

Good morning

Today's forecast:

Occasional light snow accumulating about an inch. Northwest winds 10-15 mph. Highs 30-35. Lows near 25.

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Kids sought in burglaries

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Two major tenants closing their stores may not be a harbinger of Fred Meyer taking over the Blue Lakes Mall.

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Judge voids Colorado anti-gay law

The Times-News and The Associated Press

Legislator joins Walton's cause - C1

Opponents of a petition drive to limit rights of gays and lesbians in Idaho repeated their call to halt the campaign Tuesday, after a Colorado judge struck down a similar measure in that state.

Colorado's Amendment 2, a voter-approved initiative that banned gay rights laws and provoked a nationwide boycott of the state's tourism industry, was declared unconstitutional

Tuesday. The state said it would appeal the decision to the Colorado Supreme Court.

Denver District Judge Jeffrey Bayless said Amendment 2 usurps "the fundamental right of an identifiable group to participate in the political process," a violation of the U.S. Constitution's equal-protection clause.

Constitutional rights cannot be submitted to a vote, the judge wrote.

Amendment 2 would have banned state and local laws prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation and canceled existing gay rights ordinances in Aspen, Boulder and Denver.

A similar initiative is being circulated by the Burley-based Idaho Citizens Alliance. And two conservative state lawmakers have said they will offer legislation to limit gay rights during the 1994 session, which be-

gins next month.

Opponents of the ICA initiative called on ICA Chairman Kelly Walton Tuesday to abandon his campaign, saying the chances of the measure ever becoming law are "zero to none."

"We think it's high time Walton stopped wasting the public's time and potentially our money with his doomed idea, and devote himself to constructive political effort," said Brian Bergquist, co-chairman of Idaho

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Bayless

'Tis the season



AP photo

Jonathon Stitzinger, 5, uses a Christmas-tree shaped sponge to decorate a window of his family's home in Phoenix, Ariz.

Presidential visit boosts gift shop

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — What Christmas gifts suddenly have become this year's trendiest? Anything President Clinton bought during his midtown Manhattan shopping spree.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art's gift shop in Rockefeller Center, where Clinton spent an hour and close to \$500 on Monday, had a run Tuesday on the necklace, scarf, puzzle and other gifts he chose.

"We are running out" of some of the gifts, "but we were sort of prepared for this," store supervisor Marie Campbell said. "We got additional stock."

For instance, one of the gifts Clinton bought was a puzzle reproduction of the Seurat painting "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grande Jatte."

Campbell said the store put 20 on display in the morning and only two were left by mid-afternoon. But the store had brought in 50 more.

Clinton's purchases also included a silk scarf adapted from Matisse's "The Red Room" and a gold electroplate necklace with gemsets.



AP photo

President Clinton examines scarves while gift shopping at the Metropolitan Museum of Art shop during a visit to New York City.

Outdated school computers leave many students lagging

The Times-News and The Associated Press

Many computers in America's classrooms are outdated, and teachers aren't adequately trained to help their students use them, concludes a study financed by the National Science Foundation.

American schools started introducing computers years before most other countries, but "the U.S. is falling well behind the other countries in terms of having an up-to-date inventory," said Ronald Anderson, the study's author.

The study examined computer use in the United States, Austria, Germany, Japan and the Netherlands.

Ken Olson, assistant superintendent of the Twin Falls School District, said most of the district's computers are two years old or newer, but lack the most recent graphics technology.

"We've tried to stay abreast of the latest technology," Olson said. But "it's kind of like chasing a rubber ball."

The district should have an employee working part-time showing teachers how to use the computers, Olson said. Teacher use of computers in lessons

varies depending upon how comfortable they feel with computers, he said.

"The stereotype of Americans as technological faddists is widespread, so it may come as a surprise that American students have been technologically shortchanged," said the report by the International Association of the Evaluation of Educational Achievement. The cooperative of research centers has members in more than 40 countries.

In 1992, 3.5 million computers were in use at 99 percent of U.S. elementary and secondary schools, said the study. The typical high school has one computer for every 10 students; middle schools and elementary schools have an average one computer for every 15 students.

Twin Falls has a goal to put a computer in every elementary classroom, or one computer for every 25 to 30 students, Olson said.

Teachers are using computers from math to science to language arts, the study said.

The study tested 69,000 students in grades five, eight and 11 in 2,500 schools on practical computer knowledge. The U.S. portion of the survey involved 11,284 students in 573 schools.

Anderson said schools only now are beginning to

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Ruling lifts snail from endangered species list

The Associated Press

BOISE — Citing "serious due process violations," a federal judge on Tuesday set aside the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's listing of the Brunau hot spring snail as an endangered species.

U.S. District Judge Harold Ryan said the agency's Jan. 25 listing was "arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, and otherwise not in accordance with law."

The ruling came in a May lawsuit filed by the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation on behalf of 59 Owyhee County farms and ranches affected by the Fish and Wildlife Service decision. They said federal restrictions on the use of groundwater to protect the tiny mollusks would drive them out of business.

Farm Bureau spokeswoman Rayola Jacobsen applauded Ryan's decision.

"This is what we had hoped for and worked toward. We felt that we were correct and the judge has vindicated our position," she said. "This should serve as an example to people that they can question the government. The government is not above the law and bureaucrats do have to abide by it."

David Klinger, a spokesman for Fish and Wildlife's Pacific regional office in Portland, Ore., said agency officials were studying Ryan's decision. He said they would consult with Interior Department attorneys before deciding whether to appeal.

Fish and Wildlife proposed in 1985 that the Brunau hot spring snail be listed as an endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. At the time, only two colonies of the snails were believed to exist along the Brunau River and a tributary, Hot Creek, in southwestern Idaho.

The agency contended pumping of groundwater from the aquifer that feeds and river and creek was dangerously reducing the snail's habitat. After a series of studies and administrative delays, the Fish and Wildlife Service issued its final decision listing the mollusks as endangered last winter.

But Ryan agreed with Farm Bureau arguments that federal officials improperly delayed the process, did not provide the public with adequate notice of their plans and failed to allow adequate public comment.

He said Fish and Wildlife also ignored crucial information during the final months

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Ethanol returns, joins war on smog

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration, in a bid to aid Midwestern farmers and boost the market for renewable fuels, on Tuesday proposed that 30 percent of the smog-reducing gasoline sold in the nation's smoggiest cities must be derived from sources like corn-based ethanol.

In a ruling to be signed by Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Carol Browner today, the administration sided with farmers instead of the petroleum industry, which had fought federal regulations that would set aside a share of the U.S. vehicle-fuel market for such renewable fuels.

In cities like Los Angeles, the EPA ruling by 1995 would bring about a significant change in the kinds of fuels that power millions of cars and will likely bring about a price hike of a couple cents a gallon.

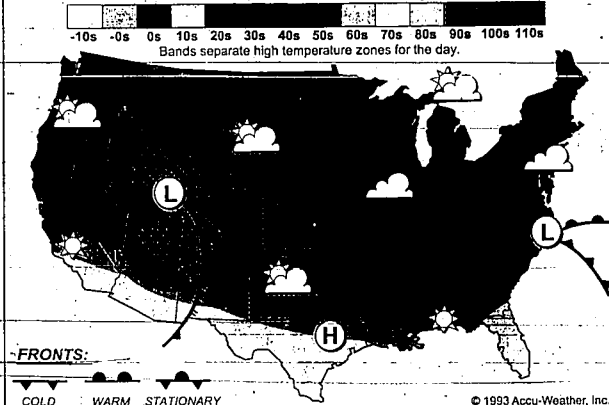
EPA officials said the new blend of fuel would burn more cleanly than petroleum-based fuels now in use, reducing smog in places like the Los Angeles Basin by 15 percent in 2000. Use of ethanol also would help conserve energy generally in the United States because ethanol takes less energy to produce than other fuels.

Officials conceded the principal beneficiaries of the proposed new rule will be corn farmers in the Midwest, who have been reeling from persistent economic hardship and floods and have sought government guarantees to turn their corn into engine fuel.

Weather

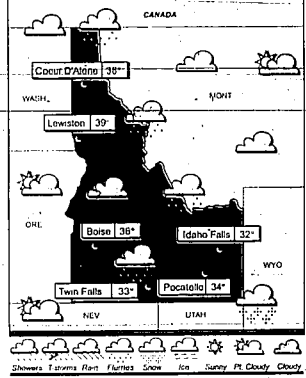
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Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperature



Temperatures

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Albuquerque	46	35	
Atlanta	41	37	28
Boston	43	35	13
Chicago	44	38	09
Dallas	56	41	
Denver	54	20	
Des Moines	36	24	19
Detroit	43	38	
Honolulu	80	67	
Houston	62	44	
Indianapolis	48	39	50
Kansas City	33	31	21
Las Vegas	55	31	
Los Angeles	62	48	13
Memphis	47	47	26
Miami Beach	76	65	
Milwaukee	44	39	
Minneapolis	38	33	19
New Orleans	57	47	
New York	49	38	
Oklahoma City	40	26	
Omaha	32	25	04
Phoenix	69	42	
Pittsburgh	45	34	
Portland, Me.	41	35	15
Portland, Ore.	47	43	26
Reno	44	39	
Salt Lake City	42	41	31
Salt Lake City	37	19	
San Francisco	58	50	19

Forecasts

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Occasional light snow today. Accumulation about one inch. Highs in the lower 30s. Northwest winds 10-15 mph. Tonight snow showers likely. Lows in the mid-20s. **Brezy:** Thursday partly cloudy with a chance of snow showers. Highs in the lower 30s. **Brezy:** Thursday partly cloudy with a chance of snow showers. Highs in the lower 30s. **Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley:** Occasional snow today with new accumulation of 2-4 inches. Highs in the upper 20s. Tonight occasional snow. Lows 10 to 20. Thursday mostly cloudy with snow showers likely. Highs in the mid-20s. **Extended forecast:** Southern Idaho - Friday through Sunday fair except for areas of night and morning valley fog and low cloudiness. Lows zero to 15 above zero east and teens west. Highs upper 20s to upper 30s. **Northern Utah and Nevada:** Utah - Snow likely by this afternoon. Highs in the mid-30s. Snowfall accumulation 2 inches or less. Tonight snow likely. Lows in the mid-20s. Thursday mostly cloudy with a good chance of snow. Highs 30 to 35.

Visible planets

Morning: Jupiter, Mercury
Evening: Saturn

Weather summary

The National Weather Service reports a trough of low pressure slowly pushing east into the Pacific Northwest late Tuesday.

Meantime, a series of weak disturbances moved across Idaho, with light snow being reported in the Panhandle.

Mostly cloudy skies covered the state Tuesday afternoon, except for a few sunny spots over the central and southeast parts.

Precipitation amounts have been less than .10 inch and the winds mostly light. Moisture amounts included Moscow and Mullan .05 and Coeur d'Alene .08.

In the Magic Valley, the sun appeared intermittently during the day, and temperatures hovered in the 30s and 40s. Winds were light from the east but added a biting edge to temperatures during the morning and early afternoon.

The highest temperature in the state Monday was 49 degrees at Hagerman. Soda Springs reported the lowest at 4 degrees below zero.

Elsewhere in the nation Monday, the highest temperature was 81 degrees at Miami, Fla. Gunnison, Colo., reported the lowest temperature at 12 degrees below zero.

Snow, rain pelt nation from coast to coast

The Associated Press

A fresh wave of rain and snow pushed across the West on Tuesday, snow fell on the Plains, and rain fell from the Mississippi Valley to the East Coast.

Rain fell over much of the Pacific Coast states during the day, while snow advisories were posted for south-central Oregon and the Oregon Cascades and Siskiyou.

Snow advisories also were issued for west-central Nevada and central and northern Arizona, the National Weather Service said.

Snow showers were scattered over the northern half of the Plains, extending into western Minnesota and western Iowa and south into Missouri and Kansas.

Northeastern Nebraska had gotten 3 to 8 inches of snow since Monday morning and the western third of Iowa had gotten about 8 inches, the weather service said.

Advisories for hazardous travel were issued for parts of eastern Nebraska. Two people were killed in separate accidents on slippery Nebraska highways Monday.

Rain fell over much of the remainder of the upper and middle Mississippi Valley, lower Ohio Valley, Tennessee Valley, lower half of the Appalachians, southern half of the Atlantic Coast and eastern New England.

However, there were no reports of heavy rainfall during the six hours up to 11 a.m. MST. Heaviest snowfall during the same period was 1 inch at Tapoka, Kan.

Marquette, Mich., warmed to a record high for the date of 39 degrees.

Tuesday morning's low for the lower 48 states was 11 below zero at Gunnison, Colo.

Temperatures around the 48 states at 1 p.m. MST ranged from 10 at Jackson, Wyo., to 80 at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Actress Loy Colorado dies of illness

NEW YORK (AP) — Myrna Loy, the cool beauty whose sly wit, easy charm, unbridled sophistication and intelligence made her the paragon of a perfect wife for millions of movie fans, died Tuesday. She was 88.

Miss Loy died at Lenox Hill Hospital after a lengthy illness, said Pat Summers, a nursing supervisor. Further details were not immediately available.

A freckle-faced redhead from Montana, she was the woman every man wanted to marry.

She was best known as socialite Mrs. Charles, wife of sleuth Nick Charles, in the six "Thin Man" movies of the 1930s and 1940s. Together, knocking back martinis and dining with thugs, she and co-star William Powell made marriage look like a sophisticated lark.

Many of her films, from "The Thin Man" to "The Best Years of Our Lives," would become favorites with revival-house audiences, but Loy never received an Oscar nomination.

She did receive an honorary Oscar in 1991.

Computers

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replace their older, slower Apple IIs with newer IBM PC-compatibles and Apple Macintoshes. "Only 2 percent of a typical U.S. elementary school's computers can be considered up-to-date," the study said.

The percentage rises to 20 percent for high schools.

But Twin Falls has the new IBM and Apple Macintoshes.

Japan, Austria and the Netherlands all had higher percentages of updated computers than the United States.

The study also found that less than half of U.S. schools offer their teachers introductory computer courses, either on site or at local colleges.

Idaho road report

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported snow-covered roadways in some higher elevations around the state Tuesday.

Road conditions:
I-95 — Lewiston-Lewiston, dry; Lewiston-Mogsw, wet; Weiser-New Meadows, dry, icy spots, broken snow floor; Marsing-Oregon line, dry.
Interstate 84 — Dry.
Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, icy spots; Donnelly-New Meadows, icy spots, broken snow floor.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, dry; Idaho City-Banner Summit, icy spots, broken snow floor.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, dry; Fairfield-Crater, dry; Arco-Idaho Falls, dry, icy spots; Idaho Falls-Ashton, dry, snow floor; Ashton-Mountain line, dry, broken snow floor, snow floor.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming line, icy spots, wet, icy, broken snow floor; Burley-Idaho City, icy spots.

U.S. 93 — Nevada line-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, icy spots, broken snow floor, snow floor; Lost Trail Pass, icy spots, broken snow floor, snow floor.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Galena Summit, broken snow floor.
Interstate 86 — Dry.
Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello, wet; Malad Pass, wet; Pocatello-Dubois, dry; Monida Pass, dry.

U.S. 30 — Dry, icy spots, drifting.
Idaho 28 — Icy spots, broken snow floor.

For current road conditions, call these numbers: Twin Falls, 736-3072; Boise, 336-6600; Pocatello 232-1426; Idaho Falls 522-5168; Utah 801-964-6000; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

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ho's "Don't Sign On to Discrimination" campaign.

But Walton said he was confident the U.S. Supreme Court ultimately will uphold measures like Amendment 2 and the ICA initiative, given a 1986 decision upholding a Georgia antidiscrimination law.

Walton said he was disappointed, but this is just one step in the process, he said. "If our side had won the other side would have appealed anyway."

The ICA initiative, besides prohibiting local gay-rights laws, would bar public money from being spent to "promote, make acceptable, or express approval of" homosexuality; prevent school employees from portraying homosexuality as "healthy, approved or acceptable behavior"; and restrict to adults library books discussing homosexuality.

During this fall's county-fair season, Walton said, his volunteers collected about half the 32,061 signatures needed to get the initiative on the November 1994 ballot.

Walton, who has been pumping \$2,000 a month from his "Hayburn" contracting business into the ICA, has lined up his own legal experts to counter the contention of Attorney General Larry Echolaw that his initiative is unconstitutional.

And he has said the issue is significant enough that Idaho taxpayers shouldn't think twice about paying the more than \$300,000 Echolaw says a court test of the proposition could cost.

However, Bayless' 17-page report said no evidence had been presented during the October trial to convince him there is a "militant gay aggression in (Colorado) that endangers

Snails

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before the ruling, including comments from the Idaho Department of Water Resources and geothermal aquifer expert Leland Mink.

"Had the agency responded properly to the comments received, the final decision may have been different," the judge said. "The agency may have decided to list the species as threatened rather than endangered. Or, the agency may have decided not to list the species at all."

The Fish and Wildlife Service relied largely on comments received earlier in the process, Ryan said, which resulted in "self-serving and superficial responses from an agency that had already made up its mind."

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Correction

A story Saturday contained incorrect information about a 1988 civil suit the Idaho Finance Department filed against Robert D. Adamson and Robert K. Adamson.

In 1988, the department secured a default judgment in 5th District Court against Robert K. Adamson, Robert D. Adamson, Craig Adamson and Jed Adamson for violating the Idaho Securities Act. The court enjoined the Adamsons from engaging in any further acts violating that law.

The Times-News regrets the error.

the state's political functions."

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said the Colorado decision provides "much-needed relief from the barrage of anti-gay attacks from the far right."

Boycott of Colorado announced Tuesday that it was lifting its boycott of Colorado's huge tourism industry, saying Bayless' decision "cleaned up a huge mess."

Although the amendment never took effect because of court intervention, the group claimed its boycott cost Colorado \$119 million in canceled conventions. State tourism officials, though, have said the boycott's impact was negligible.

Yet it was not a total victory for gay-rights activists.

Bayless said homosexuals are not a "suspect class" needing special protections — such as those enjoyed by minorities — because they are not politically powerless. He also found the defendants did show two "compelling state interests" to justify Amendment 2 — "family privacy" and the "religious right to discriminate."

But because the initiative isn't "narrowly drawn" enough to achieve those interests without violating constitutional rights, the judge said, it is unconstitutional.

Colorado Attorney General-Gale Norton said the state will appeal Bayless' decision all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

"This case still gives us the opportunity to have the important issues decided by an appellate court," said Norton. "I'm pleased that the court agreed there were certain compelling interests related to Amendment 2, and that the state won on the 'suspect class' question."

But Ryan rejected challenges to the agency's scientific findings.

He said it had "articulated a rational connection between the factors identified and the choice made," even though it may not have considered all the necessary factors.

Other due process violations included:

- Failure to issue a final ruling on the proposed listing within one year, or to formally extend that period by six months as required by the Endangered Species Act.
- Failure to provide notice of the proposed listing to the Owyhee County Commission.
- Failure to allow the public to review the U.S. Geological Survey study used as the basis for the listing.
- Failure to disclose the location of the 126 additional snail colonies found in the Idaho State University study. Ryan said that could have helped the public assess the agency's assumptions about the potential impact of declining groundwater levels.
- Failure to publish notice in the local newspaper of a 30-day public comment period, from Oct. 5 through Nov. 4, 1992, until Nov. 6, and of an additional 10-day comment period, Dec. 18-28, 1992, until the day before or the actual day it began.

Idaho lottery

BOISE (AP) — Winning numbers drawn Tuesday in the Fantastic Five game are:

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Ho-ho-whea



Holiday motorists have one more traffic condition to contend with as a redecorated deer-crossing sign along 17-Mile Drive near Carmel, Calif., warns drivers of seasonal obstacles.

Files indicate FBI extensively explored Oswald-Ruby link

WASHINGTON (AP) - The FBI questioned nearly 1,000 people in the weeks following the assassination of President Kennedy but found no link between Lee Harvey Oswald and the man who silenced him, Jack Ruby.

FBI documents released Tuesday by the National Archives indicate that the possibility of a conspiracy, in which Ruby was sent to kill the accused assassin, was exhaustively explored. The archives released 28 boxes of FBI documents as part of the government's effort to open the books on the Kennedy assassination.

The documents include a 1923 evaluation of "Jacob Rubenstein" — as Ruby was known in his youth — describing him as "disobedient and quick-tempered"; Ruby's polygraph chart, indicating he was probably telling the truth when he denied a conspiracy; and extensive photographs of the strip-tease acts at Ruby's Dallas nightclub.

More than any other single event, the shooting of Oswald by Ruby in the basement of the Dallas jail at 11:20 a.m. on Nov. 24, 1963, two days after the Kennedy assassination, triggered public suspicion of a conspiracy — suspicion that survives to this day.

Much of the material made available to reporters, researchers and

assassination buffs has already been open to the public through the FBI reading room. But portions of some documents previously blocked out or omitted from the public record was included in the archives release.

The FBI reached back to a 1923 report by a Jewish youth service agency in Chicago, where Ruby grew up, describing his truancy from school, disobedience and quick temper.

Ruby himself later linked his quick temper to his decision to shoot Oswald, two days after Oswald assassinated President Kennedy.

After the Oswald slaying, which unfolded on national television as Kennedy was lying in state in Washington, the FBI put together 150 pages of notes on interviews with the Dallas police officers who witnessed the shooting. Detective T.D. McMillon said he heard Ruby say, as he charged toward Oswald, pistol in hand, "You rat son of a bitch, you shot the president." Others quoted Ruby as saying, "I hope I killed..." Oswald.

These sparse quotations generated a blizzard of legal documents and eventually became the center of a dispute that led a Dallas appellate court in 1966 to grant Ruby a new trial. But Ruby, suffering from cancer, died Jan. 3, 1967, in Parkland

Hospital, where both Kennedy and Oswald were taken after they were shot.

On March 18, 1964, four days after a Dallas jury convicted Ruby of murder "with malice," a crime that carried the death penalty, his defense attorney, Joe H. Tonahill, wrote the Justice Department that the statements by the Dallas police audio tapes produced by reporters at the scene. Tonahill said the police testimony should have been disallowed and that without it, Ruby might have been sentenced to three to five years in prison.

FBI records illustrate the bureau's ability to invade the most private corners of a person's life, including correspondence between a defendant and his lawyer. A month after Ruby was convicted, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover informed the Warren Commission that "a confidential source" provided the bureau with copies of letters from Tonahill to Ruby describing a strategy for appeal.

The FBI record is filled with leads linking Ruby to Oswald checked by bureau agents. Indeed, the phones started ringing at FBI offices almost immediately after the Oswald shooting with people claiming knowledge of a plot.

Senate says Packwood altered tapes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Bob Packwood altered diary tape recordings subpoenaed by the Ethics Committee, Senate lawyers said Tuesday in an urgent request that federal court seize the materials immediately.

Packwood also used government money and campaign funds to pay a woman to transcribe tape recordings of his diary entries, the attorneys said in papers filed in U.S. District Court.

The tapes were altered after the Ethics Committee began its investigation of Packwood, the Senate lawyers said.

The Justice Department also has subpoenaed Packwood's diaries as part of a criminal investigation. It was not immediately clear how the

alteration affects that probe. Obstruction of justice laws prohibit tampering with subpoenaed materials.

Neither Packwood nor members of his office staff were available to comment on the Senate's court filing.

The Ethics Committee subpoenaed all diary materials from 1989 to the present, and asked a federal court to enforce the demand when Packwood, R-Ore., refused to comply. A court hearing is scheduled for Thursday.

The committee is investigating allegations that Packwood made unwanted sexual advances to more than two dozen women, including Senate employees; and attempted to intimidate some of the witnesses.

Entertainers introduce cartoons with conscience

WASHINGTON (AP) — The makers of some of the most popular animated children's TV shows vowed Tuesday to use cartoon characters to teach values and self-esteem.

DIC Entertainment, producers of "Captain Planet," "Dennis the Menace," and "Sonic, the Hedgehog," announced a 12-point code of standards to guide writers and directors who work for the com-

pany. It fills a void that's existed in the home video, cable TV and syndication market, say DIC officials. Cartoons on the four broadcast networks — ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox — are covered by internal divisions of standards and practices. DIC produces cartoons for all the markets.

"We've always tried to be sensitive," said DIC president Andy Heyward, who is married to a for-

mer teacher. "With 'Captain Planet,' we got into doing environmental programs before it was fashionable."

"The code is going to help us be more diligent," said vice president Robby London.

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Number of uninsured Americans climbs by 2 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 2 million Americans under the age of 65 joined the ranks of the uninsured in 1992, pushing the total without health coverage to 38.5 million, according to a survey released Tuesday.

The increase was caused largely by a decline in coverage for people who work for small companies, said the study by the Employee Benefit Research Institute, which was based on Census Bureau numbers tabulated in March.

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Endeavour returns in good shape; concerns rise about Discovery jets

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Endeavour returned from the Hubble Space Telescope repair mission in good shape, but the next shuttle flight could be delayed by extra tests of Discovery's steering jets, NASA said Tuesday.

Only 13 were bigger than an inch, said NASA's Bruce Buckingham. Two may have been caused by tiny meteorites.

Shuttle managers ordered additional leak checks and inspections of Discovery's 44 steering jets because a tiny hole was found in one that was removed from the shuttle in October.

Buckingham said the tests probably will delay Discovery's science mission by as much as a week, possibly longer if any thrusters need to be replaced. Discovery was supposed to lift off around Jan. 27 with six astronauts, including cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev, who will be the first Russian to fly on a shuttle.

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Idahoans oppose lifestyle

Congratulations and three cheers to Prairie High School Counselor Dennis Greene, as well as Principal Darrel Pantalone, for showing Scott Thiemann of the Outreach to Rural Youth Project the light (outside their respective doors that is) when he came knocking unannounced to attempt a frontal assault in favor of the dissemination of information on homosexuality to our school-age children. I feel Mr. Greene and Mr. Pantalone handled the matter with great restraint and tact, much more so than I would have, I'm afraid.

I can assure Mr. Thiemann that his revelation that "there are some public libraries up on the Camas Prairie that don't even have the word homosexual or gay in their card catalog" is amazing to him alone in this state of strong moral and religious foundation and character.

The article accurately conveys the fact that the area involved is predominantly Catholic; however, I can assure this misguided prophet that the vast majority of people, regardless of religious affiliation, in Idaho are diametrically and emphatically opposed to the lifestyle he seems to feel needs to be more openly discussed, studied and propagated. If he thinks that the area he contacted is an isolated case, he would be well advised to do his homework prior to attempting to further his cause elsewhere in the area.

Take him, Mr. Thiemann, and "take it down the road."
STEVIE MAY
 Jerome

Don't miss St. Olaf special

Ron Miller, in his article, "Musical performances usher in holiday," on Dec. 10 failed to mention "Christmas at St. Olaf." The 10 Christmas events in the United States not to be missed" feature a total of 450 singers and the 100-member St. Olaf Orchestra.

The program will be shown at 8 p.m. tonight on PBS and again on Dec. 24 at 9 p.m.
MARILYN BOTKIN
 Twin Falls

Comments, scriptures disagree

Mr. Hofstetter, seeing you've obviously swayed by promoters of "The New Testament," it's not surprising the scriptural accuracy of my last 10 letters escaped you. I've spent 15 years intensely studying and must return your initial comment. Much of what you say doesn't line up with scripture.

When Peter and Paul made the references to scripture which are leaned upon to assert that "The New Testament" books were "written by the inspiration of God," there was no such thing as "The New Testament." Therefore, their referring to "scriptures" could only have been toward "The Testament," now called the old one.

To your "secondly" paragraph, there are persons who say they are "Christ-like" that drag out "old law" burdens like Leviticus 18:22 to accuse homosexuals and condemning view those not of their group as "not saved" and going to hell, then there's others often not claiming Christ-likeness that are truly loving/giving and non-condemning. And the mix of both and millions of poor innocents. Who's righteous?

Doonesbury



BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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Editorial

A small victory against tyranny of drug seizures

A limited hurrah. Five (but only five) of the nine U.S. Supreme Court justices think the Fifth Amendment means what it says.

The Fifth Amendment says, in part, "No person shall be... deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law...." Until recent years, this clause guaranteed that the government couldn't arbitrarily grab your property.

But state and federal drug-forfeiture laws changed that. Nowadays cops grab cars, cash - even houses - if they think the stuff was somehow involved in drug deals.

You don't have to be guilty to be nailed by a forfeiture. You don't even have to be charged with a crime. They don't have to prove anything. They just take the stuff - and if you want it back, you have to hire a lawyer and take the government to court.

We've seen the damaging results of these laws locally. Two years ago, here and other property were seized in connection with Twin Falls County's notorious batch of faulty drug indictments. Though the indictments were later thrown out by a judge, the property wasn't given back.

In a Jerome County case, a woman lost her house. The case involved the highly questionable use of a violent criminal as a police informant, and

charges against her were dropped. But the house was gone.

The most dangerous thing about these laws is how they can corrupt police and prosecutors. Investigations tend to focus on seizing property (which is then used to support agency budgets), rather than on making solid busts. It happened in the Magic Valley, and it happens all over the country.

This week's Supreme Court ruling was a small victory against the incipient tyranny these laws represent. The court ruled 5-4 that the government couldn't seize a man's house without first letting him defend himself in a court hearing.

In a way, this case was a poor example of the trouble with drug forfeitures. The defendant was caught with 89 pounds of marijuana. He pleaded guilty and went to jail. He probably deserved to lose his house.

Still, the right of due process applies to guilty and innocent alike. He deserved a hearing. More important, the ruling creates a precedent that may save some truly innocent people from undeserved grief.

Rulings like this one should be followed up by state and federal legislation to rewrite these flawed laws. The fight against illegal drugs is too important to be tarnished by legalized larceny.

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Disarm thought-police

Our television screens are awash in blood. And we're starting to see that the electronic mayhem encourages even more real-life violence in a society that already has at least as much as it can deal with.

Wanters - a significant number, anyway - are seeing something done about it. So it is no surprise that the idea of tough new governmental regulation is beginning to be spoken of seriously in some of the most unlikely and usually clear-minded circles.

But at this point, let's ask ourselves: Do we really want a thought-police crackdown? Government censorship - and that's what it would be - would mean seizing an important part of our freedom and delivering it to a government we already distrust; substituting the opinions of faceless and unaccountable bureaucrats for our own judgments about what is valuable or interesting or entertaining.

And even if we could muster a cadre of governmental Brahmins that we would trust more than ourselves, what rules would they apply in censoring our radio and television - not to mention, eventually, our printed media? Would "NYPD Blue" be acceptable because its violence seems to have a moral? How about Arnold Schwarzenegger? Or opera?

Would artificial violence be allowed, but poorly done violence banned?

What about news programs that zoom in on the gore and degradation of war?

In the end, government regulation simply does not represent the least intrusive means to the end we all desire. The cure would be worse than the disease.

What choices are left? Maybe instead of regulation by government, we should consider trying a little self-regulation. Can't the rest of us work a little harder at living out - and displaying - the message that violent solutions diminish us as human beings? Can't we work harder at delivering more constructive messages?

Shouldn't we, especially the parents among us, be doing our best to reject the violence and filth we see around us? Can't we keep our children from watching and being contaminated by the poisons of television the way we keep them from the bottles marked with a skull and crossbones? It would surely be part of the solution.

Another alternative would be some kind of self-policing by the broadcasters, a strategy supported by a number of important voices in the industry. Warning labels are already in effect, and "V-chips" that block pre-labeled violent shows are being talked about.

All these ideas might help, but they won't

Marlo Cuomo

be enough in the end. We function in a profit-driven, free-enterprise system, a system that imposes on the broadcast industry an overriding pressure to produce dividends for its shareholders - no matter what.

This suggests still another possibility. Perhaps the swiftest, most powerful way to improve the quality of radio and television - as well as movies and popular music and advertising - would be the parent kind of legitimate commercial persuasion. A real campaign by the consumers: We won't buy your action-adventure killer robots or your lemon-fresh soap or your cold-filtered beer if you keep purchasing garbage and pouring it into our living rooms!

A kind and grand referendum. A coast-to-coast cooperative campaign - led by the President and Mrs. Clinton - enlisting every thoughtful American, embracing every worried parent, to demand that we aim for a higher standard in what the cables and airwaves pump into our lives, in what we see at the movies or buy on a compact disc. A campaign that includes young people and government officials and corporate executives and our great spiritual leaders. If such a campaign were conducted, it could help push us, through our own good instincts, to the kind of civility and sensibility and feeling of community that has been eclipsed by the dark images coming from our television screens.

And if the campaign failed, it would nevertheless serve a purpose. It might prove that the executives of radio and cable and television are not, after all, jamming sex and violence and profanity down our throats, but that the American people are choosing it from a menu called the program guide. That the truth is, the American people boost the ratings of the overheated, made-for-TV movies about other people's adultery. That we're the ones with the appetite for endless re-enactments of the real, live blood and terror of police work.

If America does indeed contain this extraordinary contradiction - this desire for what disgusts us, this disgust for what we desire - then maybe we should admit it to ourselves. Admit that as a nation we were born in violence and we will live with it, and all our protestations are mostly pretense. That kind of look in the mirror on the morning after might shock us into a real commitment to change things.

Marlo Cuomo is the governor of New York.

A conclusion of the report: Parents and the public at large remain indifferent to underage drinking. "At least they're not on drugs," is how some adults rationalize tolerating, even facilitating, adolescent drinking, unaware that alcohol is the most dangerous drug for youth. Young people are at additional risk for addiction. The younger they start experimentation, the greater chance they will experience adverse effects from their use.

Young people can move from experimentation to full addiction in as short a time as two months. Frequently, our concern is only around the dangers of drinking and driving. That combination is totally intolerable; however, the mixture of youth and alcohol is too often a recipe for tragedy in any setting.

The Magic Valley Red Ribbon Campaign has continued to grow in participation, increasing community awareness and providing opportunities for education. Red Ribbon offers a lesson we can't afford to ignore: Prevention works if everybody works for prevention. Mixed messages are killers! Young and old alike must commit themselves to being healthy role models. Along with our thanks is our hope that each and every member of our community will not only act on this message for one week at the end of October but all year long.

MARCIA LANTING
 Twin Falls School District
JILL CHESTNUT
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County can't afford building

Just how do the county commissioners think they can afford to buy the employment office? They claim there is no money for budgets at the courthouse; they have already cut budgets back to 1991. There is no money for anything at the courthouse, not even a paper clip. How then can they buy another building at \$240,000?

The reason they are where they are today is because of overspending and the budget not done correctly. How long do they feel all departments at the courthouse can go on without adequate funding? Are only the commissioners allowed to set the rules and all others can go without? It just doesn't make any sense to me! If someone would like to explain it to me, I'd be glad to hear it.
ESTHER SMITH
 Twin Falls

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GOP, AMA are spoilers again, but this time they are divided

Joined at the hip for decades, two old political pairs are in the process of falling into an old habit — saying no to a country desperate for change.

Beginning in the New Deal years, the American Medical Association and the Republican Party have jointly fought ideological holy wars against even the hint of change in fee-for-service medicine. Any politician — from Harry Truman through to Edward Kennedy — who called for national health insurance could count on being smeared as a pinko or worse.

Now they're at it again, with a twist. This time they are reverting to activist work separately, with far more divided ranks.

In the old days, the rock-solid status quo entente kept guaranteed health insurance for America's elderly (Medicare) out of the statute books for a generation following World War II. Today negativism may actually work to President Clinton's advantage as Congress tries to create a new health system in response to his leadership.

Last week the AMA took several strides away from earlier commitments by its leadership to try to work with the Clinton administration to shape a program to guarantee coverage for all. What the AMA's executive vice president, James Todd, had started earlier this year was clearly proving too much for a huge chunk of the rank and file and the AMA trustees. The AMA was never destined to be anything like a Clinton ally, but Todd's efforts to avoid early implacable opposition are clearly findingering.

Within the Republican Party, the

Thomas Olliphant

opposition of a solid majority on the right in both the House and the Senate at this point in time. The real question has been what would happen in the party's moderate ranks, and the answer for now is disquieting.

The moderate GOP leader, Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, has written his previously vague ideas into a bill that has moved several degrees to the right, leaving a huge gulf between it and the administration.

Substantively, the AMA and GOP, from their separate starting points, are ending up with similar hangups. They amount to opposition to guaranteed health insurance for all and to a credible method for controlling costs.

Politically they offer the president and Hillary Rodham Clinton the luscious opportunity of sole occupancy of the center through negotiations with conservative Democrats and individual GOP moderates.

At its convention in New Orleans, the AMA trustees and conservative membership rebelled over such ideas as a requirement that all employers help their workers by purchasing and the formation of giant insurance co-operatives to give people the cost-saving advantages inherent in economies of scale — both central to the creation of a workable universal system. More predictably, the AMA also began digging in to resist against the administration's efforts to swell the ranks of primary-care physicians.

Chafee's legislation, meanwhile, is a surprising disappointment. Its mandate, focused on individuals, would not be universally effective until the year 2005, the clout of the purchasing cooperatives would be evaporated by making participation in them voluntary and each coverage-expanding step would be conditioned upon the actual realization of cost savings. There is, in short, no upfront commitment to national health insurance and no definition up front of a standard benefits package.

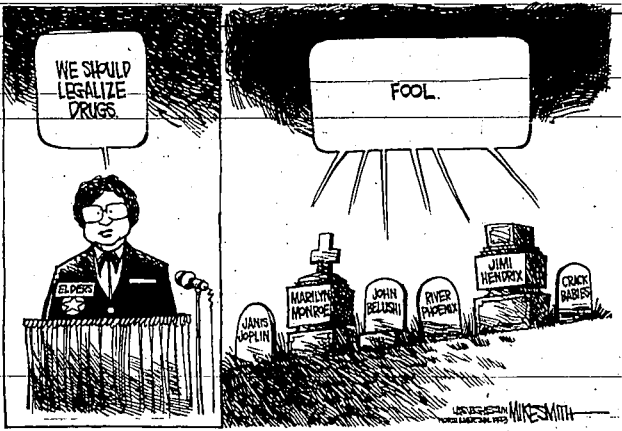
In an interview last week, Hillary Clinton focused more sharply on the AMA. In well-modulated sorrow rather than anger, she noted that the doctors' lobby had opposed every major advance in social policy of this century. She could have gone further. A divided AMA that is home to only half the country's doctors is in danger of marginalizing itself.

By contrast, Hillary Clinton avoided criticism of Chafee, noting that his 800 pages of legalese are still being reviewed. Other officials are less charitable.

At a time when the president's political health is much improved and the demand for action as strong as ever, institutional opposition is as unwise politically as it is substantively.

As politics yields to the holidays, the only present the Clintons have yet to receive is word that Dr. No himself, Ross Perot, plans to oppose national health insurance. But stay tuned.

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Legalizing drugs would reduce crime — and maybe drug use

Alan W. Boek

There's no intellectually legitimate case that crime rates would do anything but decline if drugs were legalized, as they did after alcohol prohibition was ended.

I'm hardly U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders's biggest fan. I suspect her enthusiasm for condom distribution and early sex education to fight the spread of AIDS is misplaced. Her endorsement of the idea that violence in America can be effectively addressed by thinking of violence as a public health problem smacks of bureaucratic empire-building on the part of the country's top public health official, and over-weighing paternalism — no does her many-style advice that parents not buy toy guns for their kids this Christmas.

But it's fascinating that when she deigns to utter something so plainly true as to be almost beyond rational contention, she's jumped on as a radical so beyond the pale as not to be part of ordinary political discourse. And that's what happened when she was so inattentive (or calculating?) as to suggest that it's time to reconsider this nation's expensive War on Drugs.

"I do feel that we would markedly reduce our crime rate if drugs were legalized," said Elders. She was cautious enough to advise more study before rushing into such a policy, and she made it clear that the administration was not actively considering legalization. But there can be little doubt that her "feeling" is accurate.

The crime reductions that would follow drug legalization go well beyond the obvious — that people would no longer be arrested for possessing, using and engaging in certain kinds of sales transactions in certain kinds of drugs. (It's difficult to imagine, given the current political climate and regulations on other kinds of commerce, that drug sales would be entirely unregulated and unrestricted.)

Police and other authorities estimate that anywhere from 30 to 70 percent of certain other crimes — burglary, assault, gang activity, muggings, even some murders — are

many young people living in poverty, with broken families, further disadvantaged by inferior inner-city government schools, it still pays better than a job at the local hamburger stand or convenience store.

So long as that's true, an alarming number of young people will be drawn into the drug trade. Some will drift or be pushed into full-time criminal activities. Many will never find out what it's like to hold down a legitimate, economically productive job or start a business. All this will continue to be true until we wise up and put an end to our long, expensive and ineffective drug war.

Various jurisdictions have tried different types of drug-law liberalization. Holland doesn't prosecute for marijuana and hashish, and even allows them to be sold openly in certain parts of certain cities. In Alaska for many years personal possession of marijuana was effectively legal because of a court interpretation of a privacy clause in the state constitution. Spain and Italy have recently repealed criminal penalties for possession of certain drugs for personal use, though laws against trafficking remain in place.

In none of these instances did drug use increase at anything like the doomsday rates the opponents of liberalization predict. In Holland, in fact, after a brief uptick in usage statistics, marijuana use among teen-agers actually declined to below pre-reform levels.

There's no intellectually legitimate case that crime rates would do anything but decline if drugs were legalized, as they did after alcohol prohibition was ended. Yet various Republicans, including California Gov. Pete Wilson, have called on President Clinton to fire Elders for daring to utter such an inconvenient truth.

Very curious.
Alan W. Boek is senior columnist for the Orange County Register.

The end of Cold War has not ended nuclear, strategic weapons nightmare

In all the years of weapons building in the Cold War it never seems to have occurred to anyone to ask: How are we going to get rid of all this stuff if peace ever comes?

It is a sad irony, but weapons themselves today are probably as dangerous and threatening a problem as the world has. Trying to get rid of them is turning out to be a nightmare.

Despite signed treaties, both the United States and Russia continue to have thousands of strategic nuclear weapons in place, still aimed at targets in the other country. Crews still man American Minuteman missile bases, ready to fire in minutes. U.S. strategic submarines still patrol the seas on alert to attack. The same is true on the Russian side.

Only a small dent has been made in efforts to destroy and dismantle these weapons and by no means certain that promised target dates in such badly-negotiated treaties will be met.

The age of nuclear overkill is still with us. The Russians still have at least 7,000 strategic nuclear weapons, ready to fire, and the United States about 9,000, according to Jack Mendelsohn, of the Arms Control Association here. Another 2,000 to 3,000 are in former Soviet states that are now independent: Belarus, Kazakhstan and Ukraine.

Ukraine's refusal to endorse a treaty called START I, which would begin massive reductions, has meant that that treaty and the more elaborate START II treaty, negotiated by President Bush, are on hold and may never go into effect. START II promised to reduce strategic arsenals on both sides to 3,500 by the end of the century.

The Cold War is over, the Soviet Union is no more. But the post-Cold War world is decidedly not post-nuclear. Defense Secretary Les Aspin observed recently:

A new book entitled "Reducing Nuclear Danger" by three experts in nuclear technology warns that "it is not at all clear that the overall level

James McCartney

of nuclear danger has gone down" with the end of the Cold War. The three are McGeorge Bundy, national security adviser to presidents Kennedy and Johnson; William Crowe Jr., former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and Sidney Drell, a physicist and deputy director of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center.

Strategic nuclear stockpiles are only part of the problem. If you count both strategic and tactical weapons, according to the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists the totals now are: United States, 16,750; former Soviet Union countries, 32,000.

It is not easy to destroy and dismantle nuclear warheads. It takes time. The Energy Department is trying to disassemble about 1,400 a year. It will take at least another 10 years to cut the number to a target of 3,500.

Even that schedule may be too fast to be safe, according to a report issued by the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, headed by Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio. The report said dangerous accidents have already occurred. In one, a warhead fell 20 inches onto a table leading to a 38-day shutdown of disassembly operations.

Then there is the terrifying problem of trying to get rid of plutonium, the deadly fuel of nuclear bombs. Five pounds of it can destroy a city in a nuclear explosion. One ten-thou-

sandth of a gram will cause human cancer.

Nobody knows quite what to do with the stuff. Blast it into space? Dump it at sea? It's dangerous wherever it is and, more than that, there is so much of it around now that it presents what Jessica Mathews of the Council on Foreign Relations has called "a terrorist's dream."

It is already costing taxpayers \$6 billion a year to try to clean up U.S. nuclear weapons sites. But we're also laying out dollars to buy nuclear materials from the Russians. Getting it out of Russian hands is considered a good investment.

As if these problems aren't enough, there are also major and difficult problems in getting rid of chemical weapons.

Today we're spending \$8 billion to \$9 billion trying to destroy our chemical weapons stockpile, a project that will take at least 10 to 15 years. The Russians are estimated to have 40,000 tons of poison gas and the U.S. stockpile is only slightly smaller.

Yes, our confrontation with the Soviet Union is over and, yes, we're talking peace.

But the weapons still out there — thousands and thousands of them — still have the power to destroy civilization as we know it. We have ended the Cold War. We have not ended the weapons nightmare.

James McCartney is a columnist for Knight-Ridder Newspapers' Washington Bureau.

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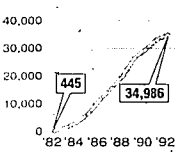
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Nation

AIDS in the U.S.

An estimated 1 million to 1.5 million Americans have contracted HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Since 1981, 201,775 Americans have died from the disease.

Deaths
HIV was discovered in 1981. Here are U.S. deaths from AIDS complications since:



More women and children are getting AIDS.

Although AIDS is still a disease largely associated with homosexual men, it is beginning to affect other parts of society. Larger numbers of women and people under age 25 contracted the disease during the last year.

Women with AIDS
6,153
14,792

AIDS in young people
1,489
3,445

SOURCES: Centers for Disease Control, National Institutes for Health, Statistical Abstract of the United States

KRT Infographics

Using crack increases AIDS risk

WASHINGTON (AP) — Young Americans — particularly women — who smoke crack cocaine are at high risk of catching AIDS because they are likely to have frequent, unsafe sex under the influence of the drug, researchers said Tuesday.

Yet education campaigns about preventing HIV, the AIDS virus, typically say nothing about smoking crack, just that injecting drugs is dangerous.

"HIV prevention programs that target crack smokers, especially women, are needed," said Dr. Brian Edlin of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). "There is an increasing prevalence of HIV among crack-smoking women ... that is very disturbing."

A new study found that crack users are more likely than non-users to have numerous sex partners and to sell sex for drugs and less likely to take precautions when they are high.

Although the majority of AIDS patients still are men, the fatal disease is increasing almost four times as fast among women.

And they are passing AIDS to their babies: the CDC recorded a 16.6 percent jump in new cases among infants and toddlers last year.

Disturbed by those numbers, the CDC is trying to discover why, despite all the safe-sex education aimed at women, heterosexual contact has overtaken intravenous drug use as the primary cause of infection in women.

The crack study, presented at an AIDS conference here Tuesday, shows non-IV drug use an AIDS menace too.

The CDC recruited 2,323 people ages 18 to 29 from inner-city neighborhoods in New York, Miami and San Francisco and studied them for almost two years.

Among those who had never used IV drugs, male crack smokers were about 1 1/2 times as likely to have had more than 20 sexual partners or to sell sex than those who did not smoke crack.

But female crack smokers were six times as likely as non-users to have had more than 20 sexual partners, 15 times as likely to sell sex and four times as likely to have syphilis or other genital diseases, which facilitate AIDS transmission.

Blood tests showed crack smokers who had never used IV drugs were at least twice as likely to have HIV as non-crack smokers. IV drug users still were the most likely to be infected, Edlin said.

Researchers develop test for quantity of AIDS virus

WASHINGTON (AP) — Researchers are racing to develop the first simple, widely available and exquisitely sensitive blood tests that will disclose how much AIDS virus people harbor inside their bodies.

The tests, when they reach the market, should help doctors monitor the effects of AIDS treatment and also may provide earlier diagnosis of AIDS infections, particularly in newborns.

Current widely used tests, available since the mid 1980s, reveal only the presence of AIDS antibodies, which

are the body's reaction to an AIDS infection. But these widely available tests do not directly detect HIV, the AIDS virus.

Two new generations of tests are under development, both based on greatly streamlined versions of polymerase chain reaction, or PCR, a sophisticated lab technique that expands tiny amounts of genetic material so it can be easily detected. The PCR technique has been used in sophisticated research to search for the HIV virus itself in humans.

The AIDS virus, unlike most other forms of life, carries its genes as RNA rather than DNA, both of which are acids found inside cells and help produce the proteins that build and regulate the body.

To make new copies of itself, the AIDS virus must first convert its genes from RNA into DNA and then stitch them into the genetic material of infected blood cells.

Further along are tests that will spot viral genes that have become part of blood cells this way. These tests, which

look for viral DNA, will reveal whether or not someone is infected with the AIDS virus. But they do not show how much virus actually dwells within the cells.

The latest innovation, outlined at a scientific meeting Tuesday, are tests that reveal viral RNA. The tests will spot genes that are inside the virus but are not part of cells' genetic machinery.

Developers say this gives them a way to assess the quantity of individual viruses inside the body.

The most sensitive of these tests discussed at the meeting was developed by Roche Molecular Systems of Alameda, Calif. Dr. Shirley Kwok, its principal discoverer, said it will spot as few as 100 copies-of-virus-in-a-milliliter of blood.

Dr. David Ho of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center in New York said such a test is avidly awaited by AIDS researchers.

"We need an assay that is accurate and will quantify HIV in blood plasma," he said.

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Sports

Indians best Bulldogs

The Times-News

BUHL — Doug Rice sank two free throws with six seconds left to ice a come from behind victory for the Buhl Indians over the Kimberly Bulldogs 51-48 Tuesday night.

Rice was four-for-four from the free throw line in the fourth quarter, increasing Buhl's margin from one to three points each trip. As a team, the Indians went 8-10 from the charity stripe.

Kimberly's stingy defense allowed the Bulldogs to move out to a 12-point lead in the third quarter before Buhl made his move. Dan Strickler came off the bench to hit five points in the third quarter and a 3-pointer in the fourth to give Buhl its first lead of the game.

"Their defense really stymied us for the entire first half and part of the third quarter before we figured it out," Buhl Coach Lloyd Garey said.

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Richfield 58, Bliss 40
RICHFIELD — The Richfield Tigers squelched Bliss with a zone defense in the first quarter, picking up just about the margin it held the rest of the way in a 58-40 decision Tuesday night.

Bliss managed just two points in the first quarter and fell behind 17-2. The zone limited Bliss largely to three-point attempts and the Bears hit eight of those but only eight two-pointers.

Richfield won the preliminary 43-22.

Shoshone 72, Dietrich 71
DIETRICH — Zach Aslett's layup with less than a minute left in the game, broke a 68-68 tie and eventually led to an Indian victory. Zach Shelter hit two free throws with 9.8 seconds, giving the Indians a 72-68 lead.

Koby Norman's second three-point goal left the Blue Devils down by one in the waning seconds.

This Northside League battle saw Dietrich's Seth Greenfield score 26 points, including hitting five three-point baskets. Teammate Chester Southwick scored 19 points.

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Cory Fearheller of Buhl aims high over Kimberly's Chancy Lancaster during the Indians' victory Tuesday.

Alm kills self after friend dies

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Houston Oilers defensive tackle Jeff Alm apparently was upset by his best friend's death in a car crash that he took a shotgun out of the vehicle, stuck it in his mouth and pulled the trigger, authorities say.

Alm and Sean P. Lynch, both 25 and from Orlando Park, Ill., were found dead about 2:45 a.m. Tuesday along Interstate 610 in southwest Houston, police said.

Lynch was thrown through the passenger window of Alm's speeding 1992 Cadillac Eldorado when it went out of control and struck barriers on either side of an elevated exit ramp, police spokesman Rick Hartley said.

Police found Alm's body sitting against a guardrail near his car and near a shotgun. Lynch's corpse could be seen from that spot, down a grassy embankment on a service road some 25 feet below.

"He got a shotgun. He may have fired a couple shots in the air and then put the gun to his head," Hartley said.

Police said there was no evidence at the scene that the two had been drinking. Toxicology reports would take several days, said Cecil Wingo, chief investigator with the Harris County medical examiner's office.

Police spokesman Alvin Wright said Alm was not injured in the wreck, but neither man was wearing a seat belt. Lynch's exact cause of death was not immediately determined.

Alm and Lynch were best friends who played football together at Carl Sandburg High School in Orlando Park, Ill., and Lynch often traveled to Houston to visit, friends and team officials said.

"They were very, very close, but I think their relationship even got tighter as the years went on," said Larry Lokanc, who knew both men and coached them at Sandburg.

"Sean followed Jeff's career at Notre Dame. He went to most of his home games. It was not uncommon for Sean to fly out to Houston to see Jeff and see him play. They were, as you'd probably say, best friends."

The coach added, "Sean died, and I don't know what Jeff read into it, if he felt he couldn't exist without him. Those are things I can't answer."

Alm, 6-foot-6, had played in only two games this year because of a contract dispute and a broken right leg suffered last month against Cincinnati.

His leg had healed and he was expected to rejoin team practices this week, Oilers spokesman Chip Namias said.

"We're all very shocked," Namias said. "Jeff was a great guy."

The report also said he pulled a gun on another motorist last month, but Wright said he knew of no such incident.

"Jeff was an emotional guy with highs and lows. He evidently thought he did something wrong and tried and convicted himself," said Houston coach Jack Pardee.

"That's the bad thing about having a gun handy sometimes, because all at once you make a decision you wouldn't have made probably if you thought about it a little longer," added Buddy Ryan, the Oilers defensive coordinator.

Alm, 6-foot-6 and 272 pounds, played in 14 games for the Oilers last season and had 35 tackles, a sack and two forced fumbles.

He started all 12 games as first tackle and a junior on Notre Dame's 1988 national championship team. He had 50 tackles and three interceptions that year. During his senior year, Alm was voted second-team All-America with 74 tackles, a sack and an interception.

Neither Alm nor Lynch were married or had children. Parents for both men were on their way to Houston and funeral arrangements had not been made, Lokanc said.



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Briefly

CSI No. 16 in junior college basketball poll

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho, with an 11-1 record, made its first appearance in the national junior college basketball poll this week, being lodged in 16th place.

The Eagles drew just 16 votes from the 22 regional directors but joins Dixie College of St. George in representing region 18 in the rankings. Dixie is ranked second behind pacesetter Odessa, Tex. Both are 14-0.

"Until you get around the league once on your playing schedule, I'm not sure it means much," said CSI Coach Steve Irons, enjoying his first appearance in the rankings as a head coach. "After we've played everybody once, we'll have a better idea of how we stand."

"But it sure is nice," he added with a smile. "The Eagles host North Idaho and Ricks in their final appearances of 1993 this weekend."

Jerome High School to give out football awards tonight

JEROME — Jerome High School will hold its football awards tonight at 7:30 in the school cafeteria.

All sophomore, junior and senior players and their parents are invited. Each family should bring a dessert dish.

Montana QB Dickenson named GTE All-American

MISSOULA — Montana quarterback Dave Dickenson, already named most valuable offensive player in the Big Sky Conference, also has been named a Division I first team GTE academic All-American.

Dickenson, a 5-foot-11 sophomore from Great Falls, has a 3.92 grade point average in a pre-medicine curriculum, the university noted.

Dickenson led Division I-AA in total offense, averaging 361.6 yards a game, the second best average in league history. In leading the Grizzlies to a 7-0 record and the league championship, he completed 67.2 percent of his passes for 3,640 yards and 32 touchdowns.

2 neo-Nazi skinheads charged in beating of U.S. luge athlete

MEININGEN, Germany — Prosecutors filed criminal charges against two neo-Nazi skinheads on Tuesday in the beating of a U.S. luge athlete in Oberhof in October.

A 16-year-old from Suhl and a 21-year-old from the Bavarian city of Bamberg were charged with causing grievous bodily harm in the Oct. 29 attack, said regional prosecutor Heim-Jürgen Nebel.

The charges were the first to be filed in the case.

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Sportsquote

“**Maybe there'll be some good after-Christmas sales.**”

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— Atlanta general manager John Schuerholz on pre-holiday free agent market.

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Jordan's retirement is year's top sports story

The Associated Press

LONDON — Michael Jordan's fame is so global that his surprise retirement from the Chicago Bulls was voted the top sports story in the world this year in a 30-nation survey conducted by The Associated Press.

The starring of tennis star Monica Seles was picked second in the survey of AP subscribers outside North America. Sydney's selection over Beijing as host of the 2000 Summer Olympics was third.

The Olympic Marseille bribery scandal, the record-setting performances by Chinese women runners and surprises in World Cup qualifying were the other top vote-getters.

News organizations in Europe, Asia, Australia, the Middle East, Africa and South America took part in the poll, listing their choice of the year's top 10 stories. Points were awarded on a sliding scale, ranging from 10 points for a first-place vote to one point for a 10th place vote.

So, too, was the shock and horror associated with the No. 2. Please see STORIES/B2



Jordan

Jordan's retirement received eight first-place votes and totaled 215 points. The vote reflected both the international popularity of the NBA and the worldwide appeal of Jordan, considered by many the greatest basketball player of all time.

Jordan, whose international stature was enhanced by his starring role on the Dream Team at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics, led the Bulls to their third straight NBA title last season.

When he announced his retirement on Oct. 6 at the age of 30, the shock was felt around the world.

So, too, was the shock and horror associated with the No. 2. Please see STORIES/B2

McNeely denies he made players attend devotionals

The Associated Press

POCATELLO — Idaho State University head coach Brian McNeely denied allegations from two former football players that he required members of his team to attend religious meetings.

McNeely said Tuesday that he encouraged players to attend Saturday devotional meetings before each home game. But he said attendance was optional and no player was disciplined for opposing the practice.

"They were not required to go," he said. "I was not forcing them to go."

The coach also denied former defensive tackle Robert Ford's charge that the team had a "mandatory church day" each fall when players were required to attend church with a coach or return with a program to prove they had attended alone.

"Man-datory" meant it was my day to encourage everyone to go, one Sunday," McNeely said. "A few players 'came to me and said they preferred not to go to church, and they were allowed not to go."

But Sean Mottishaw, a Bengal defensive end for three seasons who was dropped from the team in November for what coaches called "rules violations," backed up Ford's claim that attendance was required.

"There are some guys on the team who are atheist and they didn't appreciate it too much," Mottishaw said. "It would have been different if Please see McNEELY/B2



McNeely

273 baseball players' salaries topped \$1 million

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A record 273 baseball players made \$1 million or more this year, topped by Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg at \$6,379,213, according to a salary study by The Associated Press.

While the number of million-dollar players increased by just six from 1992, the percentage decreased from 37.1 percent to 33.5 percent because of expansion.

The number of \$2 million players went up by only 12 to 189, but players at \$3 million or higher jumped from 71 to 103.

There were 38 players at \$4 million or more, an increase of 15, and 13 at \$5 million or higher, more than double the five in 1992.

Following Sandberg was New York Mets outfielder Bobby Bonilla at \$6.2 million and Mets pitcher Dwight Gooden at \$5,166,667.

The top-paid players at each position formed a lineup that earned \$47,829,213. Joining Sandberg in the infield were first baseman Will Clark, then with San Francisco, at \$4.75 million, Cincinnati shortstop Barry Larkin at \$5.75 million and California third baseman Kelly Gruber at \$4,333,333. Due to an injury, Gruber played just 17 games at third base last season.

After Bonilla, the top-paid outfielders were Joe Carter of Toronto at \$5.55 million and Kirby Puckett of Minnesota at \$5.3 million. The highest-paid catcher, just 72nd overall, was Benito Santiago of Florida at \$3.4 million.

\$48 million dollar lineup

1993 salaries total \$47,829,213	
Kirby Puckett, OF Minnesota Twins \$5,300,000	Bobby Bonilla, OF New York Mets \$6,200,000
Ryne Sandberg, 2B Chicago Cubs \$6,379,213	Will Clark, 1B San Francisco Giants \$4,750,000
Barry Larkin, SS Cincinnati Reds \$5,750,000	Dwight Gooden, P New York Mets \$5,166,667
Joe Carter, OF Toronto Blue Jays \$5,550,000	Kelly Gruber, 3B California Angels \$4,333,333
Benito Santiago, C Florida Marlins \$3,400,000	

The highest-paid players at each position in 1993. Figures were obtained by The Associated Press from management and player sources and include salaries, prorated shares of signing bonuses and other guaranteed money not attributed to a specific year, and all earned incentive bonuses. For some players, parts of salaries deferred without interest are discounted to reflect present-day values.

Magic Valley

Blue Lakes Mall future still in limbo

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Despite two major tenants closing stores, a decision still hasn't been reached on the future of the Blue Lakes Mall.

Portland, Ore.-based Fred Meyer Inc. announced in July that it was considering buying the Blue Lakes Mall to convert it into one of its department-and-grocery stores.

"We have a letter of intent, but we haven't entered into a purchase agreement," Rob Boley, vice president of in-

Fabric store bolts as Fred Meyer tries to stitch together property purchase

vestor relations for Fred Meyer Inc., said Tuesday in a telephone interview.

"We're still doing the due diligence and looking at the property," Boley said. "We have some survey crews out there this week, but there's nothing new to report."

Meanwhile, House of Fabrics Inc. announced last week that it will close its 105 stores, including its store in the Blue Lakes Mall.

The Twin Falls House of Fabrics will close some time in January, said Trudy Burgemeister, store manager.

The House of Fabrics corporation has stated it has struggled financially because its smaller stores aren't profitable, and the company's operations are heavily concentrated in California, which remains in a deep recession.

Also, Woolworth Corp. announced in

October that it will close 400 of its stores, including its Blue Lakes Mall store.

The Twin Falls Woolworth should close its doors on Jan. 30, said Nick Alexander, a retail consultant who is assisting in the store's liquidation.

Axiom Real Estate Management Inc., a subsidiary of real estate giant Grubb & Ellis Co., manages the Blue Lakes Mall.

Boley said Fred Meyer is busy with other projects now. This week, the company is reopening five remodeled stores and opening a new store.

"And on top of that, we're trying to work in this thing called Christmas," he said.

Around the valley

Deputies report pair of drive-by shootings

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County sheriff's investigators reported two drive-by shootings outside of Twin Falls on Monday evening.

Detective Sgt. Bob Gauthier would not reveal the addresses, but said the shootings took place in the unincorporated county south of the city. Gauthier also declined to say what kind of gun was used.

No one was injured in either shooting and people were home at only one of the residences when the shootings took place, he said. Investigators are asking for help with information about the shootings. Anyone with information can call Sgt. Dan Mort at 736-4169.

Tuesday, investigators had no suspects in the shootings, Gauthier said. There was no evidence that the shootings were related to similar shootings on Quincy Street earlier this fall, he said.

BLM warns tree cutters to stay in designated areas

SHOSHONE - Public land in the Shoshone District of the Bureau of Land Management - including areas in the Wood River Valley - are closed to Christmas tree cutting.

Individuals who have bought permits to cut Christmas trees on national forest, state, or private land need to make sure they are on properly designated land before making the first cut, the BLM says.

Violators are subject to a minimum fine of \$50 for cutting trees on BLM land.

Big game winter range areas on BLM land also are closed to motorized vehicles to keep from disturbing deer and elk, the BLM says. For information on winter closures in the Shoshone District, contact the BLM by mail at 400 W. F St., P.O. Box 2-B, Shoshone, Idaho 83352; or call 886-2206.

United Way campaign gains momentum, but still lags

TWIN FALLS - The United Way of Magic Valley continued to pick up steam last week, but it still has a lot of distance to cover in a short time.

As of Monday, the campaign had collected \$178,945.85 in pledges, putting it 65 percent of the way toward its \$275,000 goal. The campaign officially ends on Dec. 31.

Last year at the same time, the campaign had collected \$172,662.89 in pledges. It ended up with \$237,575 - \$42,425 short of its goal.

But nearly 40 percent of last year's pledges came in at the end of the campaign.

Inmate's tip helps deputies head off jail escape attempt

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls County Jail inmate tipped off jail workers to an escape attempt last week, according to a police report.

Because of the tip, two inmates were caught before the escape and were expected to be charged with attempted escape, the report stated.

Kristen Bayliss, 19, and Tarango D. Padilla, 20, had planned to escape, according to the report. But another prisoner slipped a jailer a note about the escape. A search of the prisoners' cell showed three holes dug in the wall. The prisoners also had a metal bar taken from a stool in the exercise room, according to the police report.

The inmate who tipped off the jailers said that Bayliss and Padilla were prepared to take a hostage to get out of jail.

Bayliss recently escaped from the work center south of Twin Falls and led a Twin Falls police officer on a wild car chase before being caught near Buhl.

Police program aims to cut sales of alcohol to minors

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Police Department will kick off a program to stop the sales of alcohol to minors Thursday night at O'Leary Junior High School.

The program - called Eliminate Alcohol Sales to Youth, or EASY - is aimed at stopping retail sales of alcohol to minors. To that end, the police want to educate grocery and convenience store and liquor outlets about how to prevent alcohol sales to minors. This includes providing alcohol outlets with facts about Idaho liquor laws and how to recognize false identification. It also includes a decoy program in which cooperating minors try to buy alcohol from stores.

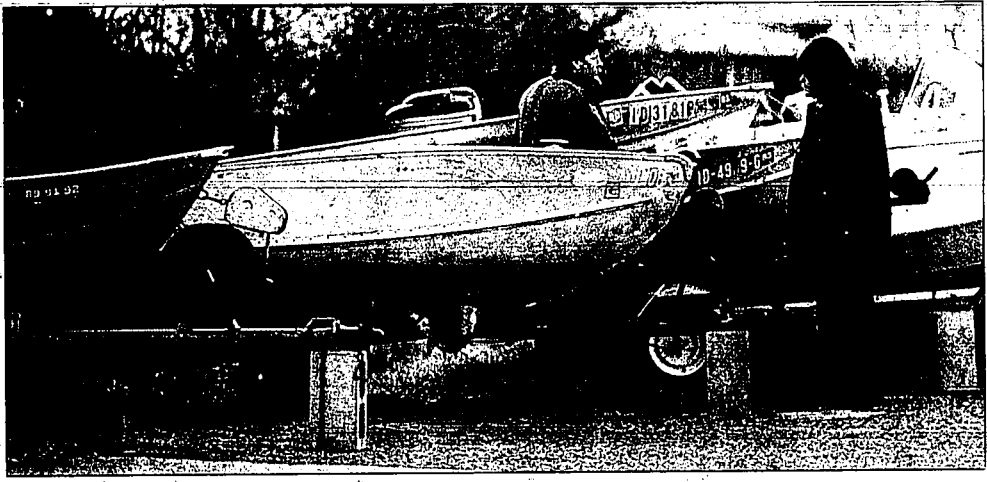
One such decoy program several months ago prompted the department to initiate EASY, according to a police spokesman. Thursday's meeting starts at 7 p.m. at the junior high school.

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Waiting for opening day



MIKE BALSOURY/The Times-News

Although bass fisherman Ben Bartlett, right, says it's a little too cold to be on the water, the Twin Falls man hasn't stopped thinking about fishing. He stopped to check out a new addition to the stock of used boats for sale by Clarence Umbaugh at his lot on Washington Street North in Twin Falls.

Judge weighs water arguments; irrigators' rights hang in balance

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The future of thousands of southern Idaho water rights was in the hands of 5th District Judge Daniel Hurtbut Tuesday, after a hearing on the constitutionality of two state water laws.

Fourteen of the state's top water lawyers argued for nearly 4 1/2 hours over the laws, known as the "presumption" and "accomplished transfer" statutes. The hearing took place in the Snake River Basin Adjudication court.

The Legislature enacted the two laws in 1985 and 1989 in an attempt to protect the water rights of certain irrigators during the

adjudication. Irrigators who expanded their irrigated land beyond the terms of their original water rights, or otherwise exceeded the conditions of the rights, were the main beneficiaries.

But a group of water users in the Big Lost River Valley challenged the two statutes on several constitutional grounds, including vagueness, violation of the equal-protection and due-process clauses of the Idaho and U.S. constitutions, and violation of the "first in time, first in right" doctrine upon which Idaho water law is based.

Twin Falls attorney William Hoffield, representing the Big Lost River water users, noted that the attorney general's office has interpreted the statutes differently,

than the Idaho Department of Water Resources, and that other attorneys defending the laws' constitutionality have advanced their own interpretations.

"How can one expect the individual to know what these statutes mean and act accordingly?" Hoffield asked rhetorically. "That person can only guess as their meaning, and therein lies your problem."

But the attorneys defending the statutes stressed the high standards for declaring a law unconstitutional, and told Hoffield that if he found even one of the various interpretations constitutional, the laws had to be upheld.

State law requires water users to get per-

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Local doctors join forces

By Kirk Mitchell
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Several local doctors have formed a group that could eventually contract with area hospitals to provide all medical needs for groups of employees.

Dr. Wayne Wright, a Magic Valley Regional Medical Center board member, said the doctors incorporated with

'We're concerned that if we didn't form a network, someone else will come in and do it.'

Dr. Wayne Wright

Shooting leads deputies to burglars

By Phil Sahm
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County sheriff's investigators say a shooting last week led them to a group of juveniles suspected in a string of recent home burglaries.

One suspect was arrested after a Dec. 6 shooting at a Snake River Canyon overlook. Sheriff's investigators arrested a second suspect Monday, and more arrests are expected, said Detective Sgt. Bob Gauthier.

"We found evidence of the burglaries on the suspects in the shooting," Gauthier said Tuesday. Some of the juveniles confessed to the burglaries, he said.

Investigators have recovered about one-eighth of the goods stolen in the burglaries.

The arrests will help sheriff's investigators, Twin Falls police and Cassia County officials solve a number of crimes, Gauthier said.

The suspects apparently are an organized gang, and the group's name will be released when the investigation is completed, he said.

Agencies of the juveniles range from 15 to 17.

The burglaries took place Nov. 28-30 east and northwest of Twin Falls, with guns and other items taken. Two other homes were broken into, but the owners found nothing missing.

The shooting happened early Dec. 6, when a group of juveniles fired three shots at two Twin Falls men. The shooting happened at a lookout on the Snake River Canyon rim at Washington Street North.

Five juveniles were suspected in the shooting.

The two men had followed the group to the lookout after watching them start to burglarize a car. The shots were fired at the two men's car. Neither man was injured.

One juvenile was arrested the same day of

the shooting and admitted firing the gun. He was charged with aggravated assault.

But detectives found evidence that another person fired the shots, and that juvenile was arrested Monday on charges of aggravated assault, Gauthier said.

The juvenile who originally admitted to the shooting has been charged with obstructing the investigation by signing a false statement, Gauthier said.

Investigators are looking for two guns in the shooting and know a possible location of the weapons.

They also plan to search the Snake River Canyon for evidence, but Gauthier would not give the location.

Detectives had hoped to finish the investigation next week, but the scope of the search kept widening.

"Every contact we make on this just sends us in five or six directions," Gauthier said.

Meridian lawmaker will introduce anti-gay rights bill, plans bid for attorney general

By Drew DeSilver
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Another state lawmaker says he plans to introduce legislation next year that is similar to the Idaho Citizens Alliance's proposed anti-gay rights initiative.

State Rep. Alan Lance, R-Meridian, said Tuesday he is preparing a bill that would prevent state agencies and local governments from banning discrimination based on sexual orientation.

"What I'm hearing in District 14 (Lance's legislative

district) is that under no circumstances should you be granted minority preferences or special status by virtue of an alleged sexual preference," said Lance, House majority caucus leader.

Lance also confirmed Tuesday that he will run for attorney general next year.

Last week, state Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, said he would introduce a bill, echoing parts of the ICA initiative.

That measure would prohibit local gay-rights laws, bar public money from being spent to "promote, make acceptable, or express approval of" homosexuality, prevent school employees from portraying homosexuality as

"healthy, approved or acceptable behavior"; and restrict library books on homosexuality to adults.

Lance said his bill would not be as extreme as the ICA's initiative, but would "implement and facilitate the desires and opinions of a majority of Idahoans."

"I'm not hearing a lot of support for hiring a lot more librarians to go through and check every book for references to homosexuality," he said. "I think people feel that's going too far."

Local school boards, not state law, should make decisions regarding what teachers can and cannot say about

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Mini-Cassia

Albion city councilman arrested

By Liz Wright Times-News writer

ALBION - City Councilman Gene Pitchford has been arrested and charged with stealing a snowmobile and falsifying the vehicle identification numbers.

Deputy Prosecutor Howard Smyser said Pitchford was charged Monday with two felonies: grand theft by possession and altering the identification numbers of a snowmobile.

According to a police report, detectives for Cassia County Sheriff's Department confiscated a 1991 Yamaha Phazer 2 from Pitchford's home.

Pitchford charged with stealing snowmobile

The vehicle had been altered and painted red.

When police scraped paint off the engine, the real vehicle identification numbers showed it belongs to Dennis Orton of Paul, Orton had reported it missing when he left it stranded near Howell Canyon in a snow storm in February, the report said.

The report said Pitchford told police he has repaired snowmobiles for years and had

bought the snowmobile at a rest stop between American Falls and Raft River.

Pitchford said he was unable to get the title from the seller, who left town. He said he made up a false purchase document from a Twin Falls dealer so that he could get a title for the snowmobile from Minidoka County Assessor's Office, the report said.

Orton told police he discovered his snowmobile missing Feb. 6 when he, his father and a friend went to retrieve the snowmobile from behind a tree at the base of the mountain.

The snowmobile had been hot wired and vehicle tracks in the snow led down the lower foothills towards Albion, the report said.

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Construction workers Gary Pawson, with saw, and Mark Nevada of Walton Inc. replace deteriorating clay sewer pipes at G Street and 8th Street in Rupert.

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Mini-Cassia hospitals

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted

Don Ashby and Esther Cameron, both of Heyburn; Charlene Pickett of Burley; Patty Arnold of Rupert; Rowena Beitz of Paul; and Joseph Jones of Arimo.

Released

Andrew Christensen, Debra Day, Catarina Gonzales, Velma Morgan, Joyce Parker and Robert Wands, all of Burley; Gerald Krebs and Noah Wilson, both of Rupert; Torrin Winnill of Heyburn; Kirby Scott of Paul; Verletta Anderson of Hazelton; Viva Warr of Oakley; and William Tracy of Almo.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Admitted

Kimberly Corley, Merriah Keller and Carla Brewer, all of Burley; Dionicia Fuentes, Daniel Ralls, Inaki Barandica and Jane Doe, all of Rupert; and William Hart of Albion.

Released

Delta Rose Fairchild of Oakley, Jane Doe of Rupert; and Carla Brewer of Burley.

Ammunition spilled on freeway creates scare, but no injuries

The Associated Press

RAFT RIVER - No one was injured and there was no serious damage early Tuesday when truck traffic on Interstate 86 in southeastern Idaho set off 9 mm cartridges accidentally scattered across the eastbound lanes.

"We were lucky," Idaho State Police dispatcher Gloria Hackworth said.

Thousands of rounds of the ammunition spewed onto the highway after the truck carrying them lost its tailgate, Hackworth said. Police were still trying to locate the truck, she said.

The mishap about 50 miles west of Pocatello forced the eastbound lanes of the interstate to close for about an hour as State Police officers used push brooms to clear the ammunition from the driving surface.

Dr. Barefoot collecting money to buy new shoes for needy Mini-Cassia kids

The Times-News

BURLEY - Mini-Cassia physicians and their spouses have begun a program to buy shoes for poor local children this winter.

Dr. Joe Petersen and Dr. Joe Barefoot are distributing jars to Mini-Cassia businesses. The doctors

want the jars to be put out so customers can contribute money to their program. Their goal is to collect \$30 in each jar.

The Mini-Cassia Medical Alliance group of physicians and K-BAR-FM radio station are sponsoring "Quarters 4 Shoes 4 Children."

Northwest governors talk about saving fish, economies

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - Governors from four Northwest states meet here Wednesday to try to reach consensus on ways to save Columbia and Snake river fish, including the politically charged issue of lowering dam reservoirs.

Washington Gov. Mike Lowry invited Oregon's Barbara Roberts, Cecil Andrus of Idaho and Montana's Marc Racicot for a discussion on how best to manage the massive Columbia River drainage. All but Racicot are Democrats.

"What will be very clear is that everyone has a very serious economic stake as well as a biological stake in how these rivers are managed," Lowry spokeswoman Anne Fennessy said Tuesday. "It's clear that all the governors are concerned about trying to restore (fish) stocks to the rivers."

The biggest disagreements may come as the governors try to balance economic and political considerations against biological mandates of federal endangered-species laws.

The Northwest Power Planning Council in 1992 adopted a salmon-saving strategy that includes tests of dam reservoir drawdowns as a way to speed up the current to flush juvenile salmon and steelhead to the Pacific Ocean.

The drawdowns, however, restrict hydro-power production, shipping and other industries.

The eight-member power council comprises two representatives from each of the four states, appointed by the governors.

A draft plan submitted by scientists for the National Marine Fisheries Service in October suggests similar steps for saving salmon, but differs over the biological and economic value of drawdowns.

Groups such as the Columbia River Alliance for Fish, Commerce and Communities are lobbying for a plan closer to that proposed by the NMFS.

The planning council's drawdown provision would be an economic dis-



Andrus

Lowry in a Dec. 9 letter.

"We strongly recommend that you avoid being needlessly drawn into a political debate whether the council's plan is better than the (NMFS) plan," Lovellin wrote. "This is an issue that should be resolved on the basis of sound science and sound economics, not politics."

That's the point, Fennessy said. "This really is a discussion for the governors. They will be looking at what are the economic and biological interests? Do we have similarities and what can we work on?" Fennessy said.

"If they come to an agreement, fine. If they just begin the discussions, that's fine too."

Lowry has scheduled three hours of briefings by the planning council's staff and Bonneville Power Administration, followed by a private lunch and discussion among the four governors.

Andrus has been the most vocal advocate of drawing down reservoirs behind lower Snake River dams in Eastern Washington under his so-called "Idaho Plan."

Andrus has criticized the practice of barging and trucking fish around the dams, which the NMFS plan favors. He said the method has failed

to increase fish stocks in the 17 years it has been used.

Lowry and Roberts have said less about the drawdown plan, largely because of the potential economic effects to farms, ports and smelters in their states.

Both said they want to make sure that test drawdowns are conducted so that there are scientifically based conclusions about their value to fish, as well as options for mitigating their economic effects.

Racicot has planned the drawdowns, especially when the water flow augmentation program includes lowering Libby and Hungry Horse dams in his state.

State warily eyes early graduations

By Eric Goodell Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Seventeen Minidoka County high school seniors have applied for early graduation.

But District Superintendent Michael Bishop warns that state officials might take a close look at those wanting to leave school early.

At Tuesday night's board meeting, Bishop said State Department of Education officials have told him that the number of students in the state who have been graduating early from high school is "way too high."

"They should have serious extenuating circumstances" to be allowed early graduation, the officials have said according to Bishop. Students can graduate with 42 credits. A Minidoka County student who picks up all the credits possible will have 48 by the time he or she graduates.

The Minidoka school board approved the early graduation applicants. But the state may look further into the students' reasons for early graduation before granting them diplomas, Bishop said.

He added that a student who graduates from high school early isn't required to attain a certain grade point average, but just needs to accumulate the required credit hours.

In other business, Memorial Elementary teacher Ofert Davis made told the school board about efforts the Mini-Cassia Reading Council to have parents read to their children.

The Council has raised money from various organizations, as well as obtained a state grant to buy brochures entitled "Read to Me."

In addition, videos stressing the importance of parents reading to children have been obtained from the Idaho State Reading Council, Davis said. "If you read to (children) now, they will read later," Davis said.

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Legislators object to school paddling ban

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Some legislators are unhappy with the Utah Board of Education's prohibition of paddling in school, but say the Utah Constitution apparently doesn't allow them to do anything about it.

The board "essentially said we want a policy different than the Legislature and we're going to do that by rule," Rep. Byron Harward, R-Provo, said.

Harward, Stephenson and other members of the Administrative Rules Committee heard an explanation Monday from Board of Education attorney Doug Bates.

"But I don't think (lawmakers) thought through the ramifications... No parent can give someone else the right to harm their child," Bates said.

Convicted rapist could be out 6 months after attack

WALLACE, Idaho (AP) — A three-time felon convicted of raping a retarded Shoshone County woman in September might be out of prison in six months.

First District Judge Craig Kosonen said on Monday that David Sapp, 32, of Wallace, only slightly penetrated the woman and quit when she said it hurt.

Daniel McGee was dejected after the ruling. Sapp faced up to life in prison, and McGee recommended seven to 20 years. A presentence investigation indicated the Cottonwood program was appropriate.

He also said selective, parent-approved spanking could hurt discipline. "Say you have two kids in a fight — one they can spank and the other they can't. What's that going to do to discipline in school?" asked Bates.

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Salt Lake County denies mother access to records of son's jailhouse death

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Kathryn Esqueibel wants to learn about events at Salt Lake County jail on the day her son fashioned a rope from torn bed sheets and hanged himself.

Esqueibel was incarcerated on charges of stabbing, beating and suffocating his 16-year-old girlfriend and raping her 10-year-old sister on Aug. 6, 1992. He later wrote the victims' mother, saying he would "soon join" them in death.

She wants to know why, because of his known mental depression, Eloy Max Esqueibel was not under a suicide watch at the jail. But her attempt to get jailhouse records on her dead son was thwarted for the second time Monday.

For several months Mrs. Esqueibel, the representative of her son's estate, has fought Salt Lake County Sheriff Aaron Kennard for the records. But the county has refused to release the documents, claiming during several administrative appeals that the mother's request contained technical flaws.

On Monday Mrs. Esqueibel's latest attempt failed as 3rd District Judge Anne Striba sided with the county, holding the application is legally weak and cannot be honored. Her attorney acknowledges a lawsuit could result if the records were released. Still, he says, his client is getting the runaround. "We are being forced to play procedural games," he complained to Judge Striba. "We have been denied a hearing by county officials, and we haven't even been told their reason."

Oregon tourism council enlists Washington, Idaho aid

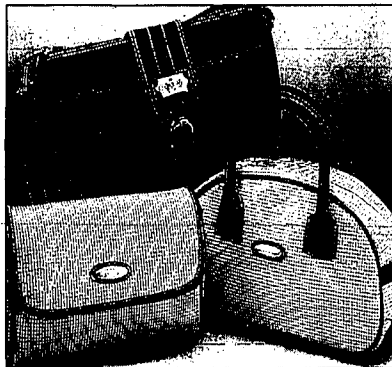
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Tourism councils from Oregon, Washington and Idaho will meet to explore ways to pool resources and take a unified front in encouraging people to visit the Northwest.

The meeting Feb. 3 in Portland is intended to allow the states to stretch their limited advertising money. "We'll get more leverage from mutually limited dollars," said Oregon Tourism Director Joe D'Alessandro.

Budget cuts in Oregon have reduced the state's efforts to attract tourism. "We don't know what we'll have to cut," D'Alessandro said, "but our buying power is diminished. This spring we have 47 percent of what we had five years ago, and there were additional cuts announced two weeks ago."

Gov. Barbara Roberts announced she'll trim \$50 million from the general fund and \$150 million from other funds in the state budget. Meanwhile, there is evidence that some efforts to enhance tourism are paying off. A study released Wednesday by University of Oregon analyst Mark Leedom concluded that the state's welcome centers bring \$38 into the Oregon economy for every \$1 they cost to run.

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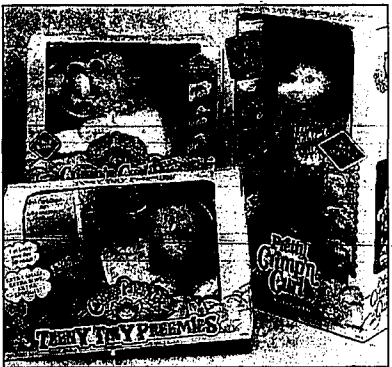
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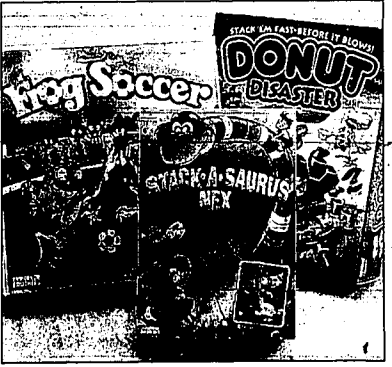
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INEL manager will leave in February

IDAHO FALLS — The man Gov. Cecil Andrus credits with helping to guide Energy Department operations in Idaho from weapons production to environmental cleanup has announced he will step down as manager of the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

"Everybody has their own internal clock, and my clock said it was about that time," Augustine Pitrolo, 63, said.

"I have been giving this thought for about a year," he said. "I've decided we have positioned the INEL's mission very well, and that this is an opportune time to go off and do other things."

He has been at INEL, since 1990 and through much of the upheaval over the radioactive waste stored at the site and the demands from Andrus and others that the government begin repairing the decades of environmental damage.

Double delivery adds to woman's joy

COEUR D'ALENE — Florine Foote of Rathdrum hit a double jackpot when two grandchildren delivered babies the same day at Kootenai Medical Center.

A boy was born Sunday to her grandson, Chris Williams, and his wife, Carla, at 1:45 p.m. At 10:28 p.m., Foote's granddaughter, Paulette O'Neal, gave birth to a daughter.

Alexandria Nicole O'Neal is the first child for Craig and Paulette O'Neal of Post Falls. Thomas Christopher Williams is the second son for Chris and Carla Williams of Rathdrum.

Grandma Foote, 70, does not know how many grandchildren this total. Her seven children gave her 20-some grandchildren, and she estimates she has about that many great-grandchildren.

Plow clears way to Atlanta — for now

BOISE — Residents of remote Atlanta will have access to civilization at least one time this winter, the Forest Service says.

At the request of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service agreed to plow the road along the Middle Fork of the Boise River on Tuesday to test hazardous mine tailings behind the Kirby Dam near Atlanta. The agency intended to run a plow from Dutch Creek to the Kirby Bridge.

Atlanta resident Linda Gill was not impressed by the news, since recent warm weather already melted the snow on the road. All it will take is a heavy snow to close off the Elmore County mining town for good, she said.

Weaver plans quiet holiday with family

BOISE — Randy Weaver is expected to walk out of jail a free man this weekend, 16 months after his wife and teen-age son and a federal marshal died in a standoff with federal agents.

The white separatist, who has been in jail since Aug. 31, 1992, plans to board a plane for Iowa. He wants a quiet Christmas reunion with his three daughters, who are staying with relatives outside Des Moines.

Weaver, who will be 46 on Jan. 3, was convicted on July 8 of failing to appear for a 1991 trial on a federal weapons charge and of failing to do so while on a judge's release. The jury acquitted him of the weapons charge itself as well as of all charges, including the murder of Deputy Marshal William Degan, resulting from the standoff.

Committee to consider court cameras

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court has authorized creation of a committee to examine the question of permitting cameras in the state's trial courtrooms.

The high court's action, disclosed Tuesday in minutes of the court's oral conference on Nov. 29-30, came at the request of the Idaho Press Club.

"The court's action is just the first, but it is a very large step toward greater access to Idaho's courts," said Joan Cartan-Hansen, chairman of the club's Cameras in the Courtroom Committee.

The Supreme Court said the committee will be made up of members of the media, trial judges and people with technical expertise and will be charged with making recommendations to the Justices on allowing cameras in trial courts.

Docked doc's patients ask state for help

KELLOGG — Some patients of a Kellogg physician who lost his Idaho license say the state has abandoned them and they fear for their lives.

Dr. De Lamar Gibbons lost his license last week for allegedly over-prescribing pain pills including morphine. His patients have signed a petition asking the Idaho Board of Medicine to let the physician keep his practice.

"We're saying to these people, 'Go kill yourself, get your drugs off the street, or become an alcoholic,'" said Rep. Wally Wright, D-Bayview, who has followed the Gibbons case since a Pinchurst doctor allegedly complained about him four years ago.

Compiled from wire reports

Religious decorations will stay

LEWISTON (AP) — No action will be taken against Lewis-Clark State College students who put up religious Christmas decorations in their dorms, although school officials are still wrestling with the issue.

"At this point there has been enough support in the students' lives, so everything is on hold because of exam week," said William Bachman, director of student life.

Last week, students were asked to remove crosses and nativity scenes from their dorm room doors and from common areas such as hallways.

After students said that infringing on their rights, college officials backed down on the doors.

"We may have been too careful on that one. They can have religious symbols on their doors or windows," said Michael Hostetler, vice president for student development.

"But as for the nativity scene, I inquired at many different universities and institutions and there is definitely a difference of opinion, and that is often the way it is with constitutional questions."

Hostetler said he called Idaho's three public universities, Oregon State and other schools.

He said about half allow religious displays, and half do not.

"We weren't trying to be the politically correct Grinch who stole Christmas," as accused by a Spokane TV station, Hostetler said.

"We were simply trying to do what we have seen other state institutions around the country do, and follow how they have interpreted those things."

Hostetler said he hopes to attend a February conference on such legal questions and then meet with faculty and students.

Former jailer admits taking county money

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Gerald Kent Hansen of Shelley, a former Bingham County jailer, will be sentenced Jan. 31 after admitting embezzling \$24,000 in county funds.

Hansen, 46, was fired and charged with grand theft last month after a sheriff's department secretary noticed no deposits were made for 21 months in a jail commissary fund from the sale of soda pop, candy and other snacks.

About \$1,500 a month flowed through the account, which Hansen supervised.

An internal audit is being conducted and the Idaho Bureau of Investigations is conducting an independent investigation.

Hansen pleaded guilty on Monday. He remains free on his own recognizance pending sentencing before 7th District Judge James Herndon.

County told to settle diabetic suit

POCATELLO (AP) — U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge has given Bannock County 30 days to straighten out its failure to respond to legal claims that the indifference of its jailers endangered the life of a diabetic.

But Lodge indicated he would take control of the case again if attorneys for the county and Wendell Sleight, 31, cannot reach agreement.

Sleight has sued the county for \$1,400 in medical bills he said he incurred after he was denied insulin and regular meals needed to control his diabetes during two days in jail in mid-1991 on a charge of driving without license.

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Parties demand Yeltsin change reforms

The new Russian constitution

A new constitution was approved by the Russian voters in Sunday's election. It outlines and defines sweeping democratic reforms for Russia.

Russian government under the new constitution

Executive	Judiciary	Parliament
President Elected to a four-year term and cannot serve more than two terms in a row. A special provision allows current president Boris Yeltsin to serve out his term, which expires in 1996. The new constitution grants Yeltsin powers such as the right to dissolve parliament and to issue decrees that have the force of law.	Constitutional Court A new Constitutional Court will be formed after the first meeting of Parliament. Its exact size and form are yet to be decided.	Consists of two houses, the State Duma and the Federal Council. Duma has 450 members, half elected in head-to-head races and the other half by proportional representation of parties. Duma members of the first parliament serve two-year terms, following deputies will serve four years. Federal Council consists of 176 members, two elected from each of Russia's republics and regions. Replaces the Soviet-era congress and Supreme Soviet.
Vice President. Post is eliminated.	Constitution Replaces 1978 document adopted under Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev, which has been amended hundreds of times in recent years by Russian lawmakers. Some provisions of the new draft already have been implemented by presidential decree.	Russian People The people will be granted wide reaching democratic and individual rights written clearly into the new constitution. Protection of ideology, dignity and equal representation in government are among the new constitutional guarantees.
Cabinet Millitary Defense ministry commands it and the president will remain commander-in-chief.	Some constitutional guarantees The right to own private property and land. Freedom of trade, competition and economic activity. The right to privacy (applying to telephone calls, letters and telegrams). Freedom of movement in and out of Russia and no involuntary expulsions. Censorship (of the press) is forbidden.	Three other parties seemed likely to get at least 5 percent of the vote, the minimum to be given seats in parliament. Half of the parliament's 450 seats are chosen directly; the rest are allotted proportionately to parties according to their share of the votes. It appeared the Liberal Democrats would get at least 50 seats, Russia's Choice 30 and the Communists 25 in the parliament, or Duma. Many candidates elected directly ran as independents and it was still early to say exactly by how many seats each bloc would have.

AP/Wm. J. Costello, Julia Rubin

MOSCOW (AP) — Ultrationalists and Communists, fired up by their huge election lead, demanded Tuesday that President Boris Yeltsin make major changes in his economic reforms to ease the pain of the Russian people.

With 80 of the 89 election districts reporting, the extreme nationalist Liberal Democratic Party was far out in front with nearly 24 percent of the vote in Sunday's election.

Savoring victory, Liberal Democratic leader Vladimir Zhirinovskiy said his party expected to play a major role in forming a new government and that he was ready to form an alliance with any of the parties in parliament.

The main pro-Yeltsin group, Russia's Choice, was in second place with nearly 14 percent. The Communist Party had nearly 13 percent, the anti-Yeltsin Agrarian Party had about 9 percent and the Women of Russia bloc followed with more than 8 percent.

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Wearing a tuxedo, Zhirinovskiy seemed confident he would be the kingmaker in parliament. He wasted no time demanding Yeltsin fire top reformers, including Economics Minister Yegor Gaidar and Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev. Both men were the target of hard-line attacks in the last parliament; Gaidar is the leader of Russia's Choice.

"I want them out of the government," Zhirinovskiy said.

When the Duma meets for the first time Jan. 11, Zhirinovskiy said he

would press for deep changes in Yeltsin's pro-market policies and hoped he could "declare these dark times are over in Russia, that all these reforms that greatly hurt our people are over."

The Liberal Democrats plan to seek new subsidies for industry, increase welfare spending and state-subsidized consumer imports.

Zhirinovskiy was unlikely to become prime minister or get a big government post because Yeltsin nominates Cabinet members.

But at a packed news conference, he referred to "my ministers" and "our government" and said he expects to become Russia's next president. Yeltsin's term runs until 1996.

The Communist Party, a potential Zhirinovskiy ally, also took the offensive against Yeltsin's reform program, which has impoverished many Russians and contributed to the stunning voter backlash.

Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov said his party would seek a no confidence vote in Yeltsin's government if the market reforms continued.

Still in shock from the results, Russia's Choice repeated its desperate plea to cooperate with any bid ready to fight the "fascist threat" posed by the Liberal Democrats.

Gaidar said his party would refuse to cooperate with Zhirinovskiy.

But Gaidar appeared ready for some kind of economic compromise with the ultrationalists and the Communists by saying a "revision" in reforms was possible.

Ukraine and the Baltic states, which won independence with the collapse of the Soviet Union, nervously followed the election.

Zhirinovskiy has threatened to force the former Soviet republics into a new Russian empire and stop their substantial financial subsidies.

"There is fear, there is a fear of direct revenge and this cannot be hidden," said President Leonid Kravchuk of Ukraine. "I do hope these events are only a temporary setback for the development of democracy in Russia."

Israeli troops kill gunman driving bomb-rigged car

GAZA CITY, Occupied-Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli forces shot and killed two Palestinians, including a gunman driving a bomb-rigged car, in violence that flared Tuesday as the main Islamic group marked its sixth anniversary.

The second Palestinian killed Tuesday was shot during the funeral for a Hamas activist killed earlier in the day. Ten Palestinian youths were wounded by gunfire in other clashes with soldiers.

Israeli troops were braced for attacks on the anniversary of the founding of Hamas, a Muslim fundamentalist group opposed to the PLO-Israeli peace accord.

Palestinian and Israeli extremists trying to block implementation of the accord have waged an increasingly violent campaign, with 45 Palestinians and 14 Israelis killed

since the Sept. 13 signing.

Hard-line Israeli opponents of the pact with the PLO hurled hot coffee and abuse at Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin during a groundbreaking ceremony for the Israeli city of Modi'in, touted as a symbol of a future, peaceful Israel.

The right-wingers chanted "Traitor, traitor," and "We are sick of the Hamas government."

Renewed unrest had been predicted after Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization failed to agree on conditions for Israel's withdrawal from its occupied territories, a pullout that was to begin Monday.

The army said a border police patrol spotted a stolen white Ford Escort with three Palestinians inside, two of them armed. Police ordered the car to stop, and opened fire when it did not.

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Administration retreats from election optimism

MOSCOW (AP) — A conservative, nationalist tilt in Russia's new parliament could stall President Boris Yeltsin's reforms and force a rethinking of U.S. aid strategy, senior Clinton administration officials said Tuesday.

The sober assessment of the potential impact of the parliamentary elections on U.S.-Russia relations came as Vice President Al Gore arrived in Moscow to help set the stage for next month's Moscow summit between Yeltsin and President Clinton.

While insisting summit planning would go on undeterred, the administration officials lamented that internal political pressures might limit Yeltsin's ability to embrace more pro-Western reforms and resolve a dispute with other former Soviet republics over compensation if they dismantle nuclear weapons.

"If this holds, it's very bad," said a senior administration Russia analyst traveling with Gore.

And the officials said the administration was in a dilemma because it wanted to give Yeltsin a boost but could not criticize the results of democratic elections simply because it didn't like them. "We're in a bind here," said the senior official, speaking on condition of

anonymity. "We said, let the people decide, and they did."

Gore retreated from his optimism Monday that pro-Yeltsin reformers would eke out a "working majority" in parliament. Once in Moscow, he refused to discuss the parliamentary elections.

"I'll refrain from expressing any reaction on behalf of my country or my personal reaction," Gore said before visiting Russia's space control center to talk with cosmonauts aboard the Russian space station.

The vice president is to meet with Yeltsin today and plans to talk to Clinton before the session.

Administration officials traveling with Gore said they hoped to get from Yeltsin a sense of whether the powers he gained through passage of the new Russian constitution gave him enough political maneuverability to enact reforms that are opposed by forces that scored well in the parliamentary elections.

For example, Gore and several Cabinet members are on hand for talks designed to produce new economic, science, energy and defense conversion agreements before next month's summit.

But Liberal Democratic Party leader Vladimir Zhirinovskiy, whose ultrationalist party was well ahead in the parliamentary balloting with nearly 25 percent of the vote, demanded major changes Tuesday in Yeltsin's economic program. He has also called for a halt to converting defense industries to civilian use.

"Our policies are geared toward the government's support of reform aid if one part of the government is against reform we could not support it," one senior administration official said.

If that happened, the emphasis on Russia aid would shift from the government to direct technical and financial assistance to new businesses and other economic ventures, this official said.

In Washington, Clinton sought to play down the significance of the strong support for Yeltsin foes, saying, "I think when people are having a tough time ... they often look to simple answers. That's not unique to Russia. You can see that in many other democracies."

He added with a laugh, "I don't think any of us expect to be giving up Alaska any time soon." The quip was an indirect reference to Zhirinovskiy's desire to wrest Alaska from the United States.

Trying to shift the focus, Clinton added, "I think we need to ask ourselves not so much about him right now but about what it means to democracy in Russian politics and other republics in the former Soviet Union and the other countries in Eastern Europe."

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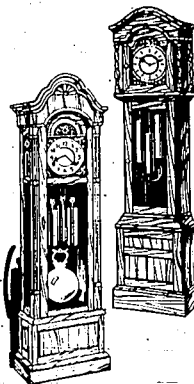
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World

Eruption of shelling, sniping in Sarajevo kills 11

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Sarajevo quaked under intense Serb artillery and mortar fire Tuesday, and snipers targeted main intersections.

At least 11 people died in the city's worst fighting in half a month.

Serb shells that hit near U.N. headquarters in the west of the city and at the Drvenjaci bridge in the southern part of Sarajevo killed at least eight people, and two people were victims of snipers, hospital officials reported.

An 11th death was reported by Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency, citing Bosnian Serb officials who said a woman was killed in a Serb-held suburb by fire from troops loyal to Bosnia's Muslim-led government.

Sarajevo hospitals reported 15 people wounded, some critically, and Bosnian Serbs reported six wounded.

The noise of small arms and machine gun fire echoed off war-scarred highrises before easing at nightfall. Most of the fire was from

Serb positions ringing the city. U.N. monitors counted at least 200 artillery and mortar shells fired at Sarajevo and 33 fired from it.

Elmedina Grabovica, wounded by shrapnel near her spine, said she had just crossed Drvenjaci bridge when a shell exploded.

"I heard the boom and felt a sharp pain in my back," Grabovica, 26, said at the main Kosovo hospital. "Nevertheless, I ran to the closest building."

"I was very scared, (but) it's OK. I'm alive. Next to me in the reception room,

there were three people lying dead."

Serb-Muslim fighting also flared in north-central Bosnia. State radio said Serbs launched a large-scale offensive aimed at the government-held towns of Maglaj, Tesanj, Doboj and Tescic. Tanjug reported fighting near Doboj.

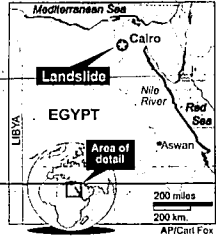
A successful offensive by the Serbs in that area could cut off Tuzla, a government stronghold to the east.

A top U.N. official warned Monday that food shortages could provoke ethnic conflict

in Tuzla, a generally quiet area where the population is still mixed between Muslims, Serbs and Croats.

In Geneva, the World Health Organization said Bosnians face a rising risk of epidemics as they huddle together against the cold in unsanitary conditions.

U.N. aid convoys have had difficulty getting through most Serb-held territory encircling Muslim enclaves. But U.N. officials agreed Tuesday to let Serb police escort U.N. trucks in exchange for fuel.



Rockslide in Egypt claims 30

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Limestone slabs as big as houses crashed off a mountainside into one of Cairo's poorest sections Tuesday, killing 30 people.

Police said about 10 people were missing.

Dozens were trapped under debris after a 200-yard swath of rock broke free before dawn when many people were sleeping. Police and soldiers worked into the night seeking survivors and pulling out bodies.

Rescue workers were hampered by mud, and bulldozers sent to clear debris could not get into some narrow streets of the El-Zarabay area — which means "alley" in Arabic.

An 8-year-old boy, Anton Lamai, was rescued from the rubble 10 hours after the collapse. Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted his father, March, as saying three other sons were killed.

The death toll reached 30 by evening, the Interior Ministry said.

Brig. Osama Mohammed Mansour, head of area police, said 21 people were rescued. At least nine people were injured.

The slabs of limestone — some of them 20 feet high — demolished nine buildings. Four or five buildings still standing were damaged beyond repair. The two- and three-story buildings were each home to several families.

Subhi Sader, 21, whose house was left with a huge hole, said he was awakened by what sounded like an explosion.

"We thought it was an earthquake," Sader said. "I woke up my brothers and my sisters. When all the dust went away, we looked and saw that the mountain had fallen."

It was not clear what caused the collapse of a wall of rock from the Mokattam Hills, which separate the eastern edge of Cairo from the desert.

Rescue workers said that the face of the mountain, about 200 feet high, apparently had been weakened by quarrying. Rains Monday could have contributed to the collapse.

Thieves take Tiepolo painting from church

VENICE, Italy (AP) — Thieves who probably hid overnight in a Venetian church made off with a painting by Giovan Battista Tiepolo valued at \$1.25 million.

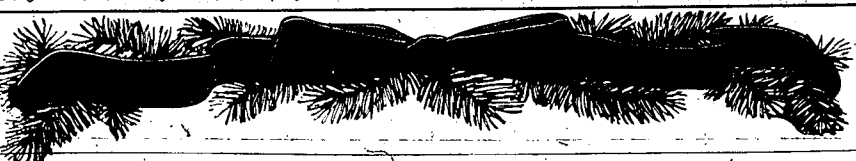
The painting depicts the Virgin Mary and her mother, St. Anne. Called "Education of a Virgin," it is an early work by Tiepolo, who lived from 1696 to 1770.

Priests discovered the theft when they arrived to say mass Tuesday at the 18th century church, called Santa Maria della Fava, or Holy Mary of Consolation. Since no doors were forced, authorities said they suspect the thieves hid in the church Monday night. They then used a ladder to reach the painting and cut it from its frame, officials said.


Man held in art theft

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Police have detained a suspect in connection with Sweden's biggest art robbery, the theft last month of works by Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque.

The 24-year-old man detained Tuesday "is suspected of gross theft or involvement in gross theft," said prosecutor Sven-Erik Allnem. The stolen eight paintings and a sculpture by Picasso have not been found, he said.



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Home-related purchases increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — Home-related purchases in November kept cash registers ringing as the holiday shopping season approached.

Retail sales rose for the eighth consecutive month.

They increased a moderate 0.4 percent to a seasonally adjusted \$178.9 billion on top of a strong 1.8 percent surge in October, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

Although receipts at department stores were disappointing, furniture sales recorded the biggest increase in 10 years and building supply centers and hardware stores did a brisk business.

Economists linked the home-related purchases to mortgage rates near 25-year lows. And the Clinton administration immediately claimed credit.

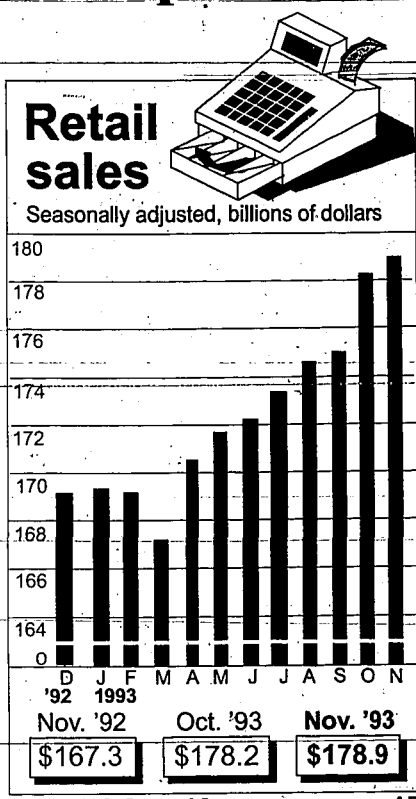
"Clearly this report is more evidence that the interest-rate reductions made possible by the president's economic program are fueling recovery," said Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown.

However, a separate report on trade sounded a discordant note. The current account deficit, the broadest measure of U.S. trade, widened by 3 percent to \$28 billion in the July-September quarter, the highest level since the final three months of 1988. The current account includes investment flows and trade in services in addition to trade in merchandise.

Economic slumps in Japan and Europe have slowed U.S. export sales. At the same time, as U.S. economy improves, Americans are buying more goods, both imported and domestic.

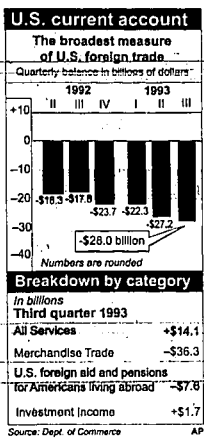
The latest retail report fits with other signs that the final three months of the year will prove to be 1993's best quarter with economic growth at about a 4 percent annual pace.

"People have come out of their fox holes," said economist Norman Robertson, an adjunct professor at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. "There's been a fairly decisive change in attitudes. There's a sense the economy is beginning to pick up momentum, ... and there's a feeling the labor market is on the mend."



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce

Retail sales account for one third of U.S. economic activity. Some analysts caution they could slip a bit after the new year, but none expect the kind of dramatic pullback that occurred after the holidays last year.



In November, furniture sales soared 3.7 percent, the best since March 1983. Sales at building supply, hardware and garden stores rose 1.1 percent after a 3.4 percent rise a month earlier.

However, sales at department and other general merchandise stores fell 1.1 percent, nearly reversing a 1.1 percent gain in October. Store owners said snow in the Midwest and rain in the Northeast kept some shoppers home on Thanksgiving weekend, the traditional start of the holiday shopping season.

Tracy Mullin, president of the National Retail Federation, said store owners expect December sales to be stronger.

Auto sales, which had soared 3 percent in October, edged down 0.1 percent in November but were still 14 percent ahead of a year ago. Excluding the volatile auto sector, sales rose 0.5 percent last month.

Sales also rose 0.1 percent at both food stores and gas stations, 0.5 percent at drug stores and 1.4 at clothing and accessory shops.

However, they fell at restaurants and bars, 0.6 percent.

Joint Chiefs head: Allied forces could beat N. Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is no evidence that North Korea is preparing a military attack on South Korea, but if an invasion came the combined South Korean-American defenses would prevail, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said Tuesday.

"I am very comfortable" with the allied defense capabilities on the Korean Peninsula, Army Gen. John Shalikshvili told a news conference at the Pentagon.

"No one has yet suggested that we would not be able to stop the North Korean," he added in his first formal news conference since taking the top military job in October.

About 36,000 U.S. ground and air forces are stationed in South Korea.

Shalikshvili declined to speculate on the likelihood of a North Korean invasion, but stressed that it

appeared no more likely now than several months ago.

"I don't want to leave it with the impression that something has changed in the past month or two or three that somehow makes it likely that North Korea is engaged in some kind of preparation for attack," the Polish-born general said.

Shalikshvili acknowledged that some military analysts question whether allied forces could stop the million-man North Korean ground force before it reached Seoul, the South Korean capital, which is situated about 20 miles of the border.

At one point, he said it was a "possibility" that Seoul could be fully defended, and later he added, "I certainly think it's a very good likelihood, but there are also many imperfections that you cannot predict at this stage."

Sterilization reduces cancer risk

CHICAGO (AP) — Women who had tubal sterilizations were two-thirds less likely than other women to develop ovarian cancer, a leading cause of cancer death in American women, a study found.

"It's reasonable for women or couples to consider these findings when choosing among alternative methods of contraceptives," said the lead researcher, Susan E. Hankinson, an epidemiologist with Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Results of the study are published in Wednesday's issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

The researchers tracked about 78,000 pre-menopausal women from 1976 through 1988 in the continuing

Nurses' Health Study.

Women who had undergone tubal sterilization were 67 percent less likely to develop ovarian cancer, the researchers found after eliminating the effects of other traits that might alter risk. Such traits include long-term use of oral contraceptives and prior pregnancies.

Past studies have found that tubal sterilizations reduce ovarian cancer risk by 20 percent to 80 percent, Ms. Hankinson said Tuesday. She said more research is needed.

Ovarian cancer is the fourth-leading cause of cancer death among American women, after lung cancer, breast cancer and colon cancer, Ms. Hankinson said. It strikes 1 percent to 2 percent of women in their lifetimes.

Compromise brings GATT closer

GENEVA (AP) — The biggest global trade reform over a seven-year struggle involving more than 100 nations, cleared its last major hurdle when the United States and European Community set aside a bitter fight over films Tuesday.

The U.S.-EC agreement came one day before the deadline on a deal aimed at infusing the world economy with new vitality, and left more than 100 other nations little choice but to accept.

Despite a flurry of last-minute snags and a barrage of protests, there seemed little doubt that the enormous trade accord was in reach.

The accord must be completed by today. That is the deadline set in U.S. legislation empowering Clinton to send Congress a trade package that can only be approved on a take-it-or-leave-it basis. Otherwise, amendments and revisions by lawmakers could delay or even block passage.

Though Hollywood executives expressed anger over the exclusion of

films, President Clinton proclaimed the United States "on the verge of an historic victory in our Nation's efforts to open foreign markets to American products."

"I believe that today has been a milestone in the history of world trade," said EC trade chief Sir Leon Brittan after his all night marathon with U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor.

The 116-nation Uruguay Round trade accord is expected eventually to funnel more than \$200 billion annually into a sluggish world economy by lowering import barriers and creating fairer trade standards.

The United States and European Community had been deadlocked for months by disputes over farm subsidies and films.

Early Tuesday it became clear that French tenacity had triumphed over U.S. economic might in a multibillion dollar battle of nerves.

U.S. negotiators first agreed to slow

down the cuts in farm export subsidies which benefit French grain farmers. However, French farmers, known for orchestrating sometimes-violent protests to press their point of view, still took to the streets Tuesday in outrage over the agreed measures.

Then the Americans agreed to pull the film, movie and music sector out of the trade liberalizing accord. That was a significant capitulation, because entertainment has become one of the leading U.S. exports with enormous room for further expansion.

"This is a great and beautiful victory for Europe and for French culture," French Communications Minister Alain Carignon said in Paris.

One of the top goals of the United States had been to include the entertainment sector in a planned deal to liberalize trade in services.

But Kantor said in the end Clinton gave the go-ahead to walk away with no deal on films rather than accept "a totally inadequate" EC offer.

The United States was prepared to accept overall European limits on imported American television programs, but wanted a number of "quota-free" channels. The Europeans did not want to commit themselves on new technologies such as pay-per-view television, satellite broadcasting and expanded cable services.

Companies charged with trying to ship artillery fuze parts to Iraq

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — A munitions manufacturer in New Jersey and an arms company in London were charged Tuesday with conspiring to ship 300,000 artillery components to Iraq prior to the invasion of Kuwait.

The parts were to be sent through Jordan, but officials said the deal was never completed after the first shipment was intercepted in Britain.

A federal grand jury indicted Rexon Technology Corp. of Wayne, Ordinance Technologies Ltd. of

Redding, England; officials of both companies; and a marketing consultant, U.S. Attorney Michael Chertoff announced.

Two indictments charge the defendants with conspiring in 1988-90 to ship 300,000 sets of fuze components for a high-explosive 155 mm howitzer shell to Iraq. A fuze is a device for detonating bombs, projectiles or explosive charges. The alleged conspiracy took place during the Iraqi buildup prior to the invasion of Kuwait in August 1990.

Jordan to chair immigration body

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton appointed former Texas Rep. Barbara Jordan to chair the U.S. Commission on Immigration Reform, which he said was "one of the most important and complex issues facing our country."

The nine-member commission was created in 1990 to evaluate recent changes in immigration policy and recommend possible additional changes. Jordan's appointment was announced Tuesday.

Jordan, who served three terms in the House in the 1970s, teaches at the University of Texas in Austin.

Also Tuesday, Clinton announced plans to nominate David Birenbaum to be deputy permanent representative to the United Nations for management and U.N. reform.

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RATINGS

The five category system of the voluntary film industry rating program is now as follows:

G - General audiences, all ages admitted.

PG - Parental Guidance suggested. Some material may not be suitable for children.

PG-13 - Parents are strongly cautioned to give special guidance for children under 13. Some material may be inappropriate for children.

R - Restricted, under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.

NC-17 - No one under 17 admitted.

Comics

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

THIS IS THE BOOK I HAVE TO READ FOR SCHOOL... I WANT YOU TO READ IT FOR ME...

YOU MEAN I'M SUPPOSED TO READ IT WHILE YOU JUST SIT HERE AND LISTEN...

LISTEN?

Calvin and Hobbes By Bill Watterson

DEAR SANTA, LAST YEAR I DID NOT RECEIVE THE 13,000 ITEMS I REQUESTED FOR CHRISTMAS

I CAN ONLY CONCLUDE THAT YOUR SECRET SERVICE STAFF MUST BE A BUNCH OF UNDERPAID AND MORTALLY UNAPPRECIATED TEMPS, AND MY LETTER WAS MISFILED.

TO AVOID A SIMILAR DISASTER THIS YEAR, JUST WRITE ME A CHECK FOR FIVE MILLION DOLLARS, AND I'LL BUY THE STUFF MYSELF.

SEE, THIS YEAR I WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED.

JD LEAVE OUT THE PART ABOUT THE TEMPS.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

GIN RUMMY

A DRUNK WHO REFUSES TO DRINK ANYTHING BUT GIN.

Garfield By Jim Davis

"DINNER'S READY"

ALL RIGHT, MOM!

EIGHT KINDS OF POTATOES!

A PERSONAL BEST!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS, YOUNG LADY

WOW! I WISH I COULD TALK!

I COULD BE RICH

I HAVE THOUGHTS ALL THE TIME

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

SO, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT LIFE IN THE MILITARY?

IT'S NOTHING TO WRITE HOME ABOUT

WE APPRECIATE THAT.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

TASTE THIS GOULASH

WELL?

IT NEEDS MORE GOO

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

I'D RETIRE AND STAY HOME ALL DAY EXCEPT FOR ONE THING...

...THE MONEY

YOUR WIFE WANTS TO TALK TO YOU NOW, SIR

TWO THINGS

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

DUNHAM AND FLUNT ATTORNEYS

OUT FEEDING ON LUNCH

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

ALL RIGHT, IT'S TIME TO DO MY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING...

SO I MADE A LIST AND I CHECKED IT TWICE...

NOW, IF I COULD ONLY REMEMBER WHAT I DID WITH IT!

For Better or For Worse

HO-HO-HO! AND WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE FOR CHRISTMAS?

WELL, NOW WE'VE GOT YOUR TALKING ABOUT A NICE DOLLY? A BEAR? A TEE?

HO-HO-HO. DOESN'T YOU WANT ANNING AT ALL?

I WANNA GET DOWN!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WE ALL DEMAND RAISES FOR THE NEW YEAR. YOU DECIDE WHO WILL GET IT!

WELL, I'M NOT AROUND TO SEE YOU OUT!

HA-HO-HO! WELL, I'M NOT AROUND TO SEE YOU OUT!

The Far Side By Gary Larson

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Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

"HAMM, LET'S SEE... THERE'S DONNER, BUTZEN, SASSAFRASS, DROOPY, HENRIETTA, SNOTKERT AND SLOWPOKE."

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"Why is Baby Jesus in a car seat?"

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Sydney Omarr Horoscope

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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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 HEADWATER SPIN
 FILL HILLI GRIOT
 VIBLE WATER
 FACILE DECAINTER
 INANE GAVEL ALE
 MAPE HIVES SNAP
 AMT DEVIL FACITO
 LETTERED BELICIS
 ALED BARIET
 BALLEET MARC ART
 EVIL ICEBREAKER
 DOZE CURIE SINE
 LEWER SPIND KIRIE

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Keep clothes as birth control

Alden's Law holds that the giving away of baby clothes and cribs is a major cause of pregnancy.

Recent British study concludes without explanation that heavy drinkers are more likely to sire baby girls than baby boys.

Before electric lighting, almost every grownup on earth knew that the moon rises about 50 minutes later every night, but hardly anybody remembers that anymore.

Only one sort of mammal is listed in the science texts as a parasite the vampire bat.

Am told numerous amateur astronomers report what first enticed them into their fascinating hobby was a glimpse of Saturn with its many rings, said by some to be the most beautiful sight in the sky.

Abe Lincoln referred rooster fights.

Q. What's the longest single-syllable word in English?

A. Let's see, our Language man has found so far "squintrel."

Am asked to admit the most successful patent medicine of all time. That was a concoction called Hop Bitters. Heavily laced with alcohol. It was first mixed in 1873 by Asa T. Soule of Rochester, N.Y. Made him a millionaire.

Q. What do geologists mean by "the wound that never heals"?

A. An undersea area in the South Pacific. It's about as big as the State of Washington. In it are 1,133 active volcanoes.

"Manners are a sensitive awareness of the feelings of others," wrote Emily Post long ago. "If you have that awareness, you have good manners, no matter which fork you use."

Has it a weather some sort of sheep? asks a client. It is: "What the gelding is to the horse, that's what the weather is to the sheep."

L.M. Boyd
 What's what?

Features

Food facts

Chefs dole out advice over holiday hot line

Stuck for holiday inspiration? Why not ring up food-and-decorating maven Marita Stewart? Or Jeff Smith, The Original Gourmet? Through Jan. 15, MCI is sponsoring a free hot line featuring 11 experts giving tips on holiday entertaining. All you need is a touch-tone phone. Dial 1-800-HOST-TIPS (1-800-467-8847) to hear Stewart tell you how to make a Chocolate Chip Cookie Tree, or to hear Smith give you tips on planning a practical holiday buffet. A recorded message gives a menu, so to speak, with the number to punch to hear each expert.

The hot line is a benefit for the March of Dimes. MCI plans to give \$50,000 on behalf of the celebs who donated their time and expertise.

Avoid problems with butter by following these tips

Since it's the holiday season, there's more butter in our refrigerators now. Here are some tips for your holiday cooking from Dairy Farmers Inc.

- To store butter, you can freeze it up to nine months at 0 degrees or lower. Wrap packaged butter in foil or place in a resealable plastic freezer bag.

- Butter will keep in the refrigerator for several weeks at 39 degrees or lower. Unsalted butter has a shorter shelf life and is best kept frozen until ready to use.

- Butter is graded by U.S. standards on the basis of flavor, body, color and salt characteristics. Grades also establish price. USDA AA is the top brand at supermarkets. It has a delicate, sweet flavor.

- If you've accidentally melted butter, don't bake with it. Melting changes the structure of butter, making it unsuitable for most baked goods.

How to make the holidays pleasurable, not fattening

Here are some tips from Men's Health magazine on how to make holiday-season food fests taste great, but still be less filling. Drink enough water to fill a swimming pool. A tummy full of H₂O won't be craving extra helpings of stuffing. Get loaded before the party - not on booze but on pasta, which will dampen your sweet cravings. Put on some slow, soothing music - it will reduce the pace of your chewing. And include hot, spicy, nontraditional foods on the menu: They can accelerate your metabolism, making you less hungry.

Professional athletes take serious approach to veggies

Top bananas love bananas: In case you doubted that eating fruits and veggies makes you big and strong, read this. According to the Produce for Better Health Foundation, here are the favorite fruits and vegetables of the following NFL teams: Philadelphia Eagles - oranges and potatoes; New Orleans Saints - bananas and potatoes; Seattle Seahawks - apples and potatoes; Houston Oilers - bananas and onions; Dallas Cowboys - melons and green beans; Kansas City Chiefs - bananas and potatoes; New York Jets - apples and broccoli; New York Giants - bananas and broccoli; Green Bay Packers - bananas and potatoes; Washington Redskins - bananas and broccoli.

France's taste for wine changes with the times

Times they are a-changing: A French winegrowing expert reports that France's per-capita wine consumption was 17 gallons of wine in 1992 compared with about 40 in 1957. Drinkers generally have forsaken coarse table wines for more sophisticated, and more expensive, wine - or, especially in the case of younger people and women, have forsaken wine or alcohol entirely.

Dieticians report Americans are nuts about peanut butter

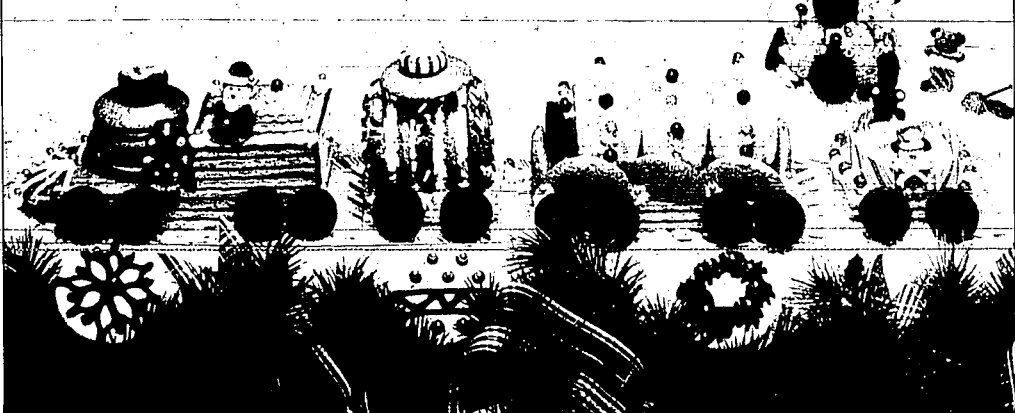
Did you know: Americans are stuck on peanut butter. Every year, we eat about 100 tablespoons of the stuff per person, or 6 1/2 cups. Most of us prefer creamy style - it accounts for 47 percent of sales, followed by crunchy with 35 percent, and natural, 18 percent. No matter the style, our affection comes with a nutritional wallop: Each tablespoon contains between 90 and 100 calories, about 75 percent of which come from fat, the Tufts University Diet and Nutrition Letter reports.

Compiled from wire reports

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All aboard!



This delicious train set means hours of fun for any family or group over the holidays.

North Pole Express is the ticket to holiday fun

Climb on board Santa's North Pole Express to start your holiday season on the right track. This luscious locomotive will provide hours of fun for your whole family, play group or Scout troop.

Play conductor and set your eager little helpers to work on the train in sections. Then couple the train cars together to create a winter-wonderful scene.

Holiday Engine No. 9

While reindeer are the preferred mode of transportation on Christmas Eve, this train can take Santa on his daily rounds of the North Pole.

- 6 (5-by-2 1/2-inch) whole honey graham crackers
- 1/2 cup canned white frosting
- 1 (2 1/2-by-1 1/4-inch) honey graham, halved crosswise
- 4 vanilla wafers
- 9 mini Oreo bite size chocolate sandwich cookies with red creme filling
- 8 Holiday Sprinkled Chips Ahoy! chocolate chip cookie
- 2 vanilla or chocolate Teddy Grahams holiday bears graham snacks

Decorate tube frosting, five flavor candy holes, silver dragees and cotton for decorating.

Stack 4 whole graham crackers to form base, securing with some frosting in between crackers. Halve 2 whole graham crackers to make a total of 4 squares. Stack 4 graham squares, securing with frosting as above; secure remaining halved graham pieces and center on graham square stack.

Stack wafers and 1 mini chocolate sandwich cookie for smoke stack, securing with frosting; attach to other half of base. Attach halved chocolate chip cookie to front of train as pictured. Attach remaining mini chocolate sandwich cookies for wheels. Decorate with decorated graham snacks, tube frosting, candies, silver dragees and cotton for smoke from stack.

Add personality to the tree with homemade ornaments

Jolly Lolly Snowman

Attach two Holiday Sprinkled Chips Ahoy! chocolate chip cookies to the stick of a lollipop as pictured, overlapping slightly and securing with canned white frosting. Attached one Mini Holiday Oreo Chocolate Sandwich Cookie on top of the lollipop for a hat; decorate hat as desired.

Snip end of one stick of fruit stripe gum to resemble a scarf and secure between lollipop and cookie with frosting.



Let dry overnight before hanging. Attach ribbon for hanging.

Starlight Wreath

Unwrap five red or green starlight mint candies. Alternately arrange candies and five Teddy Grahams graham snacks in a circle on a foil-lined baking sheet. Bake at 325 degrees for 3 to 4 minutes or until mints are soft and melted. (Do not overmix.) Remove from oven and carefully press one Teddy Grahams snack on



each melted mint. Cool completely before peeling from foil. Attach ribbon for hanging.

Rum-A-Tum Drum

Sandwich two white fudge covered Oreo chocolate sandwich cookies, flat sides together, with frosting. Decorate sides with decorator tube frosting and silver dragees as pictured. Place two (1-inch) pieces of black string hearted on top of the drum to resemble drumsticks.



Use as a table decoration.

Sugar Plum Tanker

Fill 'er up! This car is easy to assemble and ideal for the younger ones in the group to put together.

- 2 (2 1/2-inch square) honey graham
- 1/2 cup canned white frosting
- 3 Holiday Sprinkled Chips Ahoy!
- 3 vanilla wafers
- 4 mini Oreo bite size chocolate sandwich cookies with red creme filling
- 1 starlight mint candy

Stack graham squares for base, securing with frosting in between crackers. Alternately stack chocolate chip cookies and 2 wafers, securing with frosting. Place cookie stack on edge of base, securing with frosting. Attach mini chocolate sandwich cookies for wheels. Top with remaining wafer and mint candy, securing with frosting.

Cookies 'n Milk Freight Car

Everyone knows how much Santa and

kids love cookies and milk. Be sure to have extra cookies and a pitcher of milk available for the hungry workers.

- 3 (5-by-2 1/2-inch) honey graham crackers
- 1/2 cup canned white frosting
- 4 vanilla wafers, halved
- 9 mini Oreo bite size chocolate sandwich cookies with red creme filling
- 6 white fudge covered Oreo chocolate sandwich cookies
- Five flavor candy holes, for decorating

Stack graham crackers for base, securing with some frosting in between crackers. Stand 3 halved wafers on each long edge and 1 halved wafer on each short edge, securing with frosting. Attach 8 mini chocolate sandwich cookies for wheels. Stack white fudge covered chocolate sandwich cookies and remaining mini chocolate sandwich cookies, securing with frosting; stand cookie stack on edge on base. Decorate with candy holes and frosting as pictured.

Tinsel-Town Caboose

No train is complete without a colorful caboose. Everyone should lend a hand to finish off Santa's North Pole Express. Grow-ups and older kids can work on the more intricate decorating details, while the younger ones assemble the base.

- 2 Teddy Grahams holiday-bears graham snacks
- 1 white fudge covered Oreo Chocolate Sandwich cookie
- Decorator tube frosting, assorted colors
- 3 (2 1/2-inch square) honey graham crackers
- 1/2 cup canned white frosting
- 2 sticks red fruit stripe gum
- 4 mini Oreo bite size chocolate sandwich cookies with red creme filling
- Five flavor candy holes and silver dragees, for decorating
- Decorate graham snacks and white fudge

Please see EXPRESS/E8

Cook's profile

Twin Falls cook shares her work with others

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - At Christmas time and all during the year - Ora Vielguth adds flavor to her work with good things she bakes at home.

As a volunteer for the Department of Health and Welfare, she transports children and teen-agers to and from counseling sessions, group therapy, doctor visits, wherever there is a need. And if Vielguth has baked something at home that day, she shares it with the youngsters.

Ordinarily, she might take baked goods along once every week or two, depending upon how well the kids have been behaving.

"The two teen-age boys I'm transporting now love for me to make the little miniature pies for them or a little loaf of bread or maybe a batch of cookies, or anything I want to bake and bring to them," she said. "They're always hungry when I pick them up at 3 p.m."

Vielguth said she enjoys cooking, but now that her family is grown she doesn't do as much of it anymore. And because

she is allergic to wheat, she doesn't eat the things she bakes. But that's OK. The kids relish her baked goods, and so do her neighbors and co-workers.

Vielguth enjoys baking for other, she said, and kneading the dough is therapeutic for her.

"I've found that the kneading of bread is good therapy when I get frustrated or angry or feel like crying," she said. The recipe she uses to make white bread is one she found on a sack of flour 35 years ago. The recipe is given in three easy steps:

Here it is.

White Bread

- Makes 4 loaves
- In a medium mixer bowl add:
- 2 cups warm water
- 1 cup flour
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 3 packages dry yeast
- Mix with beater until smooth. Cover and let rise until a hump rises in bowl.
- To this mixture add:



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Ora Vielguth, who spends time transporting children and teen-agers for the Department of Health and Welfare, enjoys bring the kids and her co-workers baked goods.

- 2 1/2 cups warm water
- 4 cups flour
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 4 tablespoons shortening
- Mix with beater until smooth. Add this mixture to:
- 8 cups flour in big mixer bowl
- Knead until smooth (about 10 minutes).

Cut into 4 pieces. Shape into loaves. Grease pans and fill. Let rise until dough is above the pan. Bake at 375 degrees for approximately 30-35 minutes. Butter the top to keep the crust soft. Cool on rack. Allow to cool before cutting.

Vielguth uses tiny loaf pans when she bakes. Please see COOK/E8

Valley life

Wife wants home alone with family

DEAR ABBY: This is a very touchy problem. We are a young couple with three young children. My husband's mother lives with us and we share all the rooms, except for the bedrooms. (Grandma has her own bedroom.)



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

these questions and perhaps I can be more helpful.

DEAR ABBY: You had some columns about people who had trouble with their names. Please include me.

My first name is Roberta and my last name is Law. Simple, right? Wrong! I get correspondence with some strange combinations. Some examples: Robert A. Law, Robert A. Law, also Robert Long. I got tired of being mistaken for a male, so I decided to use my middle name, which is Mae.

Then, I received correspondence addressed to: Robert A. Mae Law. I give up!

—ROBERTA M. LAW, OLYMPIA, WASH.

DEAR ROBERTA: You think you have trouble? A female named Jayne Nesbitt received a "greetings" letter from Uncle Sam addressed to "Jay Nesbitt."

DEAR ABBY: I strongly disagree with your advice to "Disgusted," the woman who moved into a studio

apartment next door to a drug-using prostitute.

Do you really believe that complaining to her neighbor directly will stop her neighbor from working as a prostitute and using drugs? I would not want to chance angering a woman who probably has some criminal acquaintances.

"Disgusted" would be safer following the last sentence of your advice — to see an attorney about getting out of her lease.

My advice would have been, "Move as soon as possible."

—CAUTIOUS

DEAR CAUTIOUS: Your answer was better than mine.

DEAR ABBY: Some time ago you printed Lord Chesterfield's opinion of sex. It was hilarious. Please print it again.

—CANADIAN

DEAR CANADIAN: "The price is exorbitant, the pleasure is transitory, and the position is ridiculous."

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

The problem is that she has no social life of her own — therefore, she is with the family all the time. I can never spend any time alone with my husband and children — unless I leave the house.

Have you any suggestions on how I can be alone with my husband and children without hurting my mother-in-law's feelings?

—STUMPED
Much depends on what kind of person your mother-in-law is. The only clue to her personality is that she has no social life of her own — which leads me to believe that she isn't very sociable, and nobody seeks her out. In addition, she is not the kind of person with whom you can be perfectly candid without hurting her feelings — otherwise, why would you be writing to me?

I could be more helpful if you answered a few questions: How old is she? Is she in good health? Does she drive? Does she have any friends? Is she good company? Does she have any special interests? Does she want to socialize on her own? Is she content to stay home? Answer

Valley happenings

Shrine Club prepares Christmas party

GOODING — The Wood River Shrine Club has planned its Christmas party for 6:30 to 10 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls Inn.

For more information, call R.L. Anderson at 934-5496.

Seniors schedule Christmas Dinner

TWIN FALLS — The Senior Citizens Federation has planned a special Christmas Dinner for 11:45 a.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 616 Eastland Drive N.

Suggested donated is \$1.75 per person. All seniors are welcome. For more information, call the center at 734-5084.

Commission for the Blind sets open house

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Commission for the Blind has planned an open house for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at 201 Falls Ave. E., Suite 312.

The public is invited to come meet the staff and tour the new office.

Art Guild will gather for luncheon

JEROME — The Jerome Art Guild has planned a potluck luncheon for its regular meeting, set for 2 p.m. Friday in the meeting room at the Jerome Public Library.

Members are encouraged to bring guests and are asked to bring salads or desserts to share. Meat will be furnished.

Wellness Seminar set for Jan. 27 at College of Southern Idaho

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Annual Wellness Seminar is set for Jan. 27 and 28, 1994, in the auditorium at the Fine Arts Center at the College of Southern Idaho.

Dr. Bernie S. Siegel will be the presenter for the seminar. This year's theme is "Love, Medicine, Miracles and More."

Siegel is a retired general and pediatric surgeon and a nationally known speaker and a nationally known expert in the field of psycho-neuro-immunology. He is the author of "Love, Medicine and Miracles," "Peace, Love and Healing" and "What to Do Between Office Visits."

Tickets are available now at the CSI Bookstore, Venzon Jewelry & Idaho Arts and Andrew's Hallmark, all in Twin Falls; Bookstore and Office Supply in Rupert; The Book Plaza in Burley; and the General Nutrition Center at the Boise Towne Square Mall. Cost is \$12 for the Jan. 27 session and \$22 for the Jan. 28 session.

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The session on Jan. 27 is set for 7 to 9 p.m. and is targeted to the general public. On Jan. 28, caregivers, individuals coping with chronic illness and those seeking personal growth and self-awareness are encouraged to attend the session from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sponsors of the program are Blue Cross of Idaho, Blue Shield of Idaho, Twin Falls City, College of Southern Idaho, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, MVRMC Foundation, Minidoka Memorial Hospital, Sedgwick & James, Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital and the Walker Center.

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Staff, Clintons deck the White House halls

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — What if you asked 3,000 artisans to donate a handmade ornament, preferably an angel, for your tree? And they all said yes. And then some sent two, three or four? And you promised to use them all?

While Hillary-Rodham Clinton and daughter, Chelsea, were busy baking Christmas cookies upstairs in the private quarters, 200 volunteers and staffers, many armed with holiday ornaments, furiously brought holiday cheer to the White House.

Elves, to your stations.

White House Social Secretary Ann Stock arrived for duty in early December in her high heels and pearls. She strode bravely under the mistletoe kissing ball in the Grand Foyer and dodged scaffolding in the Blue Room to survey the 10 men strung lights on the 18-foot Fraser fir. On this day, workers armed with hot-glue guns laid the run of the Executive Mansion.

"It's like a battle. It takes six months to plan. And then it has to be done in about three days," said Stock as she climbed nimbly over a rolled up carpet outside the Blue



Hillary Rodham Clinton
Busy with decorations, cookies Room. "There is so much going on here."

Decorating the White House for the holidays is always a complex job. During December, 150,000 visitors, from diplomats to tourists to members of Congress, will tromp through the two floors of public rooms.

This year, they will be treated to 27,035 tiny white lights strewn across 22 trees and countless gar-

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— White House Social Secretary Ann Stock

lands. And the Clintons, who will spend Christmas there, added their own style note, a new collection of American crafts.

The result is what chief White House floral designer Nancy Clarke calls a more-contemporary look. According to Clarke, who planned the holiday transformation with Stock, "It's a cheerier, happier look for the White House. It's a younger look."

Last summer Hillary Clinton and her staff decided to join in the celebration of 1993 as the Year of American Craft through their holiday decorations.

In June Stock met with the curator of the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery, Michiel Monroe, an expert on American crafts, who served as adviser. Monroe provided lists of

participants in juried crafts fairs across the country. Stock's staff followed up with a letter asking each to create an ornament, preferably an angel.

Among those received were Bill Clinton dressed as an angel playing a sax, a voluptuous young Mae West and a ceramic diner called "Angel's."

The White House also invited 70 of the nation's premier craftspeople to contribute pieces to a permanent White House crafts collection, the first of its kind to celebrate the five craft mediums of fiber, clay, glass, metal and wood.

Included were Wendell Castle, Joel Philip Myers, Albert Palcy and Harvey K. Littleton. Joan Mondale sent a piece of her pottery from her new home at the U.S. Embassy in

Tokyo. Zak Oxman contributed a bronze menorah.

A third holiday project involved asking 57 quilters from all the states and territories to each make a square for a new tree skirt for the official White House Christmas Tree in the Blue Room.

The real work had begun behind the scenes on Nov. 29, when volunteers started making bows and wreaths at the White House support facility in Maryland. Six workers unrolled the Blue Room chandelier, suspended it in a box and gingerly carried it out a South Portico window to put it in storage.

That was the signal for White

House staffers, National Park Service employees and the 44 volunteers to put on their sneakers and Christmas sweat shirts and begin bringing Santa's workshop to 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

The first family trimmed their own tree upstairs in the personal quarters — with ornaments they packed and moved from Little Rock.

"I hope they aren't broken," said Clinton. "We have some ornaments from the trees we had growing up."

Silk wreaths and garlands have been used around the private quarters to accommodate the president's allergies.

Golden ideas add glitter to holidays

Orange County Register

Colors are red and green. But gold is another option and it's coming on strong.

Now, we're not saying that you have to ditch tradition and totally ignore red and green as you go about decorating your living space for the holidays. No sir, Santa. Red and green are at the top of the list.

Yet, if you'd like to pull off something a bit different and stick to a totally holiday look at the same time, consider these golden suggestions from Better Homes and Gardens. The magazine's December issue zeros in on gold as an alternative color choice in holiday decorations and makes its point in the most glittering sort of way.

Start at the front door. Visit a Christmas-tree lot or florist and pick up one or two unadorned pine wreaths. Then decorate them with gold ribbon bows. A good choice is French ribbon. It's wrapped around tiny, flexible metal wires at the edges, allowing it to hold a variety of shapes very well.

If you have double doors, hang a wreath on each door. Just one door? Then all you need is one wreath.

To give the scene special flair, corner a large clay pot or two (two if you're going the double-door route) and fill them with sand. Stick a mix of pine and cedar boughs in the sand, and then, for contrast and texture, add pine cones, bayberry and a selection of seed heads (check out craft stores for these) that you've spray-painted gold. Adorn with more gold ribbons and you have an entry that's particularly warm and welcoming.

Even if you don't have a fireplace, you can cozy up to a golden holiday fire with a candle-filled planter. Set candles of varying sizes in a sand-filled planter. (Go ahead and spray-

paint it gold if you like.) Include some smaller votive candles in glass containers.

Not every room in your house is going to have a Christmas tree (unless you're the type who goes totally overboard, and we know you're out there). Create instead a pyramid of candlesticks.

Gather white tapers and enough glass candleholders of varying sizes and arrange them in a triangular, tree-shaped tabletop centerpiece.

How about this approach for the dining room? Use simple gold ribbon for napkin rings. Again, French ribbon will work well. Then lay gold ribbon the length of the table down the center. Set the scene off with snowy white linens and gold ornaments.

It's easy enough to add touches of gold to wrapping paper and greeting cards, too.

Coat brown kraft paper (strong wrapping paper, usually brown) or mailing paper or blank greeting cards and envelopes made from recycled papers with gold-leaf adhesive spray following the manufacturer's directions.

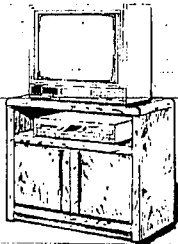
Wait two minutes, then gently lay a single sheet of gold leaf (available at arts and crafts stores, as is the adhesive spray) over the adhesive, allowing irregularities and tearing to occur. It's a look that's all yours and proves that you can do it yourself.

One last thing, and this one comes from us. At this season of the year, most grocery stores carry a variety of nuts in the shell. Buy as many as you need, then spray-paint them gold and use them in table centerpieces. It's a cinch.

Another easy golden idea is chocolate coins wrapped in gold foil. They can be used in centerpieces also. All you have to do is buy them and use them. Plus, when you're finished with them, you can eat 'em. Sounds good to us.

Have A Aspen Holiday!

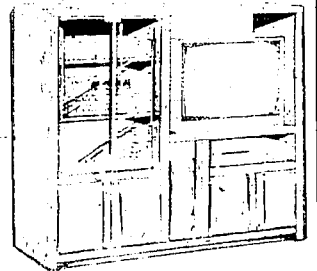
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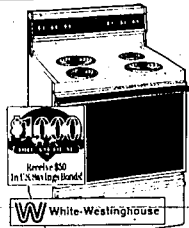


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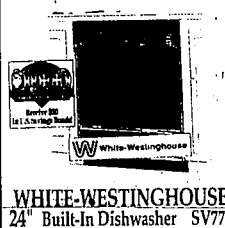
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Tools: Great gifts for do-it-yourselfers

Tools make fine holiday gifts for do-it-yourselfers, but some preliminary discussion about which tools would be most welcome can result in happier holidays.



Do it yourself
Gene Austin

I'm convinced that a great deal of money is wasted, and gift recipients left disappointed, because well-meaning givers buy surprise tools that don't fit the recipient's needs or skills.

To help make tool giving and receiving more satisfying, this column includes a checklist of some of the tools I've found to be most useful. Do-it-yourselfers and would-be givers can use it to help make tool-gift decisions. Tool catalogs and sale leaflets from hardware centers and tool dealers are also fine for narrowing down choices.

Gift certificates from home centers or tool dealers, which let do-it-yourselfers shop for their own tools, are a good alternative to pre-agreement on tool gifts.

Following is a list of good gift tools, along with approximate prices of standard models. Basic hand tools, which many do-it-yourselfers already own, are not included.

• **Miter/cutoff saw.** A circular saw with its own mini-table that permits quick and accurate cutting of 2-by-4s and other lumber. Fine for do-it-yourselfers who are plan-

ning to build decks, room additions and other major projects. About \$175.

• **Folding workbench.** These sturdy workbenches have a split top that also serves as a vise. The best-known version, Black & Decker's Workmate, can hold objects weighing hundreds of pounds in a comfortable work position. The benches fold flat for easy storage or transport. About \$100.

• **Airless paint sprayer.** For do-it-yourselfers who plan major outdoor painting projects, such as painting a big fence or a lot of shutters. Brushes, rollers and pads are more convenient for small painting projects. About \$75.

• **Knifer.** Makes "fancy" edges on wood, cuts grooves and joints. About \$60.

• **Shop vacuum.** Makes it easy to clean up chips and mess from do-it-yourself projects and can be hooked up to some tools to reduce dust. Choose a "wet-dry" model that can also slurp up water. About \$60.

• **Portable circular saw.** Not as accurate as a miter/cutoff saw, but a convenient and versatile tool that can cut all types of lumber including plywood. About \$50.

• **Belt sander.** Smooths wood quickly and can remove old paint and varnish. About \$50.

• **Finishing sander.** Lighter and easier to handle than a belt sander and is suitable for fine sanding and finishing work. About \$50.

• **Bench grinder.** Keeps a sharp edge on garden tools, lawnmower blades, axes and similar tools. About \$50.

• **Drill.** Many do-it-yourselfers already own some version of this tool, which drills holes, drives screws, sands, grinds and performs other jobs if equipped with the correct accessories. Two drills are not too many for busy do-it-yourselfers, since they can be set up to perform different jobs at the same time. Some newer models have interesting features such as keyless chucks, which permit hand-tightening of bits rather than requiring a separate chuck key. Available in corded and cordless (rechargeable) models. About \$40.

• **Saber saw.** A saw with a thin blade that cuts curves as well as straight lines; also called a jigsaw. About \$40.

• **Heat gun.** A versatile tool that can remove paint, soften adhesives and thaw frozen locks, among other things. About \$40.

• **Socket-wrench set.** Especially useful for do-it-yourselfers who enjoy tinkering with automobiles and machinery. About \$25.

• **Propane-torch soldering set.** Most useful for plumbing projects, such as extending or repairing copper pipes. About \$25.

• **Cordless screwdriver.** These battery-powered, rechargeable screwdrivers are great work savers. Most have a reversible bit that will handle either slot-type or Phillips (X-shaped recess) screws. About \$25.

• **Staple gun.** Useful for installing insulation, ceiling tiles, carpeting, upholstery — all types of tacking. Be sure to check out Black & Decker's PowerShot staple gun, a new design with smoother action than some staples. About \$20.

• **Hot-melt glue gun.** Handles all types of quick gluing jobs; indispensable for craft work. About \$10.

How to handle the ironing

Orange County Register

IRONING: If you thought you hate to iron, how do you think the men and women who iron 75-100 costumes a week for singers, actors and dancers in the theater feel? And what suggestions do these professionals have for us mere mortals slaving away at our ironing boards?

Ken Pickering, who takes on much of these tasks for productions such as "Phantom of the Opera," irons 75 costumes before every performance, eight times a week. So what does he suggest?

First, he says, start your ironing with the synthetics and delicates that require the lowest temperature setting. Then move up to those fabrics — cotton and linens — requiring the highest setting.

FURNACE MAINTENANCE: A survey of homeowners and their heating systems by Honeywell shows that much less maintenance is done than usually needed. For instance, the survey showed:

• Fewer than half of all homeowners change the furnace filter the recom-

mended four times each year. Nearly half of all homeowners fail to have their furnace professionally cleaned and serviced annually.

Nearly 25 percent of homeowners open windows when the furnace is on. Less than 39 percent were concerned that bringing fresh air into the house might increase their energy bills.

Nearly 84 percent of homeowners reported they adjust their thermostats to save energy when they're away from home.

The company had advice for anyone considering a call to a heating professional to examine a furnace. During the service call, the homeowner can expect the heating professional to:

- Check the equipment for worn parts, such as belts and electrical devices.
- Make sure the thermostat is working properly.
- Check for leaks and clogging to ensure the burner is operating efficiently.
- And check the thermocouple — the safety system on gas-fired furnaces.

Plants help create beautiful decorations

Newsday

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, but don't stop there.

The botanical world has more to offer than just traditional greenery when it comes to decorating for Christmas, and the alternatives — as likely to be from the farmer's market or your own back yard as from the florist — often do the job more easily and cheaply.

The key, the professionals agree: Keep it simple.

"Use just a few things, and be unfussy about it," says Barbara Milo Ohrbach, whose latest book, "Simply Flowers" (Clarkson N. Potter, \$22.50), demystifies the process of flower arranging. "Go for the simple, but original, idea."

A single-color theme is easier to pull off and has greater impact than a little of this and a little of that. "Get a color story going," says Ohrbach, "whether you're arranging flowers or decorating a table or doing a whole room."

For Christmas, she suggests an all-red table using red dishes and red glasses, with pomegranates, apples and strawberries added (choose a personal color theme

according to your linens and china).

Arrange the fruit in colored bowls down the center of the table or tuck them in among a base of twigs or greenery, perhaps with bits of tartan ribbon and even some simple red tree ornaments for extra color. Candles are a must.

At her own home, Ohrbach plans "to do things with fruits" as her motif this year.

A pineapple, the traditional symbol of welcome, will certainly figure as the focal point in an arrangement of fruits and foliage on the mantel or perhaps on the sideboard, designed carefully so the serving platters she will use fit right in place.

Ohrbach likes the look of avocados, artichokes, pomegranates and colorful citrus fruit such as limes and kumquats — whatever looks best and is freshest at the market.

Using what the plant world has to offer is a well-known tactic for sprucing up for the harvest celebration of Thanksgiving but, in fact, it has been the tradition at Christmas at least since medieval times.

At The Cloisters museum in

New York City, a 13th-century fresco in the collection depicts a garland of bay (laurel) leaves hanging above an altar at Christmastime, proof that the practice of decorating with greenery we continue today in modernized fashion is at least that old.

Today, Cloisters' horticulturist Susan Moody and her staff continue to adorn the halls in a historically correct style each December, going to great lengths to get 50 pounds of freshly cut bay twigs all the way from Turkey, for instance, to re-create the fresco's image.

The homeowner, says Moody, can afford to interpret a little more.

"Use tips of boxwood as a substitute, in the spirit of the laurel twigs," she says.

Perhaps the most familiar image of the season after the Christmas tree is a wreath, symbolic for early Christians of the triumph of Christ. Elaborate ones can be quite expensive, however.

If creating a wreath from scratch seems intimidating, you can embellish an inexpensive store-bought one with dried flowers, nuts or fruit for a fraction of the cost of

a decorated wreath. Or try making a much easier door treatment, called a swag — a spray of greens and other materials. The basic ingredients: a variety of greens pruned sensitively from your own shrubs or purchased; microwaved slices of citrus fruit; dried pomegranates and even a few seedpods from a locust tree.

Oh, and a ribbon — not botanical, exactly, but please don't use decidedly inorganic plastic. Floral designers agree.

Good, wide silk ribbon — the kind with thin wire along each edge for making well-shaped bows that hold their form — is expensive, admittedly, and a large bow can run to \$20.

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Take your holiday eating cues from these healthy celebrities

Newsday

Ah, the life of a celebrity. It's an endless round of tempting eating opportunities, such as benefits, cocktail parties and lunches-in-fancy-restaurants.

At this time of year, when we all go out more and are offered more hors d'oeuvres, drinks, nuts, chips and desserts, we decided to ask some of these public people how they manage to go to parties without gaining weight. Then we told registered dietitian Gail Levey, spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association, what they had said and asked her to comment on their strategies to help them and us (see her Nutrition Tips that follow each celebrity).

Debbie Reynolds, actress/entertainer: While she can't resist holiday pies and mashed potatoes, she sticks to her daily exercise regime of running and sit-ups.

Nutrition Tip: Reynolds is smart to keep up her regular exercise regime during the holidays. This helps relieve holiday stress that may make you reach for food. If she can't resist the pie, she should eat the filling and leave the crust, which is all fat.

Donna Karan, fashion designer: Throughout the year she eats lots of steamed vegetables and keeps to an exercise regime. If she gains a couple of pounds over the holidays, she says, so be it, because right after New Year's she goes back to the steamed-vegetables-and-her-exercise routine.

Nutrition Tip: She's realistic. A couple of pounds gained during the party season isn't going to make you into a fat person if you get right back on track after the party's over. The problem is when people beat themselves up because of holiday slips-ups, then continue to overeat, punishing themselves again, and so begins a vicious cycle of yo-yo dieting.

Martina Navratilova, tennis champion: Her advice is if you're going to cheat, cheat with something you really love.

Nutrition Tip: Good suggestion. Choose your treat carefully and eat a small portion of that food. Take a plate, sit down, concentrate on each bite. Chew slowly and enjoy it fully. A small portion of anything won't kill you, but if you treat it as a for-



Reynolds
weight in check.
Nutrition Tip: You don't have to

bidden food, you are going to want it even more. And more. And more.

Casey Kasem, radio-host-of-Casey's Top 40: Being a vegan who eats no animal products helps him, he says, keep his

weight in check. You don't have to be a vegan to take a cue from Kasem's meatless and dairy-free diet based on vegetables, grains and fruits. These are the fat-free and vitamin-packed foods we all should eat more of. But watch out for the fatty dressings and sauces.

Liz Tilberis, editor-in-chief of Harper's Bazaar: Because she goes to at least three parties a night during the holiday season, Tilberis tries to space her eating and drinking, having a Perrier at the first two and a glass of red wine at party No. 3. She

finds nobody notices that she resists refilling her plate from the trays of food at cocktail parties.

Nutrition Tip: Good tips for holiday party hopping. It's very hard to overeat when you're holding a glass in one hand and a plate in the other.

Larry King, CNN TV talk-show host: Having bypass surgery a few years ago taught King to use a two-step game plan to fight fat during the holidays, as well as the rest of the year. Step one is to go for the pretzels and fruit, skinless chicken and

plain salad at parties. Step two goes into action when he can't resist the fattening goodies. King closes his eyes and scrolls back to the time he spent in the hospital after his heart surgery. "It works every time."

Nutrition Tip: Visualization is a powerful motivator. For some like King, visualizing a frightening time may work. For others, framing a picture of themselves in a fabulous slinky gown might do the trick. Different folks, different tactics. Carol Alt, actress and model:

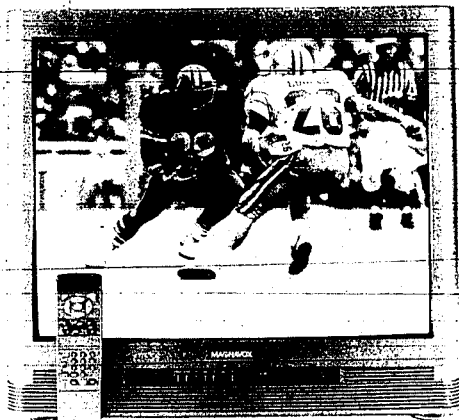
Because she finds it difficult to get rid of extra weight, she uses restraint and goes for the vegetables.

Nutrition Tip: She's right. Our best defense is a good offense. But if you can't resist the food, at least boost your exercise during the holidays. Build more steps into your day by parking the car at the far end of the parking lot, taking the stairs instead of the elevator, running with the dog or, when you take the kids ice skating, taking a couple of spins around the rink yourself.

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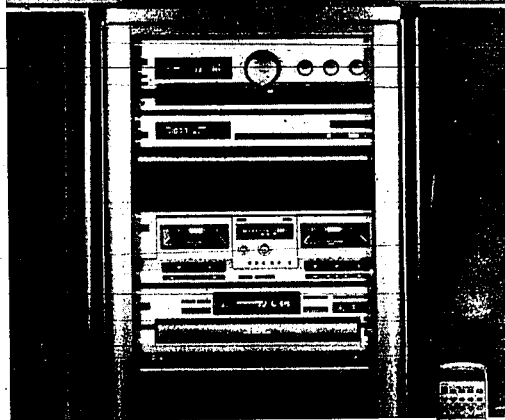
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Casserole avoids high fat content

Orlando Sentinel

Potluck suppers and office lunches are a grand tradition of the holiday season. What isn't so grand is the high fat content of most of the offerings. With this Low-fat Fajita Casserole, you can tote a festive main-dish offering that is low in fat and high in flavor.

Low-fat Fajita Casserole

(Serves 14)
1 pound lean top round steak or flank steak

1/4 cup lime juice
2 tablespoons apple-cider vinegar
2 tablespoons brown sugar
2 to 3 cloves garlic, minced or 1 teaspoon prepared garlic puree
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1 large yellow onion, sliced into strips
1 red bell pepper, sliced into strips
1 green bell pepper, sliced into strips

2 (16-ounce) can pinto beans in chili sauce, drained
1 (8-ounce) container nonfat sour cream alternative
9 (6-inch) flour tortillas, cut into strips

1 (16-ounce) jar salsa
1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar cheese

Trim meat of any visible fat. Slice the meat crosswise against the grain into thin strips.

In a glass or ceramic dish, combine the lime juice, vinegar, brown sugar, garlic and Worcestershire sauce. Marinate the meat eight hours or overnight. Drain the meat and reserve the marinade.

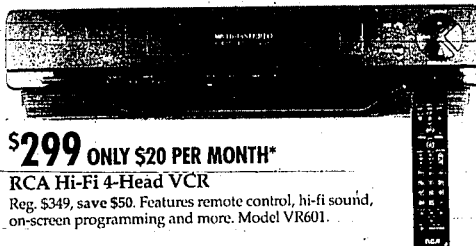
Heat oven to 350 degrees. Place 3 tablespoons of the reserved marinade in a nonstick, 12-inch skillet and bring to a boil. Add the meat strips, onions and peppers and cook, stirring occasionally for 10 to 12 minutes, until the meat is done and the vegetables are soft.

Add more reserved marinade if the mixture starts to cook dry.

In a separate bowl, stir together the drained beans and nonfat sour cream.

To make the casserole, line the bottom of a flat, 2 1/2-quart casserole dish with 1/3 of the tortilla strips. Cover with half meat and vegetables and half the bean and sour cream mixture. Cover with another layer of tortilla strips. Top with remaining meat, vegetables and beans. Cover with remaining tortilla strips.

Spread salsa over all and sprinkle cheese on top. Bake casserole for 30 minutes until bubbling.

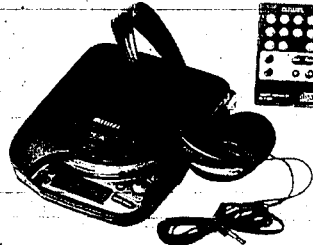


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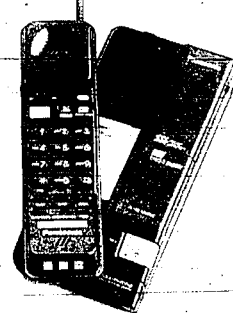


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covered chocolate sandwich cookie with tube frosting as desired; set aside.
Stack graham squares to form base, securing with some frosting in between crackers. Place decorated white fudge covered chocolate sand-

wich cookie on center of base; stand decorated graham snacks and gum sticks around cookie as pictured, securing with frosting. Attach mini chocolate sandwich cookies for wheels. Decorate with remaining frosting, candies and silver dragées as desired.

Beary Winter Spruce

Five flavor candy holes and silver dragées for decorating
Place ice cream cone, pointed end up, on flat surface. To make a hanging ornament, use a toothpick to make an opening at the top to insert candy cane; secure with some frosting. To make a table ornament, attach mint to top of cone with frosting.
Starting at the base of the cone, alternately attach cookies and graham snacks with frosting. Decorate with candy holes and silver dragées as desired.

Cook

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makes this bread for the kids. She said she usually hurries to bake these between transports.

"They wanted to know where it was the next day."
Here's the recipe.

Pumpkin Roll

3 eggs
1 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
2/3 cup pumpkin
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon ginger
The filling:
8 ounces cream cheese
4 teaspoons butter (optional)
1 cup powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
Chopped nuts (optional)
Combine first 10 ingredients. Spread batter onto a greased, waxed paper lined 10-by-15-inch jellyroll pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes. Cool 15 minutes. Roll into a towel. Unroll. Spread with filling, roll up, chill and slice.

"It has all this pumpkin and spices that make it taste different than a spice cake," Vielguth said, "but yet it has that spicy effect. It is good."
Vielguth also gives the children miniature pies: "Sometimes they are apple or cherry. Other times they are...

Pecan Pie

She makes enough dough for a 10-inch double crust pie.

The crust:
2 cups flour
1 teaspoon salt
2/3 cup shortening
6 tablespoons cold water
Mix with a fork and put on lightly floured pastry cloth or waxed paper.

For the filling:
3 eggs
1 cup granulated or brown sugar
1 cup light corn syrup
1 cup pecan pieces
1 teaspoon vanilla

Beat eggs and sugar until thick. Add corn syrup, nuts and vanilla. Pour into pie pans. Bake at 300 degrees for 1 hour.
Vielguth said she generally uses an 8-inch pie shell, and their whate'er is leftover she puts in little aluminum pans saved from frozen meat pies.

A friend gave her fresh cherries, and Vielguth used them to make pie filling to put in her freezer.

Cherry Pie Filling

Makes enough for 1-pie
2 cups cherries
1 cup sugar
2 rounded tablespoons flour
A pinch of salt
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Pour into pie shell. Add top crust, make slits, and bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes to 1 hour.
This is a favorite with the kids.

"When I asked the children if they wanted apple or cherry pie," Vielguth said, "the chorus was 'Cherry!' — so they all got a cherry pie."

German Sugar Cookies

Makes about 6 dozen
1 cup butter or margarine
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Blend in vanilla. Sift together flour, baking powder, soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture, blending well. There is no need to chill this dough. Roll the dough about 1/4-inch thick on a lightly floured surface. Cut with floured 2-inch cookie cutter. Place about 2 inches apart on a greased baking sheet. If desired, add colored sprinkles. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until golden. If they are allowed to brown, they might burn. Cool on racks.
"This makes great little Santas or reindeer or stars or whatever," Vielguth said, "and they melt in your mouth."
Vielguth said she used to make caramel corn and popcorn balls on top of the stove. But she hasn't done that since she came across the following recipe.

Microwave Caramel Corn

3-5 quarts popped popcorn
Place popcorn in a brown grocery bag. Then put the following into a large microwave bowl:
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup margarine
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1/2 teaspoon salt
Put in microwave and bring to a full boil. Boil 2 minutes on high. Remove from oven and add:
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
Stir. Add syrup mixture to paper bag. Stir with a long spoon. Close bag. Cook bag of corn on high in microwave. Turn over every 45 seconds. Shake it well or, stir with spoon. Do this every 45 seconds 4 or 5 times. Spread out to cool. Seal in airtight containers.
"I haven't found anyone who doesn't like this if they like caramel corn," Vielguth said.
Vielguth said she recently tried a new recipe on her young riders, and it was a great success.
"They wanted more," she said.

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Trim-the-tree party can turn into enduring holiday memories

Unpacking that familiar box of Christmas ornaments each year frequently brings back thoughts of Christmases past.

It can take years to amass such a collection and the memories that go with it. But one good way to build up a collection is to use trimming the Christmas tree as an opportunity for a pre-holiday party for friends. Each person brings an ornament, and decorating the tree becomes the focus of the party.

The party can feature a full dinner, or it can be as simple as a few friends spending a Saturday-afternoon together. In either case, the Christmas gathering would not be complete without an array of delicious cookies.

A holiday punch served in a festively-decorated bowl can add to the flair of a holiday party. Make a wreath ice cube by freezing water containing green food coloring and perhaps some cherries or other fruits in a ring mold. To unmold it, dip the mold into hot water for 15 to 30 seconds. Then float the wreath in a punch made from a favorite recipe.

Sherbets, sorbets and ice creams can serve a double purpose in a punch — they will sweeten and enrich the flavor, and at the same time keep the liquid chilled. If you allow the sherbet, sorbet or ice cream to soften enough to scoop it, and then re-freeze the balls until they are hard, they will last longer and will also resemble ornaments.

Here are some cookie recipes.

CHERRY OATMEAL CHEWIES

- 1/2 cup Butter Flavor Crisco all-vegetable shortening
- 1/2 cups firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/4-teaspoons vanilla
- 3 cups quick oats, uncooked
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 cup chopped candied red cherries
- 1 cup chopped candied green cherries

1. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Grease baking sheet with shortening. Place sheets of foil on countertop for cooling cookies.

2. Combine shortening, brown sugar, egg, milk and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until well blended.

3. Combine oats, flour, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Mix into creamed mixture at low speed just until blended. Stir in candied cherries.



Holiday cookies are a favorite part of the Christmas season for many individuals and their families.

- Drop rounded tablespoonfuls of dough 2 inches apart onto prepared baking sheet.
 - Bake one baking sheet at a time at 375 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes, or until lightly browned—Do not overbake. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove cookies to foil to cool completely.
- Makes about 2 1/2 dozen cookies.

HOLIDAY SUGAR COOKIES

- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup Butter Flavor* Crisco all-vegetable shortening
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup light corn syrup or regular pancake syrup
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 cups all-purpose flour (plus 4 tablespoons, divided)
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Decorations (your choice) — granulated sugar, colored sugar crystals, frosting, candies, chips, nuts, raisins, decorating gel

Icing

- 1 cup confectioners sugar
- 3 to 5 tablespoons water

Food color.

1. For cookies, combine sugar and shortening in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until well blended. Add eggs—syrup and vanilla—Beat until well blended and fluffy.

2. Combine 3 cups flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add gradually to creamed mixture at low speed. Mix until well blended.

3. Divide dough into 4 quarters. Wrap each quarter in plastic wrap. Refrigerate several hours or overnight.

4. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Place sheets of foil on countertop for cooling cookies.

5. Spread 1 tablespoon flour on large sheet of waxed paper. Place one quarter of dough on floured paper. Flatten slightly with hands. Turn dough over. Cover with another large sheet of waxed paper. Roll dough to 1/8-inch thickness. Remove top layer of waxed paper. Cut out with seasonal cookie cutters. Transfer to ungreased baking sheet with large pancake turner. Place 2 inches apart. Roll and cut out remaining dough.

6. Sprinkle with granulated sugar or colored sugar crystals, or leave plain to frost or decorate when cooled.

7. Bake one baking sheet at a time at

375 degrees for 5 to 9 minutes, depending on size of cookies. (Bake small, thinner cookies closer to 5 minutes; larger cookies closer to 9 minutes.) Do not overbake. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove cookies to foil to cool completely. Frost and decorate if desired.

8. For icing, combine confectioners sugar and 3 tablespoons water. Mix to blend well. Add additional water, a little at a time, if paste is too stiff. Add additional confectioners sugar if mixture is too thin. Divide mixture into small bowls. Add food color, a few drops at a time, to achieve desired colors. Place in pastry bag fitted with small No. 3 writing tip. Alternatively, place in small resealable plastic bag. Snip very small hole off one corner of bag. Pipe designs onto cooled cookies.

Makes about 3 to 4 dozen cookies (depending on size)

CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE WREATH

- 1 cup Butter Flavor* Crisco all-vegetable shortening
- 1/4 cups firmly packed light brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1 egg
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans** (Optional)

1. Combine confectioners sugar and 3 tablespoons Crisco all-vegetable shortening. Beat with electric mixer until well blended.

2. Add eggs, milk and vanilla. Beat until well blended. Add flour, salt, baking soda and chocolate chips. Beat until well blended.

3. Divide dough into 12 pieces. Roll each into a 1-inch ball. Arrange balls on baking sheet almost touching to form an 8-inch

wreath. Flatten balls with fingers slightly. Repeat with remaining balls to make three more wreaths.

5. Bake one baking sheet at a time at 375 degrees for 12 to 14 minutes, or until lightly browned. Do not overbake. Cool completely before removing foil from baking sheet.

6. For icing, combine confectioners sugar, shortening, milk and corn syrup in mixing bowl. Beat at medium speed until smooth. (If too thick, add additional milk, a few drops at a time. If too thin, add additional confectioners sugar.) Icing may be refrigerated, covered, up to one week.

7. Spread or pipe over wreath. Cut candies as needed for flowers and leaves. Place in clusters around wreath. Attach a colorful bow to side of wreath, if desired.

**If nuts are omitted, add an additional 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips for the pecans.

Makes 1 cookie wreaths.

MOLASSES KRIS KRINGLES

- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup Crisco all-vegetable shortening
- 1/2 cup unrefined molasses
- 1 egg
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ginger
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Granulated sugar

1. Combine sugar and shortening in large bowl. Beat at medium speed of electric mixer until well blended. Add molasses and egg. Beat well.

2. Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, ginger, cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg and salt. Add to creamed mixture at low speed until just blended. Wrap dough with plastic wrap. Refrigerate dough at least two hours or overnight.

3. Heat oven to 375 degrees. Grease baking sheet lightly with shortening. Place sheets of foil on countertop for cooling cookies.

4. Form dough into 1-inch balls. Roll granulated sugar. Place 2 inches apart baking sheet.

5. Bake one baking sheet at a time at 375 degrees for 7 to 9 minutes, or until bottoms are set. Do not overbake. Cool 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove to foil to cool completely.

Makes about 3 1/2 dozen cookies.

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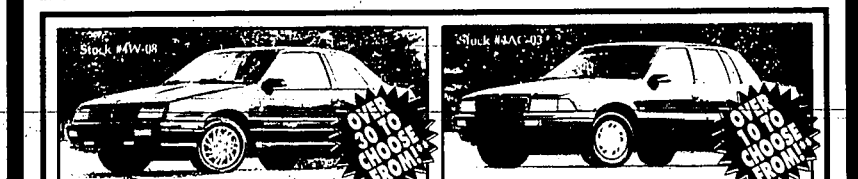
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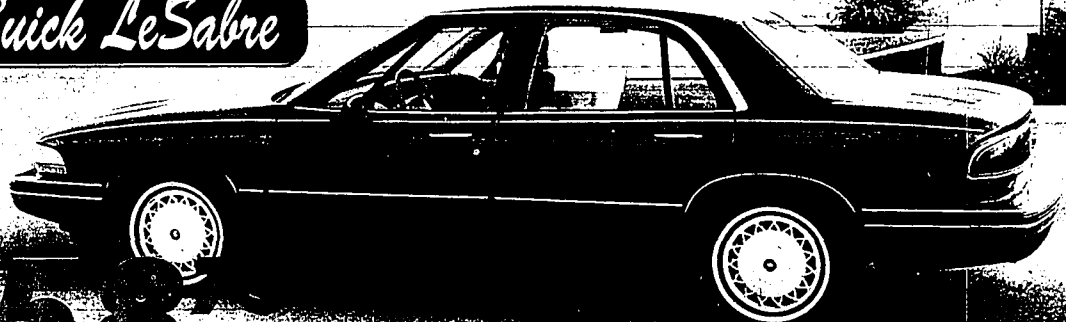
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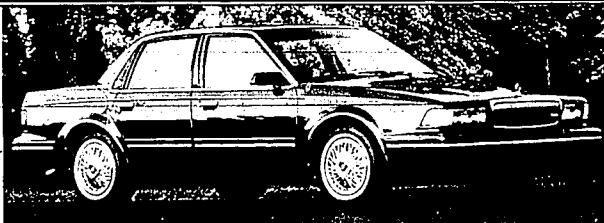
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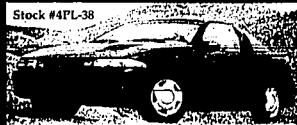


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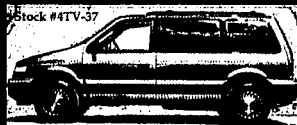


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\$0 down **\$149⁰⁰** mo.

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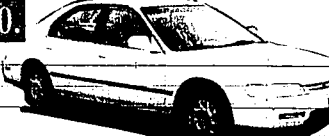
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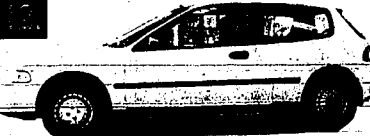
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24 mos., 10% cash down or trade (\$1,789), plus first payment, plus refundable security deposit, total down \$2,360.37, guaranteed future value \$11,083.

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18.



Brand New 1994 GRAND MARQUIS

Electric rear defroster, air conditioning, cruise control, power steering & locks, power windows, electric auto. overdrive trans., dual air bags, spoke wheel covers, AM/FM stereo cassette, tilt steering, power seats, power brakes.

TOTAL SAVINGS \$3119

\$18,995

THEISEN MOTORS DISCOUNT: \$1979 • SPECIAL ADDED DISCOUNT: \$1140



1994 LINCOLN TOWN CAR

Keyless illuminated entry wirewheel, full size spare tire, power brakes, cruise control, memory driver seat, rear defroster, traction control, power mirrors, luxury cassette stereo system, V6 engine, power mirrors, power steering, power antenna.

DRIVE NEW EVERY TWO FOR ONLY... \$46476 PER MO.

10% down (\$2581), plus first payment and security deposit equals \$4699.81, which includes doc fee of \$29.77, guaranteed future value of \$21,486. Payment includes 5% sales tax.



1994 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL

Wireless illuminated entry wirewheel, cruise control, rear defroster, anti-lock brakes, overhead console, automatic overdrive transmission, power windows, stereo cassette, memory driver seat, climate control air conditioning, power steering, comfort convenience group.

THEISEN MOTORS SAVINGS \$4956

SPECIAL ADDED DISCOUNT \$1023

TOTAL SAVINGS: \$5979

\$44043 PER MO.

10% down (\$3101), 24 months, plus first payment & security deposit makes total down \$4778.46, total down includes doc fee of \$29.77, guaranteed future value \$21,091, payment includes 5% Idaho sales tax.

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