion, to create a large captive population. Offspring then would gradually be returned to the wild to bolster panther populations there.
"We see (the decision) as reckless, as a matter of fact," said Wayne Paetzel, national director of the Fund for Animals in Washington, D.C.
"I think there is every likelihood we are going to take this to court."
Earth First! activists, too, have threatened the wildlife service with a lawsuit if it goes ahead and issues permits for captive
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Groups hope to eliminate intentional grizzly shootings by pushing for a change in the law to force proof of self-defense.

Hunters who shoot grizzly bears might have to prove self-defense

The Associated Press

Hunters who shoot grizzly bears might have to prove it was a matter of life or death under a recommendation being considered by the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee.

Currently, hunters who say they killed grizzlies in self-defense are not penalized for shooting the animal, which normally are protected by the Endangered Species Act. But the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee is being asked to push for a change in the law so hunters would be forced to prove the killing was in self-defense.

Marshall Gingery, assistant superintendent at Grand Teton National Park, is on a committee investigating the killings this fall of four grizzlies. Three of the shootings were claimed to have been

made in self-defense.

"Today in self-defense you can kill a bear or stop it," Gingery said. "What we're thinking is people are taking advantage of that."

"There are some possibilities they were out gunning for the bear - more so than they were stumbling on the bear," he said. "Some cases it could have been intentional."

In one incident last fall a hunter allegedly looking for elk in thick timber shot a grizzly. The hunter was toting both a high-powered elk rifle as well as a shotgun that he used on the bear.

Neither he nor individuals involved in the other two shootings have been charged. The fourth bear was presumed shot because its radio collar was found on Togwotee Pass.

In an effort to learn what happened to the

fourth bear, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is offering a reward of up to \$15,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for the bear's death.

The collar was found in September by a Wyoming Game and Fish biologist who was tracking bears from a helicopter.

According to Gingery, today it is hard to charge a person who claims self-defense when shooting a bear.

"At the present time the Fish and Wildlife Service has to accept the individual's word," he said. "We think the individual should have to prove that (self-defense) point."

Gingery said his group will send a full report on the recommendation to the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee by April.

Representative joins criticism of wolf committee

GREAT FALLS (AP) - Rep. Ron Marlenee says a committee established to study wolf reintroduction in Yellowstone National Park is stacked.

Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan this week appointed a 10-member committee to study wolf re-introduction and come up with a management plan by May 15.

The committee has been stacked with a pre-determined bias to reintroduce the wolf, Marlenee, R-Mont., told the Great Falls Tribune in a telephone interview. "The secretary himself has been sold down the river. The environmental activists have eaten his lunch."

Committee members include the directors of the Montana, Idaho and Wyoming fish and game departments; the regional directors of the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service; James Magagna of Rock Springs, Wyo., vice president of the American Sheep Industry Association; Ron Somerville, head of the Washington, D.C., office of the Wildlife Legislative Fund of America; Hank Fischer of Missoula, representing the Defenders of Wildlife; and Thomas DeGherly, regional director of the National Wildlife Federation in Boulder, Colo.

"Do you see anything on their front the outfitters and guides, one of the biggest tourism industries in Montana?" asked Marlenee.

"Hell, no. This introduction of the wolf will cost us economically in the state of Montana in the hunting and

Conservationists hunting for wolf pack activity

BOISE (AP) - Idaho conservationists are offering a different kind of bounty for wolves than the one that decimated the species in the West.

Several groups are offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the documentation of Rocky Mountain wolf "pack activity" in central Idaho, officials announced Thursday.

Suzanne Morris, executive director of the Wolf Recovery Foundation, which advocates the reintroduction of wolves in central Idaho, has developed the fund in partnership with the Idaho Conservation League and Sierra Club.

"We're trying to do something constructive," she said. "Research indicates that Idaho has wolves, but there's no documented evidence."

Some 600 individual wolf sightings have been reported to federal authorities over the last decade, and some 200 of them were probable, Ms. Morris said.

"We get really great reports all the time. The evidence is coming in from everywhere. But unfortunately the reports often come in two or three weeks late."

She said people who see wolves or pack activity - several wolves together or a wolf den - should report the information immediately.

A special hotline has been established for recording wolf sightings. The number is 1-800-635-7820.

"The Boise, Paivette, Clearwater, Nez Perce and Bitterroot national forests in Idaho all have special teams responsible for tracking or howling for wolves, Morris said.

tourism industry ... thousands of dollars, hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Marlenee compared the wolf to a cockroach, saying it would creep outside Yellowstone and devour wildlife.

Both the National Park Service and the Fish and Wildlife Service

say wolf reintroduction would not affect hunting for the northern Yellowstone elk herd. But local outfitters disagree.

"The economy left to the state and the local community will be phenomenal," said John Cargill of the Montana Outfitters and Guides Association.

He said someone from Washington, D.C., cannot represent Montana hunters.

"We need local people, representation from the local area," said Cargill.

The Montana Farm Bureau Federation has asked Gov. Stan Stephens to forbid the Montana wildlife director to sit on the committee, contending the panel is stacked.

Press secretary Victor Bjornberg said Stephens has not decided how to respond to the Farm Bureau request, but is concerned the committee will not recognize the state's rights or the impacts wolves would have outside the park's boundaries.

On Wednesday, the Interior Department - which selected the wolf panel according to guidelines set by Congress - defended its selections.

The department said it selected the two representatives suggested by environmental groups. It also said it selected two members who were recommended by seven Western Republican congressmen.

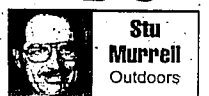
"Basically, we think each interest group has their best and their brightest," Interior Department spokesman Steve Goldstein said.

But a spokesman for Idaho Sen. Steven Symms said Interior shuffled committee members around. One member, whom the congressman considered a representative of conservation groups, will now represent hunters and ranchers.

"There is no representative of any legitimate hunting group on that committee," the spokesman said.

Fish plan includes number of changes

JEROME - The Fish and Game Commission approved the 1991-95 fish plan at its December meeting.



Stu Murrell, Idaho's Fish and Game Commissioner.

This involves a number of proposed changes in management of Idaho fishing waters.

The commission will be accepting comments on the proposals until their October, 1991, meeting at which time they will set fishing season dates for 1992-93.

Prior to acting on the proposals, there were 600 draft plans sent to agencies, all organized sportsman groups and individual anglers for comment.

Twenty-four public meetings or open houses were held to obtain comments.

The five-year plan calls for five management categories. The first is "put and take" with regular stocking and the general six-trout limit on streams, small lakes and ponds.

The "general" alternative would be used for streams, lakes and reservoirs with a six-trout limit.

Many of these areas will receive fingerling plants and be open year round.

The third designation would be "wild trout" on streams which sustain wild trout populations with a two-trout limit. No gear restrictions would be imposed on wild trout waters.

A fourth category would be quality waters which would include trout or bass waters with a two-fish limit. Size restrictions such as 14-inch minimum or 12-16 inch slot may be imposed to maintain fish size and catch rates.

The fifth category would be a trophy classification on waters suitable for raising large trout or bass. Trophy waters would include two fish with a 20-inch minimum or catch and release where necessary to achieve trophy-sized fish.

Chip Corsi, regional fishery managers, lists some of the waters being considered for these categories.

For example, Magic, Fish Creek, Mormon, Roseworth and Little Wood reservoirs would fall into the general category with no change in regulations.

Salmon Falls Reservoir (Belle Rapids) is a possible area that may have trophy trout fishery since growth rates are excellent in those waters.

An angler questionnaire is currently being developed to obtain more public input on management of this very popular fishing area and whether development of a trophy fishery is desirable.

The Big Wood River upstream from the mouth of North Fork, Warm Springs and Trail creeks and portions of the Boise River

South Fork drainage where returns to the creel could be expected to equal or exceed 40 percent of the catchable trout planted, would fall into the put and take alternative. These would continue to be a general season with a six-trout limit.

Some streams included for consideration as "wild" trout areas include the Bruneau River and Jarbridge drainage, Malad River, those parts of Silver Creek not now under special regulations, Lime Creek, Portions of Little Wood River, Goose Creek and Shoshone creek in the South Hills and some tributaries to the Big Wood and Boise South Fork.

These would all be a two-trout limit under the commission. Biologists will be studying many streams this summer to decide the best alternative for their management.

The 10-brook trout limit would still apply in these wild trout waters and no gear restrictions would be imposed.

We already have a number of waters classed as quality management. These include portions of Silver Creek, Billingsley Creek and the South Fork of the Boise River, below Anderson Ranch Dam. These would probably not be changed with the new regulations.

The intent of these changes is to direct people to waters which have the type of fishing they prefer.

For example, color coding would be used on the regulations to indicate species or river sections regularly planted with catchable trout. This should increase the returns to the creel of hatchery fish.

The two primary reasons for improving the hatchery program are increasing the returns to the creel and the costs of raising hatchery trout and limited rearing space.

For example, in a water where only 20 percent of the fish stocked are caught, it basically equals the cost of the fish to provide one limit of fish to the angler.

Sportsmen wishing to comment on these proposals may send their letters to the department regional office, Box 428, Jerome, 83338, or directly to the Fish and Game Commission, 600 South Walnut, Box 25, Boise, 83707.

Stu Murrell is Region 4 conservation educator for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Panthers

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breeding, which can occur 30 days after the agency posts notice in the Federal Register of its intent to capture panthers. That notice is to be published on Wednesday.

Only 30 to 50 panthers - perhaps the most endangered mammal in the nation - are thought to remain in the wild. The range contracted over the years to isolated mixed-swamp forests, hardwood hammocks and woodlands in southwest Florida.

To avoid jeopardizing the struggling wild population, biologists would mainly take from the wild panther kittens and older animals that are not reproducing.

The Fund for Animals charges that wildlife officials are skirting their responsibility under federal endangered species laws to fully explore any potential negative impacts of captive breeding.

However, Pulliam has determined that captive breeding would not hurt

the existing wild population of panthers. That decision followed a review of what federal wildlife officials called an "unusually extensive," 67-page environmental assessment of the breeding plan - a document less probing than an environmental impact statement.

The same conclusion is espoused by the Panther Interagency Committee, a group of federal and state biologists Pulliam oversees that advanced the so-called Species Survival Plan. The group views captive breeding as the only alternative to extinction of the species within 25 to 40 years.

The plan calls for the capture of up to six panther kittens and four adults the first year, and up to six kittens and two adults in subsequent years. Captures could commence within a couple of months, officials said.

Hocklander

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stright blood flow to the hand resulting in cold fingers.

My favorite for cold and wet conditions are my Gore-Tex gloves. On the above mentioned morning they were used to pick up, and store wet decoys in minus 20 degree weather. The gloves were still firm from frozen ice on the outside of the gloves but my fingers were warm and dry.

Obviously staying dry is not the only important consideration in cold weather tactics. The effects of wind deserve serious consideration. Most sportsmen are aware that a 15 mph wind can turn an actual temperature of 0 degrees into a wind chill equivalent of minus 36 degrees.

Fortunately many of the same products which are waterproof are by their very nature windproof. Again shelter that affords a wind-break can be very important to safe cold weather hunting. In the case of my bone chilling duck hunt we were helping from a beat with an en-

closed canopy.

Providing adequate warmth comes next. An old product, down, and a new product, Thinsulate, are both very effective. The down is the best insulator but does have considerable bulk.

Thinsulate can not match down for warmth but does an acceptable job with less bulk and expense.

Another approach is to simply layer clothing until the desired amount of protection is obtained. This final combination of layers may or may not allow the wearer sufficient movement to raise the shotgun to a shooting position, but at least record should not be a problem.

And do not forget the head. Most of the body heat lost escapes through the top of your head. Insulated dry head gear can go a long way toward retaining body warmth.

And last, plan for the impossible. How will you get dry if you do fall in? How will you keep warm until

help arrives if your vehicle breaks down? What will you do if the temperature drops or the wind comes up?

Cold weather hunting can be fun, productive and safe but it must include preparing for the expected and the unexpected risks of being out in the cold.

David Hocklander is a teacher at Gooding High School.

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Features

Charade combines legroom, economy

By Ann M. Job
For The Associated Press

The Daihatsu Charade is a practical car that has special appeal for budget-minded households, environmentalists, quality-conscious consumers and anyone who frets over the safety of small cars.

Built by the 83-year-old Japanese manufacturer Daihatsu Motor Co., the Charade is a relative newcomer to the United States. It arrived in the 1988 model year and sales thus far have totaled only about 36,500.

The little car has gained attention in a short time, however.

The Charade is among the most fuel-efficient cars sold in the United States, which admirers say makes it both economical and cleaner than many competitors. The consumer group Public Citizen named it one of the top environmentally sensitive vehicles in the country on the basis of fuel economy.

Of October, the automotive marketing research firm J.D. Power and Associates reported that the Charade received more owner recommendations per vehicle than any other nameplate except Acura in Power's 1990 customer satisfaction survey.

And last year the Charade ranked top in its class in crashworthiness tests by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The car protects its owners' wallets pretty well, too. The base price of \$6,597 is less than half that of the average car, and fuel economy in mixed city-highway driving is over 40 miles per gallon.

The thriftness is squeezed out of a three-cylinder, 1-liter engine that develops only 53 horsepower. Pickup suffers with an engine that small, and Daihatsu should consider a tachometer to help drivers make their way through the five-speed manual transmission.

The 1990 hatchback offered for testing got good marks for maneuverability, however, thanks to its small size — 144.9 inches long — and rack and pinion steering.

The exterior was simple: a 3-door hatchback design similar to the Ford Fiesta and Dodge Colt. There wasn't even molding on the sides of the Charade body. But fit and finish were admirable.

The interior was Spartan and fairly loud for an engine that small, though without rattles. There were no side map pockets



Daihatsu's Charade makes top marks in the areas of fuel efficiency and crashworthiness.

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Cut tax bill before the year's end

The new tax law (OBRA) makes several significant changes. Yet, it's still true that big tax savings come from techniques that have been around for years.

Look at how the new law and the current law affect the big dependency de-



Sylvia Porter
Finances

ductions, for example. This will be worth your time, no matter what your tax bracket, says tax attorney Eli J. Warach, editor of Maxwell Macmillan's 1991 Federal Tax Handbook.

Keep in mind that when someone is eligible to be claimed as your dependent, that person cannot claim a dependency deduction for himself or herself. This has not been changed by the new 1990 law. Start with the ground rules.

In order to claim someone as a dependent, generally that person's gross income must be less than the exemption amount, \$2,050 in 1990. We don't yet have the 1991 figure.

* You must supply more than half that person's support.

* The dependent generally must be a relative or a member of the taxpayer's household.

There are exceptions. For example, a multiple support arrangement. Under certain circumstances, no one member of a family has to supply more than 50 percent of the support in order to nail down a dependency deduction.

Or, students: A child or stepchild who is a student under 24 years old actually can earn more than the \$2,050 normal cut-off point and still qualify as your dependent. You still must supply over half of the child's support.

Here are more ways to nail down a year-end dependency:

* You provide support to a relative — it could be a niece, grandchild, your married child or a parent. The general rule is that you can claim a dependency deduction for a relative only if you provide more than half of his or her support. And, of course, unless it's your child (under 19 or an under 24 student), the dependent cannot have gross income in excess of \$2,050 in 1990. If you are near this figure, support marks you may figure it is worth your while to add a few dollars more to what you have already provided this year.

Yet, it may not be necessary. Take a few minutes now to jot down support you contribute. While a lot of this may be getting paid to someone other than the person you want to claim as a dependent, it may be spent on that dependent's support. There's a good chance these overlooked items will push you over the halfway mark. You may get a dependency deduction without laying out one extra penny. These often are expenses you were going to incur anyway.

To help out, there's an checklist of some items that may count as support: home insurance; personal property insurance; the cost of a maid or housekeeper; telephone; utility bills; child's allowance; automobiles; babysitter payments; charitable contributions; music and dance lessons; television sets; the cost of boarding school; child care payments; school supplies; medical insurance; student loan payments; lump-sum payments to a rest home; mortgage and property taxes; toys and bicycle repairs; the cost of entertainment; vacations; summer camp; swimming pool fees; book clubs; wedding apparel and accessories; haircuts and permanents; vitamins; laundry and dry cleaning fees; long-distance trips to care for a relative; medical and dental.

The other side of the coin: You help your mother pay some of her monthly bills. You thought you would come nowhere near the half-support mark for the year, but after reading this checklist and taking time to figure things out, you find you'll be just a little short at the end of the year. By adding a few extra dollars between now and then — to get you over the halfway point — you can get an extra dependency deduction.

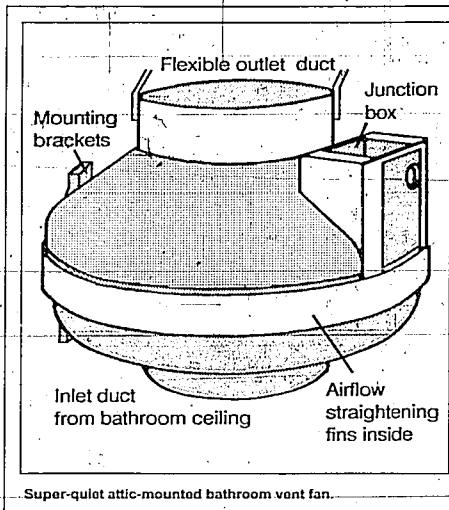
If your adjusted gross income (AGI) is under \$150,000 (for joint returns), you don't have to worry about the phase-out of deductions for personal exemptions, effective for taxable years beginning after 1990. Generally, AGI is gross income less any adjustments. Under the current law (passed in 1986), the loss of any personal exemptions is secured to taxable income. Under the new law, the test will be AGI.

Sylvia Porter writes on matters of interest to consumers. Her columns appear in the consumer/finance and business sections of The Times-News.

Facts and figures on the Charade

BASE PRICE: \$6,597
AS TESTED: \$7,601
TYPE: Front-engine, front-drive, four-passenger, subcompact hatchback.
ENGINE: 1-liter, multipoint, electronic fuel-injected three cylinder.
MILEAGE: 38 mpg (city), 42 mpg (highway).
LENGTH: 144.9 inches.
WHEELBASE: 92.1 inches.
CURB WT.: 1,820 lbs.
BUILT AT: Kyoto, Japan.
OPTIONS: Air conditioning \$745. DESTINATION CHARGE: \$259.

Venting your bathroom can be quiet, efficient



Q. My bathroom vent fan sounds like a Boeing "747" preparing for takeoff. Although it isn't as efficient as a vent fan, I open the window instead. Are there any quieter and efficient methods to vent my bathroom? G.J.



James Dulle
Cut your utility bill

A. It is very important to ventilate your bathroom, especially when showering or bathing. In an efficient airtight house, excessive moisture quickly builds up without adequate ventilation. This can deteriorate your house and cause mold growth and allergies. Opening a window wastes a lot of heat or cooled room air and you often forget to close it again.

There are several new super-quiet designs of bathroom vent fans available. One design uses a powerful axial fan that mounts in your attic. It draws air through a typical small vent grille mounted in the bathroom ceiling. The other design uses a standard ceiling-mounted vent fan with a specially designed super-quiet fan and motor.

The sound level of vent fans is rated in units called "sones." One sone of sound is about as loud as a new very quiet refrigerator. For comparison, a sound level rating of six sones is twice as loud as three sones. The actual energy efficiency of the fan motor is similar for most models.

An attic-mounted axial fan is most quiet. Its sound rating is about 2.5 sones at the fan itself in the attic. However, in your bathroom, you just hear the squish of moving air. You can also use two ceiling air inlets, one over the shower and one over the sink, both connected to the same fan.

It is easy to install the axial vent fan in your attic. A six-inch diameter fan is most common with an air-flow rating of 270 cubic feet per minute (cfm). You just attach it with its mounting bracket anywhere in the attic. Then run six-inch diameter flexible duct down to the ceiling air inlet grille. Run outlet duct from the top end of the fan.

New standard ceiling-mounted super-quiet bathroom vent fans are specially designed and constructed. These quiet fans (as low as 1.5 sones) Please see DULLE/707

Careful steps needed in shopping for life insurance

By Albert B. Crenshaw
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The questions surrounding life insurance seem endless. Do you need it at all? If so, how much? And, when kind of policy?

Then even if you wade through all of those, you're not necessarily done. If you do need life insurance and have figured out how much and what kind, you still face the question of which company to buy from.

That question once turned primarily on price. The prospect that the company might go under and take your money with it was a minor consideration. Life insurance company failures were relatively rare and generally confined to small, less well-known companies.

Company failures are still relatively rare, but in the current environment of economic uncertainty, the possibility can no longer be overlooked. This is especially true if you are planning to buy a policy — or an annuity — where you pay a big upfront premium and get the benefits many years down the road.

So today you need to look not only for the best deal for your dollar but also for the company that is most likely to hold up its end of the bargain.

In addition, products and services are changing rapidly. New types of insurance are coming on the market, many of them quite appealing but also untried and with uncertain benefits.

The situation in the industry is like an egg cracking open. There are a whole lot of new developments going on that will benefit consumers in the future, but right

now are still embryonic. It is a situation that is not ideal for consumers," said Mary Malgouire, a fee-only financial planner in Bethesda.

When can you rely on for help? "Basically, it's you," said J. Robert Hunter of the National Insurance Consumer Organization (NICO) in Alexandria, Va.

Although insurance is regulated in every state, only a few state insurance departments do much to help consumers, Hunter noted.

A report issued recently by the Consumer-Insurance-Interest Group (CIIG), a coalition of industry- and consumer groups (including NICO), found no state insurance office that could be considered a model. Those in Delaware, Florida, Kansas, New York and Texas do the best job, but even they have weaknesses, the study found.

Hunter recalled a trip to Ohio not long ago, during which he called the state's regulators for price and solvency information. All they could tell him, he said, was that "if I could tell them the name of the company, they could tell me whether it was licensed" to do business in Ohio. Nothing else.

You can turn to private experts for help. These include insurance salespeople, financial planners and others who make it their business to know the ins and outs of the industry.

Independent insurance agents note that they represent a number of companies and thus are well-positioned to look over the insurance departments do much to help consumers, Hunter noted.

That is true, and there is an agent you know and trust, that he or she can be very helpful. Remember, however, that

insurance agents get commissions on what they sell. Hunter warned, "Don't go to an agent and say, 'Take me, I'm yours.'"

Some financial planners also get commissions, so if you go to a planner, make sure you understand how he or she is compensated.

For data on the safety and soundness of individual companies, there are a number of rating services that publish regular evaluations. Among these are A.M. Best Co. of Oldwick, N.J., Standard & Poor's Insurance-Rating Services and Moody's Investor Services Inc., both in New York, and Duff & Phelps Inc. of Chicago. Their rating lists are often available in public libraries and insurance offices, and most insurers will tell you what they are rated if you ask them.

One bright spot is the amount of literature now coming out the market about insurance. Books, pamphlets and guides are packing the bookstore and library shelves, many of them containing much useful information.

A readable general guide to all types of insurance is Ralph Nader and Wesley Smith's "Winning the Insurance Game." It's available in bookstores; but because it lists \$24.95 you might try the library first.

Consumers Union, publisher of Consumer Reports magazine, has "Life Insurance: How to Buy the Right Policy From the Right Company at the Right Price." It's also in bookstores, or you can order it from CU for \$11.95 at 1-800-325-5525.

NICO publishes "How to Save Money on Life Insurance." It costs \$11.95 and can be ordered from NICO at 121 North Payne St., Alexandria, Va. 22314.

Allstate Insurance gives discount to cars with airbags

By Jim Matzja
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Curly was the stooge, but Moe was the real dummy.

Curly powered his 1990 Plymouth Acclaim head-on into Moe's 1989 Dodge Spirit at 32 miles per hour.

Curly wore a seat belt and had an air-bag safety restraint system in the steering column of his car that deployed upon impact, keeping him away from the windshield.

Moe wore no belt and had no protective bag. Upon impact, his head cracked the windshield after his chest hit the steering column.

"Curly suffered some bruises, but Moe has rib and chest injuries, not to mention a head injury from the windshield," said Don Cameron, president of Tech-Cor Inc., in summarizing the aftermath of the collision.

Curly and Moe are dummies "employed" by Tech-Cor, Allstate Insurance Co.'s crash-repair research facility in Wheeling, Ill. For the last few years, the firm has been staging a crash in conjunction with the release of Allstate's updated insurance premium discounts on air bags.

The new-car insurance costs are adjusted based on the damage, theft and repairability records from claims on those vehicles.

"Each car suffered about \$4,500 in damage, and Curly's car will have to

have about \$475 worth of work to replace the air bag and hardware," Cameron added.

When a cynic asked whether Moe could take comfort in the fact he wouldn't have \$475 in air-bag replacement costs, Cameron responded: "But he went to the hospital, and you aren't going to get out of the emergency room today for less than \$500."

Though lauding automakers for offering air bags in selected cars, Cameron said he still isn't satisfied that the industry is doing all it can to promote optimum safety.

"I'm not happy because the industry should offer air bags in all of its cars today, and there's no reason the consumer shouldn't have the benefit of the air bag's protection," he said. "In addition to air bags, the sooner affordable anti-lock brake systems come, the better it will be."

Mike LaMonica, assistant vice president of pricing for Allstate, advised consumers to use premium rating updates compiled by most major insurers when they go to buy a new car. They could save money on certain models.

"Most of us look at the sticker price and make a buying decision without realizing the effect of insurance costs. Yet you could save hundreds if not thousands, based on the damageability and repairability of one model versus another, even if both have the same sticker price," he said.

Braking system business still strong

By James Brunstein
Knight-Ridder News Service

DETROIT — The auto market has seen better days: factories are closing for extended holidays, suppliers are pulling in their belts, and consumer fear recession.

But one supplier business appears to remain nearly immune to recession: applying anti-lock braking systems.

Kelsey-Hayes Co., based in suburban Romulus, Wednesday celebrated production of its 10 millionth ABS system since 1986. The company produces 3 million to 4 million systems a year, mostly two-wheel rear ABS systems for light trucks, at its factories in Fenton and Brighton, Mich.

"These types of systems you just don't cut back on," said Kelsey-

Hayes Co. President John Uley.

"With the emphasis on safety that seems to be growing in the U.S. market place, we would expect to see ABS growing regardless of what the economy does."

Anti-lock braking systems have gained widespread acceptance because they prevent the driver from locking up the car's wheels in panic braking, sending the car out of control. By electronically pulsing the brakes when a sensor detects imminent wheel lockup, the system allows the driver to retain steering control while the car slows and stops.

Rear-wheel ABS has been standard on most pickup trucks for the last few years. The reason: empty pickup truck beds are light. ABS on the rear wheels prevents fish-tailing in case of panic braking.

The popularity of ABS means that even though General Motors, Ford, Chrysler and their myriad competitors will probably sell fewer cars during 1991, the number of vehicles with standard or optional ABS will continue to grow, suppliers and analysts say.

"The downturn is temporary and won't have much effect on ABS," said Cynthia Cerro, an industry analyst with Intergrated Automotive Resources in Wayne, Pa. "The automakers are going to continue reducing their cost for ABS so eventually they'll be able to offer the feature on even small, inexpensive cars."

Cerro said it also appears possible that the government may require automakers to put ABS on all vehicles by the end of the decade.

nationwide by the end of January.

In an industry study released Thursday, the Insurance Research Council of Oak Brook, Ill., said injury claims from auto accidents are rising in some states though the number of highway accidents has dropped.

"We're seeing a major increase in injury claims in California, Arizona, Louisiana and South Carolina, and much higher injury claim frequencies in a few major cities such as Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Chicago," said Donald Segraves, executive director of the council.

"What we see are more people with attorneys and more people reporting neck and back sprains, so many more for these cases now account for nearly half of all the auto insurance dollars paid for highway injuries," Segraves said. Does that mean there's a rash of phony injury claims?

"Let's just say that the number of injury claims has risen in the last four to five years, ever since lawyers were allowed to advertise for customers. And in California, when consumers were asked what types of services their lawyers provide, 25 percent reported that their lawyer told them what clinic to go to after an accident."

"You're entitled to draw the conclusion that many of the injury claims are not very legitimate," he said.

Diamond presents new 1st-strike capability

Diamond Brands, the Minnesota-based company that has been making matches since 1881, recently introduced SuperMatch fire starters, a handy way to start a fireplace fire or barbecue without even using kerosene or liquid fuel starter.

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SuperMatch is made of compressed sawdust and wax, as are some other fire starters on the market. But Diamond has taken it one step further — each stick has its own match head on one end so you can light it on the striker surface of the matchbox like an ordinary safety match.

Each stick is 4½ inches long, 1½ inches wide and ½-inch thick and will burn about 12 minutes, long enough to get a log fire or charcoal started. There are seven to a box and the suggested retail price is \$1.59.

SuperMatches are available nationwide in supermarkets, mass merchandisers, hardware stores and discount outlets and drugstores. For more information, contact Diamond Brands-Western Regional Sales Office, 1820 Orangewood Ave., Suite 101, Orange, Calif. 92668; (714) 385-1530 or Diamond Brands headquarters, in Minneapolis, (612) 541-1500.



Each SuperMatch sports an individual matchhead to speed fire-building efforts.

and an eye symbol. Larger type Random House books currently in nationwide bookstores are: "Rabbit at Rest" by John Updike; "Trump: Surviving at the Top" by Donald Trump with Charles Leathers; "Murder at the National Cathedral" by Margaret Truman; "The Bourne Ultimatum" by Robert Ludlum; "If I Ever Get Back to Georgia, I'm Gonna Nail My Feet to the Ground," by Lewis Grizzard; and "Dazzle" by Judith Krantz.

"Tucker's Last Stand," by William F. Buckley Jr., and "The Secret Pilgrim," by John Le Carré will be released at the end of the year.

In addition, Random House is advertising the large-print books with the regular editions, so check your local bookstores for the volume of your choice. For additional information, contact Random House Inc., 201 E. 40th St., New York, N.Y. 10022; (800) 733-3000.

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(800) 343-2806; Thorndike Press (800) 257-5755 and Walker & Co. (800) 289-2553.

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Cash continues to flow into money markets

By Jerry Morgan
Newsday

In the past two weeks, another \$6.67 billion has moved into money market mutual funds, especially into funds that invest in government securities. Since the first of the year, money market funds have had average inflows of more than \$1 billion a week.

Where is it coming from? Most has come from individuals, some of whom are cashing in profits or taking their losses from the stock market.

But in recent weeks about half has come from institutions. The pros are just beginning to catch up to individuals who have been buying the highest rates recently coming down and want the yields they can get from money market mutual funds.

One would think that the opposite would be occurring, that investors, seeing rates decline, would try to lock in as high a rate as possible by buying a long-term CD instead of investing in a money market mutual fund. But that doesn't seem to be the case.

A lot of the new cash pouring into money market funds seems to be coming from investors who normally put their money into equity funds, or deposit, said Martha Witkowski, editor of the IBC-Dollough Money Fund Report in Holliston, Mass.

The reason, according to some experts, is investor fear about the economy. According to this theory, "in times of uncertainty, people like to have their money in the bank."

They don't want to wait until a CD matures to get cash.

"The money isn't coming in from stock funds," said Frank Rachwalski, manager of Kemper's \$7 billion

money market fund and its smaller government securities money market fund. "It is new money" for the fund families.

Much of the money was going into funds that invest in federal government securities, continuing a trend that began earlier this year. Those funds have seen assets increase by almost 80 percent this year, said money fund expert William Donoghue, whose Seattle company tracks fund performance.

Why uninsured money market funds? Because despite a couple of scares in the past two years when some companies defaulted on commercial paper held by a few money market funds, no one has yet suffered a loss in such uninsured funds.

In each case, sponsors of the funds that held the defaulted commercial paper made up the loss to shareholders. Sponsor bias is considered to be crucial to the \$20 billion industry, which has sold itself to consumers as a virtually risk-free investment. It doesn't mean that an uninsured default will not happen in the future, though the Securities and Exchange Commission is considering changing the amount of risky commercial paper in which the funds can invest.

"That minuscule — but still, real — risk in money market funds is why federally insured bank money market accounts still have, more than \$500 billion in deposits, despite paying as little as 3 percent less interest annually."

"That \$500 billion wouldn't be there if the people who put it there were alive today," Donoghue said, referring to the merger that often plays a

bigger role in investment decisions than reasoned judgment.

Norman Fosback, editor of a newsletter called Income and Safety, said that, on average, the \$500 billion in bank money market accounts earns investors 1.2 percent a year — or \$6 billion — than money market mutual funds.

What do investors get for that \$6 billion?

"Psychologically, people have a greater comfort level walking past a building and thinking their money is residing in the vault," Fosback said.

Despite the best efforts of capitalism to teach us differently, not everyone tries to maximize the return on their money. There is a huge amount of money out there that proves people will pay a high price for what they consider an extra layer of safety.

Dulley

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usually have slower motors and are better-balanced than standard vent fans. To further reduce the noise level, the motors are mounted in rubber bushings and "bracket" attached to mount the motor out of the airstream.

Don't get a vent fan with too little air flow capacity for your bathroom. The fan should be able to quickly ventilate the bathroom. This minimizes moisture migration through your house and reduces overall energy consumption. Keep the door closed until the bathroom is clear. You may have to saw a half inch off the door bottom to allow for enough air intake.

You can write to me for UTILITY BILLS UPDATE No. 360 showing manufacturers, model numbers, sound levels, and air flow capacities (cfm) for attic-mounted and ceiling-mounted "super-quiet" ballast unit fans, and recommending air flow capacity for various bathroom sizes. Please include \$1.00 and a self-addressed STAMPED BUSINESS-SIZE envelope to James Dulley, The

Times-News, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244.

Q. We have been washing our clothes in cold water to save energy, but they just don't get as clean as in hot water. Do you have any hints to help us get better results with cold water washing? T.T.

A. Many detergents don't dissolve well in cold water. First dissolve the detergent in a small quantity of hot water to make a paste. You can also use some of this paste to pretreat body-soiled spots.

Often, you'll have to use a little more detergent with cold water. If you can control the cycle on your washer, let it agitate a little longer. As a last resort, use a hot water wash every other time. At least you'll save half of the energy to heat the water.

"Your Utility Bill" appears in "The Times-News" every Thursday. Please address inquiries to James Dulley, The Times-News, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

No middleman needed to speed up payments

By Ellen L. James
The Baltimore Sun

A new breed of promoters would like to charge you \$500 to \$1,000 to accelerate your mortgage payments — thereby saving you a bundle in interest charges. Sounds like a fine idea except for one thing: You can easily do the same thing on your own for nothing.

Although the secret has been slow to get out, there is no reason in the world why a mortgage borrower can't make extra payments to principal, thereby dramatically cutting the term of his loan and sparing himself large amounts of interest. Mortgage specialists say that prepayment is a fine idea, but paying someone to set it up for you is not.

"I don't accuse these people of being shady. I even hesitate to use the word 'scam' because they're selling a perfectly legitimate service if you're willing to pay for it. But why would you pay someone all that money for a service you don't need?" asked Marc Eisenson, author of "The Banker's Secret," a book that describes in detail the art of prepaying a mortgage or other consumer loan.

Entrepreneurs seeking to profit from the current popularity of mortgage prepayment plans are proliferating throughout the country, said John Barker, an official of the National Consumers League, a Washington-based non-profit organization that is studying the situation.

Barker said that most of the prepayment people operate as middlemen, setting up a plan by which mortgage payments are taken directly from a homeowner's bank account and then later paid to the homeowner's lender. The "setup charge" for this service is typically \$500 to \$1,000

and, in addition, the middleman charges \$2.50 to \$3 per payment, Barker said.

The middlemen usually focus on the "biweekly" mortgage, an especially popular type of prepayment plan. Although the biweekly has taken on a certain mystique for many consumers, it is actually no more than a way to trick yourself into making the equivalent of an extra monthly mortgage payment each year.

And since the extra payment is applied directly to principal, the schedule lets you shave about nine years of payments off a 30-year mortgage, meanwhile sparing you thousands in interest charges by partially prepaying your loan. The way a biweekly works, every 14 days you make a payment that is half of what a regular monthly payment would be on the mortgage.

If the loan is a true biweekly, the lender credits your payments every 14 days. A minority of mortgage lenders in this country make a payment that is half of a credit mortgage payments on a 14-day cycle. Those who have this computer capacity can make you a bona fide biweekly mortgage.

If you're approached by one of the new breed of middlemen, he may give the impression that he can offer you a bona fide biweekly mortgage with 14-day crediting. A few can, but most can't, Barker says.

Although the "biweekly" mortgage plan is set up through a middleman will have you making payments every 14 days, the likelihood is that your payments will only be credited to your account monthly, Barker said. In the meantime, your money will be kept in the middleman's savings account or will be invested in short-term government securities to his advantage.

REAL ESTATE UPDATE



Richard G. Irwin

PRICING YOUR HOUSE RIGHT

QUESTION: What is the best way to put the proper selling price on a home?

ANSWER: The value of your house is not what you think it is — or what the buyer thinks it is. It is determined chiefly by the location, the neighborhood, and the current market. An overpriced house sitting on the market for months becomes almost impossible to sell. So first, you must get in line with the market. That means a realistic appraisal.

Nobody — but nobody — is more acutely aware of the current real estate market than your local Realtor. Or you can hire a qualified independent appraiser. You may be pleasantly surprised to find out that you were intending to price your house for less than its fair market value.

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