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Good morning

Today's forecast:

Variable clouds with a chance of snow showers. Highs 25 to 35. Lows 5 to 15.
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Magic Valley

Changing the guard

Twin Falls businesswoman Susan Kelley has become the new director of the troubled United Way of Magic Valley.
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Acted too soon

A state parks manager who cleared brush from the banks of Crystal Lake found out Monday he may have to put some of it back.
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Mini-Cassia

State says no

Officials from the city of Rupert and the South Central District Health Department say they found no evidence of surface sewage on a property after neighbors complained about such a problem to the City Council.
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Sports

Hawaiian havoc

Brigham Young University pulled off a big upset beating No. 9 Oklahoma in college basketball Monday.
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Sierra signs

The whereabouts of Ruben Sierra were decided Monday. The free agent signed with the Oakland A's. It was the team he was traded to last season.
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Opinion

Crapo's opportunity

If Congressman-elect Mike Crapo is sincere about wanting to protect Idaho from the federal Energy Department, now is a good time to start, today's editorial says.
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Surviving for a year

The lone survivor of a shooting spree on an Iowa campus has survived the first year after the tragic incident.
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Default total climbs

Russia's defaults on grain loans from the United States now exceed \$58 million.
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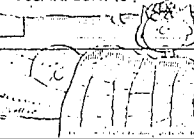
New director chosen

Jerry Harris is the new director of the Department of Health and Welfare.
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HOW CAN I SLEEP WHEN I DON'T KNOW WHAT A SUBARPLUM IS?



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Clinton defends cabinet choices

The Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — President-elect Clinton added a longtime school reform ally and a second woman to his Cabinet Monday, then angrily criticized "bean counters" in women's groups questioning his commitment to diversity.
In tapping former South Carolina Gov. Richard Riley as education secretary, Clinton turned to one of his most trusted friends and advisers, who shares his belief that education improvements are the best seed for long-term economic development.

His choice for energy secretary was Hazel O'Leary, who held energy posts in the Ford and Carter administrations and who has served the past 3 1/2 years as an executive vice president of Minnesota's Northern States Power Co. She is the third black person named to Clinton's Cabinet.
As he fielded questions after his latest appointments, Clinton turned indignant when asked about complaints from women's groups that he is not naming enough females to his Cabinet.
"They're playing quota games and math games," Clinton said. He also said critics

were ignoring his nomination of women to head the Environmental Protection Agency and his Council of Economic Advisers.
"They would have been counting those positions against our administration, those bean counters who are doing that, if I had appointed white men to those positions," Clinton said with an angry glare.
His counterpunch came as a delegation of women's group leaders met in Washington with transition chairman Vernon Jordan to voice their complaints.
"Women are looking for a promise made and a promise kept," said Patricia Ireland,

president of the National Organization for Women.
Clinton plans to name a female attorney general, according to advisers, and he said at his news conference that he might have more than three women in the Cabinet. He also said there was a "distinct possibility" he would name a second Hispanic.
But Clinton argued that more important than numbers was the influence women and minorities would have in his administration.
"I think when this is all said and done, I

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'Famine Belt' next target

The Washington Post

MOGADISHU, Somalia — After 12 slow days of gathering food and supplies, the U.S.-led military mission to rescue Somalia is now poised to seize control of this nation's "famine belt" from the warlords and freelance looters who have starved 300,000 of their countrymen to death.

Until now, the operation has brought little immediate change to starving Somalis. One large food convoy to Baidoa and a handful of modest ones elsewhere have delivered grain and oil safely over dangerous roads, but private relief agencies were traveling those roads already — albeit with frequent loss of life and cargo.

The multinational task force landed Dec. 9 with only 1,050 U.S. Marines. It has been preoccupied with bringing in the tens of thousands of troops and thousands of tons of food, water, equipment, and fuel they need to end two years of anarchy and bloodshed in one of the poorest countries in the world.

With nearly 10,000 allied troops now on the ground, senior officers said Monday in interviews that the next week will see nearly simultaneous thrusts into four major centers of desperation: Beledweyne, Oddur, Banbarheere and Gialassi. Another four have already been seized: Mogadishu, Bela Dogle, Baidoa and Kismayo.

Those eight cities are the hubs in this operation's hub-and-spoke strategy of humanitarian relief. Each will become the base for a large military force that will seek to impose order and expand outward with aggressive patrols and food deliveries into the countryside.

"We're kind of in an exploitation phase now to get the utmost out of them," said Army Brig. Gen. Lawson W. Magruder III in an interview, using the military term for a rapid advance against a routed antagonist. "By the end of the month, we'll have allied forces in every one of those hubs."

The command headquarters here gave a clear sign Monday of what the forces will be doing upon arrival.
Senior civilian and military officials announced in a not-for-attribution briefing that Mogadishu's two principal

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A Somali man argues with Marine Lt. Andy Milburn, above, after his assault rifle was confiscated in Mogadishu Monday. Milburn's patrol collected five rifles. Another Marine, on sentry duty at the Parliament Building, right, dances for a group of Somali children who were singing and dancing to honor the Marines.



Disgruntled partner charged with hiring ex-con to kill one-time Jerome resident

Seattle Times and The Times-News

SEATTLE — A Seattle marine-industry worker whom former Jerome resident David Tippett once called his right-hand man has been charged with aggravated murder for allegedly hiring a Louisiana parolee to carry out the gangland-style slaying of Tippett.

Seattle police detectives arrested Michael W. Lindquist, 48, at his home late Saturday night. He is in King County Jail awaiting arraignment in King County Superior Court this week.

Tippett, a 1964 graduate of Jerome High school who moved to Seattle in 1967 where he owned a shipyard, was eating lunch in the Fremont Dock Restaurant on April 14 when Joe Casbon, who had never before fired two bullets into the back of his head in front of about 40 customers.

Prosecutor Norm Maleng will decide within a month whether to seek the death penalty for Lindquist. An aggravated-murder conviction carries a minimum sentence of life in prison without chance for release.

Casbon, who will spend the rest of his life in prison after being convicted for his role in the murder, announced at his Dec. 11 sentencing that Lindquist was innocent. But even as he defended Lindquist in court, Casbon's brother, Gerard, told prosecutors Lindquist paid for the killing.

Prosecutors have long suspected Lindquist, once a foreman at Tippett's shipyard, and they used information about him to help convict Casbon in October. They contend Lindquist felt Tippett had cheated and humiliated him.

Gerard Casbon used to work for Lindquist at Tippett Marine Services and, according to charging papers, will testify that Lindquist asked him early this year to kill Tippett for \$35,000.

Gerard Casbon, who likely will receive immunity from prosecution, told police he refused, but agreed to relay the offer to his brother, who was being paroled from Angola Prison in Louisiana.

Prosecutors contend Lindquist paid Joe Casbon to take to Seattle and promised him \$9,000 to carry out the murder.
Senior Deputy Prosecutor Linda Jacke wrote in court documents that Lindquist felt Tippett, 46, had cheated him out of part ownership in the shipyard and a boat the two men once owned together.

Lindquist also held a grudge against Tippett for firing him because of alleged drug use at the shipyard, Jacke said.
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Navy wants 'souvenirs' of jet back

By Brad Bowlin Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Souvenir hunters may unwittingly be hampering the Navy's investigation into Thursday's jet fighter crash that killed a Navy pilot.

Cmdr. Mike Whitty from San Diego's Miramar Naval Air Station said he and the other crash investigators found several pieces missing from the crash site southwest of Berger Monday morning.

They are asking that anyone with pieces of the wreckage return the items to the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office.
Shorff's deputies were able to recover a few missing pieces from a pair of teenagers who said they were up to a dozen souvenir-seekers rummaging through the wreckage Sunday evening.

The Air Force has posted armed guards at the site overnight to prevent any further pillaging, Whitty said.

Anyone who took something from the site can return it to the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office with no questions asked, Deputy John Barsness said.

"They're not in trouble," Barsness said. "We would just smile at them and thank them for bringing the stuff back."

Even small pieces of twisted metal that appear unimportant could be vital to figuring out what caused it. Cmdr. James E. Boyle's jet to go down shortly after taking off from the Twin Falls-Sun Valley Regional Airport Thursday morning, Whitty said.

Boyle arrived in Twin Falls Wednesday on a routine training mission, and was on his way back to Miramar Thursday.

All the pieces that can be recovered will be returned to San Diego, where investigators will reconstruct the aircraft as best they can, Whitty said.

In addition to hampering the investigation, please see CRASH/A2

Cigarettes from WWII sent back

The Associated Press

VINCENNES, Ind. — A Christmas gift sent nearly 50 years ago has been returned — but with a thank-you note.

Robert A. Azbill of Visalia, Calif., never got around to smoking the wartime gift of a pack of Camel cigarettes and thought maybe the residents of Vincennes, who sent them, would like them back for old time's sake.

"I thought it may have been a little silly," Azbill said. "I wasn't sure how much value they would be to anyone there."

He needn't have worried. "This is truly remarkable," said Robert R. Stevens, the Vincennes Kiwanis Club's treasurer.

In 1943, the club raised \$635 in a fund drive to purchase cigarettes for soldiers away from home during World War II.

Azbill got his pack when he arrived at the home of Charles Harry Island Light Station in Alaska, about 20 miles south of Ketchikan, a few days after Christmas in 1943.

The pack is still intact with a label reading "Greetings from Citizens of Vincennes and Kiwanis Club, Vincennes, Ind. Drop us a card."

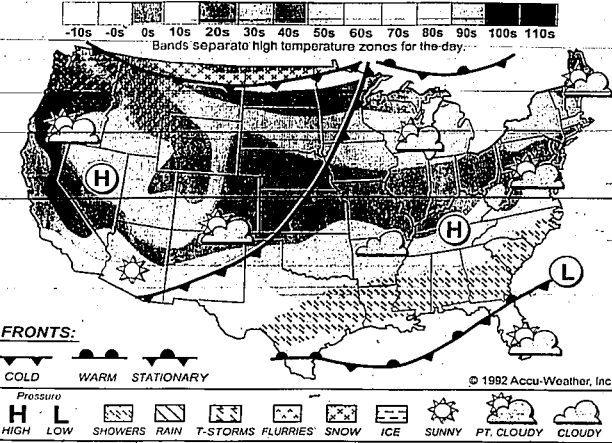
Azbill doesn't know how the pack survived, since he smoked Camels.

He stopped smoking in 1982 and decided then to return the gift to Vincennes when 50 years had elapsed.

Weather

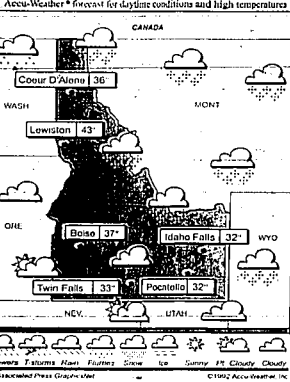
NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Tuesday, Dec. 22.



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Tuesday, Dec. 22
Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperature



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Atlanta	44 16	Salt Lake City	37 19
Boston	41 21	San Francisco	37 47
Chicago	34 28	Seattle	44 40
Dallas	30 17	Spokane	34 29
Denver	42 26	Washington	43 30
Des Moines	32 18		
Detroit	32 18		
Honolulu	87 70		
Houston	65 47		
Indianapolis	46 29		
Kansas City	47 28		
Las Vegas	65 44		
Los Angeles	65 44		
Memphis	46 37		
Miami Beach	78 72		
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New Orleans	76 60		
New York	36 28		
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Twin Falls
Yesterday 41 26
Last year 32 14
Normal 40 22
Sunset today 5:08 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 8:06 a.m.
Lunar phase: New Dec. 23; first quarter Dec. 31; new Jan. 8; last quarter Jan. 10.

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Weather summary

Winter's first day brought the mildest temperatures in several weeks to the Magic Valley. The winter solstice occurred at 7:45 a.m. Monday, and the change in seasons produced temperatures which nudged into the 40s and melted some of the layer of snow left on Sunday. Skies remained mostly cloudy much of the day although there were periods of intermittent sunshine. A brisk wind in the late afternoon added some bite to the cooling temperatures but readings are expected to remain moderate for a few more days. Some snow flurries were reported in the mountain areas to the north Monday, extending as far south as Shoshone. Moisture amounts from snowfall were mostly traces or a few hundredths of an inch. The warmest temperature in the state Monday was 45 degrees at Lewiston. Bear Lake reported the coldest at 1 degree. Elsewhere in the nation Monday, the highest temperature was 82 degrees at West Palm Beach, and North Dade County, Fla. The lowest was 21 degrees below zero at Alamosa, Colo.

Visible planets

Evening: Venus, Saturn
Morning: Jupiter, Mars, Mercury

Snow, wind sweep into Northwest with a fresh storm

The Associated Press
Windy, snowy weather extended across parts of the Northwest Monday, the first day of winter. Rain was scattered over the Southeast. At midday, rain was scattered over the Pacific Northwest, changing to snow in the mountains. A winter storm wave was in effect through Tuesday for east-central Idaho and the state's southern mountains, the National Weather Service said. Wind gusted to more than 50 mph during the morning across Wyoming's Laramie and Snowy mountains. That wind was blamed in part for a cattle truck accident that closed a section of east-bound Interstate 80 between Laramie and Cheyenne. The truck slid partially off a bridge

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today and tonight mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers mainly as snow. Highs 35 to 40, Lows 25 to 30. South to west winds 5 to 15 mph today. Wednesday partly cloudy. Slight chance of morning snow showers. Highs in the mid-30s. Christmas day outlook partly cloudy and patchy fog. Lows teens. Highs in the 30s.
Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Today and tonight variable clouds with a chance of snow showers. Patchy morning fog. Highs 25 to 35. Lows 5 to 15. Wednesday partly cloudy and a slight chance of snow showers. Highs 25 to 35. Christmas day outlook partly cloudy and patchy fog. Lows 10 below to 10 above zero. Highs 25 to 35.
Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Thursday and Friday partly cloudy. Patchy fog. Lows teens and 20s west 5 below to 15 above east. Highs 30s west, 20s east. Saturday increasing clouds. Patchy fog. Lows teens and 20s west zero to 20 above east. Highs 30s west, 20s east.
Northern Utah and Nevada: Utah - Today partly cloudy. Early morning snow flurries. Highs lower to mid-30s. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows 10-15. Wednesday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow during the afternoon. Highs in the 30s. Outlook for Christmas day partly cloudy. Lows 10-15. Highs upper 20s to mid-30s.
Elko County - Today partly cloudy. Highs upper 20s to mid-30s east and mid-30s to mid-40s west. Tonight fair skies. Lows 5 to 15 east and teens to mid-20s west. Wednesday mostly sunny. Highs 30s east and 40s west.

U.S. military refines plans for Bosnia role

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon has begun refining plans to use U.S. military power in the Balkans should the U.N. Security Council act for allied help in enforcing the no-fly zone over Bosnia, U.S. officials said Monday. Plans call for initial monitoring and enforcement operations by F-14 Tomcat fighters and F-A-18 Hornet attack bombers from the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy, with help from AWACS radar surveillance planes. At the same time, the Navy is considering the use of specially rigged Tomahawk cruise missiles to cripple Sarajevo airport in the region, should the Security Council decide to take that step during its deliberations. American officials said the Tomahawks would be equipped with special air-to-ground warheads that would drop pellets of explosival along runways at airports being used for Serbian flights.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported snow and ice on most highways across the state Monday night. Road conditions: Higgins-Whitebird Hill, icy spots; Whitebird Hill, snow floor, snowing; Grangeville-Winchester, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Driggs-Lewiston, wet, rain, snow floor, drifts; Lewiston-Moore, broken snow floor, snowing; Weiser-New Meadows, icy spots, broken snow floor, missing Oregon line, dry; Interstate 84 - Oregon line-Caldwell, icy spots; Caldwell-Nampa area, dry; Boise area, broken snow floor, snowing; Boise-Gilms Ferry, dry, wet; Bliss-Ruby, dry, some icy spots; Burley-Utah line, some icy spots, drifts. Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-New Meadows, broken snow floor, snowing, snowing. Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, broken snow floor, snowing; Idaho City-Banner Summit, snowing, snowing. U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Paifield, broken snow floor, snowing; Paifield-Carey, broken snow floor, snowing; Carey-Arco, broken snow floor, snowing; Arco-Idaho Falls, icy, broken snow floor, snowing, drifting; Idaho Falls-Ashton, broken snow floor; Ashton-Montana line, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing, drifting. U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing; Blackfoot-Arco, icy spots, drifting. U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Twin Falls, dry, some icy spots, drifts. Twin Falls-Carey, icy spots, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing; Carey-Arco, broken snow floor, snowing, drifting; Arco-Salmon, wet, icy, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing; Lost Trail Pass, wet, icy, broken snow floor, snow floor, snowing. Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, snow floor, snowing; Galena-Summit, snow floor, snowing. Interstate 86 — Icy spots, drifts. Pocatello-Idaho Falls, icy spots; Idaho Falls-Dubois, icy spots; Montida Pass, broken snow floor. U.S. 30 — McCammon-Soda Springs, broken snow floor; Soda Springs-Montpelier, wet, broken snow floor, drifts; Montpelier-Wyoming line, icy spots, broken snow floor, snowing, drifts.

Crash

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investigation, souvenir seekers put themselves at risk by touching the wreckage without proper gloves, Whitty said. Some of the composite metals used in the jets are dangerous to touch with bare hands, he said.

In addition to some significant parts of the air frame and the hydraulic system of the jet, pieces of the pilot's clothing and personal items also were disturbed and some were removed, Whitty said. "Because the crash site is in a remote area about seven miles southwest of the Twin Falls airport, Whitty said, his crew did not expect looters to disturb the scene. "That was our mistake," he said. "I told him he doesn't know bored southern Idahoans are in the winter." Barsness said.

Tippett

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The two men used to be close friends. Lindquist was the yard supervisor during the company's 1988 when Tippett cleaned up his life and demanded the shipyard also be drug-free, a co-worker said. Tippett tried to get Lindquist into counseling, but ultimately fired him. Jacke said Lindquist contacted an attorney after his termination in an unsuccessful effort to get \$60,000 and property from Tippett.

Jacke said Casbon was arrested in July after apparently boasting to an Everett man that he had been paid for killing a Ballard-billionaire in a restaurant. Prosecutors have phone records that show several calls made between Lindquist and the Casbon brothers in the days before the murder. They are also expected to produce evidence that Lindquist had made threats in the past about hiring killers to commit crimes. Witnesses at the restaurant said the killer sat and had a drink before approaching Tippett and shaking his hand. The man asked for a job, was referred to the shipyard's business office and interviewed. Minutes later, he returned and fired two .32-caliber bullets into Tippett's head. Lunchtime customers screamed and dived under tables. But at least one man, James Jacke, 36, in his chair arm, faced the killer, who calmly walked out. Garrod made the strongest of several identifications of Joe Casbon as the shooter. After the shooting, Tippett's father-in-law, "Tip" Tippett of Twin Falls, bought television and magazine ads requesting information of the murder of his son.

Cabinet

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will have been able to give you the most honest Cabinet and the most diverse administration the country's ever seen, but also one in which different kinds of people have more real influence and impact and full partnership and participation in the deliberations of this administration than ever before," he said. "And I think that's really what counts." Other than attorney general, the favorites for retaining traditional Cabinet posts are all men. They include former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt for interior secretary, Chicago banker William Daley for transportation chief and

Somalia

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warlords, Mohamed Farah Aideed and Ali Mahdi Mohamed, will finish with drawing all their heavy gun vehicles by today and leave them under guard in cantonments outside the city. Although emphasizing in public that the two strongmen had made the decision themselves, senior officers said in private that the task force had notified Aideed and Ali Mahdi that any gun vehicles left in Mogadishu would be declared belligerents and destroyed. They said 30 to 40 such vehicles were expected to leave soon. Just outside Baidoa Monday night, French Foreign Legionnaires had the most extensive combat engagement of this armed humanitarian campaign. According to a detailed account provided by Marine Col. Fred Peck, the chief task force spokesman, a squad of 10 to 15 armed Somalis assaulted a

French observation post and attempted to ambush French reinforcements. The French Peck said, saw the men leave a vehicle in a stretch of road between two checkpoints 200 to 300 yards apart, "crouching down and acting in a clandestine manner." The French forces ordered the men to halt, Peck said, "and when the Somalis heard that order they charged, toward that observation post opening fire."

When a French platoon rushed in to reinforce the observation post, it found the ambushers had fled. Peck said, "The French Peck said, saw the men leave a vehicle in a stretch of road between two checkpoints 200 to 300 yards apart, "crouching down and acting in a clandestine manner." The French forces ordered the men to halt, Peck said, "and when the Somalis heard that order they charged, toward that observation post opening fire."

At the end of the firefight, in which no French or U.S. troops were injured, "three wounded Somalis were picked up."

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Nation

Federal deficit grows \$81.6 billion early

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government has run up an \$81.6 billion budget deficit in only the first two months of the 1993 fiscal year, the Treasury Department said Monday.

The gap between revenues and expenditures was \$35.7 billion in November and \$45.9 billion in October, the first month of the fiscal year. The deficit to date is just 0.4 percent larger than the \$81.1 billion gap during the first two months of fiscal year 1992, when the deficit eventually soared to a record \$201.2 billion.

The Bush administration is projecting a \$34.1 billion deficit this year and the Congressional Budget Office's \$33.1 billion. But private economists say it more likely will be in the range of \$30 billion to \$32 billion.

Event that would set a new record. But the deficit, as a percentage of the nation's gross domestic product, should be down somewhat — at around 4.3 percent rather than 1992's 4.9 percent, said economist Kathleen

Stephansen of Donaldson-Larkin & Jenrette.

Stephansen expects the return to somewhat better economic growth will bring in more tax revenue than last year. But, the government's savings, and loan cleanup probably will get the authority to start spending again, after having been on hold since last April, she said.

Without that authority, the Resolution Trust Corp. so far this year has been a moneymaker for the government, bringing in a net of \$6.2 billion in October and November.

That's because it continues to sell the securities and foreclosed real estate inherited from failed thrifts, but has not spent much in paying off depositors. Instead, it gets failed thrifts open until it can get the money to close them down.

As usual, Social Security was the biggest single spending item, \$24.1 billion last month and \$46.9 billion for the fiscal year so far, up 6.9 percent from a year earlier.

Clinton likes Greenspan — for now

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Clinton has nothing but good things to say about Chairman Alan Greenspan and his Republican-dominated Federal Reserve Board, but analysts wonder how long the honeymoon will last if the Fed's expected pushes interest rates higher next year.

Top Fed policymakers met Monday behind closed doors to review interest rate policies. Economists said it was highly unlikely that the Fed decided to do anything given the growing signs of strength in the economy.

"I think the Fed will sit tight and wait to see which way the economy moves next," said Mark Zandi, an economist at Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa.

But the Fed's inaction is not likely to last long. If the economy continues to get stronger next year and if the Clinton administration, as expected, helps things along with a \$20 billion to \$30 billion dose of tax breaks and extra spending, then the central bank will likely boost interest rates, analysts said.

Many economists believe the first Fed rate hike could occur as early as May.

The Fed's actions next year are seen as critical to the success or

failure of Clinton's efforts to stimulate the economy.

If the Fed becomes concerned that Clinton and the Democratic Congress are overruling the

Clinton's first package, it could boost interest rates "greenflation" again.

Such a move, however, would also act as a drag on Clinton's recovery efforts.

For the time being, Clinton has gone out of his way to say nice things about Greenspan and send calming signals to financial markets that he is not going to let his short-term stimulus effort efforts to control the federal budget deficit.

Clinton told reporters last week that he and Greenspan had a good, lengthy discussion when Greenspan visited Little Rock.

"It's an important relationship, and I will do what I can to work on it," Clinton promised, acknowledging that he did not expect to see eye-to-eye with the central bank straight away.

In a later Wall Street Journal interview, Clinton expressed support

for the Fed's independence and said he favored Greenspan serving until his term expires in 1995 as a way of signaling stability to international markets.

Some Democrats in Congress have been pushing legislation to a Fed chairman's term run concurrently with the president's so an incoming president could name his own chairman.

Greenspan and the other six members of the Fed's Washington board all have been appointed by Republicans. Unless there is an early resignation, Clinton's first opportunity to appoint someone to the Fed will not occur until Jan. 31, 1993.

Analysts said that the Fed, which values its independence no matter who is in the White House, will most certainly ignore Clinton's offers of cooperation — if — the new administration's economic program sends the deficit soaring.

"Clinton hopes that by being nice, he will keep Greenspan from doing anything," said Michael Evans, head of a Washington forecasting firm. "It's worth trying, but it will only work for so long."

Evans and other economists look for the Fed to begin pushing interest rates higher, perhaps by late spring.

in the face of faster economic growth.

"There will be some Fed tightening next year. The earliest possible date is May and the latest date is sometime in the fall," said David Jones, an economist at Aubrey G. Lawson & Co. "They can wait that long because inflation is not a problem."

Until then, economists believe interest rates will remain relatively stable. The prime rate, the benchmark for many business and consumer loans, was expected to hold at 6 percent, where it has been since last July.

Long-term mortgage rates, which reflect pressures in financial markets, have been more volatile with 30-year, fixed rate mortgages dipping to a 19-year low of 7.84 percent in September only to start climbing as financial markets became worried that a Clinton victory would inflate the budget deficit.

Mortgage rates peaked this fall at 8.34 percent but since then have been drifting lower and stood at two-month low of 8.19 percent last week, according to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.

Many economists forecast that mortgage rates will stay near this level through midyear.

Russians miss loan payments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Russia now has failed to make \$58.15 million in payments on U.S.-backed loans used to buy grain and farm products, Agriculture Department spokesman Roger Runnigen said Monday.

Runnigen said USDA received word late Friday from three lenders that Russia had missed payments totaling \$8.95 million. That was on top of \$49.2 million already in arrears to six U.S. and foreign banks.

Agriculture Secretary Edward Madigan believes the Russians have the ability to repay and in fact will repay, but probably not to everybody at the same time," Runnigen said. "We are continuing our efforts with Russia and are encouraging them to bring their payments up to date."

Runnigen said Russia could be in jeopardy of being deemed in arrears by banks on another \$10.1 million in payments Monday night, although the department does not confirm default notices until the following day.

Some of the six banks holding the loans have asked USDA to cover the late payments, which were guaranteed by the U.S. government to help Russia and the former Soviet Union purchase U.S. grain and other farm products.

Russia has been missing payments on those loans on almost a daily basis since early this month, and as a result has been suspended from a government export credit program.

The department has authorized loan guarantees totaling \$5.75 billion to Russia and Ukraine since January 1991.

Russia is responsible for most of the debt and has repaid \$887 million. A total of \$386 million in credits is currently outstanding to Russia, but it cannot tap the line of credit as long as its payments are late.

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Bush, Yeltsin said to make progress on START Treaty

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin for the second straight day Monday discussed the obstacles to completing a nuclear arms treaty that could be signed next month, a White House official said.

"Nothing was finalized," but unspecified progress was made during their telephone conversation, the official said.

Yeltsin had taken the White House by surprise last Friday by declaring during a visit to China that the accord, known as the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty II, was finished and that he and Bush would sign it at a meeting in early January.

Some officials took Yeltsin's premature announcement as a signal that he was ready to compromise on the remaining sticking points. The proposed treaty would reduce both sides' arsenals of long-range nuclear weapons to a maximum of 3,500, representing about a two-thirds reduction from current levels. It would eliminate all multiple-warhead missiles based on land and would do away with the Russians' biggest nuclear missile, the SS-18.

Bush called Yeltsin from the Oval Office on Monday for a discussion that was termed short but fruitful.

"It represented progress," said the White House official, who agreed to discuss the talks in general terms on condition he not be identified by name. "It

was at least another step in the right direction. It's going to keep the process moving forward."

The two leaders also discussed the arms issues by phone on Sunday. Afterward, during a White House news conference, Bush said, "I can tell you it's not agreed totally. We've made some real progress."

An administration official, also speaking on condition he not be identified, said Bush would press hard in his remaining days in office to finish START II.

"Both sides dearly want to have this treaty completely wrapped up by the 20th," he said in reference to the date next month on which Bush turns over the Oval Office to Bill Clinton.

Earlier Monday, White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said pressing to complete a deal before Bush leaves office makes practical sense. "These negotiators ... know each other and they know the gigantic steps that have been taken so far," Fitzwater said. "And President Yeltsin has already agreed to these reductions, so it just makes sense to try to get them into formal agreement if possible by the end of the administration."

Fitzwater said lower-level negotiating teams would have to reconvene soon to complete the treaty. He said the Bush administration would not discuss arrangements for a summit meeting to sign the START II treaty until all the issues were settled.

Men released after they remove Klan cross put up in Cincinnati

CINCINNATI (AP) — A Klan group erected a cross in the heart of the city before dawn Monday but within hours a passerby had knocked it down and by afternoon the city hauled off the splintered remains as a nuisance.

The passerby and another man who earlier tried to tear down the cross were arrested on charges of disorderly conduct.

Police Chief Michael Snowden said the Klan, which had a permit for the cross, was notified.

"They're more than welcome to make arrangements with us to put up another cross," Snowden said. "They do have a permit, and we'll have to see what they want to do with that."

Snowden cited the splinters and exposed nails left when part of the cross's base was broken.

Children played on it as if it was on its side.

The cross, made of four-by-fours painted white, was about 8 feet high. At the top was a sign on what appeared to be particle board that read: "John 3:16: For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him would not perish but have everlasting life." Souvenir seekers took shards of the sign.

At the bottom was another sign printed with the disclaimer: "This cross is dedicated to our messiah by private funds and is not sponsored by public funds."

Police said the cross was installed at around 6:20 a.m. by about five men who said they were Klansmen. The site was Fountain Square on the other side of a skating rink from a menorah 200 feet away.



Ku Klux Klan member Peter Gamble, right, of Covington, Ky., steadies a cross erected by Klan members Monday morning in Cincinnati. Four or five members put up the cross.

Protesters burn for incinerator

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sign-swinging protesters picketed offices of the environmental group Greenpeace USA here Monday over its opposition to opening a new \$160 million incinerator in East Liverpool, Ohio.

"Greenpeace go home! We need jobs! Greenpeace pollutes progress!" the 19 demonstrators shouted, complaining that the group has stirred up opposition to the facility that didn't exist when it was being built. The dispute has divided the town and divided families, said anti-

Greenpeace demonstrator Dick Kelly. "We have prominent people in that town getting divorces — a judge, a banker," Kelly said. "Those people have destroyed our town."

Kelly said Greenpeace's involvement drew attention to the Waste Technologies Inc. incinerator for cremating hazardous wastes. "Before Greenpeace got involved there was maybe a vocal two dozen," he said.

In recent years, anti-incinerator demonstrations have attracted hundreds.

Greenpeace's Rick Hind — who's been among protesters arrested at the Ohio plant — said local opposition was strong before Greenpeace and other national organizations joined in.

He said Greenpeace provided research on incineration; expertise in the Environmental Protection Agency permit process; and lessons on how to stage peaceful demonstrations where arrested pickets go to jail quietly without being handcuffed.

FDA OKs new sleeping pill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration has approved a new sleeping pill that the manufacturer says helps people fall asleep quickly and does not disturb deep sleep.

The drug, zolpidem tartrate, targets a particular receptor in the brain believed to promote sleep, said manufacturer G.D. Searle & Co.

Other sleeping pills affect a number of brain receptors, including the one to which the new drug is targeted, Susan Cruzan, a spokes-

woman for the FDA, said Monday. The drug, which will be marketed under the name Ambien, is for short-term insomnia, and patients should be re-evaluated after two or three weeks' use, the FDA said. Doctors should not prescribe more than a month's supply at a time.

Use of the drug abroad indicates that it increases sleep time by helping people fall asleep quickly, the company said. Clinical studies found the one to which the new drug is targeted, deep sleep, was not affected by the drug.



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Somalia

Multiple international crises place heavy demands on Red Cross

GENEVA (AP) — In a world rife with crises in Somalia and former Yugoslavia, the International Committee of the Red Cross is in the middle of the most dangerous areas.

And the growing problems are spreading red pins to new areas on the humanitarian organization's world map.

"It's been a tough year, a tough year for the victims of conflict," said ICRC President Cornelio Sommaruga in an interview in his Geneva office. "The world is demanding as it should. The needs on the ICRC are tremendous."

When Israel deported about 400 Palestinians to the border of Lebanon this week, ICRC delegates were there to provide shelter from the freezing rain when the prisoners were left exposed in the standoff between Israel and Lebanon.

For months, ICRC staffers provided the only food many Somalis were able to eat this year. They have opened the detention camps in former Yugoslavia to international scrutiny, pressuring the warring factions to let them interview each prisoner in private and to release them.

Operations currently include relief operations to the victims of civil

war in Afghanistan; fighting in Mozambique; mass arrests in Algeria; ethnic clashes in the former Soviet Union, including Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan and Tajikistan; and the civil war in Liberia.

The Red Cross has also acted on behalf of Indonesian government detainees in East Timor; victims of fighting in Cambodia, Sri Lanka and Peru.

In Somalia, about 15 ICRC staffers have been killed this year, and a number of others have been

wounded, Sommaruga said.

Federic Maurice, an ICRC veteran, was killed in a shelling attack in May as he approached Sarajevo in a Red Cross convoy to take charge of the Bosnian operation. Two other Red Cross staffers were wounded in the attack. Often the work is unglorious. The ICRC prefers to work behind the scenes to maintain its neutrality. Often it has to work alone.

Sommaruga said he wrote the U.N. Security Council last Dec. 23

to warn that ICRC delegates were finding appalling conditions in Somalia that demanded international relief and help to restore order.

But little was done until last August after news accounts began showing starving children deprived of food by roving bands of well-armed thugs.

"We were tremendously alone," said Sommaruga. The only other relief workers in Somalia were a few representatives of private charities — but no governmental agencies.

"This has been the most important operation of our history," he said of the Somalia aid. The ICRC has spent \$186 million on Somalia this year, one-third of its total budget.

The quantity of food it shipped in this year — 150,000 tons — dwarfed its previous relief efforts, Sommaruga said. Its 100 Geneva-based staffers and 1,500 local helpers distributed hot meals from 900 community kitchens to around 2 million people. They operate a large hospital in Mogadishu.

The ICRC had to rent hundreds of trucks, and even ships, cargo planes and helicopters for the effort, he said.

But if governments were slow in responding with their own direct help, they have been keeping cash flowing to the ICRC, so funds have not been a problem for the relief agency, he said.

The committee now has about 1,000 representatives, most of them Swiss, working in 51 countries, Sommaruga said.

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
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-  Egypt: 750 troops
-  Italy: 1,500 troops
-  Turkey: 400 to 500 troops
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President sends troops message

WASHINGTON (AP) —

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"Together, you have proved the wisdom of America's policy of peace through strength. In our humanitarian operations from Bangladesh and northern Iraq to the former Yugoslavia and Somalia, you have also shown Americans' deep sense of compassion.

"While we have achieved great things for our country and for the world, we know that many challenges remain. The security of the United States will continue to depend on the dedication and professionalism of our armed forces, and I am confident that you will maintain your shining commitment to excellence."

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Loss of livestock, seed-could mean worse famine in another year

AFGOI, Somalia (AP) — In a headlong rush to save people, aid workers have neglected the animals and the farms, exposing Somalia to a potentially worse catastrophe next year, agriculture experts warn.

Already, sleeping sickness and rinderpest are killing cows that managed to escape rustlers during two years of war. No one sprays the deadly tsetse fly. Veterinary services have collapsed.

"They just forgot the animals," said Omar Ali-Ainanshe, a British-trained veterinarian whose drug stocks are down to some human pain pills. "Somalis finished without livestock."

At the same time, irrigation canals off the Shebele and Juba rivers are choked with mud. Relief agencies are reaching only a small fraction of farmers with seed and tools for the coming rains.

"There is no coordination, no systematic coverage to get seed to villages," said Hassan Khalifa of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization. "Without it, they can plant nothing."

Khalifa, a Sudanese agronomist with 30 years' experience, works with a Kurdish livestock expert, Talid Ali, at FAO's tiny mission in Mogadishu. Both have received only modest promises of funding.

"You can feed people now, but if you don't save their animals and crops, what do they eat next?" Ali said. "Two-thirds of Somali experts are livestock. Without this, there is no income."

The International Red Cross, spotting the problem early, set up feeding centers early this year in this bustling crossroads on the Shebele, just west of Mogadishu.

"We felt that farmers had to keep up their strength," said Horst Homborg of the Red Cross. "And we also wanted to attract people back to the farms so they did not settle in the city."

Other agencies agree. "The most important thing now is to get people back to their fields so they have food in June and don't have to move

again," said James Fennell of CARE in Baidoa.

Before the September rains, the Red Cross distributed seed to 250,000 Somali farmers, and other voluntary agencies reached scores of thousands more. Corn and maize should be harvested next month.

But Khalifa said the donors need a massive program, now, so that farmers can plant before the longer rainy season which begins in June. He needs at least \$3 million and cannot get it.

"We must coordinate," he said. "Agencies want to help, but some know nothing about Somali agriculture." He said one agency imported the wrong kind of seed, which can weaken local varieties.

For Ali, saving the livestock is an even greater priority. He estimates that \$28 million is needed urgently to set up animal health facilities and vaccinate cattle against rinderpest.

Nearly 80 percent of all Somalis depend on camels, cattle, sheep or goats for their livelihood. During

drought, families survive on milk, meat and the cash they earn from selling their animals.

An outbreak of rinderpest could deplete Somali herds and spread to Ethiopia and Kenya, he said. Since tsetse have not been sprayed since 1988, he added, cattle are dying fast from sleeping sickness.

In Afgoi, the crisis is clear. Over the last two years, more than half the cattle in the region were lost to drought, disease or theft, according to Ainanshe.

Drugs can prevent and cure cattle of sleeping sickness, but none are available. "I have had nothing for seven months," the veterinarian said. "No rinderpest vaccine since 1990."

At the livestock market here, herders find the animals offered are in bad shape, and they are getting worse.

All Haj Mohamed lost 40 camels to sleeping sickness in the last year. His last 100 suffer from a skin disease he cannot treat. Ainanshe knows why: Herders use the wrong

drug for ticks. There is nothing else. Dore Bale Alim, now who looks 75 at 60, dropped quickly from rich to well-off, and he is plummeting toward ruin.

Before the fighting started, he had 150 cattle. He lost 40 to sleeping sickness. More died for lack of grazing. He had to sell some to survive. Rustlers took a cut.

"Now I have 50 head," Alim said. "If things continue as they have, I will be down to zero. Then we will starve."

Novelist saw war coming from exile

The Associated Press

Even before dictator Mohammed Siad Barre fell and his country collapsed into chaos, novelist Nuruddin Farah had begun a novel about a Somalia full of looters and thugs.

That might in itself not be so remarkable, but Farah has not seen his homeland in 18 years—a death sentence has kept him away.

The Somalia of Farah's memory and imagination is a vivid place.

After decades of Italian and British colonialism, followed by 22 years of home-grown dictatorship nurtured on the sour milk of geopolitics, Somalia could not escape a violent fate.

"The phenomenon of the looters can be explained in the following way," said Farah. "Siad Barre was a looter in the guise of a head of state. The colonialist was a marauder and looter in the guise of a country with a civilizing mission."

"Whoever has the guns has the power."

Farah has been unable to finish the novel; its characters died on him. Because of the war, "I failed in missing there an instinct of humanity," Farah wrote this week in *In These Times*, a Chicago newsweekly.

Imagine Mogadishu, an Italianate city by the sea in 1974, the last year Farah saw his home. Over cappuccinos, Soviet advisers speak about solidarity with the oppressed African masses while plying Siad Barre with new weapons.

A few years later, Siad Barre invades the Ogaden, occupied by Ethiopia; at a key moment, his Russian friends abandon him.

At desert places with names like Jijiga and Diri Dawa, Cuban troops and pilots destroy the Russian gifts and the Somalis who carry them.

From the Ogaden, more than 1 million people flee to Somalia. The refugees bring poverty, the party, over time, rebellion. In Siad Barre's last two years, his henchmen slaughter 50,000 people.

And after the dictator flees in January 1991, the victims begin fighting among themselves.

"Once someone has stayed in power long enough, there is corruption in everybody," Farah said in a recent telephone interview from Kaduna, Nigeria. "It is a contagious disease."

In his 1986 novel "Maps" and the earlier three-part "Variations on the Theme of an African Dictatorship," reissued this year, Farah writes about Africans at war with themselves.

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Palestinian deportees assist Amjad Zamel, who was hurt when Israeli-backed militia opened fire at the expelled Palestinians during their march toward the security zone in southern Lebanon.

Israeli-supported militia halts return of deported Palestinians

MARJ AL-ZOHOUR, Lebanon (AP) - Hundreds of deported Palestinians were stranded in a frozen no-man's land between Lebanon and Israel-held territory Monday night, blocked from returning to their homes by the guns of Israeli allies.

Huddled in coats and blankets against the cold, screaming war slogans and waving copies of the Koran, the 415 Palestinians vowed to go back to the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, or die trying to do so.

But their march was stopped when the South Lebanon Army, Israel's allies in the swath of Lebanese land it controls along its northern border, fired artillery and machine guns to bar them from advancing into southern Lebanon.

The SLA had warned earlier that it had mined the approaches to Israel's so-called "security zone" to prevent any Palestinians from returning.

Two deportees were wounded slightly by shrapnel from the exploding ammunition. Reporters took them to a clinic north of the "security zone" for treatment.

Israel deported the 415 men on Thursday in a clampdown on Hamas, a group based in Gaza that rejects Israeli statehood and has claimed responsibility for killing six Israeli soldiers in eight days.

On Monday, Israeli authorities stressed that the men, who were expelled for two years, would not be allowed to return before then. But its

Supreme Court planned to continue hearing an appeal of the deportations on Tuesday.

Lebanon has refused to harbor the suspected-fundamentalist Muslims within its borders. The International Committee for the Red Cross set up a tent camp, but on Monday, a Lebanese army officer ordered the Palestinians to leave, triggering the confrontation with the SLA.

At the tent camp, Lebanese army officers said they had no orders to let the deportees back in, and the men were left in the barren, frozen zone between the Israeli-held southern sector and the area controlled by the Lebanese army.

After the aborted return, Aziz Dweik, 45, one of the deportees' leaders, said the group was "determined to return home or face martyrdom."

"We won't live in tents for the rest of our lives," Dweik told reporters. "We don't like camps. We don't want to be labeled refugees."

As the deportees knelt praying in the freezing cold at sundown, three Israeli tanks rumbled down a hill from the security zone and deployed within 30 yards of the worshippers. One of the tanks turned on a spotlight that washed over the men.

A spokesman for the deportees read the following statement:

"We insist on staying in this cold weather without tents or food so that we can go back to our land and we

demand the implementation of the U.N. resolution that called for our return to our land."

The reference was to the U.N. Security Council's resolution Friday demanding that the expulsions be rescinded.

In the pitch dark, with the sound of dogs barking in the distance, members of another fundamentalist group, the Iranian-backed Shiite Muslim Hezbollah, loaded two trucks with blankets and food from the camp to take down the road to the deportees.

Foreign Minister Faris Bweiz urged the Security Council to "impose clear sanctions on Israel" for deporting the Palestinians and restated Lebanon's refusal to accept them.

The showdown began an hour after the Lebanese army ordered the Palestinians to leave the camp they dubbed the "Jerusalem Camp for a Rapid Return." To return to their homes, they had no choice but to pass through Israel's security zone, a 440-square-mile sector carved out in 1985 to protect Israel's northern settlements from attack.

As the Palestinians approached the gate to the zone, about 25 SLA gunners sprayed 50-caliber machine-gun fire and lobbed eight howitzer and mortar shells at them, wounding one.

The men stopped their march, prayed in the rain and waved copies of the Koran, then made another attempt to advance while two Israeli helicopters hovered overhead.

SLA tanks fired a dozen shells around them and sprayed the road with machine-gun fire, wounding another deportee.

Ex-general denies sabotaging

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) - An army general dismissed in a crackdown on a covert military team denied Monday that he had been doing anything to derail reforms aimed at sharing power with blacks.

Maj. Gen. Chris Thirion, deputy chief of military intelligence, said he would not appeal his dismissal by President F.W. de Klerk.

"It is possible I made mistakes, but I never intentionally did anything to sabotage the constitutional process," Thirion was

quoted as saying by The Star newspaper of Johannesburg. "I consider myself a good professional soldier but I'm only human."

It was the first comment by any of the sacked officers since de Klerk stunned the nation Saturday by saying he had uncovered a military plot to wreck opposition groups such as the African National Congress.

De Klerk fired six generals and 10 other military personnel and put seven soldiers on compulsory leave pending further investigation. He indicated their activities may have included political murders.

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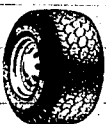
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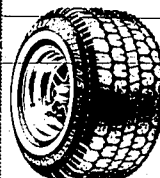
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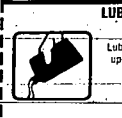
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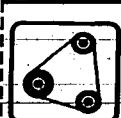
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54 die as chartered Dutch jet crash lands in Portugal

FARO, Portugal (AP) - A chartered Dutch jumbo jet with 340 people aboard slammed into a runway while trying to land in a storm Monday, broke apart and burst into flames.

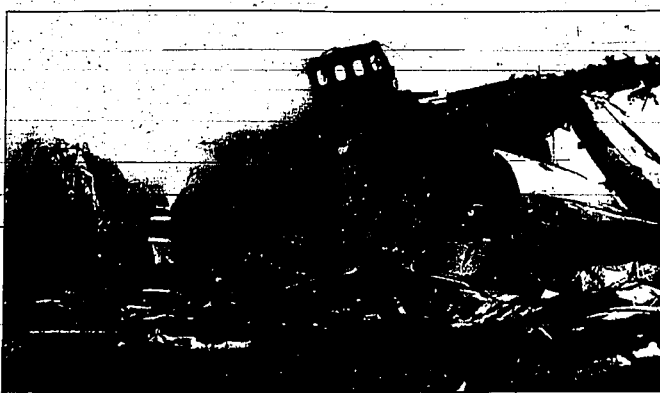
Officials said 54 holiday travelers en route to this popular beach resort were killed.

The government said 282 people survived the crash of the DC-10 with varying injuries. Four people on board the Martinair flight from Amsterdam were missing.

The pilot, who broke his collarbone in the crash, told a doctor a strong gust of wind struck the jet during the landing and that a wing hit the ground, TSF radio reported. The flight was taking vacationers to Faro on Portugal's southern tip.

Passenger Marius Jungerius told of panic as people tried to flee: "There was screaming and people falling over each other. I saw a stewardess with blood pouring from her head. There was blood everywhere."

"Those of us who got out of the plane ran as hard as we could - people were running in all directions," Jungerius told Dutch NOS television. "We got to the terminal and there was nothing there, no one to help us, just people screaming all over the place."



Rescue workers look over the remains of a chartered Dutch jet that crashed Monday while landing in a storm in Faro, Portugal. At least 54 people were killed on the plane carrying 340 passengers.

Smoke poured from the wreckage all day, hampering efforts to remove bodies from the blackened fuselage. The wreckage was strewn across 400 yards of the airport. Rescue workers' and search dogs pulled

charred bodies from the scorched mid-section and smoking tail of the plane. Portuguese Ministry of Interior Affairs spokeswoman Diana Ulrich provided the latest casualty figures:

54 killed, four missing and feared dead. Dutch radio said all aboard were Dutch nationals. Other reports said some passengers were British and African.

Martinair officials in Amsterdam said the plane carried 13 crewmembers.

"Several people said the pilot had made several passes over the runway during the rainstorm before attempting to land. "It was real bad weather and the airplane started rocking, and the pilot tried to land I think three or four times," a passenger identified as L. Ribeiro told NOS-TV. "Then he tried pulling up. On the third time he came in steep, and I looked out the window and saw the motor on the wing burst into flames and the wing bit the ground."

"Then I saw only fire," Ribeiro said. Marcel Meeuwesse, another survivor, said he sensed something was wrong during the landing attempt.

"I was sitting in the middle toward the back in the smoking section. There was a lot of rain as we were coming down. I had this feeling - this idea - we weren't going to come down all right, so I grabbed my bag like a pillow and bent over."

He said the plane was hit by a burst of wind as it landed. "I never heard any (warning) announcement. People were still sitting in their seats. My thought was 'Get out, everyone get out,'" said Meeuwesse. "I wanted to stay and help but

when I saw the flames I didn't think anyone was going to get out," he said. "When I came to the door I saw more flames and I smelled gasoline everywhere, even on the clothes."

Meeuwesse said he escaped through a rear emergency door just before the plane caught fire. "I ran through the flames and I was out and there was no shooting at us. I just kept running. When I got to the fire trucks I wanted to go back, but that's when the explosion started," Meeuwesse said.

Meeuwesse said four explosions shook the plane after the crash. The crash is the fourth commercial airline accident in Portuguese territory in 15 years. In November 1977, 132 people were killed when a TAP Air Portugal Boeing 727 crashed near Funchal, on the Atlantic island of Madeira.

One month later, a SAZ Caravelle crashed off Madeira, killing 36 people. In February 1989, an Independent Air Corp. Boeing 707 hit a hillside on the island of Santa Maria in the Azores, killing 144.

This was the second air transport for the Dutch in less than two months. On Oct. 4, an El Al 747 cargo jet crashed into low-income housing project near Schiphol, killing at least 43 people.

Serbian president leads, but observers notice irregularities

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) - Serbia's authoritarian president, Slobodan Milosevic, appeared headed toward re-election Monday in voting that foreign observers said was riddled with irregularities and unfair practices.

Milosevic, a former Communist, is blamed by the international community for fomenting war crimes in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia. His victory would further isolate Serbia and perhaps lead to international intervention in Bosnia.

Serbian Premier Milan Panic, the main challenger, asked that Sunday's ballot be annulled because of widespread fraud and cheating.

"It is only a matter of time when this old, rotten system will have to be changed," Panic said.

With 13.6 percent of the vote counted, Milosevic had 56.3 percent, enough to avoid a runoff with Panic, the state Tanjug news agency reported. There was no way to determine whether that percentage would hold.

International monitors criticized the electoral process as "riddled with flaws and irregularities."

They cited "serious irregularities" in the state-controlled media in favor of Milosevic and widespread registration problems that prevented at least 5 percent of prospective voters from participating.

"A disproportionate amount of these would likely have supported the opposition," the statement said. Many were young and without access to the media, and the opposition of people who joined an opposition boycott of federal elections last May, it said.

But it was too early to tell whether the whole

electoral process failed to meet "minimum acceptable standards," said the report from observers of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Final official results were not expected before Thursday.

Panic was already demanding a new vote, preferably in May 1993, said his chief adviser, Teodor Olic.

Milosevic became Communist Party chief of Serbia in 1987 but two years later he began giving fiery speeches in favor of Serb nationalism. In 1990, as leader of the renamed Socialist Party, he was elected president.

For his support for Serb irregulars, Milosevic is seen as one of the leaders most responsible for the fighting that has killed tens of thousands of people in the former Yugoslav republics of Croatia and Bosnia.

U.S. Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger said last week that Milosevic should be investigated as a possible war criminal.

Panic, a Serbia-born California millionaire, had promised to work for peace. He received indirect endorsement from international leaders who warned Serb voters that unless the country changed its policies toward Bosnia, it would face more international pressure.

British Prime Minister John Major said Sunday that he and President Bush had discussed stricter sanctions against Yugoslavia if there were no "rapid and radical change of policy" toward Bosnia.

The measures could include cutting postal and telecommunication links and possibly closing borders.

Russian Cabinet member quits

MOSCOW (AP) - The social welfare minister has become the first reformist to resign in the week since Viktor Chernomyrdin, a former Communist apparatchik and gas industry director, became prime minister.

But Yeltsin's spokesman said Monday that the core team of economic reformers assembled by the former head of government, Yegor Gaidar, would remain in place under Chernomyrdin. Pamfilova was not a member of that team.

She was not believed to be close to Yeltsin, but was an outspoken supporter of his market reforms. Pamfilova also had crusaded against

privileges for elite members of Russian society.

Chernomyrdin was confirmed last week by the Communist-dominated Congress of People's Deputies, which had condemned Gaidar's reforms as destructive.

Chernomyrdin, 54, has said he would continue reforms with a softer approach that would not "impoverish" Russians. He said he wants to subsidize ailing state-owned industries and condemn the hordes of private street peddlers who have flourished under Gaidar's policies.

The choice of Chernomyrdin miffed reformers. Yeltsin in recent days has made a show of reining in

Chernomyrdin to protect the reforms started by Gaidar.

Yeltsin cut short his trip to China on Saturday, saying he had to "restore order" at home. He named Chernomyrdin on Sunday as prime minister. The ministers wanted to keep Chernomyrdin in to propose candidates for some posts, although it was unclear why.

Consultations on the new Cabinet are likely to extend beyond an early deadline of Tuesday, said Yeltsin's spokesman Vyacheslav Kostikov.

Kostikov said that as of Monday afternoon, "no specific names have been given" to Yeltsin. The "backbone of the Gaidar team will be preserved," he added.

No-confidence vote falls short in India

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao easily defeated a no-confidence vote Monday by the Hindu party blamed for the demolition of a mosque that provoked violence around India.

But the nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party won 100 seats in the government. Party leader Atal Behari Vajpayee, who had begun a hunger strike, lifted it after Interior Minister S. B. Chavan ruled that Bharatiya Janata could hold peaceful rallies and agreed to stop arresting party members linked with banned

Hindu radical groups.

On Dec. 6, thousands of Hindu fanatics razed a 16th century mosque in the northern town of Ayodhya, sparking a week of violence that left 1,200 dead and 5,000 injured. It was the worst Hindu-Muslim violence since Indian independence in 1947.

Rao charged that the destruction of the mosque was not a spontaneous outburst from the 300,000 Hindu zealots but a premeditated operation "an act of betrayal and vandalism."

"The need now is to make new history," said Rao, 71, referring to the violence marring the history of communal relations among Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs and other groups in India. Hindus account for about 82 percent of India's 875 million people, Muslims about 12 percent.

Rao's Congress Party and its allies defeated the no-confidence motion 334 to 106. There were 419 members of Parliament, but only 106 voted because others were in prison or absent.

Germany outlaws 3rd neo-Nazi group

BONN, Germany (AP) - Government authorities on Monday outlawed a third neo-Nazi organization and a newspaper said attacks by Germany's radical right are declining.

Lower Saxony state said it has banned the German Comradeship Federation, a gang of neo-Nazi thugs based in Wilhelmshaven, a port city in the north German state.

The federal government has taken the same action against two larger neo-Nazi groups, the Nationalist

Front and the German Alternative. Gerhard Glogowski, the interior minister for Lower Saxony, said the decision to ban the Wilhelmshaven group was made after police confiscated neo-Nazi propaganda in Dec. 9 raids.

Right-wing extremists launched more violence over the weekend. Vandals wrote "Death to Jews," "Siege Heil" and other Nazi slogans on about 20 gravestones in a Jewish cemetery in Leipzig, and toppled 10 others. A refugee shelter in Greifswald was hit

by two firebombs Saturday night, but no one was injured and property damage was minor.

"The Welt am Sonntag newspaper said right-wing radicals had carried out 2,184 acts of violence as of Dec. 13, including 1,953 against foreigners, which left 17 dead and 542 injured. The newspaper said the information came from the Federal Office for Protection of the Constitution, an intelligence agency and the chief watchdog of German democracy.

Europe, Canada end fishing dispute

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - The European Community and Canada have ended a dispute that led Ottawa to close its ports and waters to EC fishermen in 1987, Canadian and EC officials said Monday.

Manuel Marin, the EC fisheries commissioner, said an accord was initiated in Ottawa on Thursday and must be formally signed by the governments of Canada and the trading bloc's 12 members.

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Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham

WONDERFUL! AND WHAT ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE ME TO SERVE?

LET'S HAVE SOMETHING APPROPRIATE!

HOW ABOUT LEFTOVERS?

YES, PERFECT!

The Family Circus

By Bil Keane

"That's Santa and these are his Elvises."

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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

"IF DECEMBER 22 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Many consider you a 'maverick.' You broke from family tradition, could have been separated from one or both parents at relatively early age. Your credo was and is, 'I'll do it my way!' You are dynamic, creative, obstinate, insouciant by design, are criticized, 'the' market, the sciences. During 1993, you could be in business for yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Green light flash, travel, creative endeavors, presentation featuring 'individual style.' Emphasis on security, property, long-distance communication.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Finances, efforts scattered will come into place, you'll read pattern perfectly. Legal 'snag' is removed - you'll be free to move out, to sell product, talent.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You're presented gift whose purpose is to unlock doors previously shut tight. Focus on credibility, public image, legal agreement, marital status. Gemini native reveals secret. Take immediate action!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Feeling of emptiness dominating, scientific discovery, exploration, litigation at scene meeting that might develop into serious relationship. Keep recent resolution concerning diet, nutrition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Attention revolves around 'him,' ability to identify surroundings, to restore domestic harmony. Purchase of musical instrument is in picture. Creative juices stir.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): What appeared to 'slip away' will be back on home ground almost instantly. Don't equate delay with defeat. Realize also that being alone has nothing to do with being lonely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Focus on organization, deadline, responsibility, relationship that combines attractiveness, controversy. Relative involved, surprise visit 'suspicious' schedule. Keep plans flexible. Capricorn feature. Gemini 'boom' becomes part of exciting scenario.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Stress independence, courage of conviction. You'll learn value of 'subtle' to love.' Imprint style, sweep aside emotional jobs. Surprises of pleasant nature dominate scenario.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Attention revolves around home, property, relatives, possible partnership, participation in civic enterprise. Financial picture brightens. You'll learn value of personal possessions. Gourmet dining!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Directly, ask questions, refuse to be seduced by one who is cynical, lacks talent, imagination, inspiration. Major wish comes true with help from Sagittarius.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on 'him,' getting the full of things material, replacing with durable goods. Sagittarius Moon accents leadership, promotion, direction, ability to inspire others.

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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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Gold found under gambling house

In what's now the ghost town of Houghton, Colo., a gambling house once flourished. Last night, to leave fate it down. And shook out the floors and walls. And found thousands of dollars worth of gold out of the dirt under the place.

"In Greece, you can go to jail for abandoning your dog."

June 10 is "Time-Observance Day" in Japan. To call attention to the need to be punctual. Intended to run this item earlier, but you know how it goes.

"Much has been made of the fact that Mexico City appears soon to become the world's largest city. Why this is news I don't know. That metropolitan has been ranked among the world's largest for the last five centuries."

Empire Nelson Bonaparte dominated most but not all of these around him. He married Josephine, a widow six years his senior. On the wedding night, according to the historical footnote, she refused to let him push her out of bed.

Ethiopia's Adhis Ababa has a million-and-a-half people, numerous modern high-rise buildings, and no sewage system.

She spun yarn until she married, then the wove it. The word "spinster" hides to that. So does the word "wife." It comes from the verb "to weave."

Not only was suicide against the law in 19th-century Great Britain, but conviction carried the death penalty. Excuse me?

Q: Where's Lake Niapiasing?
A: That's the geologists' name for Lake Superior, Michigan and Huron when they were only one lake. Before the land around them bulged to separate them.

It's reported but not confirmed that Oscar Wilde on his deathbed addressed these last words to his wallpaper: "One of us has got to go."

Hero plucks family from Cuba

Knight-Ridder News Service

MIAMI — With a rosary dangling from his neck and a map of Cuba's northern coast in his lap, Maj. Orestes Lorenzo left Marathon Key at twilight Saturday, knowing he had only 40 seconds to rescue his family from the island.

He prayed all the way. "I know I did it, and I know they are here, but I can't believe it," Lorenzo said Sunday. "I didn't do alone... God was with me all the way."

As he held his children, Reyniel, 11, and Alejandro, 6, and played with his wife's hair at a Coconut Grove hotel, Lorenzo recounted his incredible tale: how he whisked his family off a Cuban highway and flew back to the United States, again narrowly avoiding detection.

Twenty-one months ago, Lorenzo, a Cuban combat pilot, defected in a Soviet-built MiG and landed in the Florida Keys, undetected by U.S. radar.

This time, Lorenzo did not breach U.S. air defense. He was flying a U.S.-registered plane and advised traffic controllers that he was airborne.

He just didn't tell them where he was going or where he was coming from.

"I had no help from U.S. authorities. I didn't tell anybody," he said. "I didn't want to entrust my children's lives in the hands of a bureaucrat or a politician."

A spokesman for the North American Air Defense Command said Lorenzo's aircraft was picked up on its radar and determined to be "friendly."

Lorenzo maintains that he also didn't get any help from friends in the Cuban government.

His daring act, he said, was the result of nine months of preparation, a lot of mathematics and the help of a few friends who knew of his plans.

It was also the product of desperation and the fulfillment of a promise he made to his wife the night before he left Cuba for the United States.

"He told me: 'Vicky, don't worry. I will come back for you,'" his wife, Victoria, 35, said with tears in her eyes. "I knew the day he was going to get us out of Cuba."

Since his arrival here last year, Lorenzo has been trying to get his family out of Cuba through legal — and less dangerous — means. He secured their release from the United States, but the Cuban government refused to allow them to leave the country. Lorenzo lobbied governments and members of Congress. He founded an organization, Parents for Freedom, to fight for the release of what he called "Castro's hostages."

Frustrated and desperate, he decided to do it himself. He learned English and became a licensed pilot. The only thing he needed was a plane.

Elena Diaz-Versos Amos, co-chairwoman of the Valladares Foundation, a Washington-based human rights group, bought a Cessna 310 for \$30,000 and lent the plane to Lorenzo.

The next step was to let his wife know he was flying in.

Last Wednesday, two Mexican women flew to Cuba to contact



Orestes Lorenzo plays with his son Alejandro, 6, at the Grand Bay Hotel in Miami Sunday.

Victoria and deliver a letter from Lorenzo, which detailed the plan. The women, whom Lorenzo didn't want to identify, are members of an organization that monitors psychiatric care in Mexico. They met Lorenzo six months ago and offered their help.

"I talked to them for two minutes and immediately trusted them," he said.

In the letter, Lorenzo told his wife to meet him by the highway next to El Mamey beach, near Varadero, east of Havana. He said he picked the site after careful calculations convinced him that he was least likely to be detected by Cuban radar there. He also figured that he had only about 30 seconds to land and pick up his family and 10 seconds before Cuba could shoot him down.

He drew a map for his wife and told her not to approach the plane from the front, because it was dangerous. He also told her not to talk to him or try to hug him because he needed to concentrate.

"One more thing," he said. "Make sure to note the hour the sun goes down." The day after she received the message, Victoria went to Varadero beach with the Mexican tourists. They looked like friends going out for a day at the beach.

In fact, Victoria was becoming familiar with the area and tracking the sun. That night, the Mexicans threw a Christmas party for her and her parents. It was a farewell party.

"The tourists left. The next day at noon, Victoria got a call. Lorenzo was on the other line. They spoke in code, as he had instructed in his letter."

"Orestes," she said, using his nickname. "Your father is thinner now, but he is fine." That was the code indicating she agreed and understood his plan.

"Fine," he said. "I'll send you



Orestes Lorenzo arrives Saturday night at Opa-Locka Airport, north of Miami, with his wife, Victoria, and sons Reyniel, 11, right, and Alejandro.

money to buy a TV and a VCR." That was the code to let her know the pickup was the next day.

Victoria didn't think it would be so soon. "Already?" she exclaimed. But she was ready. She told him to get the children shoes, sizes 5 1/2 and 6 1/2. That was the code to advise him that the sun set between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The next day, she packed lunch and took 600 pesos — about three months' pay — from her savings. She flagged down a government car and asked the driver to take her to La Plaza de la Revolution, the place from which Fidel Castro speaks to the people. It's also a bus stop.

She took another car, a private one, for 200 pesos — and a bus and arrived at the beach a little after noon.

The children, who didn't know what was happening, didn't want to go into the cold water. But she forced them to have a good time.

"Listen to me," she told Reyniel. "This is a matter of life or death. Go swim."

He did. She read the Psalms from the Bible sitting on the sand. Two police officers were patrolling nearby.

At about 5 p.m., the three started walking toward the highway. At 5:45, Victoria spotted the plane about to land two blocks away from them.

"Run, run! It's Daddy!" she told the kids.

Lorenzo had narrowly missed a car, a truck, a bus, a traffic sign and a huge rock on the highway. He finally came to a stop about 10 yards from a truck.

Inside the plane, she touched his hand but didn't talk to him, as agreed. The kids were crying — and praying — as they took off.

Once they entered U.S. territory, 21 minutes and 43 seconds later, Lorenzo yelled to them. "We did it!"

Man found through ad was too good to be true

TIFFIN, Ohio (AP) — Sherry Bell's advertisement in a tabloid had a simple message: "Wanted. One good-hearted man to hold me, to put his arms around us and make us a family again. We're 26 and 6."

The divorcee wanted a better life for herself and her boy, Tommy, in this rural community 45 miles southeast of Toledo.

"All I ever wanted was a Norman Rockwell picture, you know, a home with a white picket fence, two or three kids and a dog," Ms. Bell said.

She wound up with an apparent con man and a broken heart.

It's a story that began like many others in the personal ads column where the lonely stake their hopes on that elusive thing called love.

Ms. Bell's ad in The Sun yielded dozens of letters. She answered only one, from a man called Paul Jeffrey Gloger. He seemed sensitive and caring, she said.

"They met, she fell in love, and they planned their marriage. Two weeks later, the romance abruptly ended with his arrest."

Authorities say Gloger is really Steven Gloger, 45, of New York and wanted in Quincy, Ill., for violating probation on a 1989 conviction for writing bad checks to hotels there. He's now in jail in Tiffin on a \$100,000 bond, awaiting an extradition hearing Dec. 24.

Quincy police Lt. Michael DeVoss said Gloger targeted women through personal ads. Gloger married or promised to marry several, took their money and left, leaving them with bills, though Ms.

Bell's romance with him didn't get that far. DeVoss said.

"He gives them a line and they fall," DeVoss said.

Authorities have found three Gloger ex-wives, in Quincy, Ill., Woodward, Okla., and Standish, Maine. Each divorced him after he ran up bills.

Gloger is charged in Illinois with one count each of defrauding an innkeeper, deceptive practices and being a fugitive from justice. He is charged in Maine with two counts of theft-by-deception.

Gloger and his lawyer wouldn't comment.

Ms. Bell said Gloger told her at first that he was a corporate lawyer and an accountant making \$150,000 a year. He proposed marriage before they met, she said. Wishing to meet him first, she said, they agreed he would visit in October.

Ms. Bell said the night before his arrival, he told her he was a millionaire with a chateau in France, a hacienda in Phoenix and a house in Hawaii. He said he kept his

background a secret because he didn't want to be loved for his money.

A few days after meeting him, Ms. Bell accepted the marriage proposal and, at his urging, quit her job as a waitress and bartender and her studies toward becoming a medical assistant.

They planned to buy a \$169,000 house and a \$103,000 Mercedes. "He treated me like nobody had ever treated me before. He treated me with respect. He was wonderful," Ms. Bell said.

But friends and family were

skeptical of the man's claims. A cousin asked police to run a background check and Gloger's probation violation was uncovered. He was arrested Nov. 12.

Ms. Bell is now trying to start over. She's back in school but has failed to get her job back. She depends on food stamps and \$279 a month in welfare.

She still gets replies to her ad. One came from a North Dakota man who said he was a multimillionaire.

"I threw the letter away," Ms. Bell said. "You just can't trust anybody these days."

Woman becomes citizen a day before 100th birthday

HOUSTON, (AP) — Maria Estela Nivot Nieto spent the last day of the first century of her life becoming an American citizen.

She dreamed of it since she first visited the United States nearly 70 years ago, but thought she couldn't because she only speaks Spanish.

But she recently learned that the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service allows citizenship applicants to be interviewed in their own language if they meet certain age and residency requirements.

On Friday — a day shy of her 100th birthday — Mrs. Nieto was sworn in. She was accompanied by seven family members representing five generations as she arrived at a college gymnasium for a swearing-in ceremony.

"I'm very nervous and very excited," she said through her interpreter, her great-grandson Lewis Gottlieb. "It's something I've always wanted."

Afterward, Gottlieb said, his family planned a party to celebrate Mrs. Nieto's citizenship and her birthday.

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TWIN CINEMA DAILY 7:10, 8:40 SAT, SUN 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 **The Muppet Christmas Carol**

TWIN CINEMA DAILY 7:30, 9:45 SAT, SUN 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 **Eddie Murphy Distinguished Gentleman**

TWIN CINEMA DAILY 7:25, 9:45 SAT, SUN 12:30, 2:45, 4:55, 7:25, 9:45 **THE BODYGUARD**

TWIN CINEMA ENDS THURSDAY 12:24 DAILY 8:50 ONLY SAT, SUN 12:30, 4:15, 8:00 **Malcolm X**

Merry Christmas!

TWIN CINEMA DAILY 7:30, 9:45 SAT, SUN 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45 **TOYS**

MALL CINEMA DAILY 7:00, 9:30 SAT, SUN 4:30, 7:00, 9:30 **A FEW GOOD MEN**

JEROME CINEMA DAILY 7:00, 9:30 SAT, SUN 4:30, 7:00, 9:30 **TOM CRUISE JACK NICHOLSON DEMI MOORE**

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TWIN CINEMA DAILY 7:00, 9:30 SAT, SUN 1:00, 3:30, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 **MEL GIBSON True love waits forever. FOREVER YOUNG**

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Opinion

Editorial

Crapo should lead opposition to commercial waste imports

Attention Congressman-elect Mike Crapo: Here's your first chance to prove you're sincere about protecting Idaho from the rapacious federal Energy Department.

Last week the Energy Department declared that it can't meet a 1998 deadline for finding a place to store the nuclear waste that's piling up at commercial power plants.

This came as little surprise to Idaho citizens. We've seen the Energy Department miss plenty of deadlines for dealing with nuclear waste. Meanwhile, decades-old waste sits in "temporary" storage at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

Also not surprising was the Energy Department's proposed solution to this new dilemma. It now wants to ship the commercial waste from the holding pools at power plants to federal nuclear installations including INEL.

This scenario validates the worst fears of environmental activists. As predicted, the federal government has dithered and dawdled until, finally, it throws up its hands and concludes that dumping the stuff in Idaho is the only solution.

(The pending arrival of a new presidential administration doesn't offer much hope. Presidents come and go, but nuclear waste lasts and lasts.) The Energy Department proposal guarantees yet another confrontation with Idaho residents who don't want their state to be the nation's waste dump.

But the department has a solution to that opposition, too. Energy Secretary James D. Watkins is asking Congress to mandate site selection by the end of 1993. Such a mandate apparently would let the department ignore local opposition.

That's where Crapo comes in. The newly elected 2nd District Republican recently was named to the important House Energy and Commerce Committee. On that panel he'll be well-positioned to influence energy policy — and to protect Idaho.

Crapo's colleague-to-be, Democratic Congressman Larry LaRocco, already has denounced the Energy Department's plan. He said Saturday he'll reintroduce legislation giving states veto power over accepting commercial nuclear waste.

"Giving DOE control over commercial nuclear waste dumps means turning the INEL into a permanent nuclear waste dump," LaRocco said.

Southern Idaho voters may wonder why northern Idaho's congressman is poking his nose into a region he doesn't represent. The answer probably is that LaRocco has his eye on a future statewide race.

But even if LaRocco's involvement is opportunistic, his position is correct. Crapo should join him in condemning the department's plans — and so should Idaho's two U.S. senators.

Such a move would go a long way toward establishing Crapo's independence on energy issues.

During the fall campaign, Crapo's Democratic opponent pointed out Crapo's Idaho Falls background and his law firm's history of representing INEL contractors.

Crapo insisted he would represent all of the 2nd District — including the Magic Valley, which draws its water from the aquifer that runs under INEL. He promised to look out for Idaho's environment in dealing with the Energy Department. Now is a good time to start.



U.N. humanitarian army has pluses

First it's 30,000 American troops to help feed the starving multitudes in Somalia. Where next?

If you ask Sharon Rauting, an expert on African famine issues with an organization called Bread for the World, the same moral imperatives behind the operation in Somalia apply to a growing list of blighted countries.

If America responds to all these needs, the job could require the deployment of a quarter-million or more troops. Maybe what the world needs is a new, standing United Nations force to provide humanitarian aid, disaster relief and nation-building support.

This idea is a step beyond the proposal of U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, who suggests in the latest issue of Foreign Affairs magazine that member nations should maintain specially trained units in readiness for call-up to U.N. peacekeeping service.

Unfortunately, his proposal continues the ad hoc arrangements under which multinational forces are cobbled together in the hour of crisis.

The best forces are those that train together, that have routinized all the problems of integrating communications, supply, medical support and, if necessary, fire support from artillery and aircraft.

Yet Boutros-Ghali correctly observed that "the end of the Cold War has led to a dramatic expansion for the United Nations' peacekeeping services."

Recently back from Africa, Pauling ticked off a list of growing needs.

"More than 3 million people are at risk of starvation in Mozambique, a nation of about 14 million. We see the same problems of food shortages aggravated by armed bandits as in Somalia," she said.

"In Sudan, you have a fundamentalist government engaged in all sorts of

repression. Four-and-a-half million southern Sudanese have been displaced since the 1980s, and the government is clearly using food as a weapon — not allowing supplies to go through," she recounted.

In Sudan, about 9 million out of a population of some 22 million could starve to death, she said.

Add Angola, Liberia, the Balkans and Russia, where pockets of malnutrition are occurring, especially among children, and we have a situation described by the late Friedrich Hayek, the Nobel-Laureate economist, in which the United States could dissipate itself applying the rules of altruism to everybody.

In his 1988 book, "The Fatal Conceit" (University of Chicago Press), Hayek wrote, "If we were to respond to all charitable appeals that bombard us ... this would exact a heavy cost in distracting us from what we are most competent to do."

American military forces are most competent at deploying rapidly, operating under hostile conditions and striking hard, fire support from artillery and aircraft.

A surgeon who heads the Department of Emergency Medicine at the military's medical school in Bethesda, Md., said, "The long-term stuff is beyond the military's mission."

In a recent article on the legacy of our military's medical efforts in the Third World, Llewellyn noted the tendency of American medical teams to swoop in, devour the villagers, give shots, pull teeth and pull out. The impact is transitory.

Worse, this approach undercuts the stated goal of creating confidence in local

governments "by building expectations which could not be met after U.S. personnel departed," Llewellyn wrote.

The Cubans, he argued, do it better. They come in to stay, they speak the language, and they practice what he called "austere, low-level medical care ... with paradoxically high sustained impact."

Instead of mixing Cuban, American or other national units under the U.N. flag, the concept of internationalism might better be served by creating a military force stripped of national identity altogether.

The French Foreign Legion, in which volunteers from India to Indiana serve in truly international units, comes to mind. While the legionnaires speak French, the common tongue in the U.N. force could be English, the international language of air traffic control.

Enlistments would be for a minimum period of six years. Boot camp, officer training — all of these types of activities would be conducted under U.N. auspices.

Indeed, one ought to be able to serve a career in such an international force. Equipped with its own airlift and sealift assets, the force would be trained in the patient skills needed for humanitarian assistance and national development.

There would be no more resentment and bickering about whether the French or the Germans or the Japanese were picking up their share of the load.

The best argument for such a U.N. force comes from the old aphorism in our own military: "Any time you can solve two or more problems with one decision, it's the right call."

David Evans is military affairs writer for the Chicago Tribune.

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Letters

Assistance is appreciated
On Dec. 18, I was forced off the road by some thoughtless individual in a black Nissan truck. My car rolled three times before stopping. The only thing that came between me and death was my seat belt, which lucky for me I was wearing.

This unknown person neither stopped nor reported what he or she had done. The accident happened one mile east of Massacre Rocks.

A Rupter man was kind enough to take the time to see if I was OK and give me a ride to American Falls. I would like to take the time to thank this wonderful person for all his generosity.

I was trying to get to Pocatello Regional Medical Center, as my father was in the hospital with a serious heart condition. The deputy sheriff of American Falls took my statement and left me at the Hilltop Cafe in American Falls. He said another officer would give me a ride to the Pocatello hospital, but no officer ever showed up.

I talked with the dispatcher at the sheriff's department and asked her if she could please relay a message to my brother in Twin Falls that I was all right, but they wouldn't do that either. I wonder if they would have done anything had I died?

It was one of the cafe's customers, by the name of Leo, who finally drove me to Pocatello Regional Medical Center to see my father. Thank you to those who helped my in my time of need.

TAMI BRENNEMAN
Twin Falls

U.S. backs hypocrisy
Let's tackle an issue here no one feels comfortable with: American-Israeli relations. I'm not an expert on this, just an observer of an apparent duplicity of standards.

Everyone knows or remembers the horrific treatment of Jews in Nazi Germany. For the

good of all, this terrible tragedy stays in our conscience, and we attempt to empathize with those who have been religiously persecuted — at atone for our own guilt, I think. We teach our children so they too will have compassion and tolerance of others and their views.

Unfortunately, our empathy clouds our honesty, and the pain we feel for the wrongs of the past means we are willing to overlook glaring disparities of modern moral issues. For is it right that Israel, with the full support and cooperation of the United States, so violently persecutes those of another race and creed — the Palestinian people?

The Israeli government, supported almost entirely with American money and weapons, systematically displays the same acts of aggression the Jewish people received under Hitler. What is wrong with this picture? Can we not discuss these same atrocities without being unwittingly dragged into the past guilt and remorse of an attempted genocide that happened in my grandparents' time?

I did not create Nazi Germany. I do not support neo-Nazism today — it disgusts me. I am not anti-Zionist, despite the national sentiment that all Idahoans are skin-headed potato farmers. I am anti-political bull crap, however, which means I forever strive to end politics as we know it — you pay me, I vote your way.

We all know the strength Jewish-American lobbying groups have in Washington, D.C. here that influence even makes it out here in Idaho in the form of heavy campaign contributions. Money talks.

Because of this sleazy political system, Israel is literally getting away with murder — and American taxpayers are paying for it (\$3.5 billion last year and \$10 billion in loan guarantees). What Israel is doing is wrong; to persecute is wrong. I am not responsible for what happened 50 years ago. I am responsible for

my fellow human today, however, and I say Americans should no longer fund Israeli arrogance and hostility.

We owe a single country, Israel, nothing — we owe humanity everything. For the human race, let's stop this aggression. Don't vote, write an opinion, your opinion. Unfortunately, you'll likely be attacked for your views.

BRANDON LEVER
Hailey

Recall meaning of Christmas

In all the rush and excitement of selecting, buying, preparing and wrapping of presents, let us not forget that great, priceless gift that came to us 2,000 years ago. After all, that's what Christmas is all about — the Christ child in the stable.

Have a merry Christmas.
BERNARD HOFFMAN
Twin Falls

Sing along this season

With all the holidays and New Year's parties coming on, I thought of these songs I

have had quite a few years might help to slow some of them down or quite possibly save a few lives.

"At 45 mph sing, 'Highways Are Happy Ways.' At 55 mph sing, 'I Am A Stranger Here, Heaven Is My Home.' At 65 mph sing, 'Nearer My God To Thee.' At 75 mph sing, 'When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder, I'll Be There.' At 85 mph sing, 'Lord, I'm Coming Home.'"

Merry Christmas to all.
HAZEL FERN MILLER
Twin Falls

Jerome mood is different

I noted an interesting observation by a Jerome County official in *The Times-News* last week. He was quoted as saying something to the effect that most of the citizens had accepted the high landfill assessments with only a small number of people being upset or angry. The information I have been hearing is very different from this evaluation.

There seems to be a strong undercurrent of resentment about the total property taxing

package and why not? If you consider the landfill assessment, the Jerome County residents have been subjected to five different tax increases and the city residents burdened by six increases this year alone.

We, in the city, would probably conclude that our largest tax increase would be caused by those who elected them don't have to collect those taxes. I think they might have a different view of the public mood.

GLEN CAPPS
Jerome

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Course aims to open educational 'gate'

INDIANOLA, Miss. (AP) — Some of the students, a teacher said, never have seen an elevator — their being a one-story world.

Some, the principal said, never have left Sunflower County, its flat farm fields interrupted only by an occasional uncultivated tree in the midst of the cotton rows or by a little whitewashed church.

So some changes had to be made in a special, experience-based math curriculum developed in faraway Boston, with its mass transit and skyscrapers, before it could be tried in the Mississippi Delta.



Jennifer Thomas, 11, left, cheered by teammates Lalaya Nelson and Ramesha Stevenson, races the clock to stack Lego pieces in her algebra class in Indianola, Miss.

The course, called The Algebra Project and now used in 50 schools around the nation, begins with a trip. And whether inner-city students ride a subway and catalogue the stations to work their problems — or Delta kids take a yellow school bus to landmarks here — their real destination is the same.

They're being steered toward an ease and facility with complex math concepts, according to project developers. They're being led through an academic "gate" that has barred many disadvantaged students from college.

"It's more fun," said sixth-grader Howard Mitchell, whose Algebra Project classmates at Indianola Middle School worked busily on a recent morning.

Here, said Howard, "we work as a team." And the four-student working groups, each with a name such as Hip-Hop Kids or Boyz in the Hood, are just the beginning of what's different, fun — and, teachers say, effective — about this approach.

maps of their trip, others consulting on the symbols they've been asked to invent for mathematical games they derive from the maps: new forms of plus and minus, symbols for direction, for "start here," "stop here," and so on.

In another Algebra Project class, Debbie Murphy sees an additional change. "I'm no longer the teacher in this classroom, I'm the facilitator. The children are teaching each other. And they are learning so much more from each other's experiences than from me," she said.

"If nothing else this year, they've gotten a new idea about math... so when they get to their higher-

level math classes, they're going to think: This is fun, this isn't hard."

That's the point, said Bob Moses, who created the Algebra Project curriculum.

A legendary figure in the civil rights movement of the 1960s, Moses developed it two decades later out of math lessons that he, as a former math teacher, was giving his own children at home to ensure they were not closed out of advanced educational options.

"A student who has calculus coming into college has sort of the complete range of the college curriculum open to him," Moses reasoned. "But to do calculus in your senior year of high school means you have to do algebra in the eighth grade." To do that, he learned, students must be prepared in the sixth and seventh grades.

Over time, the goal he set for his children grew to include all children. He emphasized minority students, who have been plagued by low test scores, high drop-out rates and a tendency to avoid math and science classes.

Moses referred to surveys showing that black students who reached higher math classes, like his own children, were a rarity. "It broke down along race and class," Moses said. "Middle-class white students were judged to be prepared."

From the Moses children's Cambridge, Mass., public school, the Algebra Project spread widely. It's now in 50 schools including Oakland, Calif.; New Orleans; Louisville, Ky.; Milwaukee; and Chicago.

Puppy as gift bites into owner's pleasure

By Vicki Crote Boston Globe

What could be sweeter than leaving a cute puppy under someone's Christmas tree?

"It's probably the worst thing you could do for them, if you give someone a purebred puppy for Christmas, you're probably giving them large vet bills and a broken heart," says Brian Kilcommons, author of "Good Owners, Great Dogs."

Under most circumstances, reliable breeders will not sell you a pet for someone else and shelters will not let you adopt for another person. Reliable breeders grill owners to make sure the breed is right for them and, as in any adoption... that... the home... is appropriate.

So what does that leave? Breeders who aren't concerned about where the puppy ends up don't care very much about the puppy and probably didn't care very much about good breeding.

These puppies are more likely to suffer from genetic disorders such as hip dysplasia, allergies and bad temperaments.

Giving a pet is handing over big responsibilities for 10 or 15 years. Kilcommons says two elderly clients were given a high-energy Dalmatian puppy. "They became victims in their own home."

great way of extending Christmas. The child gets all the bikes and games on Christmas, and later, when he or she has more time, you get the puppy or kitten."

For adults, you can replace the stuffed toy (or add to it) with books on breeds and, most important, training ("Good Owners, Great Dogs" is a lifesaver for anyone with a new puppy).

Many shelters offer pet adoption certificates.

If you already have a pet, Christmas can still be hard to deal with. Hazards are everywhere. A 7-pound puppy can become mighty dog and fell a large fir in your living room.

Things to watch out for:

- Kilcommons says cats don't like the smell of Jean Teal or heavy pepper. You can spread either around the tree to discourage them. A barrier of some sort can keep puppies away from low hanging ornaments.
- Tinsel. Once swallowed, tinsel can become an intestinal blockage that has to be removed surgically, according to Linda Ross, chief of staff at Tufts University Foster Hospital for Small Animals.
- Chocolate can be hazardous for pets.
- Mistletoe and holly are toxic to pets.
- Poinsettias can give your pet diarrhea.
- Make sure there's plenty of water for your pet. Be aware that in cold weather animals will often lap up sweet-tasting antifreeze, which can kill them.
- Sudden diet changes aren't good for pets (that is, to imply they're good for us). You can give your pet a little holiday turkey in with her regular food, but don't overdo it. And be very careful not to feed pet turkey bones, cautions Ross.

Man mourning snake won't recoil over grief

DEAR ABBY: I had to write when I read the letter about David, the 9-year-old boy who was laughed at for crying when Prettyboy, his parakeet, died. People would say, "It was only a bird."

I'm a 24-year-old man. Two years ago I moved to California. In my full packed car, I had a parakeet, my mother and Poobo — my 4-foot box constrictor. I had Poobo for 3 1/2 years.

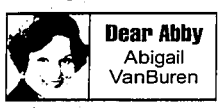
A month after I arrived in San Francisco, I moved into a warehouse in Oakland. It was great, except it was very cold inside, and the box constrictors need at least 75-degree temperatures.

Unfortunately, I couldn't come up with a way to keep Poobo warm until it was too late, and he died of pneumonia.

I found him dead during my lunch break from work. I cried so hard, I couldn't return to work that day. When I went back to my job, I was depressed and teary-eyed and people would only say, "How can you cry over a snake?"

Abby, I had had Poobo since he was a baby. I watched him grow. I could tell when he was hungry or in a bad mood, if I left him for too long, he would "roar" and refuse to come near me. He had feelings just like any other pet.

To this day, I get a lump in my throat when I think of him. I've had snakes as pets all my life, but after losing Poobo, I don't think I'll get



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

another one. Losing him was too hard on me.

So, David, cry all you want over Prettyboy. Real friends will understand what you are going through, and they will sympathize with you. All 9-year-olds cry, 29-year-olds cry, and 99-year-olds cry when they lose a beloved pet.

Abby, please put this in your column for David to see.

KELLY ARNAUDON, PITTSBURG, CALIF.

DEAR KELLY: Here's your letter. I hope David finds comfort from it. No one should be ashamed to cry. Tears come naturally, and are healing.

DEAR ABBY: This is for "X-Ray Tech", who wrote to say that numerous women, while having a mammogram, will say to the technician, "My, what a disgusting job you have!"

For my 35th birthday, as a gift to myself, I took your advice and got my first mammogram. When I walked through the door at Sky Park Mammography Center in Torrance, Calif., the receptionist congratulated me for taking good care of myself!

In the X-ray room, your column was posted on the bulletin board. It said: "The temporary discomfort of a mammogram is a small price to pay for possibly saving your life."

The technician was obviously very well-trained. She put me at ease, explained the procedure, and answered all my questions. I made me feel very comfortable. A "disgusting" job? Hardly!

Abby, there will always be people who can't find anything positive to say about anything.

Please pass along my heartfelt thanks to those dedicated, hard-working technicians.

KATHY HUNNICOT, REDONDO BEACH, CALIF.

DEAR KATHY: I'm printing your letter. All mammogram technicians deserve the best.

DEAR READERS: On Nov. 30, the address for the American Social Health Organization (for sexually transmitted diseases) was incorrect. The correct address is: The American Social Health Association (ASHA), P.O. Box 13827-H, Research Triangle Park, N.C. 27709. Please include a self-addressed, stamped (\$2 cents) envelope.

CONFIDENTIAL TO EDWARD JAY PHILLIPS IN MINNEAPOLIS: Happy birthday, son. Love — MOM

For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Illinois collector deals in microphones; Maine booklet focuses on lighthouses

Q. How can I find out the value of, and where can I sell, an old microphone on a stand and an Echophone radio that's more than 60 years old?

A. To sell old mikes and radios, write to collector Barry Janov, 2454 Dempster St., Suite 416, Des Plaines, Ill. 60016 (phone 708-827-9100). Enclose a photo or description of the pieces and an addressed, stamped envelope for free appraisal, reply or offer.

Q. Who might be interested in an old crucifix?

A. Write to Ernie Reda, 3997 Latimer Ave., San Jose, Calif. 95130 (phone 408-378-7786), who collects crosses and crucifixes of any materials.

Antiques Anita Gold

Gallery (1409 Lake Ave., Wilmette, Ill. 60091) specializes in Majolica and carries books on the subject. Enclose a description of the pieces and patterns you want and an addressed, stamped envelope for reply, or phone Randi Schwartz at 708-251-9550. Also send for a copy of "The Collector's Encyclopedia of

Majolica — An Identification & Value Guide," by Mariann Katz-Marks, available for \$21.95 postpaid from Collector Books, Box 3009, Paducah, Ky. 42002-3009 (phone 800-626-5420).

Readers can write to Anita Gold, Chicago Tribune, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611. Selected questions will appear in her column. The volume of mail makes individual replies impossible.

Illinois collector deals in microphones; Maine booklet focuses on lighthouses

Q. Where can I find miniature models of lighthouses and related decorative items?

A. The Lighthouse Digest, America's only lighthouse newspaper, is published for a year for \$24; it's available from Box 2748, South Portland, Maine 04116 (phone 800-758-1444). Or you can request a free copy.

Q. Who can tell me the value of a Pearee motorcycle made by the Simplex Mfg. Co. of New Orleans, and where can I find parts?

A. Write to Ken Robins, a motorcycle restorer and buyer, in care of Restorations Plus Inc., Box 717, Bossier City, La. 70607-7177 (phone 708-299-1955).

Q. Where can I find Majolica pottery in various fan patterns? Is there a book on the subject?

A. The Raven and Dove Antique

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Lifelong Democrat, now 95, prizes invitation to Clinton inaugural

LEWISTON (AP) — It took the arrival of Franklin Delano Roosevelt before presidential politics meant much to Englebert Lee of Lewiston. Then, during the jobless and struggling-to-feed-his-family in the Great Depression, Lee campaigned for FDR and became a lifelong Democrat.

Sixty years later, Lee proudly displays an invitation from House Speaker Tom Foley to join the throngs along Pennsylvania Avenue as President-elect Bill Clinton parades to his inauguration next month. Lee, 95, plans to watch the inauguration of President-elect Bill Clinton from his

Lewiston home. Clinton was a first of sons for Lee. "He's the first one I ever sent any money to," he said. "I sat down and wrote him a letter after he announced he was going to run for president and I supported him all the way through the primaries."

With equal pride, he shows visitors a photograph of Clinton and Vice President-elect Albert Gore taken during the Democratic National Convention mailed by the campaign staff. The photograph is personalized with Lee's name and a thanks from Clinton for his help.

A partisan to the core, Lee said his faith in the Democratic Party has never wavered, from his admiration of Jimmy Carter to Harry Truman to John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson. "I hope Clinton can work with Congress," he said.

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Magic Valley

United Way taps Kelley as director

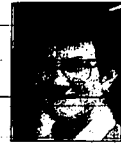
By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The embattled United Way of Magic Valley hired Twin Falls businesswoman Susan Kelley as its executive director Monday, hoping to reverse the slide to its worst fund-raising year in almost a decade.

"What we were looking for was a sunny, pleasant personality who had proven success in marketing," said Colin Randolph, chairman of the board of directors. "Susan also has the advantage of being very well known in the community. She can walk in the door of a business and they already know who she is."

'I see some signs of renewed confidence about the United Way. I think the time is ripe.'

— Susan Kelley



Kelley, manager of the family-owned Kelley Garden Center and Landscaping Service and a Twin Falls resident since 1966, said she applied for the job because she wanted to make a difference in the community. "I see some signs of renewed confidence about the United Way," she said. "I think the time is ripe."

Kelley, a native of Weiser and a graduate of the University of Idaho, succeeded Kathy Williams as resigned in the third week of the just-concluded campaign to take a job in a federally-funded child care program.

Kelley's salary was not disclosed. The United Way of Magic Valley spent \$59,000 on administration last year.

She initiates a campaign that finished this year \$76,000 behind its goal and \$98,000 off the total it raised last season.

"Of course I've been following that," Kelley said. "That's one of the concerns about this job."

Kelley said she couldn't say why the board chose her.

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Around the valley

Hansen woman critical after Saturday accident

TWIN FALLS — A 65-year-old Hansen woman remained in critical condition Monday evening after being injured in a car accident Saturday evening.

Kathleen Mugaovero was injured at about 9:30 p.m. Saturday when a car driven by her granddaughter hit a stalled pickup truck on Orchard Road near 3200 East.

The driver of the vehicle, Lanore Bales, 25, of Twin Falls and her two daughters escaped injury. Idaho State Police dispatcher Lorie Oliver said.

Bales struck a pickup that had stalled and was partially on the road, Oliver said.

Liquor stores will be closed during holidays, weekends

TWIN FALLS — If you're planning a cocktail party for the day after Christmas, don't wait until after Christmas before you stock up on cheer.

The two state liquor stores in Twin Falls will be closed on Christmas Day and on Saturday, Dec. 26.

They'll also be closed on Jan. 1, but they'll reopen on Saturday, Jan. 2.

The same closures apply to state-owned liquor stores statewide, but they may not apply to contract liquor dispensaries.

The two state liquor stores in Twin Falls are located at 1146 Filer Ave. E. and at 412 2nd Ave. E.

Jaycees schedule fund-raiser for Jan. 1 on Snake River

TWIN FALLS — The sixth annual Freeze on Skis, the Magic Valley Jaycees' annual water-skiing fund-raising marathon to welcome the new year, will be held on New Year's Day on the Snake River near Shoshone Falls.

Purpose of the event is to raise money for the Wishing Star Foundation. Participants gather pledges.

Anyone interested in skiing or making a donation should call Hank Heeling at 734-5065 or Sandy Barton at 734-8471. Pledge donation forms can be picked up at Century Boatland, Blue Lakes Sporting Goods, or Pro-Fit. T-shirts will be given to participants who raised at least \$35 and jackets to those who raised \$200 or more.

Prizes will also be awarded to the top fund-raisers.

The event starts at noon. Spectators are welcome.

Craig, Crapo, Kempthorne handle Congressional matters

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley residents used to seeking help from the field offices of Rep. Richard Stallings and Sen. Steve Symms will find those doors permanently closed.

Requests for help are being turned over to Republican Sen. Larry Craig's staff instead, until Rep.-elect Mike Crapo and Sen.-elect Dirk Kempthorne take their offices going.

Stallings, who leaves office Jan. 5, following the Capitol Hill office Dec. 10.

Stallings' and Symms' field offices closed earlier this month. Their constituent caseloads have been turned over either to Craig or Democratic 1st District Rep. Larry LaRocco, depending on where the person lives.

Republican Symms, who will end his 20-year congressional career next month, has also closed his Capitol Hill and Idaho offices.

Stallings will be replaced by Idaho Falls Republican Crapo, and former Boise mayor Kempthorne takes over Symms' seat.

Crapo and Kempthorne will be setting up offices in Twin Falls in the next few weeks. In the meantime anyone with business that requires the attention of a congressman should contact at Craig's Twin Falls office, which is located at 1286 Addison Ave. E. The phone number is 734-6780.

Do you have a relative serving in Somalia? Call Times-News

TWIN FALLS — If you have a relative serving with American forces in Somalia, The Times-News wants to hear from you.

The paper is interested in hearing from relatives of Magic Valley military personnel taking part in the United Nations operation to restore food deliveries in the embattled east African nation.

Call Steve Crump at 733-0931, extension 234.

Lakeside look



MIKE SALSBURY/The Times-News

Terry Blau of the state Department of Water Resources, left, and Robert Flowers of the Army Corps of Engineers assess the effects of changes at Crystal Lake.

State clears lakeside brush; now it may have to put it back

By N.S. Nokkved
Times-News writer

WENDELL — When Kevin Lynott replaced about 300 yards of tangled lakeside brush with coarse gravel, he thought he was improving recreation at Crystal Lake.

But such changes require a permit under state law.

Lynott, manager of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation's Malad Gorge State Park, and members of other state and federal agencies met at the lake southeast of Wendell Monday to discuss what to do about it.

A consensus appeared to emerge that some of the gravel would stay and some of the brush would be replaced. Parks officials will submit a recovery plan in early January for review and approval by those agencies.

The lake was given to parks and recreation in 1972 by Idaho Power Co. Recently the agency has been active in efforts to clean up accumulated sediments in the lake and to develop recreation at the lake.

Removing the tangled, woody brush was part of his effort to improve fishing access to the lake, to create picnic sites with a view of the lake and to create

access for the physically disabled.

Lynott said he didn't have clear idea of how far the brush could go without seeking a permit. He didn't see the placing the gravel as bank alteration, he said.

The coarse gravel — like railroad ballast rock — was put in to help deter muskrats from digging dens in the bank, said Lynott, who characterized himself as an "aggressive recreationist," but perhaps a little too aggressive in this case.

"We'll do what we have to do to fix it," Lynott said. But he hopes that the fix

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Council delays street pay decision

By Phil Sahm
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The City Council will wait two more weeks to decide whether the Twin Falls School District must pay to extend Madrona Street through the Twin Falls High School campus.

At a public hearing Monday night, council members and district officials disagreed on the need to extend Madrona to connect Filer Avenue and Stadium Boulevard.

School district superintendent Terrell Donich said School Board members do not

want two major collector streets — Locust and, possibly, Madrona — near the high school.

"It's a safety issue," Donich said.

But council members said that building an auditorium and a gymnasium at the high school will generate more traffic in the area. Opening Madrona will help handle the extra cars, they said.

Mayor Howard Allen said the council understands the school district's dilemma.

"We know that \$9 million (bond issue) is going to be stretched to the limit," Allen said.

But there also is an issue of fairness — the school district is asking the city to pay for improvements that people outside the city use, too, Allen said.

Some Twin Falls High students live outside the city yet come to town for school, he said.

Council members talked about a deferral agreement — having the school district pay its share of the improvements over several years. But Donich said the School Board cannot legally commit funds for three or

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Filer High councilor seeks Lehrman's CSI seat

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A meat-inspection supervisor from Buhl seeking his fourth term on the College of Southern Idaho board of directors says building a new library and a new dormitory would be his top priorities if he's re-elected.

Charles Lehrman, who has served since 1974 as a CSI board member, is being challenged by R. Brian Keene, a Filer High School councilor, in today's trustee election.

Board chairman Lefroy Craig is also running for re-election but he is unopposed. Registered voters in Jerome County and Twin Falls counties can vote in any one of 11 voting precincts today between noon and 8 p.m.

Lehrman said experience and continuity are important issues.

"It's important to have background in financial problems," the college is faced with, Lehrman said. "It's important to maintain a strong viable administration."

But Keene, who is in his first year as a

Where to vote in CSI board election

The Times-News

Registered voters living in Jerome and Twin Falls counties can vote between noon and 8 p.m. today at any one of the following polling places for the College of Southern Idaho trustee election:

- Buhl: Senior Citizen Center.
- Castleford: Castleford High School.
- Eden-Hazelton: Valley High School.

- Filer: Filer High School.
- Hansen: Hansen City Hall.
- Hollister: Hollister Elementary School.
- Jerome: Senior Citizen Center.
- Kimberly: Senior Citizen Center.
- Murghaus: City Hall.
- Twin Falls: CSI's Taylor Administration Building and the Twin Falls County Courthouse's main lobby.

councilor at Filer, is "young and full of energy." Filer School District Superintendent James E. Fisher said. "He has ideas for improving things."

Keene, who could not be reached for comment Monday, volunteered this year to serve as the chairman of a new district counseling pilot program that places more emphasis on career goals than personal counseling, Fisher said.

Lehrman practiced veterinary medicine for 20 years before becoming a meat-inspector for the federal Department of Agriculture's Food Safety Inspection Service. He supervises other inspectors in the Magic Valley.

Lehrman said the lack of student housing

Libertarian loses round in court

By Florence K. Blumhard
Times-News correspondent

HALLEY — Libertarian businessman Joe Rohner wants to tell it to the jury, but 5th District Magistrate Judge Robert Elgece says he'll decide whether there's a constitutional basis to the charges against Rohner for refusing to buy a Ketchum business license.

The Founding Fathers intended that juries should judge both law and fact, Rohner argued, but that's not how Elgece saw it.

The judge ruled Friday in favor of Blaine County Prosecuting Attorney Fritz Haemmerle that Rohner must argue questions of constitutionality before the court, which will then decide on their merits.

"It was Black Friday," said Rohner afterwards. "I'm really disappointed. Fritz had only one measly case to support his argument that law is the exclusive domain of the court while I cited numerous cases supporting the jury's right to deliberate law, a right which goes all the way back to 1776."

Rohner is chairman of the Idaho chapter of the Libertarian Party, which is philosophically opposed to most types of government regulation. He has twice run unsuccessfully for the Idaho Senate.

"I'll pursue this case all the way to the Supreme Court," Rohner said. "I want to see every citizen informed about this basic constitutional right."

Rohner will be back in Magistrate Court on Jan. 9 to defend himself on charges of violating Ketchum City Ordinance 370, which requires him to buy an off-site permit to operate his business. He faces a \$300 fine or six months in jail if he's convicted.

Up until October, only off-site businesses selling produce were required to have vendors' licenses. The Ketchum City Council voted to close this loophole with the new ordinance which includes services.

Rohner does not believe that people should be charged to make a living and says he's been unfairly targeted by the council and City Manager Jim Jaquet.

Elgece granted Rohner an extension until Dec. 31 to raise any pre-trial motions or objections after Rohner said "that he didn't understand that he had only 21 days to do so." The 21 days run out last week.

Rohner will have another chance to have the court rule on the appropriateness of his request at a second trial hearing Dec. 11, but he isn't optimistic about his chances of winning.

"It's part of the legal tradition now that judges don't have to inform juries of this right and an attorney who uses this argument would be ostracized," he said.

The college has caused some students to seek their educations elsewhere.

That is why he said he thinks the college should provide some dormitory space for college students.

The college is now considering adding on a 100-room dormitory either on- or off-campus.

Lehrman also said the college needs to add a wing to the Fine Arts Center that includes a 300-to-400 seat auditorium with a fly loft for the main plays and recitals; office space for instructors; dressing rooms, a costume storage area and rest rooms for visitors.

In the face of what promises to be static state funding for the college next year, along with an ever-increasing enrollment, Lehrman said he would rather consider finding new revenue sources than cutting services. The new revenue could come from new taxes, he said.

The college is already running on a bare-bones budget and the next thing to go would have to be teachers, he said.

"That would not be a good option," Lehrman said.

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E911 board rejects Jerome offer, will built its own dispatch center

By HR. Weixel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The regional E911 board of directors Monday rejected the offer of a Jerome city building to house the dispatch center and decided instead to build a new building at a site yet to be determined.

The city proposed putting the dispatch facility in an enlarged City Hall that could also house the city's fire department and possibly the police department.

The dispatch tower used by the city could also be used for E911 purposes, a letter from City Administrator Larry Paine said.

"I'm concerned about the time factor," Jerome County Commissioner Gerald Lierman, a board member, said. "They're talking about consolidating (city and county law enforcement) and don't really know what or when they'll build. We just don't have that much time. We've been collecting fees and saving money for this. We need to get the job done."

"Let's build it so it fits our need, and let's get on with it — we need building plans," said Twin Falls County Commissioner Marvin Hempleman, chairman of the board.

Voters in Twin Falls, Jerome, Gooding and Lincoln counties voted two years ago to assess themselves a \$1 a month to establish a regional

emergency telephone dispatch system. The site for the E911 dispatch center has not yet been determined, although according to the group's bylaws it has to be north of the Snake River.

The board voted unanimously Monday to appoint outgoing Gooding County Commissioner Bob Muffley to get a site selection committee together and research the best possible place to put the dispatch center.

"We've investigated all the buildings and none of the sites have worked out, so let's get a committee to work on it," Al Sander, project manager, said.

Twin Falls City Councilman Jim Vickers, representing the city of Twin Falls, questioned the validity of putting the dispatch center in the Jerome area.

"If you put it in your bylaws that it can't be located south of the river, it's purely politics," he said.

"Gooding would only go in with this if we agreed it should be north of the river," Lierman said. "Population wasn't a factor — only that the tower was located in the best place."

"If you look at it, what you're saying is to get Gooding to participate it had to be over here," Vickers said.

The board agreed to keep the dispatch center north of the river and to abide by the adopted joint power of agreement.

Hempleman said the board was

looking at a site that was on the main trunk line for communications. Such a location would eliminate communication problems encountered in the southwest section of the area, he said.

Members of the board declined to reveal the location of the site.

The board gave Sander approval to hire Zabela Gilzow Albanese of Boise to do the architectural drawings for the facility at a cost of approximately \$40,000. The Boise firm was selected based on prior experience in building similar centers.

Final hiring of the firm will be done after Vickers has an engineer review and approve the firm's proposal.

Hiring a consulting firm was tabled until Sander negotiates further with four companies that had submitted proposals to the board. The consulting proposals ranged in costs from \$60,000 to \$125,000, an increase from about \$16,000 formerly estimated for the work.

The scope and duration of the consulting services had been expanded, Sander said.

With the first proposal, for \$16,000, vendors and contractors would have done much of the work that a consulting firm does and that would have increased their costs, Sander said.

"This way we have more costs up front, but in the long run it will cost us less," Hempleman said.

Eastern Washington braces for another blast of snow

SPOKANE (AP) — Eastern Washington residents dug out from the region's biggest snow storm in years Monday, then braced for another Arctic blast forecast for

today. Officially, 11.7 inches of snow fell at the Spokane International Airport during the weekend storm, including 10.9 inches in one 24-hour period, the

National Weather Service reported. The record for December was set in 1951, when 12.1 inches fell in one day, meteorologist Ken Holmes

Burley rejects money transfer

By Eric Goodell
Mini-Cassia News Service

BURLEY — Members of the Burley City Council on Monday spoke out against proposed legislation that councilmen say could put a dent in city revenues.

The bill is expected to be introduced at the next legislative session, City Attorney Bill Parsons said Monday during the city's regular meeting.

The legislation would transfer money collected from fines to the state judicial system unless the city where the fines were collected adopts the state criminal code.

As it stands, 90 percent of the funds from city-levied citations were issued, Parsons said. The legislation, council members fear, could cost the city \$100,000 in

fines and forfeitures collected by the city each year. "It's raised its head before," Parsons said of the bill.

City Clerk Bud Brinegar said that if the bill were passed, the city could lose \$100,000 each year.

Councilman Clay Handy said supporters of the bill contend benefits of the funds sent to the judicial system are supposed to filter down to help individual communities, but that it's unclear exactly how that is supposed to happen.

Parsons said it makes more sense to leave the policy the way it is. He said adoption of the state criminal code would only serve to confuse law-enforcement officers, as well as costing the city much money to have it published in the newspaper legal advertisements.

The council authorized Mayor Frank Bauman to travel to Boise to testify if the bill was discussed in committee.

In other action, Jerry Schroeder, representing the Burley firefighters, issued a statement on the proposed contract between the city and the firefighters dealing with holiday pay.

The two sides have been negotiating a contract for more than two years, when the firefighters joined a union.

Schroeder later said the firefighters were expected to vote on the contract before the city council meets again.

"I think we are in agreement," he said.

The council, by a 3-2 vote, also named Doug Manning as the new agent of record for the city.

Nevadans question Energy pick

CARSON CITY (AP) — Nevada leaders said Monday they're surprised Bill Clinton named as utility secretary a utility executive who advocated the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste dump that they have opposed for years.

But Sens. Harry Reid and Dick Bryan and a spokesman for Gov. Bob Miller said they expect fairness from Hazel O'Leary, especially since the president-elect has committed to a fresh look at the controversial dump.

Ms. O'Leary, 55, is a black lawyer and executive of the Northern State Power Co.

She also served in federal energy posts in the Ford and Carter administrations and worked as a state and county prosecutor in New Jersey.

She joined Northern States Power, which serves 1.6 million customers in Minnesota, Wisconsin, the Dakotas and part of Michigan, in 1989 and heads the utility's natural gas subsidiary.

Her selection as energy secretary came after an early front-runner, retiring Colorado Sen. Timothy Wirth, faded as a prospect and as Clinton was accused of choosing too few women for Cabinet posts.

Ms. O'Leary expressed strong views on nuclear waste storage in comments last March to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, saying she was "very disappointed" with the DOE's slow progress.

Boycott calls don't halt Aspen bookings

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — Aspen appears to have avoided impact from the growing boycott of Colorado to protest Amendment 2, a hotel and ski resort operators in Aspen and elsewhere say they are booked solid through the new year.

"I don't see any fallout from it during the holiday season," said Pam Blanton, public relations director of the Lake Nell Hotel in Aspen and the Snowmass Lodge and Club. "All the regulars are here and we are sold out. Both are at 100 percent."

Reservations in Aspen are running about 12 percent ahead of last year, said Tom Hines, director of the Aspen Resort Association. Hines noted the last two weeks of December are nearly sold out — meaning the final tallies will add up to a significant increase over last December.

Several celebrities, business leaders and politicians have called for a boycott of Colorado to protest the passage of Amendment 2, a anti-gay protection measure. But good ski conditions appear to have protected

Aspen from the boycott's fallout: Consistent November snowfall, early opening dates for several ski hills and discounted lift tickets "helped start" the ski season.

Snowmass Resort Association spokeswoman Allison Scott said. Scott estimated Snowmass is 85 percent to 90 percent booked for the first week of Christmas and expects the town will reach capacity next week.

But analysts are not promising that bookings will remain high in January.

Services

Henry Weliver, of Paul, 11 a.m. today. St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Rupert. (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Martha E. Gorman, of Twin Falls, graveside, 10 a.m. today. Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Verle Sullivan, of Jerome.

Hospitals

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Alexandra Anderson of Kimberly; Elizabeth Moreno, Cynthia Vance and Juli Vandenbosch, all of Jerome; and Linda McGuire of Gooding.

Tamara Carlisle and Carla Hill, both of Twin Falls; Glenna Gilbert and Juli Vandenbosch, both of Jerome; and Alexandra Anderson of Kimberly.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Death notice

Martha Docktor Wageman

RUPERT — Martha Docktor Wageman (Koch), 92, of Rupert, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1992, at the Burley Care Center.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Joseph Papp Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main in Burley, with the Rev. John Ramsey officiating. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and before the funeral on Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Admitted

Frances Gray of Burley.

Released

Rhonda McElimney and Jerry Montoya, both of Burley; Sibbie Milton of Oakley; Henry Rios of Paul; Karen Story of Heyburn; and Roger Weaver of Litch-Each, Fla.

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Obituaries



Delores Cox

TWIN FALLS — Delores Cox, 53, of Twin Falls, died Monday morning, Dec. 21, 1992, at her home following a courageous battle with cancer.

Delores was born Feb. 25, 1939, in Twin Falls, to Bernice and Walter Crispin.

She graduated from Twin Falls High School and married Velmont Cox on May 10, 1965, in Twin Falls. Delores is survived by her husband, Velmont (Vel); and her mother, Bernice, both of Twin Falls; two daughters, Christine (Chris) and husband, Dan Norris of Jerome and Janice Tucker of Twin Falls; one son, Scott and wife, Heidi Tucker of Boise; four stepchildren, Cindy and Mike Hedgo and Ray and Joannette Cox of Boise; Dr. and Lisa Cox of Twin Falls and Steve and Leanna Cox of Corvallis, Ore.; 15 grandchildren, and two sisters, Diana and husband, Bill Bird of Pocatello and Donna Ball of Boise. She was preceded in death by her father.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1992, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, with Gail Staley officiating. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions be given to the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center. Contributions may be given to funeral-chapel staff at the time of the service or may be mailed to: Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2485 Addison Ave., E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

For obituary rate information, call 733-0931, extension 278



Ina E. Boguslawski

JEROME — Ina Elizabeth Boguslawski, 77, of Lancaster, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, died Friday, Dec. 18, 1992, in Lancaster, due to complications of diabetes.

She was born April 26, 1915, to Lew and Wilda Hess Peterson in Carey, Idaho, where she grew up and attended schools. Ina married Felix Boguslawski on Nov. 12, 1935, in St. Jerome's Catholic Church. They were recently divorced. They resided and farmed in Jerome and briefly in Shoshone for over 50 years.

Ina was a member of the Peasant Plains Grange and was a member of and held several offices in the Democratic Women's League and Catholic Women's League.

She was also a member of the Sunshine Singers and was very active in the senior citizens.

Ina is survived by her former husband of 31 years, Felix, her three sons, Karren of Jerome, Larry of Lancaster, Calif., and Gary of Seattle, Wash.; one daughter, Sandra Morgan of Evansville, Mo.; three brothers, Leon and Vernon Peterson, both of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Harold Peterson of Reno, Nev.; one sister, Bonnie Block of Hillsboro, Ore.; 12 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; one

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Lake

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Mike McMaster's, water quality field supervisor with the state Division of Environmental Quality in Twin Falls, said the alterations did not present any water quality issues. But had Lynott gotten the required permit, he likely would have gone ahead with what he wanted without now having to restore the lake bank, McMaster said.

The overhanging brush provided a variety of functions for wildlife, said

Dave Parrish, environmental biologist with Region 4 of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

It shades the water and provides cover for fish, it is good habitat for small mammals and birds, and it helps stabilize the banks.

Most people who use the park come to fish, Lynott said.

But he could have improved access without removing the vegetation, Parrish said. Along the remaining south shore of the lake, narrow cuts through the shoreline vegetation give access to floating docks, which accommodate a large

number of people.

Terry Blau, with the Idaho Department of Water Resources, questioned the wisdom of providing fishing access to a shallow bay filled with submerged vegetation.

"It's a 'hump-started' ski season. Snowmass Resort Association spokeswoman Allison Scott said. Scott estimated Snowmass is 85 percent to 90 percent booked for the first week of Christmas and expects the town will reach capacity next week.

But analysts are not promising that bookings will remain high in January.

Kelley

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campaign had fallen so far short, but said she thought the slide was reversible.

"She is a very generous community," she said. "She'll start work Jan. 4, and one of her first tasks will be sitting in on the deliberations of the United Way

allocation committee that considers the requests of member agencies and divides the money among them.

"I'm not unfamiliar with the process," Kelley said. "I sat in on allocation meetings when I was on the board of the McCauley Home in Buhl a few years ago."

Randolph said the board chose

Kelley from a field of 18 applicants, which it narrowed down to four finalists.

"The four finalists all were high-quality people," Randolph said. "It was a tough choice. I would have felt comfortable with any of them."

Kelley and her husband, Richard, have three grown children.

Street

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City policy requires developers to pay for extending or building roads by subdivisions and the council wants the school district to adhere to this policy. City Engineer Gary Young had said the council that with a new auditorium and gymnasium, the need for extending Madrona will rear.

The council wants the district to pay costs for half of the road plus one lane, curb, gutter and sidewalks on the side of the street nearest the school property. The city would pay the remaining costs for improvements on the other side of the road.

Cost estimates for the project range from \$150,000 to more than \$200,000.

One couple at Monday's hearing.

Alex and Fay Koehnoff, pointed to Boise for direction. That city is blocking off roads near areas with congested traffic, they said.

But another man, Rolfie Nalden, urged the council to make the district pay.

"This is a bunch of hogwash. The city needs to take control of the situation so we can get this rolling," Nalden said.

Councilman Jim Vickers urged the School Board to give the issue more thought to see if the district can

come up with some money for the project.

In tabling the Madrona Street decision until Jan. 4, the council also tabled decisions on school district projects including a planned elementary school on Park Avenue and an addition to Robert Stuart Junior High School.

Also Monday, the council agreed to vacate a utility easement near the new Comfort Inn on Canyon Springs Road. Part of the new inn was accidentally built on the easement.

Although the sense of loss can never be diminished, a tour of the funeral home before you have to make funeral arrangements will provide a familiarity with the facilities and the process that would be encountered.

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The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Mini-Cassia

Officials find no evidence of sewage

By James Pritchard
Mini-Cassia News Service

RUPERT — Officials from the city of Rupert and the South Central District Health Department say they found no evidence of surface sewage on a property after neighbors complained about such a problem to the City Council.

In a letter to city public works director Don Dustin, the health district's Doug Laumann reported that he and Dustin went to 306 9th St. on Wednesday.

They were there to investigate allegations by neighbors that sewage from a trailer had been exposed to the ground's surface.

Laumann wrote that "no evidence

'The light snow covering would have made any leakage or ponding quite evident. ... We could confirm no valid basis for the complaint.'

— Doug Laumann, health official

of leakage and no odors were noted. The light snow covering would have made any leakage or ponding quite evident. ... We could confirm no valid basis for the complaint.

The property is owned by Luis Moralez. Neighbors Emil Ricondo, his wife, Earlene, and their son, Mike Ricondo, all addressed the council on Dec. 15, the day before Moralez's property was inspected.

coming from the trailer's sewer pipe was going onto the ground.

The Ricondos said Moralez's trailer home is improperly connected to the city's sanitary sewer system. Laumann said the hookup has been approved by the state plumbing inspector.

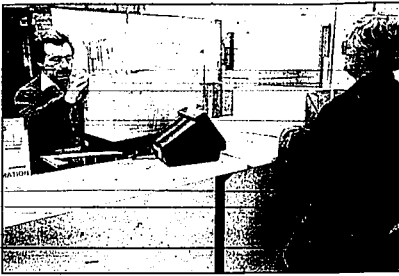
A few months ago, the city discovered that residents renting the trailer home at that time had illegally obtained city electrical service by

running an extension cord from a nearby utility pole into the trailer. City administrators forced the occupants to pay for city electrical service.

Asked if he could explain the discrepancy between what the Ricondos alleged at the council meeting and what inspectors found at the property, Mayor W.F. "Bill" Whitton said Monday he is baffled. "I was kind of angered because I figured when we went out there, there would be definite signs of problems," Whitton said.

A water heater at the property might have leaked some water out of the trailer home onto the ground, he added, but it was not contaminated with sewage.

Rush delivery



JAMES PRITCHARD/Mini-Cassia News Service

Burley postal clerk Tom Masino helps resident Martha Melo mails Christmas packages to friends and family members in Oregon. Masino said the post office has been very busy in recent weeks handling holiday mailings.

Briefly in Mini-Cassia

Gunshot kills power in Oakley area

OAKLEY — Some Idaho Power customers in the Oakley area experienced a power outage early Saturday morning when a gunman shot a hole in a transformer, deputies say.

According to the Cassia County Sheriff's Department, a transformer at 1300 South 440 West was shot. The transformer received an estimated \$1,500 damage.

Minidoka seeks health-care comments

RUPERT — Saying they've run into many questions regarding health care, Minidoka County commissioners-elect John Rensberg and Larry Harper are organizing a health care meeting to take place today, 7 p.m., at the district courtroom of the Minidoka County Judicial Building.

Rensberg said the public will be invited to ask questions regarding the hospitals in the Mini-Cassia area.

Rensberg said he and Harper won't necessarily be able to answer the questions posed, but will forward them on to hospital officials in order to obtain an answer.

"Both Larry and I have had a lot of people ask us questions that neither of us can answer," Rensberg said. He said he felt there was a lot of interest in the area about the situation regarding area hospitals.

Cassia Memorial Hospital in Burley recently announced it would build a new \$16 million facility, while Minidoka Memorial Hospital has announced it was forming an alliance with Twin Falls' Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Heyburn man reports missing pickup

HEYBURN — A pickup without an engine was stolen Friday from a Heyburn man, according to the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department.

Richard Allen Morris, 1906 Tesa St., told deputies someone took his engineless, light blue 1966 Ford pickup truck. The vehicle was taken while it was parked at a residence at 550 West 200 South.

Morris said he recently purchased the truck, which sported a light blue camper shell, from a Heyburn man.

Burley cable company boosts rates

BURLEY — Citing increasing operating expenses, TCI Cablevision of Idaho's Burley office has informed its customers it will increase cable rates in February.

The cost of basic cable service will rise 3.5 percent, from \$17.30 to \$17.90.

Expanded basic service, which offers customers several additional channels, will increase 2.8 percent, from \$1.80 to \$1.85.

In a letter sent to its customers, the cable company said the increases are consistent with provisions of the cable television regulation law passed earlier this year by Congress.

The Federal Communications Commission is expected to adopt the new guidelines by mid-1993, the company said.

TCI serves Rupert and Burley.

Compiled from staff reports

Woman escapes fire

BOISE (AP) — An 89-year-old Boise woman escaped from her burning house minutes before flames began shooting out the front window.

"The first thing I saw (of the fire) was when it was coming up the side of my rocking chair," Florence Pruett said Sunday.

Pruett, who lived alone, was not injured. No one else was in the house when the fire broke out.

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Truckers call off strike

Mini-Cassia News Service

BURLEY — Truckers who work for the Northwest Agriculture Cooperation Association (NACA) have called off their strike, but the Burley office will still close down Feb. 8 if an agreement between the company and the truckers isn't reached, an employee says.

Wayne Pothal, terminal manager at the Burley NACA office, said the three full-time truckers there are happy about the decision to call off the strike.

He said, however, that business at

first will be slow. "When you don't haul for people for a while, it takes a while to get back the business."

The truckers have decided to quit, however, if an agreement can't be reached by Feb. 8.

"It still stands," Pothal said. He said he is hoping an agreement can be reached.

Truckers went on strike the first of December, complaining about, among other things, low salaries and an unwillingness of NACA to negotiate. Jerry Ready, NACA executive vice president, could not be reached for comment on Monday.

Family dance set next week in Oakley

Mini-Cassia News Service

OAKLEY — There will be a free family holiday dance from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 29 at

the Oakley LDS Stake Center, 400 South 160 West.

Live music will be provided by the Dale Plains Orchestra. Refreshments will be served.

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Idaho/West

'State-of-the-art' landfill ruins prime spawning habitat

FIGHTING CREEK, Idaho (AP) — The first truckloads of garbage will not be dumped for months yet, but Kootenai County's multimillion-dollar "state-of-the-art" landfill is already an environmental disaster.

In violating construction permits issued by itself and the state, the county may have ruined for decades a cutthroat trout spawning and breeding stream and tributary to Lake Coeur d'Alene.

The county has defied a judicial agreement to clean up the project. It has broken promises to residents downstream and missed deadlines to implement remedies.

Government bureaucrats responsible for the project seem to be looking for a scapegoat. The county blames its contractors, West Wood of Spokane and Francis J. — Bellevue, Wash. Environmental regulators blame the law.

"Denial is the most offensive part of all of this," a downstream landowner complained as the west-slope cutthroat trout — which have some protection under the Endangered Species Act — disappear from Fighting Creek.

Since work began on the dump two years ago, a dozen rainstorms have washed thousands of tons of mud and clay into the creek, destroying trout habitat. Traps built to

contain the runoff and sediment just collapsed, and dikes, ditches and fences built to hold back the muck on the above-ground dumpsite failed.

The Cour d'Alene Lake Environmental Awareness Network questioned the soundness of the project almost immediately and went to court. In October 1990 as the first storm dislodged dirt down Fighting Creek, 1st District Judge James Judd found the county in violation of its own construction permit.

These violations, Judd wrote, "are causing irreparable injury to the Fighting Creek watercourse, Rockford Bay and ultimately Lake Coeur d'Alene."

The suit was dismissed the next January, however, after the network failed to come up with the \$50,000 bond required to push the issues to trial and the county agreed to control future discharges.

But state environmental measurements, samples taken by a downstream landowner and analyzed at the state laboratory and the county's own records show the deal has been violated at least 10 times since then.

Regional State Environmental Supervisor Gwen Burr admitted her agency was partially at fault for inadequate enforcement as one of the contractors expressed concern over a lack of sampling and reporting and continued toning of Fighting Creek.

"Those agencies, in my view, have acted as if they were afraid to do anything," said Ed Joy, president of the environmental network.

Although the environmental problems have severely damaged the trout fishery, Fish and Game Department regional fisheries manager Ned Horner said his agency has no control. The Division of Environmental Quality is in charge.

The landfill's construction has had "a major impact to the habitat," Horner said, and a similar problem took 35 years to work itself out on the south fork of the Salmon River, where the spawning gravel is still fouled.

ACLU official rejects monument compromise

POCATELLO (AP) — A regional American Civil Liberties Union official has rejected a proposed compromise aimed at heading off a lawsuit over Bannock County's Ten Commandments monument.

Andrew Albanese, the Idaho State University graduate student who alleged a violation of the constitutional separation of church and state, said he was satisfied when the county agreed last week to place a Thomas Jefferson quotation on religious freedom next to the courthouse monument.

"If they erect that monument — the granite one — I'm going out of it," Albanese said. "Saturday I've accomplished my objective. To pursue it any further is ridiculous. It's becoming a circus."

Even Albanese's ACLU attorney, Bernard Zaleha of Boise, said he thought the matter was past to rest with the compromise.

"As long as the monument is of the same size and material, I will recommend to the legal committee they not take the case," Zaleha said.

But Stephen Pevar, the ACLU's chief legal representative for the Intermountain region in Denver, said

'There are some 250 religions in this country as well as atheism. The only way for that to be constitutional is if they had something representing everybody.'

— Stephen Pevar, ACLU, Denver

Zaleha may have misspoken.

"From what I understand Bernie may have said if someone puts up a sign next to (the monument) that would be OK, and that's definitely not true," Pevar said. "Even if (the second monument) is the same size and in neon lights it doesn't make any difference."

To make the Ten Commandments monument constitutional, he said, the county would have to "create a public forum" out of the area by allowing anyone to erect a monument espousing their views.

"There are some 250 religions in

this country as well as atheism. The only way for that to be constitutional is if they had something representing everybody," Pevar said. "The idea of the Ten Commandments and then a plaque is unconstitutional."

Pevar's "public forum" concept is exactly what Bannock County Commission — Chairman Tom Katsilometes has said the county will fight.

Zaleha said differing views from two ACLU attorneys "are not unusual for a grassroots organization with many levels of decision-making structure." Still, he said, he was "embarrassed by it being aired in the media."

Katsilometes and fellow Commissioner Carolyn Melnie said the county's offer is still on the table, and they hope the ACLU decides to accept it. But they said the county will go to court if necessary.

Albanese said the county's compromise "provides" "cultural diversity" to the courthouse lawn and makes the area of the Ten Commandments monument constitutional. ACLU officials have said they will continue the fight with or without Albanese.

Andrus names new director of Health, Welfare Department

BOISE (AP) — The man who guided the State School and Hospital in Nampa through a multimillion-dollar crisis in the late 1980s has been named director of the Department of Health and Welfare for the final two years of the Andrus administration.

Gov. Cecil Andrus on Monday appointed Jerry Harris, 48, to succeed Rich Donovan as the head of the state's largest, most diverse agency, and both the governor and Harris said it will not be a caretaker tenure.

"I plan to make changes in the department," Harris said. "I feel very strongly about the clients we serve. I feel very strongly about the programs."

In November, Donovan announced his resignation effective Dec. 31, after serving as health and welfare director since Andrus returned to the governor's office in 1987.

The biggest job facing Harris, and the governor, is covering a \$14 million deficit in the state contribution to medical care for the poor and then rein in the skyrocketing costs of the Medicaid program. Without

that state cash, another \$42 million in federal cash for health care is lost.

Citing Harris' success in solving the licensing problems that threatened federal aid to the Nampa facility in the past, Andrus said he personally solicited Harris' application for the job that was being sought by a number of other people including several from other states. The governor was confident Harris could bring some control to the Medicaid program.

"We have a large job to complete," the governor said. "The cost of health care in the nation, in the state, in Medicaid is advancing horrendously. Jerry Harris is the man who can put a pencil to this and hold these costs down."

Harris said he would immediately begin analyzing all administrative and supervisory personnel not directly involved in the dissemination of services.

He emphasized that he had no preconceived notion that the department was bloated. But he said if the analysis shows excess management, "we will make those adjustments and carry the funds down to the people who provide services."

FBI, U.S. Attorney investigate lottery machines on reservation

POCATELLO (AP) The FBI and U.S. Attorney Maurice Ellsworth are investigating the legality of 25 video pull-tab lottery machines on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

Ellsworth said Monday that his office has contacted the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Commission about the pull-tab machines. But he declined to discuss details of the investigation requested earlier this month by Gov. Cecil Andrus.

The governor said he believed the machines were illegal because the state and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes have not yet signed a compact to regulate gaming on Idaho Indian reservations.

Tribal officials said the video machines fall under Class Two gaming, as defined by federal regulations, and consequently are not subject to state oversight.

Under the 1988 Indian Gaming

Regulatory Act, tribes can conduct bingo games on their reservations without interference from the state. In fact, a Pocatello man won \$100,000 on Sunday playing high-stakes bingo at the Shoshone-Bannock bingo hall in Fort Hall.

Roger Lee Ames was playing "Megabingo," a game played by satellite with bingo players on Indian reservations in several other states.

But lotteries, pari-mutuel betting and casino-type games are considered Class Three games and must be regulated by a compact negotiated with the state.

Shoshone-Bannock leaders will decide whether to continue negotiations with the state aimed at resolving some gaming issues. Tribal officials met on Monday that the talks, which have been under way for about six months, would proceed if members of the Fort Hall Business Council agree to continue.

State officials said they expect negotiations to continue, although further meetings have not yet been scheduled.

Both sides declined to discuss substantive issues regarding the closed-door gaming negotiations.

Andrus signed a gaming compact with the Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe of northern Idaho earlier this month. The first such agreement negotiated in the state, it authorized bingo, lotteries and off-track betting, but not casino-type games. Instead, the state and Coeur d'Alene Tribe agreed that issue would be settled in federal court.

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes also hope to offer casino-style games on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

State lawmakers are expected to consider legislation during the next legislative session aimed at authorizing lawmakers to approve or veto gaming compacts.

Idaho surplus grows by \$4.9 million

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho economy picked up steam in November as the national economy appeared to be righting itself, and the performance left the latest revenue collections \$15.8 million ahead of projections.

The cash surplus through November, the first five months of the current budget year — was expected to shrink by at least \$3 million when income taxpayers file for their refunds next year.

But even with that contraction, the surplus is more than enough to cover the extra expense the state is running up for fighting forest fires last summer and reimbursing counties for

holding inmates who could not be placed in state prisons because of overcrowding.

It was the fifth straight month of the current budget year that monthly tax receipts exceeded projections. And that left a substantial revenue cushion — after covering unpaid bills — to handle at least a portion, if not more than majority, of the current \$14 million deficit in the state's share of the cost for medical care for the poor.

The cash surplus is on top of the Andrus administration revenue estimate that is already some \$5 million higher than the state Legislature believe was available

when it wrote the 1992-1993 state budget.

Individual income tax receipts were the primary contributor to the growing cash surplus. Collections totaled \$10 million of the five-month projection, although analysts cautioned that a third of the excess was due to reversal of refunds due to accounting procedures.

Refund claims were also lighter than expected, underscoring the expectation of future refunds draining the surplus total.

But the sales tax, the other key indicator of the state economy's economic strength, was also running ahead of projections.

LaRocco to fight effort at waste dump

BOISE (AP) — Congressman Larry LaRocco promises to reintroduce legislation giving states veto power over accepting commercial nuclear waste.

The Democrat from Idaho's 1st District made his comments Saturday, following reports the U.S. Department of Energy wants to select federal property such as the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory for storage of more spent nuclear fuel.

"This is a horrible idea," he said. "Giving DOE control over commercial nuclear waste dumps

means turning the INEL into a permanent nuclear waste dump."

In a meeting with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Friday, senior Energy officials proposed moving highly radioactive material from current storage sites at commercial nuclear plants and transporting it to federal sites.

U.S. Energy Secretary James Watkins also reportedly sent a letter to Sen. J. Bennett Johnston of Louisiana, chairman of the Senate Energy and Resources Committee, on Thursday.

Watkins said the DOE wants to

quit searching for volunteers to temporarily take spent fuel from nuclear power plants.

But Watkins has no power to end the search for a temporary storage site, a job former Idaho Lt. Gov. David Leroy holds. Chuck Lempsis, chief of staff for Leroy, also pointed out Congress in October reauthorized the office for another two years.

Northern States Power Co. officials in Minnesota said they viewed Watkins' letter as a promise the federal government will take their radioactive waste off their hands.

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Weather closes, delays county school classes

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Blowing and drifting snow closed four of five Bingham County schools and delayed classes in another to begin the week.

Only about one inch of snow fell Sunday but wind-caused drifts Monday that forced the closure of Blackfoot, Burley, Firth and Snake River schools.

Classes at Aberdeen were delayed two hours.


"Our classes will be delayed because the snowplow drivers didn't think they'd be able to have all the roads open in the county by 8 a.m., when the buses normally run," Aberdeen School District spokeswoman Alice Petersen said.



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Sports

Cowboys win division by clipping Falcons

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Coach Jimmy Johnson is calling the Dallas Cowboys America's team.

He'll let others do that after the Cowboys wrapp'd up the NFC East championship Monday night with a 41-17 victory over the Atlanta Falcons.

"I think most people in the country will recognize the NFC East as the most difficult division in all of football and to be able to win it with still one game to go, it really says something about our football team," Johnson said.

Troy Aikman threw for three touchdowns and Emmitt Smith ran for season-high 174 yards and scored twice on 29-yard runs as the Cowboys claimed their 14th division

championship in history — the first since 1985.

"This is important," Aikman said of winning the division and clinching a first-round bye in the playoffs. "How many teams have made it to the Super Bowl without the bye?"

"Winning the East was obviously a goal of ours, and drawing the bye," he said. "It's one less game we have to play."

"Just a tremendous feeling being Eastern Division champs," linebacker Ken Norton said. "I've been here for a few years, and I can recall when things weren't quite so exciting. It's way too soon to celebrate. We've got unfinished business."

The Cowboys (12-3) put this one out of reach with two touchdowns within 25 seconds after fumble recoveries in the third quarter helped build a 34-10 lead.

The Falcons (6-9) also yielded a field goal after a lost fumble in the opening period, then drove 73 yards for their only lead of the game, scoring on a 6-yard pass from Wade Wilson to Drew Hill with 5:21 left in the opening period.

Aikman's scoring passes went for 11 yards to Kelvin Martin and 18 yards to Jay Novacek in the second quarter and 23 yards to Alvin Harper in the third.

In Elliott had field goals of 47 and 22 yards.

"It's been a long day for us," Falcons coach Jerry Glanville said. "We thought at halftime we really had a shot."

Thomas Everett got the Cowboys going early when he returned Mike Pritchard's fumble 15 yards to the Atlanta 35.

The Falcons appeared ready to play at that point, holding Dallas to 6 yards and

forcing the Cowboys to settle for Elliott's 47-yard field goal and a 3-0 lead.

The quick strikes in the third quarter came after Larry Brown recovered Steve Broussard's fumble on the Atlanta 48. It took only three plays to score runs of 8 and 17 yards by Smith and Aikman's 18-yard pass to Harper, who got behind Tim McKeyer.

Deion Sanders fumbled away the ensuing kickoff, with Everett getting his second recovery on the Atlanta 29.

Smith scored on the first play, breaking out of a stuck at the line of scrimmage, hitting the right sideline and getting a foot in the end zone on a bump by Sanders at the 1.

Aikman completed 18 of 21 passes for 239 yards as the Cowboys had little trouble moving the ball throughout the game.

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BSU, Weber State land Big Sky players of the week

BOISE — Boise State University junior forward Shamrick Williams and Weber State University senior forward Al Hamilton have been selected as the Big Sky Conference men's basketball "Players of the Week."

Williams, a native of San Francisco, Calif., was named the MVP at the Real Dairy Classic hosted by Boise State.

In the 99-70 win over Elizabeth City State and the 75-64 win over Georgia State, he scored 37 points, connected on 12-of-18 field goals and grabbed 28 rebounds.

He also made 13-of-16 from the free throw line, was credited with three assists, four steals and blocked three shots.

Hamilton, from Dallas, Texas, guided Weber State to a 73-62 win over Southern Utah and an 87-73 win over San Diego last week.

For the two games he was 20-of-31 from the field, made 10-of-13 from the free throw line, had 12 rebounds, 10 assists and 51 points.

Knicks center sizzles to garner weekly NBA award

NEW YORK — Patrick Ewing of the New York Knicks, who averaged 23 points and 12.3 rebounds, was named NBA player of the week Monday.

Ewing led the Knicks to a 4-0 record last week and had a season-high 26 rebounds in a 91-87 victory over Miami Saturday night.

Hot Flames goalie shuts down foes for NHL honor

TORONTO — Goaltender Mike Vernon of Calgary, with a 3-0 record and consecutive shutouts, has been named NHL player of the week for Dec. 14-20, the league said Monday.

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Sportsquote

“They can all have their picture with me, but they can't be ugly. I'm still pretty.”

“Muhammad Ali posing for photographs with children while in Baltimore promoting ethnic unity”

A's hang on to slugger with \$30 million long-term deal

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Ruben Sierra, one of two top free agents remaining, resigned with the Oakland Athletics on Monday for a five-year contract.

Sierra's agent, Bob Wolff, said a few days ago that a deal with Oakland was close to being completed for about \$30 million. A's general manager Sandy Alderson said the actual amount was lower than had been reported, but he would not tell the total.

Sierra is a three-time All-Star. The 27-year-old outfielder was acquired by Oakland on Aug. 31 along with pitchers Jeff Russell and Bobby Wit in a trade that sent Jose Canseco to Texas.

Last year, Sierra won a record \$5 million in salary arbitration. Alderson said Sierra requested a five-year deal.

"That was something that Ruben wanted," Alderson said. "He had been offered shorter contracts for more money on an annual wage basis. But that's not what he was looking for."

The signing left first baseman Mark McGwire as the only other premier free agent in the market. McGwire, who has spent his entire career with Oakland, is said to be deciding between the Athletics and the Chicago White Sox.

Alderson said he liked Oakland's chances to keep McGwire. The A's have won the AL West in four of the last five years, including last season, and McGwire has been a major factor. The Athletics' chances for 1993 were uncertain as they went into the off-season with more than a dozen players eligible for free agency.

"I think they are pretty good," Alderson said in a conference call. "If it's going to happen at all, it will happen in the next two or three days."

"We'd like to sign McGwire. Our fans would like him to come back. He certainly would make us more competitive than if we started to play this afternoon," Alderson said.

Sierra hit .278 with 17 homers and 87



By signing Ruben Sierra, the A's have kept two-thirds of the players obtained earlier this year from Texas in a trade for Jose Canseco.

RBI's overall last season. He played in 27 games for the Athletics, hitting .277 with three homers and 17 RBIs.

Alderson said that the Athletics' total payroll, depending on what happens with McGwire, will end up somewhere around \$33 million.

The A's lost starting pitchers Dave Stewart and Mike Moore earlier this month, then re-signed pitcher Ron Darling and catcher Terry Steinbach. Designated hitter Harold Baines and the A's also have agreed to stay together in 1993.

Duke rolls past DePaul in Hawaii

The Associated Press

LAHAINA, Hawaii — Just another game for Duke: good shooting, great passing, some impressive dunks and a win.

College basketball

The top-ranked and two-time defending national champions beat DePaul 89-73 Monday night in the opening round of the Maui Invitational, the Blue Devils' 18th consecutive victory.

Duke (5-0) will play the winner of the quarterfinal from Louisiana State and Stanford in Tuesday's semifinals.

Grant Hill led Duke with 22 points, most coming inside, while Bobby Hurley had 19, 12 from 3-point range, in addition to a number of spectacular assists. Thomas Hill had 10 points, his last two on a monster dunk in the lane with 6:25 to play that gave the Blue Devils their biggest lead of the game, 77-57.

"We hung in there and just kept building the lead until we got to where they couldn't catch up," Grant Hill said. "This was the sort of game that could get us back to where we were before, before the week off for exams and the jet lag and stuff."

It wasn't that DePaul (4-3) played poorly, far from it. The Blue Demons shot 50 percent from the field in the first half and were out-rebounded by just three, yet still trailed 45-34 after 20 minutes.

DePaul tied the game for the last time at 26-26 with 7:09 to play in the half on a rebound basket by Curtis Price.

No. 17 Nebraska 116, Texas-Arlington 95

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Freshmen Eric Strickland and Terrance Badgett scored 17 points and Nebraska forced 33 turnovers Monday as the 17th-ranked Cornhuskers posted a 16-95 win over Texas-Arlington.

The 116 points was the second highest total in Nebraska history, one short of the 117 scored against Harvard in 1989.

Nebraska (7-0) ran off the game's first 15

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Sorry Seahawks can only chase records for futility

The Associated Press

KIRKLAND, Wash. — If the Seattle Seahawks lose their season finale against the San Diego Chargers on Sunday in the Kingdome, they will finish with the worst record in the club's history. And if they don't score 17 points, they'll set an NFL record for offensive futility.

A loss to the Chargers would give the Seahawks a 2-14 record, worse than the 1976 expansion Seahawks' 2-12 record.

Then there are those points.

The 1991 Colts, who went 1-15, scored just 143 points, a league-low for a 16-game schedule. That's an average of 8.9 points per game.

The 1992 Seahawks have scored only 126 points, an average of 8.4. They've scored just 12 touchdowns, 11 by their offense and one by their defense.

In a 10-6 loss to Denver Sunday, the Seahawks had three interceptions and the Broncos lost two fumbles. Still, Seattle's offense couldn't score a touchdown.

Rick Tuten has punted 104 times, 10 shy of the NFL record for the most punts in a season set by Bob Parsons of the 1981 Chicago Bears.

The Seahawks' offensive line has given up a franchise-record 65 sacks.

"We just don't have all the pieces we need offensively, obviously," Seahawks coach Tom Flores said.

In contrast, the Seahawks' defense has played brilliantly all season and hasn't quit in spite of the team's bleak circumstances. Tackle Cortez Kennedy is developing into the best defensive player in Seattle's history, more of an impact player for the franchise than even hard-hitting safety Ken Easley in the 1980s.

Kennedy played in the Denver game after receiving pain-killing shot because badly bruised ribs suffered the previous week in an overtime loss to Philadelphia. He recorded a sack against John Elway, giving him 13% for the season.

Kennedy said he planned to play against the Chargers, too.

"Our defense knows we can't go down," he said. "We know if we fold, the whole team's going to fold."

Despite the presence of two former first-round draft choices, Kelly Stouffer and Dan McGwire, the Seahawks



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Business

IBM, mired in slump, calls back 2 top executives from retirement

Stock market holds steady

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — IBM has called back two top executives from retirement to advise the company as its computer market faces one of its worst slumps.

But the news did little to help IBM's lagging stock, which fell sharply again Monday. It lost \$2.50 a share to \$48.87 in heavy trading on the New York Stock Exchange. That's less than half its price in July.

The two executives, Paul Rizzo and Kaspar Cassani, will advise IBM's chairman, John F. Akers, as the company attempts to stem an erosion of sales and declining profitability. Analysts said their appointment also may be designed to ensure confidence in IBM's management.

Rizzo and Cassani both formerly were vice chairmen of International Business Machines Corp.

Rizzo, 64, once was considered a leading contender to become IBM chairman, but was passed over six years ago in favor of Akers. The former chief financial officer retired from IBM in 1987.

Cassani, also 64, headed IBM's European operations for seven years, when his business there prospered. Cassani retired from IBM in 1989. Last week, IBM blamed a sharp drop in European sales in recent months for its worsening financial results.

IBM also said last week it would eliminate 25,000 more jobs next year — possibly through its first-ever layoffs — and that it may slash its shareholder dividend. The

company also said it would barely break even in the current quarter. The news sent IBM's stock price plunging to an 11-year low.

In a short statement to IBM's top managers Friday, Akers announced he was retaining Rizzo and Cassani as Jan. 1 to help run the company, he said, would help Akers in the three weeks while Cassani would assist Akers' top European executive, Renato Rivetti.

Akers described the role of the two as "consultors and advisers. Our work will benefit from their insight and seasoned judgment."

Rob Wilson, an IBM spokesman, said he believed it was the first time IBM had asked executives at such a high level to return to the company after retirement.

NEW YORK — The Dow industrials — closed — nearly unchanged Monday after cutting a 10-point loss — a loss widely seen as a purely mechanical reaction to the strong upward bias from Friday's expirations of December futures and options.

Rebidding activities, by their nature, are not the market's "opposite direction" of the trading bias during third-Friday futures and options settlements, analysts said. The bigger the Friday bias, generally, the more likely is a reaction on Monday — and the Dow was pushed up .44 points on Friday amid massive volume of 371 million shares, analysts said. Otherwise, there were no real catalysts for the stock market. The

U.S. Treasury bond market was flat as stocks opened, and subsequently rose half a point in very thin trading amid renewed talk that the incoming Bill Clinton administration will restrict 30-year bond supply, thereby putting downward pressure on yields. No potentially market-moving economic statistics were released, and overseas equity markets failed to move dramatically.

Futures analyst Donald Selkin at Prudential Securities said the familiar "flip side" post-expirations dynamics were at work today.

Even so, market action was not bad, he said. "The averages posted only a nominal loss after a big up-day on Friday, and the market refused to be disturbed by new lows in IBM," he said.

Hapless Dow component IBM posted a new 11-year low, slumping as much as 2X to 48X, after plunging 11 points last week on a battery of negative corporate earnings reports, including management's concession that the firm's dividend was in jeopardy.

Selkin said the market's resilience was evidence that the strong upward seasonal bias of the first 10 months of December was clearly locked in, and was likely to help the market until year end.

At the close, the Dow stood at 3312.46, down 0.81, while declines outpaced advances on the New York Stock Exchange by 30.93 to 329.03 on volume of 2.24 billion shares, an active pace but well below the extremely heavy, expirations-inflated pace of 371 million shares on Friday.

Markets

Dow-Jones

Jan. 1989	5,731.50	5,731.50	0.00
Dec. 1991	3,735.32	3,735.32	0.00
Dec. 1990	3,312.00	3,312.00	0.00
Dec. 1989	3,010.00	3,010.00	0.00
Dec. 1988	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1987	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1986	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1985	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1984	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1983	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1982	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1981	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1980	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1979	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1978	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1977	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1976	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1975	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1974	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1973	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1972	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1971	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1970	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1969	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1968	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1967	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1966	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1965	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1964	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1963	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1962	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1961	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1960	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
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Dec. 1958	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1957	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1956	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1955	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1954	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1953	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1952	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1951	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Dec. 1950	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00

Potatoes

Chicago (API) — USDA — Major potato markets

Idaho	100.00	100.00	0.00
Washington	100.00	100.00	0.00
Wisconsin	100.00	100.00	0.00
Minnesota	100.00	100.00	0.00
Michigan	100.00	100.00	0.00
Illinois	100.00	100.00	0.00
Indiana	100.00	100.00	0.00
Ohio	100.00	100.00	0.00
Pennsylvania	100.00	100.00	0.00
Delaware	100.00	100.00	0.00
Maryland	100.00	100.00	0.00
Virginia	100.00	100.00	0.00
North Carolina	100.00	100.00	0.00
South Carolina	100.00	100.00	0.00
Georgia	100.00	100.00	0.00
Florida	100.00	100.00	0.00
Alabama	100.00	100.00	0.00
Mississippi	100.00	100.00	0.00
Louisiana	100.00	100.00	0.00
Arkansas	100.00	100.00	0.00
Missouri	100.00	100.00	0.00
Iowa	100.00	100.00	0.00
Nebraska	100.00	100.00	0.00
Kansas	100.00	100.00	0.00
Oklahoma	100.00	100.00	0.00
Texas	100.00	100.00	0.00
Colorado	100.00	100.00	0.00
Utah	100.00	100.00	0.00
Arizona	100.00	100.00	0.00
California	100.00	100.00	0.00
Nevada	100.00	100.00	0.00
Idaho	100.00	100.00	0.00
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California	100.00	100.00	0.00
Nevada	100.00	100.00	0.00

Sugar

NEW YORK (API) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange Monday

High	Low	Settle	Chg.
11.20	11.15	11.15	+0.05
11.15	11.10	11.10	+0.05
11.10	11.05	11.05	+0.05
11.05	11.00	11.00	+0.05
11.00	10.95	10.95	+0.05
10.95	10.90	10.90	+0.05
10.90	10.85	10.85	+0.05
10.85	10.80	10.80	+0.05
10.80	10.75	10.75	+0.05
10.75	10.70	10.70	+0.05
10.70	10.65	10.65	+0.05
10.65	10.60	10.60	+0.05
10.60	10.55	10.55	+0.05
10.55	10.50	10.50	+0.05
10.50	10.45	10.45	+0.05
10.45	10.40	10.40	+0.05
10.40	10.35	10.35	+0.05
10.35	10.30	10.30	+0.05
10.30	10.25	10.25	+0.05
10.25	10.20	10.20	+0.05
10.20	10.15	10.15	+0.05
10.15	10.10	10.10	+0.05
10.10	10.05	10.05	+0.05
10.05	10.00	10.00	+0.05
10.00	9.95	9.95	+0.05
9.95	9.90	9.90	+0.05
9.90	9.85	9.85	+0.05
9.85	9.80	9.80	+0.05
9.80	9.75	9.75	+0.05
9.75	9.70	9.70	+0.05
9.70	9.65	9.65	+0.05
9.65	9.60	9.60	+0.05
9.60	9.55	9.55	+0.05
9.55	9.50	9.50	+0.05
9.50	9.45	9.45	+0.05
9.45	9.40	9.40	+0.05
9.40	9.35	9.35	+0.05
9.35	9.30	9.30	+0.05
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9.10	9.05	9.05	+0.05
9.05	9.00	9.00	+0.05
9.00	8.95	8.95	+0.05
8.95	8.90	8.90	+0.05
8.90	8.85	8.85	+0.05
8.85	8.80	8.80	+0.05
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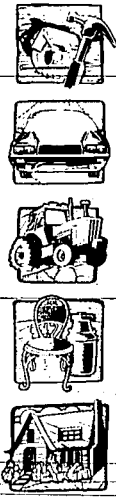
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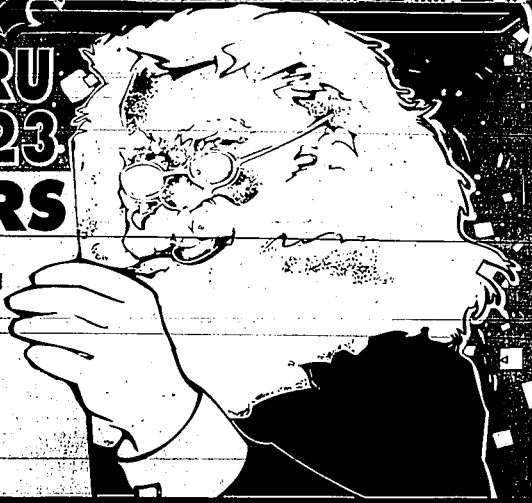
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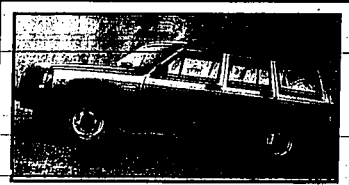
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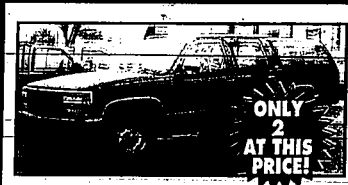
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