

Weather

NATIONAL Weather

The Accu-Weather® forecast for noon, Monday, Dec. 27.

FRONTS:
COLD WARM STATIONARY

Pressure:
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Weather Symbols:
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IDAHO Weather

Monday, Dec. 27

Accu-Weather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures.

City	High	Low	Conditions
Coeur d'Alene	33°	23°	Partly Cloudy
Lewiston	39°	29°	Partly Cloudy
Boise	30°	20°	Partly Cloudy
Twin Falls	37°	27°	Partly Cloudy
Pocatello	32°	22°	Partly Cloudy

Weather symbols for snow, rain, and clouds are shown below the map.

Temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Seattle	44	31	.....
Spokane	26	24	.....
Washington	37	18.02	.....

Twin Falls

Day	Max	Min	Pcp
Yesterday	37	14	.....
Last year	24	08	.....
Normal	40	21	.....
Sunset today	5:11 p.m.		
Sunrise tomorrow	8:07 a.m.		
Lunar phase	Full Dec. 28		
last quarter Jan. 4			
11: first quarter Jan. 19			

Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	33	17	.....
Burley	38	17	.....
Fairfield	22	.....	.....
Gooding	mm	mm	.....
Hagerman	36	15	.....
Idaho Falls	28	09	.....
Jerome	38	19	.....
Lewiston	29	26	.....
Malad	35	09	.....
Malta	40	15	.....
McCall	mm	02	.....
Pootelle	30	07	.....
Salmon	23	07	.....
Soda Springs	28	03	.....
Sun Valley	mm	mm	.....

Weather summary

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Monday mostly cloudy. A slight chance of light snow or brief freezing rain in the morning. Highs in the mid- to upper 30s. Light winds. Monday night and Tuesday partly cloudy with patchy areas of fog. Lows in the teens. Highs in the middle 30s.

Camas Prairie and Wood River Valley: Monday mostly cloudy. Widely scattered snow showers mainly in the morning. Highs in the lower 30s. Monday night and Tuesday partly cloudy with areas of fog. Lows 5 below to 5 above. Highs in the 20s.

Extended forecast: Southern Idaho - Wednesday through Friday partly cloudy. Patches of low clouds and fog in the valleys. Lows 10 to 20 above zero. Highs in the 30s.

Northern Utah and Nevada:
Utah - Monday cloudy with a good chance of light snow. Highs 25-35. Monday night decreasing clouds and showers. Lows 10-20. Tuesday a few mountain snow showers otherwise partly cloudy. Highs 25-35. Extended forecast: Wednesday and Thursday fair with areas of valley fog and haze. Lows 15-25. Highs in the 30s. Friday increasing clouds with a chance of snow. Lows in the teens and 20s. Highs in the 30s.

Elko County - Monday variable clouds with a slight chance of rain or snow showers. Snow level around 5,000 feet. Highs in the mid-30s to mid-40s. Monday night partly cloudy. Lows in the teens to mid-20s. Tuesday variable high clouds.

Visible planets

Morning: Jupiter

Evening: Saturn

Forecasts

A weak Pacific weather system brought cloudiness over Idaho on Sunday afternoon, but no precipitation.

The system is expected to move east along the southern border, giving southwest Idaho a chance of snow and freezing rain Monday and southeast Idaho a chance of snow or freezing rain Monday and Monday night. Precipitation amounts are expected to be light.

High pressure will return to Idaho tonight and remain through most of this week. The strong low-level inversion will return, bringing dry, stagnant weather over the Gem State with areas of fog, smoke and low clouds in the valleys.

The highest temperature in the state Sunday was 40 degrees at Riggsites. Stanley reported the lowest at 6 degrees.

Elsewhere in the nation Sunday, the highest temperature was 81 degrees at Glendale, Calif., and International Falls, Minn., reported the lowest temperature at -34 degrees.

Deep freeze, deep snow hit Midwest, Great Lakes

The Associated Press

Intense cold spilled into the upper Midwest and locally heavy snow piled up around the Great Lakes on Sunday. A new Pacific storm system headed into the West.

Overnight temperatures across extreme northern Minnesota and Michigan's Upper Peninsula generally ranged from 20 to 40 degrees below zero.

Sunday morning's low for the Lower 48 states was 50 below zero at Tower in northeastern Minnesota, the National Weather Service said.

Other lows in northern Minnesota included 40 below zero at Floodwood, 34 below at International Falls and 33 below at Bemidji.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., had a record low of 31 below zero and Lake Thompson, Wis., fell to 27 below. Marquette, Mich., hit a record 17 below zero.

Northwesterly wind blowing at 20 to 40 mph blew

across the lower Great Lakes and much of the Northeast. The cold air rushing over the relatively warmer water of the Great Lakes produced snow showers and squalls, mainly downwind of lakes Erie and Ontario.

In 24 hours, 15 inches of snow was reported at Pepper Pike, Ohio, near Cleveland, and Kirtland, Ohio, got 12 inches on top of 12 inches already on the ground.

Thunder and lightning were reported with some heavy snow showers off Lake Ontario in western New York state, and 15 inches of snow fell at Parrish.

Snow also fell across parts of southwestern Ohio as a weak area of low pressure raced through the Ohio Valley. Snow amounts included 4 1/2 inches at Sharonville and 4 inches at West Chester, Lebanon and Hamilton.

Mild weather extended northward into the Plains, with readings in the 50s as far north as southwestern South Dakota and western Nebraska, while eastern sections of those states were in the single digits and teens.

Tolerance

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shields and then demand money from motorists.

These are the nightmares that cause business and the middle class to flee, that discourage urban investment, that keep suburbanites at home on weekends. The bottom line is economic survival.

Anxious city councils are moving to outlaw sleeping, camping, loitering and other disruptive street activities. Community policing is much in vogue, not because it stems crime but because a cop walking a beat brings civility and order to chaotic, threatening neighborhoods.

In state capitals, meanwhile, lawmakers are cracking down on welfare recipients. No extra money for extra babies in New Jersey and Georgia, on the theory that working people don't get raises for new children. No aid to teen-age mothers in Massachusetts unless they live with their parents or in a supervised group home.

Conservative writer Charles Murray stirred the pot this year by asking whether teen-age mothers should receive welfare at all. And the emerging federal consensus, endorsed by President Clinton, is that welfare benefits to all mothers give

way to mandatory work after a limited period.

Proponents of all these moves say they're interested in discipline, standards, responsibility and getting help for those who need it — not in punishing victims. Advocates for the homeless and poor, however, say their answers are facile and sometimes cruel.

"Sometimes these ordinances are misguided," said Laurel Weir, a lobbyist with the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty. "They end up trying to legislate the symptoms of homelessness out of existence rather than addressing the causes."

How can you tell homeless people they can't sleep in the street when there's nowhere else to go? ask civil liberties and legal aid groups. How can you tell them not to urinate in the street when cities don't have public toilets? How can you make welfare mothers work when jobs, child care and medical aid are unavailable?

House and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros said Sunday that "welfare people is just not an answer" to the homeless problem facing American cities. The answer cannot be just sweeping people off the streets," he said

on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But conservative William Bennett, former education secretary and drug czar in 1980s, said city officials increasingly are feeling political pressure and "are now reversing their policies" toward the homeless because often "they constitute a nuisance and... a threat to the safety of other people."

Some of the same groups talking about welfare reform and homelessness say government should spend more to solve just such problems. But they say there's no reason meanwhile to tolerate deviant or irresponsible behavior.

People do not have "a constitutional right to do uncivil things," said Rob Teir, general counsel for the American Alliance of Rights and Responsibilities, which helps cities defend their ordinances.

The group's financing ranges from the conservative Seafair Foundation to the progressive Carnegie Foundation — underscoring the wide-ranging political appeal of a revised social contract.

"I think people have had it, even many who are liberals," said author Joel Kotkin, an expert on urban affairs. "People are saying look, we want the streets back. And they have a right to that."

Laws

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ers of the burden of supporting public schools.

And Colorado's legislature protected voters of baseball teams and stadiums from litigious spectators as part of the deal to get Denver a National League franchise, the Colorado Rockies. The law limits the team and stadium liability if fans, for instance, get beamed by a stray ball or slip on a hot dog.

Political scientists were at a loss to explain what the line-up of new laws means, if anything.

"We've had a change in the administration, and maybe the states are waiting for new policy direction," suggested David King, assistant professor of public policy at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Some observers forecast a slew of crime bills next year in reaction to rising concern about crime.

For now, safety, more than crime, was the watchword.

Starting Jan. 1, riding in the open back of a pickup truck will be illegal in California, where children 6 and younger will also need life jackets in motorboats and sailboats less than 26 feet long.

Tinted car windows can be only so

dark in Oklahoma under regulations dictating how much light they must let in.

Safety seating against drunken drivers and following the lead of many other states, New Mexico and New Hampshire lowered the permissible level of alcohol in the blood to 0.08 percent from 0.10 percent. In California, anyone under 21 caught driving with a blood-alcohol level of just 0.01 will lose his or her license for one year.

Under a year-long experiment, Illinois will join about 30 states that require repeat drunken drivers to use devices that keep a car from starting if the driver has alcohol on his breath.

Addressing dangers of the marketplace, Rhode Island will require credit agencies to send consumers their credit reports within four days of a request and tell consumers when credit is denied.

Video stores in New York will be barred from selling their customers' names and rental histories to anyone. Illinois is outlawing unwanted sales pitches by telephone, and setting a curfew on calls between 9 p.m. and 8 a.m.

Connecticut is repealing its no-fault auto insurance, after two

decades. Motorists should see premiums drop but must go to court to make accident claims against other drivers.

Cars insurance in Illinois and buckling up in Vermont will be mandatory, as they are in most states.

Some new laws protect against the inept and incompetent. Texas acted to regulate perfumers, operators of machines that keep blood and oxygen flowing during open heart surgery.

Notably, many of these measures cost the states nothing, except for enforcement.

Bigger expenses may be in the offing, of course, with changes in the national health care and welfare systems. Some states are venturing ahead, not waiting for word from Washington.

Universal health care comes to Tennessee with a system called TennCare.

And women in Georgia who are under 18 and pregnant, or already mothers, must live with a parent or guardian to get welfare. Furthermore, able-bodied recipients must accept offered jobs to remain eligible for welfare, and benefits will be frozen for two years for mothers on welfare who have another child.

Mideast

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should control the borders with Egypt and Jordan. Other sticking points include the size of the Jewish autonomous zone and how to protect Jewish settlements in the occupied lands.

Palestinian sources said some progress was made on these issues at talks in Paris and Oslo last week.

Palestinian negotiators and Israeli officials expressed optimism that an end to the delays is in sight.

"I think the Cairo round will be the last round in reaching a solution to the principal problems," said Nabil Shaath, who has been the chief of Palestine Liberation Organization.

tion negotiator in the talks.

Rabin's spokesman, Gad Ben-Ari, told The Associated Press in Jerusalem that "while we strongly hope that there will be significant progress tomorrow, we will give it additional time if needed."

Israel radio reported that Israel would offer 20 square miles — nearly double its original offer — for an autonomous area that would include Jericho and two adjacent refugee camps. Arafat has insisted on 80 square miles.

But Rabin told the Cabinet that Israel will not agree to let the autonomous region reach the Dead Sea to the south or include any Jewish settlements, Trade Minister Micha Harish said after the ministers' weekly meeting.

The Haaretz daily said Foreign Minister Shimon Peres had offered the Palestinians a compromise under

which the area between the autonomous region and the Dead Sea would be used for Israeli-Palestinian joint ventures.

Regarding the border crossings with Jordan and Egypt, Harish said Israel would insist on control over security but that all other issues were open to negotiation.

The peace accord, signed by the PLO and Israel in Washington Oct. 13, sets April 13 as the deadline for Israel to complete its withdrawal from Gaza and Jericho. Rabin has said Israel could still meet the April 13 deadline.

Autonomy in those areas is to serve as a model for a wider peace between Israelis and Palestinians.

Peres will head the Israeli delegation to today's talks, and the Palestinians will be led by Arafat's top aide, Mahmoud Abbas.

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In memory of ... A look at some notable people who passed away in 1993

The Associated Press

They left their mark in many ways: A few notables who died in 1993.

Government-Military

Thurgood Marshall, the first black to sit on the Supreme Court and a towering figure of the civil rights movement. Jan. 24. Age 84. Heart failure.

Gerhard A. Gesell, a federal judge who in a quarter-century on the bench had a part in Watergate, the Pentagon Papers and the Iran Contra cases. Feb. 19. Age 82. Liver cancer.

John Connally, a three-time Texas governor and former Cabinet member who was wounded in the gunfire that killed President Kennedy. June 15. Age 76. Pulmonary fibrosis.

Matthew B. Ridgway, who commanded the Army's first major airborne campaign, led the 82nd Airborne division on D-Day and later succeeded Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the Korean War. July 26. Age 98.

Pat Nixon, former first lady. June 22. Age 81. Lung cancer.

James H. Doolittle, aviator whose daring, daylight bombing raid on Japan during World War II stunned the Japanese and lifted American morale. Sept. 27. Stroke. Age 96.

H.R. "Bob" Haldeman, President Nixon's fiercely protective chief of staff who served 18 months in prison for covering up the Watergate break-in. Nov. 12. Age 67. Cancer.

Science-Technology

Jean Mayer, renowned nutritionist and educator. Jan. 1. Age 72. Heart attack.

Albert Sabin, health pioneer whose oral vaccine helped to all but eliminate crippling polio in the industrialized world. March 3. Age 86. Congestive heart failure.

Donald K. "Deke" Slayton, an original Mercury Seven astronaut who waited 16 years to fly in space before finally going up in the historic 1975 U.S.-Soviet mission. June 13. Age 69. Brain cancer.

Business-Labor

Reginald Lewis, chairman of the nation's largest black-owned business, TLC Beatrice International. Jan. 19. Age 50. Brain cancer.

Taikichiro Mori, Japanese real es-



Thurgood Marshall
Supreme Court Justice

tal baron ranked by Forbes magazine as the world's richest man. Jan. 30. Age 88. Heart failure.

Cesar Chavez, a child of the fields who organized migrant farm workers and led a nationwide grape boycott in the 1960s. April 23. Age 66. Heart attack.

Julio Gallo, who founded the Gallo winemaking empire with his brother. May 2. Age 83. Car accident. Norton Simon, industrialist who built Hunt Foods into Norton Simon, Inc., then plowed his fortune into a world-famous art collection. June 2. Age 86.

Pneumonia, Guillain-Barre syndrome.

Doris Duke, tobacco heiress famed in headlines as "The Richest Girl in the World." Oct. 28. Age 80. Fluid in lungs.

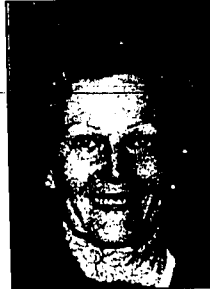
Arts

Rudolph Nureyev, the charismatic Soviet dancer whose daring dash to freedom opened a brilliant career that brought ballet to audiences around the world. Jan. 6. Age 54. AIDS.

Dizzy Gillespie, bebop pioneer who helped popularize jazz with humor and showmanship — and his trademark blowing cheeks and bent trumpet. Jan. 6. Age 75. Pancreatic cancer.

Audrey Hepburn, actress who epitomized elegance in films such as "Breakfast at Tiffany's," "Roman Holiday" and "The Nun's Story." Jan. 20. Age 63. Colon cancer.

Thomas A. Dorsey, gospel music



Pat Nixon
Former first lady

pioneer. Jan. 23. Age 93. Alzheimer's disease.

Joseph L. Mankiewicz, the Academy Award-winning writer and director whose films included the classics "All About Eve" and "A Letter to Three Wives." Feb. 5. Age 83.

Lillian Gish, actress whose career spanned the century and reached its peak in the silent era with such films as "The Birth of a Nation" and "The Scarlet Letter." Feb. 27. Age 99.

Helen Hayes, diminutive "First Lady of the American Theater" who brought dynamism and grace to roles ranging from Queen Victoria to a cantankerous passenger in "Airport." March 17. Age 92. Congestive heart failure.

John Hersey, Pulitzer Prize-winning author whose books "Hiroshima," "A Bell for Adano" and "The Wall" chronicled World War II and its consequences. March 24. Age 78. Stroke, cancer.

Marian Anderson, the brilliant contralto whose 1939 concert at the Lincoln Memorial was a singular moment in civil rights history. April 8. Age 96. Stroke.

Wallace Stegner, Pulitzer Prize-winning writer who celebrated the spirit of the American West in his novels and nonfiction. Age 84. April 13. Car crash.

Sir William Golding, Nobel Prize-winning author whose classic novel "Lord of the Flies" is a chilling story



Arthur Ashe
Tennis player

of marooned schoolboys who descend into barbarism. June 19. Age 81. Heart attack.

Helen O'Connell, the quintessential big band singer of the 1940s known for hits such as "Green Eyes." Age 73. Sept. 9. Cancer.

Raymond Burr, TV's Perry Mason. Sept. 12. Age 76. Liver cancer.

Agnes de Mille, choreographer who changed Broadway and ballet through such works as "Oklahoma!" and "Rodeo." Age 88. Oct. 7.

Vincent Price, actor whose gaunt face and creepy voice put chills in such thrillers as "The Raven" and "House of Wax." Oct. 25. Age 82. Lung cancer.

Federico Fellini, who transformed his vision of the grotesque, bizarre, pathetic and mystical onto celluloid and became Italy's national poet of cinema. Oct. 31. Age 73. Stroke.

Frank Zappa, musical iconoclast who fused rock, jazz and classical music behind lyrics of satire and social commentary. Dec. 4. Age 52. Prostate cancer.

Don Ameche, dashing leading man in 1930s-'40s films who won Oscar and revived his career in 1985...with "Cocoon." Dec. 6. Age 85. Prostate cancer.

Myrna Loy, actress of 100 films from the '20s onward, whose breezy charm made her "the woman every man wanted to marry." Dec. 14. Age 88.

Sports

Arthur Ashe, a pioneering black tennis player and crusader off the court for human rights and AIDS research. Feb. 7. Age 49. AIDS.

Roy Campanella, power-hitting Hall of Fame catcher for baseball's Brooklyn Dodgers whose career was cut short by an auto accident. June 26. Age 71. Heart attack.

Don Drysdale, Baseball Hall of Fame pitcher who helped lead the Los Angeles Dodgers to three World Series championships. July 3. Age 56. Heart attack.

Ewing Kauffman, millionaire pharmaceutical company owner and founder of the Kansas City Royals baseball team. Aug. 1. Age 76. Bone cancer.

Willie Mosconi, a world champion billiards player over nearly two decades. Sept. 16. Age 80. Heart attack.

Media

Richard Salant, retired CBS News president who oversaw the introduc-

tion of "60 Minutes." Feb. 16. Age 78. Heart failure.

William Randolph Hearst Jr., Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter, editor in chief of the Hearst newspapers. May 14. Age 85. Heart attack.

Joseph Pulitzer Jr., sejon of one of the most prestigious families in journalism and former editor and publisher of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Age 80. May 26. Cancer.

Robert C. Maynard, former publisher of The Oakland (Calif.) Tribune and one of the most respected black journalists in America. Aug. 17. Age 56. Prostate cancer.

Crime

Carlos Marcello, the reputed godfather of the New Orleans-based organized crime family believed to be the nation's oldest. March 2. Age 83.

Pablo Escobar, Colombian drug lord whose Medellín cartel bombed police stations and newspapers, terrorized public officials and killed hundreds. Dec. 2. Age 44. Shot-by-security forces.

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Stories

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Four agents and two cult members were killed in the gun battle.

After a 51-day standoff, the FBI led an assault with modified tanks and tear gas. Koresh was blamed for igniting a fire that destroyed the grounds. Among the dead were 17 children, many of them fathered by Koresh, who was married to many of the sect's women. New Attorney General Janet Reno took responsibility for the controversial raid.

3. **PREIDENCY** — Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton became the first Democrat in 12 years and the first baby boomer to occupy the White House. He promised change and economic revival, but the new leader was tested on Somalia, Bosnia, Iraq, Haiti, unkept promises, gays in the military, housekeeper problems that scuttled his first two choices for attorney general and the suicide of long-time friend Vincent Foster Jr. Yet the new president got his tax and deficit-reduction package through Congress by the narrowest of margins, won approval for NAFTA, signed the Brady bill and helped end an airline strike in his roller coaster year.

4. **TERRORISM** — America's sense of immunity from foreign terrorists was shattered Feb. 26 when a home-made bomb exploded two floors beneath the World Trade Center, killing six and injuring 1,000. The case was cracked when a suspect tried to reclaim the \$400 deposit on a rented van used to transport the bomb: Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and a band of Muslim followers were charged in the plot. The FBI thwarted terrorist attempts to bomb other New York City landmarks and symbols of capitalism.

5. **SOMALIA** — A mercy mission to save starving lives turned to gun battles on the Horn of Africa. During the year, more than 30 Americans and dozens of U.N. forces were killed, including 18 Army Rangers in a disastrous attempt to nab aides of warlord Mohamed Farah Aidid. Images of a dead American being dragged through the streets and of a

helicopter pilot held captive were seared into the nation's soul. Clinton decided to pull out U.S. forces.

6. **MIDEAST** — The picture seemed implausible: Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yasser Arafat recognizing each other's existence and agreeing to partial autonomy for Palestine in lands occupied by Israel. But after their historic September handshake on the White House lawn, peace remained elusive as deadlines passed. Prodded by Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Israel also explored peace talks with Jordan and Syria.

7. **NAFTA** — Congress approved the North American Free Trade Agreement, despite the Ross Perot's prediction of a "giant sucking sound" from U.S. jobs heading south. Wheeling and dealing up to Nov. 17 vote in the House, President Clinton resurrected a deal that seemed dead. Over the next 15 years, NAFTA removes trade barriers and opens new markets.

8. **HEALTH CARE** — Fulfilling a campaign promise, President Clinton unveiled a health-care package that guarantees coverage to all Americans. His task force was led by his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton. Questions over the cost and

coverage remain for next year's legislative battles.

9. **RUSSIA** — President Boris Yeltsin's push to move his country from communism to capitalism erupted in civil disorder in late September. The holdover Communist Parliament impeached Yeltsin, who promptly dissolved parliament. Both sides claimed to govern Russia, but Yeltsin had military backing. A standoff ended in a 10-hour battle on Oct. 4. Tanks blasted the parliament building and set it ablaze as Yeltsin emerged triumphant—Russians later elected a parliament, giving ultranationalists surprising strength, and adopted Yeltsin's proposed constitution.

10. **BOSNIA** — The third year of fighting, shelling and purges bled the former Yugoslavia like an open wound. The United States air-dropped food and supplies with mixed success, and NATO attempted to enforce a no-fly zone. Despite threats of U.S. and allied intervention, the killing and maiming overwhelmed cemeteries and battered hospitals during Europe's worst fighting since World War II.

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Quality over quantity PACs revamp their philosophy on contributions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's largest political action committee is scaling back its contributions to candidates for Congress, believing that politics of the future lie less in brute dollars than in home-grown activism.

The PAC of the National Association of Realtors, which has been spending more than \$4 million on friendly lawmakers in each two-year election cycle, will reduce that to about \$2.5 million this time around.

"We're not getting the most effective expenditure of the amount of money we did raise," said Steve Driesler, a senior association executive. "Rather than support bombing every congressional campaign, we're going to be a lot more focused and targeted in our giving."

With Congress contemplating campaign finance reform, other groups also are taking a fresh look at how they spend political money.

"As the PAC movement matures, we're finding that there's a lot of rethinking and reviewing going on," said Steven Stockmeyer, who represents an association of business political action committees.

The Realtors' board of directors ratified the changes for their organization at a meeting last month in Miami Beach, Fla.

They include new programs to encourage at-home fund-raisers for candidates, where local real estate people can informally "bundle" individual contributions; to recruit local campaign volunteers; and to use more "soft money" corporate money that's banned for direct giving to candidates — to promote the organization's issues.

To help pay for the new efforts, the Realtors stop giving to the Republican and Democratic parties and to the PACs of congressional leaders, and will slash about \$1 million from independent spending for congressional candidates.

All the moves are aimed at promoting government policies friendly to the real estate industry. "The reason we engage in political activity is to advance the legislative agenda of our members," Driesler said. "We don't do it just for the hell of it."

Political scientists say groups are increasingly realizing that direct contributions to candidates alone don't get them what they need in Washington. A balanced political program also includes one-on-one lobbying, organizing grassroots constituents to speak their views heard, issue education and hands-on campaign work.

The American Dental Association, for example, plans to spend up to \$2 million this year to increase its grassroots efforts on health care reform, on top of the \$1.5 million or so it will spend on direct giving to candidates.

"If you don't have a couple hundred members in each congressional district who are informed and committed, then you don't have what you need to be able to get to that member" of Congress, said ADA Executive Director John Zapp.

Besides, with the proliferation of PACs — the number has grown from 3,700 to 4,700 over the past decade — individual groups and their contributions become drowned in a sea of political money and must find other ways to stand out.

"PACs don't seem to have as much influence as both the people who give the money and the press who criticize them think," said Dennis Thompson of the Brookings Institution, a Washington policy organization.

"There's a widely held view that they seem to give to both sides, and cancel each other out," Thompson said.

Stockmeyer said business, in particular, learned a hard lesson from the fight over the North American Free Trade Agreement, a pact it helped push to a come-from-behind victory in Congress.

"They were either rusty or totally inexperienced as to what you have to do in a full-court press," he said. Business groups realized they need to sharpen their grassroots skills, an area long dominated by labor, consumer and environmental organizations.

"If you're really serious about being involved in the political side of things, there's a lot you should be doing aside from just handing out money," Stockmeyer said.



Snowmobilers make their way through near-whiteout conditions Sunday north of Syracuse, N.Y. A cold front brought low temperatures and snow to much of the eastern United States.

Cold front wallops East, Great Lakes

The Associated Press

A post-Christmas rush of cold air swamped homeless shelters in the East on Sunday and made travel an ordeal around parts of the Great Lakes.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., chilled to 31 below zero, a record for the month, the National Weather Service said.

Sunday's low for the Lower 48 states was 50 below zero at the tiny Iron Range town of Tower in northeastern Minnesota, the weather service said. And the Lake Superior shore town of Grand Marais had a wind chill that felt like 68 below zero.

"I saw the wrecker going out a lot this morning because it was so cold. People were having trouble getting their cars started," said Judy Perala, who works at a convenience store in Tower.

The cold extended as far south as northern Florida, where the temperature in Creswell fell to 22 degrees, the weather service said.

Miami cooled to 48. As much as 20 inches of snow was on the ground in northwestern Pennsylvania.

Paradoxically, Montana and southwestern South Dakota enjoyed a brief breath of spring.

In Columbus, Ohio, the Open Shelter, which holds about 120 men, was "a little more crowded than usual last night. We had 114, and that's eight to 10 more than a typical night," said Curtis Turner, a supervisor.

At Akron, Ohio's cold spot at midday with a reading of only 9 degrees, the Haven of Rest Ministries men's shelter was filled to capacity of 52 homeless people and 18 residents, said supervisor Gary Meeks. An additional 40 people were referred to a second shelter.

A supervisor for the agency that tracks heat complaints from New York City renters said it logged 988 calls between midnight and noon. "For a weekend that's heavy, due to the weather," said the supervisor, who wouldn't give his name.

The city's temperature started around 20 degrees in the morning and dropped from there.

People with heating problems in Philadelphia contacted the Philadelphia Gas Works, which quickly filled its schedule with repair appointments, spokeswoman Jacki Mungai said. Philadelphia Electric Co. said it would restore power to customers whose service had been cut because of overdue bills.

People in more northern climes claim to be accustomed to the cold. "We were way overdue for this," Sault Ste. Marie police dispatcher Bill Payment said of Sunday's record low. "It's still about 20-below (at 1 p.m.) and people are out running around without hats on. We're used to this."

"You learn to live with it — but you don't have to like it," said Linda Brown of the northwest Iowa community of Estherville, which had a midday wind chill of 30 below zero.

Florida town mayor may land in jail

HALEAH, Fla. (AP) — For the once and present mayor of Haleah, the future is very tentative.

Raul Martinez runs this blue-collar city of nearly 200,000 knowing that within months, if his appeal fails, he could be trading his business suit and office for a prison uniform and cell.

"It's not an easy thing to live with," Martinez said. "With every thought you have, every dream you have, it's always on your mind."

Haleah voters on Nov. 9 gave Martinez four more years, even though a federal judge had already given him 10. He was convicted in 1991 on federal racketeering and extortion charges.

His campaign led to legal challenges and allegations that have reached to Washington, where an aide to Attorney General Janet Reno is under fire for her role in

Martinez's re-election bid. His losing opponent, Nilo Juri, has filed suit challenging Martinez's 273-vote victory. The lawsuit questions the validity of some absentee votes.

Reno aide Lula Rodriguez, Martinez's sister-in-law, helped his campaign and witnessed 11 absentee ballots. She has denied wrongdoing, but faces a Justice Department inquiry into her conduct.

Martinez, back in office after being suspended following his 1990 indictment, said he's getting the city moving again, starting with cleanup projects, and studying the budget.

His re-election in the face of his conviction and sentence appeared to defy logic.

"What exactly is the mandate for an elected racketeer?" missed Miami Herald columnist Carl Hlassen. "Is he expected to continue extorting?"

"It's because the people know me; they've known me for 24 years," said Martinez, who said the charges stemmed from politics, not wrongdoing.

Martinez isn't the first convicted felon elected mayor in Haleah. The late Henry Milander was re-elected in 1970 after being convicted and sentenced to probation on grand larceny charges.

Study required feeding teen-agers radioactive food

Boston Globe

WALTHAM, Mass. — Records at the Fernald State School list them as "morons" but the researchers from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University called the retarded teen-age boys who took part in their radiation experiments "the Fernald Science Club."

In the name of science, members of the club would eat cereal mixed with radioactive milk for breakfast or digest a series of iron supplements that gave them the radiation equivalent of at least 50 chest X-rays. From 1946 to 1956, scores of retarded teen-agers consumed radioactive food to help the researchers better understand the human digestive process.

"There is absolutely no ground for caution regarding the quantities of radioactive substances which we would use in our experiments," MIT biochemist Robert S. Harris assured Fernald's superintendent in a letter proposing the research in December 1945. At least some consent forms sent home to parents or guardians do not mention radiation.

The experiments at the Fernald School, which almost certainly would not be permitted today, are one of the darker corners of Massachusetts' atomic legacy. Along with pioneering the field of nuclear medicine, some of the state's leading academic institutions and hospitals also subjected the terminally ill, the elderly and others to radiation doses that are considered unsafe today, often with no possible benefit to the test subjects.

Though never secret — researchers published the results of the Fernald studies in scholarly journals — details of the research effort, funded partly by Quaker Oats Co. and the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, have sat in a jumble of boxes in the Fernald School library until now.

U.S. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary has started a federal review of human radiation experiments.

"It's very important that the public begin to see that secrecy at bottom is what lets this happen," said David Rush of the Human Nutrition Research Center at Tufts University in Medford, who has written a book on radiation exposure to defense workers. He called the Fernald experiments "something of which American medicine should be ashamed."

But Constantine Maletskos, a former MIT researcher who studied how teen-agers at Fernald metabolized radioactive calcium, defended the experiments, saying they yielded important information about nutrition.

"I feel just as good about it today as the day I did it," he said. "The attitude of the scientists was we're going to do this in the best way possible. ... They would get the minimum radiation they could possibly get and have the experiment work."

'I feel just as good about it today as the day I did it.'

— Constantine Maletskos, Ex-MIT researcher

The Fernald participants, who were 15 to 17 years old at the time, would be in their 50s and 60s today.

Maletskos does not know of any follow-up health studies on the Fernald subjects, but he maintains to this day that the children were not harmed because the radiation levels were so low. However, other radiation researchers, such as Richard Clapp of JSI in Boston, an epidemiology research group, believe there is no such thing as a safe level.

The experiments at Fernald grew out of nutritionists' concern that a diet heavy in cereal might slow down the body's ability to digest two important minerals, iron and calcium.

Harris told Malcolm Farrell, superintendent of Fernald at the time, that the boys would be eating radioactive food. But Farrell's 1946 letter to parents and guardians, still in a file at the Fernald library, makes no mention of radiation. "We are considering the selection of a group of our brighter patients, including your son, to receive a special diet rich" in iron and vitamins, the form letter reads.

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THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE IS SEEKING YOUR Comment

on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Idaho Training Range.

Proposed Action
The State of Idaho proposes to establish, operate, and maintain a 25,350-acre air-to-ground tactical training range in southwest Idaho to enhance the quality of training for the Composite Wing based at Mountain Home Air Force Base and the Idaho Air National Guard based at Gowen Field. The state proposes to execute a land exchange for public lands under the administration of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management and to purchase private lands necessary to complete the range. The Air Force also proposes to request that the Federal Aviation Administration modify the special use airspace overlying the proposed range.

Public Meetings
January 11, 1994
Grand View 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Rimrock High School
January 12, 1994
Boise 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Boise State University Student Ctr.
Jordan Ballrooms
January 14, 1994
Twin Falls 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
College of Southern Idaho
Performing Arts Center
January 15, 1994
Mountain Home 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Mountain Home High School

Format
There will be a brief video presentation on the proposal, information displays and a large open forum hearing room for verbal comments.

Draft Environmental Impact Statements are available for review at public locations throughout Idaho and will also be available for review at the hearings.

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Around the valley

Comment on state transportation plan

SHOSHONE - The Idaho Transportation Department wants public comments on the statewide transportation plan and the state transportation improvement program.

"Public involvement is an important factor in helping determine which projects are funded," said state Director Dwight Bower.

"It also provides vital information necessary for mapping out the future of transportation in our state," Bower said.

The statewide transportation plan covers both rural and urban traffic and address access to businesses and mass transit facilities. Expected to be completed by Jan. 1, 1995, this plan will be updated at least once every five years.

The state transportation improvement program is a multi-year plan based on anticipated state and federal funds. This plan will be updated at least once every two years.

Public meetings are planned for locations across the state next spring.

The state Transportation Board will discuss the public involvement process and receive public comments on the process at its Jan. 20 and 21 meetings in Boise. For those unable to attend those meetings, comments must be received by Feb. 11.

A final determination will be made by the board at its Feb. 24 and 25 meetings, also in Boise.

For information, contact the Transportation Department at 216 S. Date in Shoshone or call (208) 886-2411.

Attorneys may use mobile TV system in child-abuse cases

TWIN FALLS - A mobile closed-circuit TV system will be available to local prosecuting attorneys to use in child-abuse cases.

The Idaho attorney general's office will develop the closed-circuit system with \$38,000 in federal grant money, according to a news release from the Attorney General Larry EchoHawk's office.

The system will allow children to testify in abuse cases but avoid potentially traumatizing face-to-face confrontations with the accused. Children can testify from a location outside the courtroom, the release stated.

Members of the attorney general's Child Sexual Abuse Response Team will train local prosecutors to use the system, according to the release.

Speeding violations in Oregon cost more than those in Idaho

TWIN FALLS - The Oregon State Police want Idahoans to know that speeding in Oregon can cost a lot of money - more than in Idaho, according to a news release from the Idaho State Police.

Driving from 1 to 20 mph above the speed limit in Oregon can cost up to \$139, the news release stated.

In Idaho, speeding violations up to 20 mph over the speed limit cost \$45.

Oregon State Police officials say many Idahoans are shocked at the higher fines.

In Baker County, Ore., for example, speeding 1-10 mph above the speed limit costs \$82. Driving 20-30 mph above the limit costs \$524. More than 30 mph above the limit costs \$524.

Reckless-driving fines total \$6,880 in Oregon, according to the news release. In Idaho, reckless driving fines total \$300, the news release stated.

Library holiday donations qualify for tax deductions

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Public Library asks donors to consider a holiday contribution that could qualify for tax deductions.

The allowable Idaho tax credit is half a contribution up to \$50 for individuals, \$100 for joint returns and \$500 for corporate returns.

According to a library news release, the out-of-pocket cost for such a contribution are surprisingly small.

Also the donation would be recognized by an inscribed leaf on the library's giving tree.

Schools win US West grants to run programs

TWIN FALLS - Area schools have won US West education grants to offer new programs for underachieving math students in Rupert and for parents of preschool children in Gooding.

At Gooding's Gibbons Elementary School, a new program called a Parent Resource Center will be offered material to parents to help them be an effective "first teacher" before and during the school year.

US West has given a \$5,000 grant to the school for the program, according to a US West news release.

At Rupert's Memorial Elementary School, teachers will use innovative and enjoyable teaching methods involving parents and community members to get students more interested in math.

US West has given \$4,000 to that project, the news release says.

In its second year of awarding grants to schools, US West has given \$65,000 in 1993.

Compiled from staff reports

City, county officials meet on E911

Twin Falls council members, commissioners have mixed opinions about dispatch center

By Sean L. McCarthy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The county commissioners will be guests at the Twin Falls City Council work session tonight to discuss the fate of the regional emergency-dispatch center.

The work session begins at 4 p.m. in the City Hall conference room and is open to the public.

Opinions are mixed on what that fate should be.

Tuesday night, City Councilman Art Frantz stilled the signing of a \$942,000 contract with Sundance Construction Management to build an emergency-dispatch center in Jerome.

Frantz is the only city representative on the four-county "enhanced" 911 board of commissioners from Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Twin Falls counties.

Though two other council members and

Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tausley supported his request, Frantz stood alone in opposition to signing the contract Tuesday.

The Twin Falls City Council needs time to look over the contract and get independent legal opinions on its validity, Frantz said.

Twin Falls may want to pull out of the project altogether, Mayor Howard Allen acknowledged Thursday.

"That's an option that we have to consider," he said.

But Twin Falls County Commissioner Jim Fruley said he does not favor replacing the four-county "enhanced" 911 plan with a Twin Falls-exclusive facility.

"I'm very supportive of the regional concept," Fruley said.

If the county had wanted to build its own dispatch center with the city, the commissioners should not have joined the other three counties in the first place, he said.

"Let's stick with the plan and get it done," he said.

When the counties agreed to consolidate their emergency dispatching, however, the city did not have a representative on the E911 board, Allen said.

Neither did the city have a vote when the E911 board decided to build the facility in Jerome. When built, it would provide computer-aided emergency service to callers from the four counties.

Since the dispatching will be computerized, locating the dispatch center north of the Snake River does not pose a problem for Twin Falls - "the biggest entity" in the plan, Allen said.

But what kind of facility is needed is another question altogether, he said.

"We don't need a \$1 million structure," he said.

There are at least three existing buildings in Twin Falls that could be modified for dispatching, he said. Those are: the city's unused jail space, the old Health and Welfare building near Filer Avenue and Polk

Street, and the telephone equipment building on Shoshone Street, he said.

At a size close to 9,000 square feet, the Health and Welfare building "has got great possibilities," he said.

The mayor said he is concerned not only about the validity of the contract, but also about the time the board has taken to even get a contract ready to sign.

"I don't discount the effort that has been put into it - but it's taken so darn long," Allen said.

Jerome Mayor Gerald M. Ostler acknowledged in a Dec. 21 letter to the E911 board that cooperation among the four counties has not been easy.

"Sometimes it may feel lonely out there trying to get all the various aspects of the project underway," Ostler wrote.

"We congratulate everyone's commitment to the future success of this project and urge you to continue on your course," he wrote.



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Idaho lottery money is distributed solely on the basis of the number of students in each school district.

School officials: Lottery money disproportionate to 'investment'

By Mick Normington
Times-News writer

HAILEY - High school students in Blaine County have a roof over their heads thanks in part to money from the Idaho Lottery.

But lottery money only paid for a third of the roofing bill last year.

"We enjoy the lottery money we get, but it doesn't go very far," said Philip Homer, Blaine County School District superintendent.

"It hurts us in the eyes of the public because people think we're getting more than we get."

Last year, Blaine County School District received \$66,423 from the lottery. But that's only 0.06 percent of the district's annual \$12 million budget.

And Homer's schools received only a small fraction of the money that Blaine County residents and tourists "invested" in buying lottery tickets.

Blaine County has bought \$3.101 million in lottery tickets and its schools have received \$255,901 for a return of 8.3 percent.

By comparison, Twin Falls County schools and the College of Southern Idaho got back more than 40 percent of the money the county's lottery players spent on tickets.

Like many other Magic Valley school superintendents, Homer said voters and legislators have a false impression that the lottery is a major contributor to schools. As a consequence, he said, voters tend to vote down school bond issues and legislators don't give enough state funds for schools.

"I don't buy lottery tickets," Homer said. "I never have and I never will because it's a bad way to fund your public education system. But Idaho has chosen to do it that way."

The lottery distributes its school money based solely on the number of students in each school district. That, Homer said, makes

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Student helps write new UI alcohol policy

By Analise Taylor
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A University of Idaho student is home for the holidays after finding himself embroiled in a statewide controversy over alcohol abuse on Idaho college campuses.

Shelby Leforgee, 22, helped write a new alcohol policy for UI fraternities and sororities after an investigation revealed that two fraternities at the university broke previous alcohol policy the night last August when 19-year-old Rejena Coghlan fell from an upper-story balcony of the Alpha Phi house on the Moscow campus.

"It was partly the fraternities' fault because people at the party were serving minors, but she could have obviously said no," Leforgee said.

"Too many people come to the college already drinking," he said. "It's a high school as well as a college problem."

Coghlan's parents have filed a civil suit against the two fraternities.

Leforgee, past president of the Interfraternity Council, was among several university representatives who met with the State Board of Education Sept. 13 to discuss the state alcohol policy. Leaders and faculty of every public college in Idaho

were also present to address the issue.

The state board conducted an open forum for students Oct. 6. It decided not to change the statewide alcohol policy the following day.

"I have learned how to work with administrators and that you cannot please everybody," Leforgee said. "We did the best job we could under the circumstances. There was pressure from the state board and the governor to make a decision about the fraternities and about her being there."

Leforgee was critical of Gov. Cecil Andrus and the state board for intervening. Given a chance, he said, "the university and Interfraternity Council would have handled the situation properly."

"The council investigated whether or not the two fraternities had broken previous alcohol policy, not whether the girl had been drinking at them or not," Leforgee said. "They had violated policy so the council imposed sanctions."

The new UI policy, which applies to the Moscow campus, gives fraternities and sororities two choices.

The groups can either place the liability on a third-party vendor or hire a bouncer to



ANDY ARENZ/The Times-News

Shelby Leforgee says the Interfraternity Council did the best job it could under the pressured circumstances.

Most districts see no need for gang-related clothing ban

By Lisa Grace Lednicer
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - Ask Buhl High School students what they think of the 20-month-old policy prohibiting them from wearing gang-related clothing, and you'll probably get this reaction:

"Say what?"

"It's not going to do anything. Nobody enforces it," said freshman Nancy Morris, 15. "The kids didn't even know about it."

As the Twin Falls school district considers a policy that would outlaw gang-related clothing at school, other area districts say they haven't thought about enacting something similar.

"For the near future, we don't anticipate implementing one," said Larry Manly, Wendell School District's superintendent. "With all of the demands on school administration and paperwork we have from the federal government, we're kept busy."

Officials at the Joint Jerome School District No. 261 and the Gooding Joint School District say they don't have a policy because gangs aren't a problem at their schools. The Kimberly School District No. 414 doesn't have a problem either, according to Superintendent John Garner, but he said a policy similar to Buhl's is "on hold."

Garner said he and some school administrators drafted a policy more than a year ago after he saw photos of gang-related graffiti taken by a Magic Valley police officer. He declined to give details because he hasn't gotten staff opinion but said it deals with hats as well as certain colored and clothing styles that could be gang-related.

Garner said implementing such a policy requires explaining to several groups of people why it's needed.

"If we suddenly pass a policy that's not understood and supported in the community, we're going to have a parent come to us and rightfully say, 'how come?'" Garner said. "You can't ring the bell early and expect people to support it if they don't see the need."

The Idaho School Boards Association is attempting to draft a policy that can be distributed to various school boards around the state that ask for one, said executive director Alan Smith. Six weeks ago, after hearing about gang activity in Salt Lake City, he requested information about gang clothing policies from school districts across the nation.

"We're a step behind, I'm afraid," he said. "You can't sit down and write this in an afternoon."

Eugene Pyles, superintendent of Buhl Joint District, said gangs aren't a problem at Buhl High School. Nevertheless, he said it's better to have a gang-related clothing policy early rather than late.

"My philosophy is, you try to prepare for things so you have a policy before you have a problem," he said. "So far, we haven't had to use the policy and I hope we never have to. But if we do, it's there."

The policy says that the activities of gangs, hate groups and similar organizations are forbidden on school property and at school functions. Those activities include "the possession of group paraphernalia and materials... and any other behavior, such as the wearing of gang colors or insignia and the use of language, clothes, gestures that provoke violence or seek to advocate the purpose and objectives of such groups."

The policy was adopted in April 1992. No one objected, Pyles said.

He said he got the idea for a policy a few years ago, when local school principals said they were concerned about youths from California on probation who were sent here to live with relatives. The policy emphasizes that people wearing gang-style clothing must act intimidating before dis-

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Babysitting book wins accolades

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A book on the basics of babysitting — nearly indispensable in a state with the highest birth rate in the nation — is getting high praise from practitioners and parents alike. One recent reader was Erica Thatcher, a 10-year-old Bonneville Elementary School student who described "Babysitting Basics," by Salt Lake resident Jackie Ailcen Smith, as "pretty good." "It says what to do if you hear noises in the back yard, or if someone knocks on the door that you don't know," she said. "And it tells you how to answer the phone." The beginner's workbook, co-written by Linda Prusse Christensen and illustrated by Shauna Mooney, recently received one of five "Certificate of Merit" media awards from the American Academy of Nursing.

Program alerts schools of children's health

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Too often, teachers and school nurses are the last to know when a student has a potentially serious health problem. But a pilot program to address the problem just began working in the Nebo and Logan school districts and, by next year, officials hope to have the Comprehensive School Health Record program operating in 29 of the state's 40 districts. Under the state-funded program, parents fill out a health questionnaire for their school-age child. The information is kept in permanent records and includes all kinds of medical information, from allergies to immunizations. For children with a more serious health problem such as asthma, diabetes or seizures, parents meet with the teacher and the school nurse to develop an emergency action plan. "It's really what school nursing is all about," said Pauline Hartvigsen, a public health nurse hired by the Nebo District. "You are able to interact with parents, find out at a child's problem, follow up and work with a teacher so that if something does go wrong, there is a plan." Health issues are becoming more prominent in schools as children with physical or mental disabilities are taken out of special programs and assimilated into neighborhood schools, Hartvigsen added. While the pilot program has proven to be successful, officials say that mandating the program is impossible because there are not enough school nurses.

Bar accuses man of practicing law without license

MURRAY, Utah (AP) — A Murray psychologist who operates "Utah Dads," a fathers' rights advocacy business, has been accused by the Utah State Bar of practicing law without a license. Gardner said the complaint "is a bunch of baloney," but would not elaborate. The complaint alleges that Gardner — who advertises his business under the "legal services" category in the classified section of Salt Lake City's daily newspapers — refers to himself as a "domestic mediator," expresses legal opinions and writes letters threatening legal action against those who don't cooperate with him. Gardner also has told people that he completed untested divorces for \$350 and claims to be associated with local attorneys, the complaint states.

On the agenda

Following is a list of governmental meetings that are scheduled this week in the Magic Valley. This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

TODAY
Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., courthouse.
Hanson School Board, 7 p.m., high school.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

TUESDAY
Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., superintendent's office downtown.

WEDNESDAY
Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Shoshone City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Wood River Medical Center Board, 5:30 p.m. in Hailey.

THURSDAY
Cassia County Memorial Hospital Board, 5 p.m., hospital auditorium.
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

FRIDAY
Twin Falls County Commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

This week at CSI

The following is a schedule of meetings and events that will take place this week at the College of Southern Idaho. CSI offices are closed until 8 a.m. Jan. 3.

TODAY
CSI Baseball Camp will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Expo Center.

TUESDAY
Baseball Camp continues from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Expo Center.

Military testing will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Physical Plant Building.

WEDNESDAY
Baseball Camp continues from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Expo Center.
Twin Falls Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Council meets at 6:30 p.m. in Canyon 205.

SUNDAY
Christian Fellowship group meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagle's Nest of the Taylor Building.

Services

Ethel M. "Peg" Lange Beaudett, of Gooding, 11 a.m. today, Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Doris Lamm, of Jerome, graveside service, 1 p.m. today, Jerome Cemetery, (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Bertha M. Rist Gardner, of Gooding, Mass of Christian Burial, 1:30 p.m. today, St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Jerald R. Stevenson, of Bliss, graveside service, 2 p.m. today, Wendell Cemetery, (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Billie Ann Guy, of Jackpot, Nev., 11 a.m. Tuesday, Thompson's Funeral Home in Weiser.

Jodie Kathleen Barr Neala, of Burns, Ore., 1 p.m. Tuesday, Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Ave., (Payne Mortuary).

Georgina Nell Harris, of Burley, 11 a.m. today, Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave., (Payne Mortuary).

Jared Michael Colvin, Jerome, 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jerome Cemetery, (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Fen Heber Covington, M.D., of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Wednesday, Latter Day Saints 13th Ward Chapel, 421 Maurice St. N., (White Mortuary).

Edna Anna Silvers, Kimberly, 2 p.m. Wednesday, First Church of the Nazarene, Polk Street East in Kimberly, (White Mortuary's Kimberly Chapel).

Lovinia Norton, of Burley, 11 a.m. today, Burley 4th Ward LDS Church, 515 E. 16th, (McCulloch's Funeral Home in Burley).

Death notice

Alpha M. Warren
TWIN FALLS. Alpha M. Warren, 87, died Dec. 25, 1993, at the Bridgeview Estates Care Center. Arrangements are pending and will be handled by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Hospitals

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Catherine Martin and Julie Van Sickle, both of Buhl, and Linda Servatius of Wendell.
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Robert Diecksen of Buhl.

CASSIA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
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Augustine Demagel of Burley, Debra Lindstrom of Paul, and Monet Thomsen of Declo.
Released
Zenae Bench, Susan Peterson and Janiel Wigley, all of Burley, Debra Lindstrom and Zac Wixom, both of Paul, Shawn Mariott of Rupert, Alice Nevezar of Heyburn, and Hazel Barber of Hazelton.

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Admitted
Louis Uhl of Rupert.
Released
Ellie Salinas and daughter, Janine Heeb and Heather Hodgson, all of Rupert.

Obituaries



Fen Heber Covington
Fen Heber Covington, M.D., 80, of Twin Falls died Sunday, Dec. 26, 1993, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. He was born Jan. 13, 1913, in Orderville, Utah, the son of Heber Chase and Louise Lamb Covington. He graduated from Dixie College in St. George, Utah, and received his B.S. degree in 1935 from the University of Utah. He received his medical degree from New York University in 1939.
On Dec. 24, 1940, he married Nola Chamberlain in Kanab, Utah, and their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. Fen was a Major (Ret.) in the U.S. Army Medical Corps, and served in the Pacific Theatre during World War II.
A Diplomat of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, he practiced as a physician in Orderville, Kanab and Salt Lake City.
In 1955, he opened his practice in Twin Falls at the Twin Falls Clinic, later opening his own office in

which he practiced until retiring in 1986.
Fen served three years as Chairman of the Idaho Chapter of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, as President of the medical staff and also Chief of the OB/GYN Department at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.
He was an active member of the LDS church, served as Sunday school teacher, High Priest group leader and he and his wife saved as full-time missionaries from 1957-1958 in the Munich, Germany, LDS mission.
Survivors include: his wife, Nola Covington, of Twin Falls; two daughters, Connie Korab (Pat) of Renton, Wash., and Carol Hackney (Gar) of Boise; one son, Bruce Covington (Marcia) of Orem, Utah; eight grandchildren; two sisters, Luvera Spencer of Orderville, Utah, and Verna Holgate of Malad. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and one daughter, Roma.
Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1993, at the LDS 13th Ward Chapel, 421 Maurice St. N., in Twin Falls with Bishop Kelly C. Ward conducting. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday at White Mortuary, Twin Falls and from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. on Wednesday at the Church and from 8-9 p.m. on Tuesday. Burial will take place at 10 a.m. on Thursday at the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

Edna A. Silvers
Edna Anna Silvers, 98, Kimberly, died on Saturday, Dec. 25, 1993 at Twin Falls Care Center. She was born May 24, 1895, in Beersheba Springs, Tenn., the daughter of Wesley and Frances Smith Blown. On June 24, 1911, she married Bert

Survivors in Twin Falls: two daughters, Mildred (Raymond "Buster") Burton and Myrtle (Bill) Harmaning of Kimberly; 11 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren, five great great grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Bert on June 12, 1966, one son, one daughter and eight brothers and sisters.
Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1993 at First Church of the Nazarene on Polk Street East, Kimberly, with the Rev. Weldon Shuman and the Rev. Clayton Bonar officiating.
Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. on Tuesday at White Mortuary's Kimberly Chapel.
The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to First Church of the Nazarene, Building Fund, Polk Street East, Kimberly, ID 83341.

Jared M. Colvin
Jared Michael Colvin, infant son of Michael and Annie Peterson Colvin, died Friday, Dec. 24, 1993, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. He was born Dec. 24, 1993.
Survivors include his parents of Jerome; his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Callie Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Colvin both of Jerome; his great grandparents Mrs. Stella Peterson of Jerome, Mrs. Mary McMillan of LaMarada, Calif., and Elsie Colvin of Kingman, Ariz.
Graveside services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before service time. Services are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Lottery

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It is fairer than the state Department of Education's formula for distributing state aid.

The complex funding formula includes such factors as student population, amount of taxable property in each district, the distance students must travel to school, and the number of special-education students per district.

But for the same reason, distribution of lottery money isn't proportionate in Magic Valley counties to lottery purchases.

In four years, the Idaho Lottery has collected \$227 million in ticket sales. From that, \$117.5 million or 51.8 percent went to prize money. And \$60.5 million or 26.6 percent went to schools and colleges across the state.

But local lottery players shouldn't expect that for every dollar they spend on a lottery ticket, 26.6 cents will go to their local schools. The lottery's stated mission is to "benefit Idaho public schools and buildings." But distribution of the lottery money varies.

Camas County has bought \$153,953 in tickets and its schools received \$28,802 for a return of 18.7 percent.

Cassia County has bought \$33.8 million in tickets and its schools received \$703,074 for a return of 18.4 percent.

Gooding County has bought \$2,347 million in tickets and its schools received \$204,277 for a return of 8.7 percent.

If the \$373,000 to the Idaho State School for the Deaf and Blind in Gooding is included, Gooding County's return is 24.6 percent.

Jerome County has bought \$3,229 million in tickets and its schools received \$467,346 for a return of 14.5 percent.

Lincoln County has bought \$619,988 in tickets and its school received \$119,897 for a return of 19.3 percent.

Twin Falls County has bought \$10.748 million in tickets and its schools received \$1.55 million for a return of 14.4 percent.

If the \$2,783 million the lottery has given to the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls is included, then the return is 40.3 percent.

Altogether, Magic Valley got a 26.1 percent return to local schools and colleges.

After this past fiscal year, Gov. Cecil Andrus discontinued the lottery on a "job well done" in providing more than \$60 million to Idaho education. But while local superintendents also appreciate how the lottery is run and its contributions to their school buildings, they're still not happy with how the lottery has affected their overall funding.

"When it was originally passed, the lottery concept was extra money for schools," said Kimberly School District Superintendent John Garner. "It has not become extra money. It has become necessary money."

Kimberly Elementary School students are staying warm in class this year because money from Idaho Lottery games went to pay for repairs to the old furnace. Without the lottery money, the district still would have had to pay to fix the furnaces but that would have meant less money for school programs, said Garner, who occasionally buys lottery tickets.

In Jerome, lottery money helped pay for the installation of computers in the high school and the removal of asbestos from the elementary school. But the lottery money wasn't extra money.

"There is no extra money in Idaho," said Jerome County School District Superintendent Jim Cobble, who doesn't buy lottery tickets. "We operate on half the budgets of other districts that claim they're poor."

And lottery money literally helped pay for the roof over the heads of students at Gooding High School. But Superintendent Henry Kilmer said lottery money amounts to only about 1 percent of his district's budget.

The other way local counties get lottery money is through winnings. But all the lottery winners in the Magic Valley in the last year and a half have gotten unlisted phone numbers and couldn't be reached for comment.

Clothing

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Primary action can be taken against them.

Students who do intimidate others by wearing gang-style clothes and threatening other students would be given a warning, Pyles said. If that didn't work, the student or students could get in-school or out-of-school suspensions. The intimidation would have to be "pretty extreme" before a student would be expelled, he said.

Expulsion for wearing such clothing doesn't look like a possibility anytime soon. Buhl High School Principal Hy Schlieve says gangs don't exist there, but "quasi-gangs" do. There are four "factions" of students whose membership doesn't require criminal activity. Nevertheless, he is glad the policy is in place.

"If you wait until there's a problem, aren't you just reacting to a situation? And if you're reacting, aren't you behind the eight ball?" he asked during a recent interview.

In some of the school's 468 students crowded around cafeteria tables nearby to eat lunch. "The larger the number of students, the more magnified the problem becomes."

Alcohol

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monitor the amount of alcohol coming in and going out of the party, according to Leforge.

The policy lets 21-year-olds drink at parties, but it limits each drinker to a 6-pack of beer or four wine coolers. The legal drinkers bring their own beverages and give them to a bouncer, who gives the person a wristband and dispenses the drinks for free.

Once the party-goer drinks the limit — or appears drunk — the bouncer cuts off the flow of alcohol.

"Just because you bring a 12-pack doesn't mean you have to drink a 12-pack," Leforge said.

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Family Considerations

Officials confirm viral death

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Pacific Northwest added a fourth hantavirus case to its health statistics last week when public health officials said a 14-year-old northern Idaho boy died of the rodent-borne illness in October.

Laboratory tests done at the University of New Mexico established the cause of death of Dyrne Phillip of Coeur d'Alene. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention were expected to confirm the diagnosis today.

In Idaho, Dyrne's case was the third instance of hantavirus and the second death from the illness.

Hantavirus, a respiratory disease that strikes with terrifying swiftness, so far has caused at least 50 people in 14 states to fall ill. In 30 of those cases, the victims died.

Scientists say the hantavirus is spread by deer mice, a white-footed small rodent that is different from the ordinary house mouse. They think deer mice spread the virus in their contaminated urine, feces and saliva. The virus is not believed to spread from person to person.

"I wouldn't want people to think exposure is some sort of death sentence for anybody around a mouse," said Dr. Paul Stepak, epidemiologist at the Spokane County, Wash., Health District. "It's not that extreme."

But people are still worried. — Stepak said his phone was "ringing off the wall" following news reports earlier this week about Dyrne's death in a Spokane hospital.

"I've done nothing but answer phone calls from everyone who has a mouse in their closet," he said.

After a Great Falls, Mont., man died in September of hantavirus, several hundred worried Montanans called a special national hot line, seeking answers about the virus.

"I think our experts are getting a lot of calls" about the disease, said Chuck Falls, spokesman for the Centers for Disease Control.

Those who contract hantavirus pulmonary syndrome, as it's called by the Centers for Disease Control, often die young and healthy, and they die very quickly.

State mandate may not help gifted students

LEWISTON (AP) — Some say Idaho's gifted students are being left behind, despite a mandate by the state for schools to accommodate their highly capable students.

"Children in Idaho are being short-changed and we must understand that are the future of America," said Councilor Hall, Moscow High School coordinator for gifted and talented students.

A report released by the U.S. Department of Education last month revealed that many of the nation's brightest children are not being served in public schools — Idaho's included. Gradually over the past decade, financing for many special services has been cut in Idaho. Last year, the state mandated gifted and talented programs, but provided no additional money.

Since the early 1980s, Lewiston's program has diminished significantly. The district went from four full-time gifted coordinators to two, and the high school gifted program was eliminated. Lewiston's program serves 53 students in all, compared to neighboring Moscow, which has five gifted coordinators, one at every school, and serves 214 gifted students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

Margaret Duncan, a fifth-grade teacher and former gifted coordinator, said she is concerned with the lack of attention many gifted and talented students are receiving compared to 10 years ago.

"The program we had at every school and it was visible. There seemed to be more of a carryover and it was easier to attract that borderline, non-identified child," Duncan said. "Now we are risking the cream of the crop and lowering the standard of education all the way around."

Small schools are also scrambling to provide enrichment for highly capable students. Many of these districts with tight budgets are allowing individuals to advance on their own through a concept called "curriculum compacting."

In Genesee, for example, one student who is advanced in English is currently writing a novel with the guidance of his teacher to provide an extra challenge in creative writing.

Taking the cap off of curricula is one of the educational philosophies Lewiston's junior high coordinator Steven Branting would like to see expanded. Branting said he favors a "hands off" approach because he believes gifted students do not want to be identified as different at the junior high age. They view gifted programs as a kind of segregation, he said.

Branting said he tries to leave the curriculum open-ended, so students can take it as far as they like.

Judge denies he made comment

WALLACE (AP) — Everyone involved in the November rape trial of David Sapp contends First District Judge Craig Kosonen never said a developmentally disabled victim was "slightly raped."

Kosonen said he never made the comment at the trial, during the December sentencing, nor to a reporter.

Sapp's defense attorney, the Shoshone County prosecutor, and Kosonen all are fascinated by the controversy that has arisen since the misuse appeared in the headline of a Washington newspaper two weeks ago.

Women's groups, letter-writers, and two Washington newspaper columnists rushed to attack the judge for his insensitivity to rape victims.

"He never said it," said Prosecuting Attorney Dan McGee, who takes issue with the judge's sentence in the case, but not Kosonen's legal integrity or sensitivity toward rape victims. "I don't agree with any of the clamor that's been made about the misuse, but it's unfair to the judge, it's unfair to the prosecution, and to society in general, that the judge is being chastised for a statement he never made."

Kosonen sentenced Sapp to prison for one to six years, but retained jurisdiction pending a six-month evaluation of Sapp at the North

Idaho Correctional Institution. McGee said there's plenty to quibble about over the sentence without chastising Kosonen for something he didn't say.

"First, we're dealing with a developmentally disabled person. It isn't savvy to prey upon people who are weaker. That, combined with the fact he had two prior felonies, I felt it was time to put him in the penitentiary," McGee said.

No reporters attended Sapp's November trial, and no reporter from Washington attended the sentencing. No reporter even interviewed Sapp's public defender, Marty Raap, who believes the sentence was excessive.

"That 'slightly raped' is a complete misuse of what he said," Raap said. "I don't explicitly said, that's not the case. It was nothing that went into the sentence."

Kosonen did say at the sentencing that there was evidence of "partial penetration" of the victim by Sapp. But it was done so, all parties agree, in the judge's discussion of Idaho's rape statute, which says that any penetration, no matter how partial, constitutes rape.

"If anyone had been there at the sentencing, this wouldn't have come up," Kosonen said. "They weren't at the trial or the sentencing. They didn't even talk to the public defender."

County discards batteries at hazardous waste landfill

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The word is spreading across Kootenai County: Don't trash those flashlight and other household batteries.

"Don't just throw them away. There's a better place for them," said Dan Sneezy, environmental systems technician for the county's solid waste department.

The better place is a specially designed hazardous waste landfill in southern Idaho's arid desert, about 70 miles south of Boise, Sneezy said.

The county two years ago kicked off a household battery collection program that netted 990 gallons of assorted batteries, enough to fill 18 55-gallon drums, said Paul Jacobson, public relations officer and environmental technician for the county.

As word of the program spread, collection has skyrocketed. So far this year, the effort has generated 1,650 gallons, or 30 barrels, Jacobson said.

Curbside recycling and the participation of Coeur d'Alene retailers, who serve as drop-off points for defunct batteries, have aided the program Jacobson said.

Jacobson said it is impossible to estimate the percentage of household batteries that wind up in the county collection system, where they are packed

inside drums lined with an absorbent material and shipped to the hazardous landfill for burial.

No matter how we go about it, we just can't sift the trash to that degree," he said.

But two years from now, county officials will be able to judge the effectiveness of their collection effort. That's when heavy metals from buried batteries will begin showing up in the leachate pond, Jacobson said.

"We'll have to wait and see," he said. The collection system is a money-saver for the county, since treating the leachate for heavy metals far exceeds the cost of collecting, packing and shipping the batteries, Jacobson said.

The lion's share — about 95 percent of the collected household batteries — are shipped to the southern Idaho hazardous-waste landfill for disposal. The exception is small "button" batteries used in cameras, watches and calculators, which are easily recycled, Jacobson said.

As soon as an adequate supply has been accumulated, button batteries will be shipped to a New York firm for recycling, he said.

A break-even proposition, the cost of shipping is expected to equal the price paid to ship the tiny batteries, he said.

Automotive journalists test tires on Twin Peaks Ranch mud track

SALMON (AP) — Give a guy the keys to America's No. 1 selling pickup truck, plop it on Firestone's new line of Firehawk pickup tires, turn him loose in central Idaho's scenic and rugged terrain, and he's bound to say he's having a good time.

"This is the best job available, end of story," said Jim McCraw, editor for Popular Science magazine. "Can you imagine getting paid to do this?"

For two days, McCraw and 22 other automotive journalists gleefully chugged up dust, splashed through mudholes, bounced across bumps and roared up hills at Twin Peaks Guest Ranch 20 miles south of Salmon.

Strapped into the air-conditioned, soft-cushioned cabs of 1993 Ford F150 4-by-4 pickups, they had the dirty job of test driving Firestone's new line of tires designed for different degrees of off-road truck use. Ten trucks were supplied for the tire tests by Gary Anderson Ford of Salmon.

Allen and Lenabelle Davis, owners of Twin Peaks Guest Ranch, paved the way for the event by bulldozing test tracks and installing a sprinkler irrigation system to make a mud track out of the bontonic clay, one of the reasons Firestone chose the site.

"This is the slickest mud we've ever seen," John Taylor of Firestone

'This is the best job available, end of story. Can you imagine getting paid to do this?'

— Jim McCraw, Popular Science editor

said as the mud-frosted pickups raved back and forth amid choruses of "ooohs" and "aaahs" and "did-you-sees-thats."

What better way to advertise their product than to throw a test party for those who can best spread the word about their new product, said Firestone representative Stan Cooper.

"You can't beat a good journalist who gives an honest evaluation of a product," he said. "People trust that article more than any ad we can come up with."

For McCraw, test driving and then reporting on vehicles and anything auto related is a way of life. Cooper said that's why Firestone tries hard to think of new angles to attract writing connoisseurs of industry products.

"These guys have been every place

and seen everything," Cooper said. "We've got to offer them something unique that will attract them. They're hoping they'll write good stories about our tires."

When they aren't driving, the test crew can swim, fish, horseback ride, explore or sip mint juleps. Despite the "party" aspect, Sport Truck editor Kevin Wilson said it's not all that hard to write the truth about a product.

"You walk a fine line between being as honest as you can without being offensive," he said. "We're obligated to tell the truth. These guys have their credibility on the line."

So, how did the tires measure up? McCraw said he thought the tires were so good that it was hard to tell the difference between the different treads. That was before he tried to climb a steep mountain with the highway tread. He couldn't quite make it to the top.

Cooper said that, no matter what writers or dealers recommend to most drivers, they'll opt for the heavy duty tread, even if they never venture out of the city.

"It's called psycho-graphics," he said. "Guys who don't need the aggressive tires will get them anyway because they want to look like off-roadlers."

Plan seeks to shift disabled education to private sector

BOISE (AP) — Switching day-treatment programs for the developmentally disabled from the public sector to the private should help those people cope better with life, Idaho Health and Welfare officials say.

During the next two years, the agency plans to close all of its day-treatment programs for the adults, who are mostly mentally retarded. It will free up about \$3 million a year to improve services from private providers.

"It's a major change, and we're going to have to take it step at a time," said Ken Patterson, chief of the department's Division of Family and Community Services.

That office now serves about 1,600 adults at about a dozen centers statewide.

Part of the plan is to move more patients out of the Idaho State School & Hospital in Nampa and back to their hometowns. The state school had 1,600 residents in the late 1960s.

Now it has 149, and many of those could live outside the institution with the proper help, Patterson said.

At the state's treatment centers, adults learn skills, but sometimes they do not transfer to the outside world. For example, What-if-the-stove-at-home has different dials than the one at the center?

John Watts, director of the Idaho State Council on Developmental Disabilities, said Health and Welfare must be careful with how it writes policies for improving community-based services. He supports the skills to cope with society.

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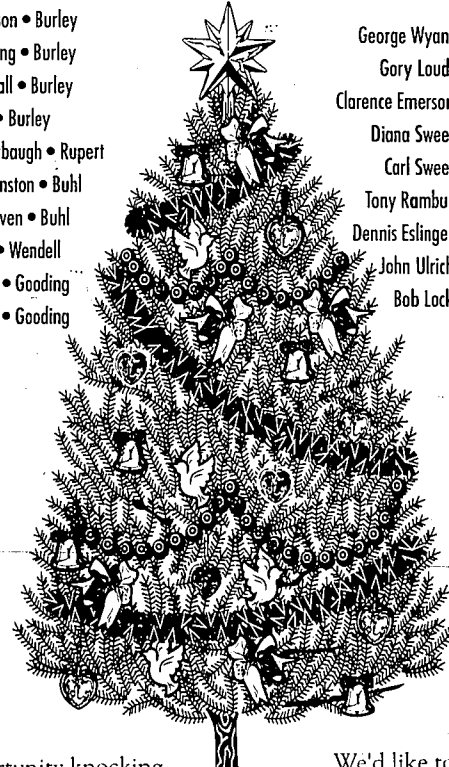
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Other views

Wilderness areas in Idaho could mean economic boom

Idahoans listening to the naysayers who see economic doom in expanding Idaho's wilderness areas should look to neighboring Utah and Montana, where studies show this likely won't be the case.

Utah, especially. The office of the former governor kept quiet a study that contradicted the prevailing political view that the state's proposed Bureau of Land Management wilderness plan would cripple Utah's economy.

Just last month, the state's new governor, Mike Leavitt, released the years-old study that found Utah could gain 600 jobs and see its income increased by \$15 million annually under a 1.9-million-acre wilderness proposal.

It would lose 14 jobs and \$360,000 in personal income, the study said. But those losses are clearly outweighed by the tourism and recreation that wilderness designation creates. Who thought, even 20 years ago, that Utah's ski industry would become one of the state's largest money-makers?

It's important to point out that the study of the BLM's plan was done by the state budget office under the thumb of a wilderness-hostile governor and Legislature. It's possible that an independent examination would reveal even more economic assets.

As it is everywhere where wilderness is proposed, mining, timbering and ranching interests purport to show that wilderness decimates the industrial and ranching base of a state. The reality is that boom-and-bust mining and timbering

is shrinking fast as an economic factor in the West. In Idaho, for example, mining employment represents only 2 percent of the state's total, timbering 12 percent to 15 percent. Idaho's surging economy is carried on the wings of people and small business flocking here for its quality of living. A fax machine and phones now enable firms to do nationwide business from Ketchum or Kamiah.

Natural resource economies, especially ranching, will always contribute significantly — and we want them to — but we must face the fact that they are no longer leaders.

In Montana, Thomas Michael Power, chairman of the University of Montana's economics department, demonstrated that the most expansive Montana wilderness plan would mean a loss of 1,600 jobs. But wilderness designation would soon compensate for all those job losses, his study showed.

That's because enough people are seeking places to live and work where, Power emphasizes, "economic well-being, the real economic determinant, means lowest living, high-quality recreation, a quality social environment, low crime rates and scenic, natural beauty."

Wilderness designation is not an economic panacea for any state. But its potential economic benefits cannot be ignored as Idaho's congressional delegation considers more wilderness here. We want all the facts, just like the folks in Utah now, after the delay, are starting to get.

— The Post-Register, Idaho Falls

Simpson objects to legislature that restricts gays' basic rights

House Speaker Mike Simpson has more than one reason to object to legislative introduction of restrictions on the rights of homosexuals, but it's gratifying that he feels the best one first.

"My feeling is that, if it's something that denies an individual their basic rights as an American, I'm opposed to it," Simpson, R-Blackfoot, says.

Good for him. That is the reason every Idahoan of goodwill should resist legislation promised by the leader of Simpson's Republican caucus, Rep. Alan Lance of Meridian, and Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, as well as the initiative being circulated by the Idaho Citizens Alliance. Despite the sponsor's assertions that they are trying to deny homosexuals only "special rights," it is the rights everyone is supposed to enjoy that their measures threaten.

As a politician, Simpson knows of another threat in Lance's and Hawkins' plans. Their legislation could become the 1990 anti-abortion bill all over again.

That was the measure that caused Idaho's electorate to react with alarm at the extremism of their legislators and to deny re-election that November to a number of

Republicans who helped pass the bill Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus vetoed.

Simpson knows if the Legislature debates a gay-bashing bill, Lance won't be the most extreme Republican speaking in its favor. Every Bible-thumping kook who has been waiting for an opportunity to shove a personal-moral code onto all Idaho's sinners will take to the floor with flamboyant claims and draconian remedies.

And voters will again recoil against the Republicans who make or let it happen. That, of course, is the last thing Simpson wants.

But Simpson's objection goes deeper than that. As he says, he does not care to be party to denying anyone the constitutional rights of an American. He may be a fiscal conservative, but socially he's as fair-minded as many of his Democratic critics.

That's good news for Republicans as they enter next year's election campaigns. It's also good news for homosexuals and civil libertarians. But best of all, it's good news for Idaho. The state just might avoid this embarrassment yet.

— The Morning Tribune, Lewiston



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Letters

For what do we live?

I believe that it is nearly impossible to solve a problem if one fails to recognize that a problem exists. Furthermore, little is accomplished in life if one merely treats the symptoms of a problem and does not locate and treat the root cause.

I seem to remember as a youth that I had a focus which was much more precise than now. As a youth I lived for the day. When I was at school, I played games during recesses or in physical education classes. Those games and friends and I go to sleep. The next day the routine begins again and seems to repeat itself day after day. Today, I work a job where the goal is to retire somewhere between 55 and 62 years of age. The goal is too far and the focus not capable of being accomplished by me.

I am adrift in a world where the mundane is acceptable and expected. A world where to achieve sometimes brings criticism, increased government intervention and often times accusations that achievement was only accomplished by trading on the backs of others or by somehow cheating. I am adrift in a world where most forms of destructive self-indulgence are classified as alternate lifestyles or rights of choice and are accepted and encouraged. A world wherein accountability for one's situation in life is nearly nonexistent. We are now all victims or about to become victims; it's not our fault, but simply a situation that can be corrected with increased state or federal funding with the attached regulations.

Perhaps it is just this holiday season that makes me stop and think about where my life is or is not going. Perhaps it is the holiday season that gives me the courage to strive to refocus and run a new race with renewed desires. Tomorrow I am going to begin anew with my focus. The frame of focus must involve shorter, definable periods of time and the goals must also be understood and have methods of measurement to assure progress. I feel better already. I "can" make a difference. Let the race begin.

CHAD HAFER
Twin Falls

cess to NIC campus" on Dec. 12; and "Idaho town's schools spaced culture war" on Dec. 13. They have indeed landed, but as his own paper shows, they have not landed "out back of the unidentified-flying-object landing pad" but rather right in the middle of our schools. But those of us who understand the seriousness of this issue are not going to "Run!" We are going to stand our ground.

People like you can ridicule the issue all they want to, and people like House Speaker Mike Simpson can get as "glum" as they want to ("Legislators glum over gay issue," The Times-News, Dec. 16) about having to deal with such issues, but they won't go away. It is the moral issues that are the critical ones of our time. Any state or nation that cannot deal with them will ultimately fail. History has proven that time and time again.

The Bible speaks of a certain group of people "... who understood the times, with knowledge of what Israel should do ...". For the sake of our state and our nation, let's pray that we soon get those kind of people in charge of our news media and our legislatures.

THE REV. TIM BAKER
Hailey

Postal workers without facts

After reading the letter to the editor regarding a postal scam in the Dec. 23 paper, I feel I must write and relay my experience also.

On Dec. 15, I went to the Kimberly Post Office at 2:30 p.m. and told the clerk I had two items I wanted to send two-day delivery and asked her if they had two-day guaranteed delivery. She said yes and gave me two envelopes for \$2.90 apiece. Five days later my sister in Phoenix received her envelope and as of Dec. 23, more than a week later, my sister in California had not received her envelope.

I inquired as to this at the post office on Dec. 20. I was told that unless I had purchased the "receipt requested" that it is not guaranteed two-day delivery. I feel the postal workers should have told me that when I requested the two-day delivery and paid them \$2.90 per envelope. If they would have told me that for \$2.90 I might get there a week later, I would have opted for the 29-cent stamp instead. As was Mrs. Freideman's insurance check, these were two very important pieces of mail that I had trusted and depended upon the post office to deliver in two days.

If there is more of this going on out there, I feel a little blemish of our congressman's ear might be in order.

PAM MURPHY
Hansen

Hand motions distract listener

A trend with those who appear on television that seems to be gaining popularity is the use of the hands of the speaker. The hands are often waved in and near the face of the participant. The waving continues through the appearance. Every participant seems to think their hands are an important part of their message. This writer finds their hands a distraction.

Homosexuals have landed

Anybody can pick seemingly extreme reactions to a problem, as you did in your Dec. 16 editorial, "Run! Run!" and ridicule the whole issue and use that as an excuse for not dealing with it and ignoring its true seriousness. But to do so is not responsible journalism.

You needs to read your own newspaper. The homosexuals have landed in Idaho, as at least three recent articles in The Times-News show — "Panhilthful schools don't educate students about homosexuality, advocate change" on Dec. 10; "Gay group seeks ac-

Doonesbury



BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Letter

Books detail Manson activities

Regarding your "Beach Boys flirted with Manson first" article on Dec. 17, an excellent non-fiction book, "The Ultimate Evil" (\$5.95) by Maury Terry details the extent of Manson's involvement with Satanic cults in Los Angeles and how an offshoot of The Process — a Satanic religious sect from England that grew tremendously during the 1960s and '70s in the United States and which is still quite active today — may well have had a lot more to do with the Tate-La Bianca killings than was previously believed.

Another excellent paperback is "The Family" by Ed Sanders, which also delves

into the Manson-Beach Boys-cult scene, as well as the more famous "Helter Skelter" by Vincent Bugliosi, Terry, incidentally, won the 1982 United Press International's Enterprise Award for his exhaustive reporting on the "Son of Sam" killings — proving that "Sam" killer, David Berkowitz, acted in concert with several others, all of them members of a notorious Satanic cult operating in the New York area during the 1970s and '80s — a fascinating book for anyone interested in unsolved serial slaying. The "Son of Sam" case is now officially listed as solved.

JOHN PLUNTZE
Sun Valley

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We look forward to hearing from you!

Eviction becomes drug war weapon

QUINCY, Mass. (AP) — Donna Spenser faces a drug charge, but she hasn't gone to trial yet. No matter, the charge got her evicted from her apartment.

Spenser is one of the targets of a little-known strategy in the war against drugs: kicking people out of housing when they are suspected of being in the drug trade. It's an approach criticized as more trouble than it's worth. "I'm supposed to be out of here," said Spenser, an admitted drug user, as she left her building recently. "I don't know what's going to happen."

The Drug Enforcement Administration is working with police and landlords on battling drug dealing in rental housing, including use of evictions, said Jack Kelly, a spokesman for the DEA's New England office.

In New England, the DEA has trained 500 police officers in more than 400 police departments in how to keep drug activity out of rental housing. The DEA also has trained police officers in drug-related evictions for about three years and they are done elsewhere around the nation as well, Kelly said.

Police in Quincy said they are simply trying to clean up drug-blighted areas.

"The way we look at it, we're out to help the neighborhood," said Police Chief Francis E. Mullen, who is following the lead of other Massachusetts cities, including Boston, Worcester and Brockton.

The strategy creates more problems than it solves, said some advocates for the poor.

"This is bad stuff," said John Roberts, executive director of the Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts. "Where do they expect those people to go?"

"This is a system which, if abused, could lead to people being made homeless instantly without people being heard," said Charles Hark, a lawyer for the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, which provides legal services to the poor.



Donna Spenser of Quincy, Mass., was evicted from her apartment after being charged with cocaine possession.

An 8-year-old state law is being used to speedily evict people from privately owned housing as well as state-funded public housing.

In the late-1980s, the federal government moved to make it easier to evict people allegedly involved with drugs from federally funded public housing. Those evictions are growing, said Jim Grow, an attorney with the National Housing Law Project in Oakland, Calif.

"I'm not sure we've seen the top of this wave yet," he said. "It's not just drug dealers. It's anybody accused of use or possession. The evictions are happening everywhere."

Hark and other critics worry that the arrest of one family member

could result in an entire family being tossed out.

"Whole families can become homeless based on not-well-supported allegations of some criminal activity by one member of the household. And it happens," Hark said.

Quincy police said they plan to apply the law carefully.

"We just want to act lawfully. If it was unlawful, I wouldn't do it," Mullen said. "We don't expect to abuse anything. We're taking it on a case-by-case basis."

Police said Spenser, 45, faces a cocaine possession charge and was part of a larger problem at the Willard Street housing complex. Drugs were sold from several apartments, including hers, investigators said.

Mullen hefts an inch-thick binder of police reports he plans to show a judge to support his call for quick evictions of several other apartments.

Spenser said she's a disabled widow who has battled cancer and has a nervous condition. She admits using drugs, but denies the charge against her and said nothing she did merited a police raid, arrest and eviction.

"I think it is against my rights as a citizen because I'm not hurting anybody but myself and it was behind my own closed doors, which I pay rent for," she said.

"No one's out to destroy anybody," Mullen said. "But by the same token, some of the drug dealers are destroying neighborhoods."

Government slow to switch to gasohol

WASHINGTON (AP) — New laws and pressure from farm-state legislators have resulted in sharp increases in purchases of gasohol for the federal fleet of cars.

But the vast majority of government automobiles still burn conventional gasoline.

Congress passed legislation two years ago requiring government agencies and employees to buy gasohol anytime it costs no more than unleaded gasoline. Gasohol is a blend of nine parts gasoline and one part ethanol, a product of corn and other grains.

Until then, the government had been buying just 1.6 million gallons of gasohol a year, about 1 percent of its annual purchases of automobile fuel. Over the past two years, the government has signed contracts for 5.8 million gallons of gasohol, about 2 percent of the total bought.

"That's really a minuscule amount," said Jack Huggins, president of Pekin Energy Co. of Pekin, Ill., the nation's second-largest ethanol producer. Gasohol has 8 percent of the gasoline market nationwide.

"I'm disappointed. ... This doesn't represent the kind of significant progress I was hoping for," said Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., who wrote the gasohol legislation.

Dorgan has asked the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, to find out why the government isn't buying more gasohol.

The government uses gasohol most often in the Pacific Northwest, where it is mandated by local environmental laws, and the Southeast, according to the Defense Department, which makes bulk purchases of fuel for both the mili-

tary and other government agencies.

"There are many, many instances where we solicit bids when gasoline wins because gasohol is not offered or it is not price competitive," said Howard Kaufer, an attorney for the Defense Fuel Supply Center.

The survey found gasohol can cost 40 cents more per gallon than regular unleaded in many areas, though it costs at least 3 cents less in regions where it's more popular, according to a 1991 Agriculture Department survey.

The gasohol legislation was one of a series of measures Midwestern members of Congress have been pushing in recent years to build a bigger market for ethanol and raise corn prices.

Under political pressure, the Environmental Protection Agency proposed earlier this month to guarantee some ethanol is used as a gasoline additive in certain polluted cities.

The nation currently uses about 1.2 billion gallons of ethanol a year, which consumes 400 million bushels of corn. Corn prices increase a nickel a bushel for every 100 million bushels used.

A Florida wholesaler who had been trying to get the government to buy more gasohol says the legislation has made a difference.

Rick Outzen, vice president of Mocar Oil Co. in Pensacola, says he recently won fuel contracts to two air bases by offering gasohol.

Prior to 1992, the military turned down Outzen's bids, saying they did not want to buy gasohol. "From our point of view we're real pleased with it. It does look like the government has changed their attitude," Outzen said.

Study shows 'most severe' drop in college enrollment

WASHINGTON (AP) — College and university enrollments fell this fall in three out of four states in a poll by the American Council of Education. The council said it was "most severe" decline recorded in six years of surveys.

"We feel pretty confident that this does represent a national trend," said David Merkwowitz, spokesman for the council.

Merkowitz said the 16 states responding to the survey represent more than 40 percent of the student body at two-year and four-year public and private colleges and universities. Twelve of those states showed declines.

ACE officials attributed the enrollment decline to reduced course offerings, tuition increases and enrollment caps associated with state budget constraints and to increased job opportunities accompanying the economic recovery.

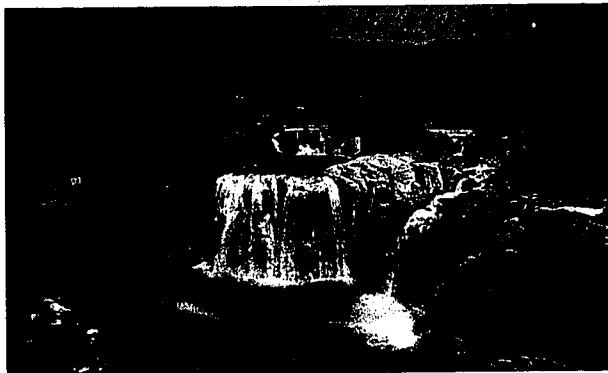
Merkowitz said the shrinking pool of 18- to 24-year-olds "may be a factor but not much of one" in the declining enrollments. He said 40 percent of today's college students are "non-traditional" — older, attending part-time and supporting dependents.

Of the 16 states providing complete enrollment information, only Georgia, New Jersey, Tennessee and Texas reported increases.

Enrollment drops ranged from 2.5 percent in Mississippi to 0.1 percent in Maryland. Other states reporting declines were Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma and Virginia.

ACE said lower enrollments were reported in five states in 1992 in 1992, three states in 1991 and one state — Connecticut — in 1990. Enrollments in Connecticut have fallen for four consecutive years.

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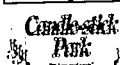
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World

Briefly

Landslide kills 15, injures 62 in slum

ALGIERS, Algeria — A wall of rain-soaked earth crashed through a hillside slum, killing at least 15 people and injuring 62, officials said. Rescue crews gingerly looked for survivors Sunday.

The slide late Saturday night in Oran destroyed the shanties of 130 families, and survivors were evacuated to tent camps in other areas of the city, Algeria's main western port.

Officials said the homes of wood scraps and corrugated metal were "illegal constructions," built without foundations on the unstable hillside of Ras el-Ain, a poor neighborhood.

Heavy rain in recent days was blamed for triggering the slide.

The official APS news agency said 15 bodies were found and that 21 children were among the 62 injured.

Detonator alert extends to entire coast

BORDEAUX, France — France's entire Atlantic coast was closed to beachgoers Sunday after more detonators that fell off a freighter washed ashore. Forecasters said winds could push some to northern Spain.

Nearly 5,000 detonators, used in construction projects, have been found on French beaches in the past week after a Cypriot freighter with 34,000 of them lost some of its load at sea.

Officials with the Brittany coast, officials have progressively closed beaches southward as more detonators were found.

The Pyrennes-Atlantiques department bordering Spain closed its beaches Sunday as a precaution, though no detonators had been seen.

Warring factions agree to cease-fire

KABUL, Afghanistan — After nearly two months of ferocious fighting, rival Afghan factions agreed Sunday to a cease-fire, although few people expected it to last.

Even as the truce was announced, rockets rained down on the capital for a second day, killing at least two people and wounding several.

Since Nov. 1, fighters loyal to Prime Minister Gulbuddin Hekmatyar have been battling President Burhanuddin Rabbani's militia for control of a 60-mile swath of territory north and east of the capital of Kabul.

The two factions have broken at least three truces in the past two months.

Grenade attacks on aid groups injure 2

MOGADISHU, Somalia — A Muslim group's threat to shoot anyone trying to spread Christianity was followed by grenade attacks at the offices of Western charities during the Christmas holiday weekend, a U.N. official said Sunday.

Two Somali guards were injured when attackers threw grenades into Catholic Relief Services buildings in the southern city of Baidoa on Christmas Eve. U.N. officials didn't know how serious the injuries were.

Nobody was injured in a similar Christmas Eve incident at the Baidoa offices of the Irish aid organization Go Ireland.

The attacks came after an anonymous group claiming to represent "Muslims who are ready to die for the sake of Islam" issued a written warning to the United Nations and private Christian voluntary organizations.

Pope calls marriage indissoluble bond

VATICAN CITY — The breakdown of the family erodes the base of society's values and poses risks for all of mankind, Pope John Paul II said Sunday to open the International Year of the Family.

The pope, speaking to thousands of people in St. Peter's Square, said men and women must enter into an "indissoluble marriage" and welcome all children they conceive.

The pope said the "rediscovery" of the family "is of decisive importance amid the crises facing humanity today."

The message against divorce and contraception followed traditional Roman Catholic principles, but Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro said last month the pontiff plans to write a major statement on abortion and family values.

Suspected Muslim militants kill 5

ASSIUT, Egypt — Suspected Muslim militants shot dead four plain-clothes police and a bystander Sunday in southern Egypt, making this month one of the bloodiest in the extremists' confrontation with security agents.

Gunmen opened fire on the four policemen as they were on their way to work in the town of el-Qusiya, killing them and wounding a bystander who later died in hospital. The attackers made off with the policemen's weapons, witnesses said.

The latest killings come a week after a series of attacks in Assiut province left 14 people dead in two days.

7 die in cathedral grenade attack

MANILA, Philippines — Attackers hurled three grenades into a Roman Catholic cathedral packed with worshippers Sunday, killing seven people and injuring about 130 others.

The attack was at the San Pedro Cathedral in Davao City, the largest city on Mindanao island. Five people were killed in a similar attack at the cathedral in 1981.

Police and Davao City Mayor Rodrigo Duterte said the attack occurred about 6:35 p.m.

No group claimed responsibility for the attack, but suspicion fell on Muslim extremists.

Typhoon Nell hits southern Philippines

CAGAYAN DE ORO, Philippines — Typhoon Nell slammed into the southern Philippines on Sunday with sustained 75 mph winds and veered toward the populous central islands, dumping torrential rain and forcing thousands from their homes.

There were no immediate reports of casualties.

Compiled from wire reports

China celebrates Mao's centenary

BEIJING (AP) — Communist China's leaders gathered Sunday on the centenary of Mao Tse-tung's birth to praise him as a great patriot while lauding the man who scrapped his policies, Deng Xiaoping, as his natural successor.

About 10,000 people, including top officials and Mao's relatives, assembled under a massive portrait of Mao inside the Great Hall of the People for a nationally televised commemorative rally.

President Jiang Zemin in an hour-long speech hailed Mao as a "great patriot and national hero" who brought to an end China's "semi-colonial and semi-feudal society."

Jiang, dressed in a dark-gray Mao suit, argued that those contributions outweighed mistakes made by the "Great Helmsman" in his final years, particularly the ultraleftist Cultural Revolution of 1966-76, Mao's campaign to stamp out any lingering capitalist influences.

Much of the speech was devoted to praising Deng, who became China's top leader two years after Mao's 1976 death and quickly scrapped Mao's emphasis on violent class struggle and egalitarianism.

Deng, who was purged twice by Mao for pragmatism during the Cultural Revolution, has stressed market-style economic reforms that allow some to get rich ahead of others. Those reforms have "inherited, enriched and developed Mao Tse-tung



Above, Chinese President Jiang Zemin speaks under a huge portrait of Mao Tse-tung during a meeting of China's leaders marking the centenary of Mao's birth Sunday in Beijing. At right, a group of Chinese, dressed in Mao suits, have their picture taken in front of the portrait of Mao which hangs above Beijing's Tiananmen Square.

Thought and carried it to a new height," Jiang said.

Many national newspapers Sunday echoed Jiang's praise of Deng.

"The best way to commemorate Comrade Mao is to earnestly study Deng Xiaoping's theory of building socialism with Chinese characteristics," said an editorial in the Guangming Daily, the newspaper for intellectuals.

Deng, 89 and ailing, holds no official position but remains China's most influential leader. He rarely makes public appearances and didn't attend the rally.

Two powerful octogenarians also purged by Mao, former President Yang Shangkun and party elder Bo Yibo, were given seats of honor at the front of the dais.

Mao's children and grandchildren



attended but didn't get similar seats of honor.

After the speech, Jiang and the other leaders visited Mao's mausoleum, bowed in front of a statue of the late leader and walked silently past the crystal sarcophagus where his body lies partially covered with a Chinese flag.

Just as noteworthy as the commemorative activity was what the party didn't do. For example, none of the national newspapers printed their front pages in red, as they typically do on important occasions, indicating a party effort to keep celebrations restrained.

Most Britons want end to state support of royal family

Los Angeles Times

LONDON — Most Britons believe that the royal family should no longer be supported by taxpayers, according to a nationwide poll released Sunday.

Reflecting broad dissatisfaction with the monarchy's financial bene-

fits, the poll by the Sunday Observer showed that nearly three-fourths of those surveyed wish to drop state support for the royal family, which receives \$15 million a year to cover expenses incurred during official duties.

Queen Elizabeth II decided in April to join other Britons in paying

income tax, and she has opened up her London home, Buckingham Palace, to tourists to help pay for fire damage to another residence, Windsor Castle. But the poll suggests that these moves have not

quelled criticism of public financing of the royals.

The queen is reportedly one of the

richest women in the world, with widely scattered holdings and investments.

According to the poll, young people are strongest in the belief that the royals should pay their own way, but they also quickest to blame the media for the royal family's problems.

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Features

Catching a (bad) break

It's special time of year: Flu season

It's that special time of the year when we sometimes get a very, very special feeling inside, and that feeling is ... the flu.

I definitely have this feeling. I have the kind of flu where your hair hurts; the kind of flu where you lie in bed for days, coughing and shivering under mounds of covers, wondering if there's any chance that the drugstore would have any of those cyanide-laced Tylenols left.

This is how I was feeling when I realized that there were only a few days left until Christmas, and I had purchased nothing.

Of course my wife said I didn't need to get her anything.



Dave Barry
Humor

"Don't be silly!" she said. "I don't want anything!"

Speaking on behalf of guys everywhere, let me just say: Right.

So out I went. And guess what: Christmas shopping is not so bad if you have the flu. You are not frantic. Your brain has slowed way down, probably because it has so much phlegm in it. You feel peaceful. You do it even mind the driver down here. When some inconsiderate moron stops his car right in front of the mall entrance, blocking a traffic lane, ignoring the 50 cars lining up behind him, and then he just sits there, waiting for somebody inside — perhaps Amelia Earhart — to emerge, you don't become enraged and honk your horn and brandish your revolver like the other drivers. You just lie down sideways on the seat and sleep. You have the power to sleep anywhere, for any length of time. You could sleep on the Space Mountain ride. You are Flu Man!

The only problem with flu shopping is that, when you finally get inside the mall, you are way too stupid to actually purchase a gift. You shuffle along very slowly, being very deliberate, avoiding sudden movements that might cause your hair to move. This takes all of your concentration, so you have no mental energy left over for comprehending and dealing with the fast-paced, complex and highly competitive environment of a modern shopping mall hours before Christmas.

I would find myself staring fixedly, for minutes on end, at some object, and then gradually realizing that the object was (in one case) a "sweater de-fuzzer." This is a battery-operated device that you use to take fuzz off a sweater. I have no idea why I would be staring at this: It was not a good candidate for a gift for my wife. In all the years I have known her, she has never once suggested that sweater fuzz was a problem in her life. Had I been in my normal mental state, I would not have even glanced at this item. But it held a powerful fascination for Flu Man.

I also found myself getting distracted by other people's problems. At one point, I stood near the cosmetics counter, holding very still, my body waving ever so slightly back and forth, and I listened as a saleswoman tried to help a man buy a fragrance for his wife. He looked like a guy who works outdoors, maybe a

Please see BARRY/B2

Winter suffers unwary sportsmen unkindly

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — Cold-weather sports — from downhill and cross-country skiing to skating to inner-tubing — really do liven up a dreary winter.

But the combination of ice, speed, cold and sudden changes in the weather is an accident waiting to happen, so be prepared if it does.

For Sarah Goldmann, 17, of Ketchum, it was a skiing mishap that sent her to the emergency room last Tuesday.

"I was skiing with the (Sun Valley) Freestyle Ski Team and we were just making warm-up runs and practicing short swing turns, and I caught air off a knoll and I just landed with a lot of impact," she said. "It wasn't a rotational injury. It was just a lot of force."

Goldmann, who is a winter emergency care certified national ski patroller, said as soon as she landed she was pretty sure she had hurt herself. Turned out to be an anterior cruciate ligament rupture.

If you're a skier, that's your worst nightmare, because technology has eliminated many of the other hazards of the high country.

"I'm not saying it's impossible to get hurt skiing, but the risk is so greatly reduced that it's almost negligible," Karen Brozek, director of skiing at Michigan's Shanty Creek and Schuss Mountain ski areas, told Knight-Ridder Newspapers. "Skiing is good for you. It sure beats going from the soap opera to the refrigerator."

Modern ski boots and quick-release bindings have dramatically reduced the broken lower leg that was so common in the 1940s and '50s, but it hasn't eliminated such injuries. Dr. Bill May, an orthopedic surgeon with the Intermountain Orthopedic Clinic in Twin Falls, said he still sees some fractures of the tibia and fibula, usually just above the top of the boot.

And then there's the skier's thumb. That happens when a ski pole gets caught in the skier's hand, pulling the thumb and tearing a ligament on the inside. It can keep you off the slopes for a few weeks.

But a ligament tear or rupture in the knee — now the most common injury in skiing — can put you on crutches for the season.

Dr. Tim Floyd, an orthopedic surgeon with the Sawtooth Orthopedic Clinic in Sun Valley, said an injury to the anterior cruciate ligament, which is located in the center of the knee, usually requires surgery, and that's what happened to Goldmann.

Other winter sports have their own, unique hazards, but like skiing, the chance of injury is probably no greater than in vigorous summer sports such as mountain biking, statistics show.

An insurance-industry survey in the mid-1980s showed that of the top 10 most dangerous sports, only two — skiing and ice hockey — were winter sports and that neither produced as many injuries as football or long-distance running.

But unlike summer sports, skiing, skating, tubing

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Sarah Goldmann's ski season ended abruptly last week when she tore a ligament while on the slopes.



ANDY ARENZ/The Times-News

The rules of engagement: Stay safe on the slopes

The Times-News

Certain injuries are unique to each winter sport. Here are some of the most prevalent, and the best ways to prevent them:

Skiing

Knee injuries are so common in skiing, said Dr. Tim Floyd, an orthopedic surgeon with the Sawtooth Orthopedic Clinic in Sun Valley, for a very simple reason.

On skis, each leg is independent of the other, so when a skier falls, oftentimes his legs will get torqued around and put a lot of stress on either the bone or the knee ligament.

Cross-country skiers are subject to the same forces, but they're not going fast or downhill, so it's unusual for them to break a bone when they fall, Floyd said.

But they do get overuse syndrome — sore tendons and ligaments — that can be quite painful.

While some injuries will happen to even the most cautious of skiers, Floyd said there are some sensible precautions, such as good physical conditioning and stretching.

Sun Valley has a fair number of visitors from coastal areas who are older and out of shape, he said, and who have heart attacks on the mountain.

"They're up there exerting themselves and they're at 7,000 or 8,000 feet," Floyd said. "So if you're not in good shape or have a history of heart problems, you should check with your physician first before taking something like this on."

Safe equipment is important, Floyd said. If they haven't been used since last winter, skis should be checked by a competent ski shop to make sure the bindings are set where they should be and that the edges are tuned.

"Occasionally we'll see somebody who fell, and probably would not have gotten injured if their binding released when it should have," Floyd said. "Or occasionally

we'll see somebody who's just skiing along, and all of a sudden a ski comes off because the binding was set too loosely, causing him to fall."

Whatever the sport, he said, control is vital.

In other words, don't get going too fast for your ability. Floyd said some people will get caught up in the exhilaration of the sport and get a little out of control. If there is an obstacle such as a rock or stump in their way or if another skier cuts in front of them, they're beyond the point where they can stop or react in time.

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Looking good

Designers find new niche: The big and tall market

Orange County Register

He used to be the forgotten man, forced into ill-fitting, tacky, synthetic clothes with zero style.

No longer. Fashion has discovered the big and tall man.

A man who wears size extra-large or bigger and stands taller than 6-foot-3 can find up-to-date clothes if he's willing to pay the price. And even with a smaller budget, he has many more choices in color and design than he did three years ago.

Canali, Jhane Barnes, Mondo di Marco and North Beach Leather are just a few fashion-savvy labels that have made available big and tall sizes in recent years. These are available mostly in the Rochester Big & Tall catalog. Alexander Julian and Bert Pulitzer also have added big and tall sizes.



The Imperial Fit double-breasted suit from Haggart is tailored to reduce the time your suit spends being fitted.

Photo courtesy Men's Fashion Association
boxers, robes and thermal underwear. The prices have doubled since 1989.

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Health notes

SOMETHING FISHY: The drumbeat among anti-cholesterol forces to lower fat consumption has boosted fish-eating among people concerned about their hearts' health, but this may be a mixed blessing. There are some signs that eating too much fish can lower a person's ability to fight off infections. This word comes from scientists at the human nutrition research center at Tufts University in Boston. In a study of 22 volunteers, the Tufts researchers found that those eating fish every day, eventually had significantly reduced their immune responses compared with those whose dietary fat came from vegetable oil. That doesn't mean that people should shun fish, said Simin Meydani, a nutritional immunologist who conducted the study. "Our findings simply call for moderation," Meydani said. "An excess intake could have some undesirable effects, which can be prevented by getting adequate levels of anti-oxidant nutrients."

SIX-DOLLAR TRAGEDY: In one dehydration case documented in 1991 in the Journal of the American Medical Association, the Hispanic mother of a 9-month-old baby who had diarrhea and was vomiting phoned her pediatrician at Boston City Hospital and was advised to administer Pedialyte, the solution manufactured by Ross Laboratories. When she got to the pharmacy, she

found the cost was \$6, but she did not have enough money to make the purchase. She did not call the doctor for further advice, and the infant continued to get sicker. The next morning, she brought him to the emergency room where, despite heroic measures and thousands in hospital costs, he died within three days.

LEFT HELPLESS? Left-handed children are significantly more likely to be accidentally injured than right-handers. Researchers reporting those findings in Pediatrics said the cause could be environmental — from items designed for right-handers — or biological, or perhaps a combination of both.

DEPRESSING STATISTICS: Be careful — it's depressing out there. Mental depression costs the United States nearly \$44 billion a year, most of it in treatment costs and lost productivity, and employers of depressed workers are paying more than half the total, says a new study in the Journal of Clinical Psychology. Not included in those totals are the costs of depression stemming from alcohol and drug abuse. The study also found a loss of \$7.5 billion in lifetime earnings of people who commit suicide as a result of depression.

Compiled from wire reports

Donor tale misses heart of story Ski

DEAR ABBY: I am enclosing a copy of an article that appeared in the Baltimore Sun. It states that a Florida woman had donated her son's organs, but instead of being thanked for her humanitarian efforts, she received a bill from the hospital for \$41,000. "...the cost of keeping her son alive so the organs could be removed."

The article went on to say that there have been vague promises that a donor bank may eventually pay much of the \$41,000, but (the mother) had received no guarantees, and she's now struggling because a lien has been placed on her son's estate. The article reported that the \$10,000 in insurance money that could pay for the funeral could not be used because the hospital had a lien on it, which is standard operating procedure for the hospital.

Abby, this is appalling. And it brought to mind that we and thousands of your other devoted readers listened to your advice and joined The Living Bank. We feel that you should investigate this terrible injustice and determine what really happened. Your readers would like to know the facts, either pro or con — about organ donor programs. Especially the one you championed.

— CARL E. AND MARIE K. HUEBNER, BALTIMORE
DEAR CARL AND MARIE



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

HUEBNER: Yours was one of many letters I received voicing concern, so although the article did not concern The Living Bank (which I do promote), I called its director, Bruce Conway, to ask for more information. He replied:

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for providing us the opportunity to correct for your readers, and the general public, the misunderstanding concerning the Florida mother who was supposedly charged for donating her son's organs. I have been in contact with Les Olson, the director of the University of Miami Procurement Center who procured the organs, and he advised me that the perceived problem presented in a national news story has been resolved.

The 24-year-old man was involved in an automobile accident on Sept. 12, 1993, and was taken to the hospital with severe head injuries. He was admitted to the trauma center, where all efforts were made to save his life. Upon arriving at the hospital, the mother was advised that her son was brain-dead and on a

respirator, and she was asked to donate his organs. She gave consent, and the medical procurement team proceeded with the testing and procurement. She was advised the next day that five vital organs had been utilized and five recipients' lives had been saved due to her generous consent.

The hospital sent an unaudited bill to her within a week, which is standard procedure. The organ procurement center was contacted; they reviewed the statement and will pay 95 percent of it. The remaining portion of the bill was for the trauma room treatment prior to the donation while attempting to save her son's life. (His medical insurance will cover this portion.)

Please continue to stress that a donor family does not incur any more medical expenses than they would if their loved one were not a donor. The mother continues to be a strong advocate of organ donation and gains a great deal of comfort in knowing that her son made it possible for five people to live.

Again, thank you very much for your continued support of organ tissue donation. You will never know how many lives you have saved.

— BRUCE CONWAY,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
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and snowboarding depend heavily on variables over which the participants have little control: weather, temperatures, snow and ice conditions.

And make no mistake: Winter sports can be unforgiving to the unwary.

Take frostbite, for example. Because the body is not equipped to handle very cold temperatures, it's extremely important to be properly dressed, according to Bob Rosso, owner of the Elephant's Perch, an outdoor specialty store in Ketchum.

"It has to do with a layering system — bringing up the layers from the underwear through the outerwear and good footwear, gloves, earbuds

or hats — keeping oneself dry and protected from the wind," he said.

Take your gloves off periodically, May said, and check fingers to be sure you have good circulation. It's also a good idea to watch for frostbite on the folks around you.

"So what you need to do when you see people who aren't wearing hats or whatever, and if you notice for example their ears turn white, you need to warn them," he said.

When looking for equipment for any winter sport, Rosso advised finding a store that specializes in gear for that sport. The salespeople should understand the different as-

pects of the sport, and be interested in what you specifically want to do, he said.

He said such stores in his area also tend to give information on avalanche hazards and suggest safe places to go.

"Avalanche always sounds like a great big serious word, but it can happen with a little 10-foot hillside," he said. "Someone can either be walking or skiing beneath that slope — or with snowmobiling this happens quite a bit — and a little slope can slough off, and it can ruin your day."

Safety

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It's not a good idea to ski when tired, Floyd said. Many people who visit Sun Valley want to get just a few runs in as they can, and push themselves too hard. Floyd suggested paying attention to your body and your fatigue level, and if you're tired, sit out a few runs, have some hot chocolate and get rejuvenated.

Snowboarding

A snowboarder has both feet locked onto the board, so if he takes a fall, his legs turn together, with neither being twisted very much, Floyd said. But when he falls, a snowboarder puts his hands out, and sometimes will break his wrist or a bone in his arm, he said.

Tubing

But if skiing blows out knees and snowboarding busts arms, tubing

carries with it the possibility of a whole range of injuries.

Dr. Kevin Kraal, emergency room physician at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, has seen dislocated shoulders, broken arms and ankles and concussions.

"Kids have had neurosurgery because of bleeds in their heads from tubing," he said. "It's a tremendously dangerous thing to do, I think."

But he said because it's fun, people will continue to do it. And so common sense should prevail.

A tube heading downhill at full tilt can reach 35 mph. If the rider is wearing wool or cotton clothing, when he gets bounced off he will come to a sudden stop, Kraal said. That's when something will break.

To help prevent this, Kraal said tubers should wear slick clothing so they'll slide if they fall off. Don't stack people up on a tube. Be sure

the runway is clear to avoid running into another tuber and knocking heads.

Twin Falls orthopedist Dr. Bill May said injuries can occur to ankles and arms from using them to try to stop, and getting them caught in the snow. The greatest risk is injuries to the neck or spine, he said.

"It's kind of like a projectile — even if they're on sleds they're not very well protected," May said. "And the biggest thing they have to worry about is hitting another object."

He said this might happen when the tube goes out of control and heads in the wrong direction, striking a tree or another person. To help prevent this, May said tuber should make sure the slope is clear and look for any obstacles before he heads downhill.

Barry

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builder; he was wearing work boots, shorts and a T-shirt, and he had his hair in a pony tail. He was looking nervously, at the vast assortment of vials, spray bottles, boxes, gift sets, soaps, powders, etc., and the woman OK was saying, "OK, basically you have four levels. You have your perfume, which is the strongest. Then you have your eau de perfume, which is a little less strong. Then you have eau de toilette, which is..."

The man was frowning, concen-

trating hard. You could feel his desperation; it was the desperation of millions of guys all over America who are wondering, in these last frantic shopping days, why they can't buy their wives something with a clear and practical purpose, such as an extension cord. The man was not aware that, only a few feet away, he had an ally in Flu Man, who was rooting for him to get through this, and who would have gone over and voiced his support, except that he would have just sounded like coughing.

I hope that man got his shopping done. Miraculously, I got mine done. I won't tell you what I got my wife, because she might read this, but I'm sure she'll love it, especially the optional matching attachment.

No, seriously, I hope she likes it. And I hope everybody has a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. And I hope there is peace on earth. But not if it requires me to get out of bed.

Dave Barry is humor columnist for the Miami Herald.

Fashion

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This season, the L.L. Bean catalog has extended its sizes to the lower end of the big and tall size range — XXL (50- to 52-inch), pants waists to 46 inches and shirts up to XXL and XXL tall with 18-inch neck. Similarly, late this year, Target stores stretched their size range to include heavyweight sweats, wind-jackets, windpants, T-shirts, sweaters and shirts to XXXL and XLT (extra large tall); waists for jeans and casual slacks to 46 inches and inseams to 35 inches; broadcloth dress shirts up to an 18½-inch neck.

Jhane Barnes has begun a special order program for big and tall men, who now can come into a store that carries the label, order a suit, sport-coat or pants in the right size and choose from an extensive set of fabric swatches. Barnes experimented with this concept at select retail specialists in big and tall clothes last fall.

"It's been our most successful venture in clothing this season," Barnes said. "Our factory that makes it uses computerized technology to fill special orders. It's not made-to-measure. A really big guy with a small waist usually can't get a suit

off the rack, but custom order will fix that."

Steve Kurtzman, president of Jhane Barnes Clothing, said the company sold more than 300 special orders over a 10-day period of trunk shows.

The stores couldn't believe it was so successful. When a big and tall

man finds something unique he is going to buy it because he is not allowed to have the same selection as a regular size man. He is not deterred by fashion — if he sees a good-looking jacket with a shawl collar, he'll buy it."

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Briefly

Red Cross offering first aid course

TWIN FALLS - The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a nine-hour course in community first aid from 6 to 10:30 p.m. today and Thursday.

The American Red Cross has developed a single nine-hour OSHA recognized course that covers the essentials employees need to know about first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). The course fee is \$30 and pre-registration is required. To pre-register or for more information, call 733-6464 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

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Counseling group opening soon

TWIN FALLS - A support group for men who have recently divorced or separated is being offered by Community Counseling Services. Discussions will include male conditioning, emotions/feelings, loneliness, insecurities and new strategies for coping. For more information, call Randy Shank at 734-4941.

Arthritis group will present seminar

TWIN FALLS - The Arthritis Support Group will present a seminar "Living with Arthritis" by Jamie Kelley-Kinyon, MSW at 7 p.m. Jan. 4 at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, Doctors' Meeting Room. For more information, call Becky Jensen at 737-2065.

To Do for You is a calendar listing health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Features section. Mail notices to The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

Compiled from wire reports

Pre-adolescents looking for niche with peers

Q. A communication problem has recently developed between us and our 12-year-old son. He's always been an affectionate child who would tell us what was going on in his life and talk to us if he had a problem. That all changed shortly after he started school (seventh grade) this year. He's more distant, seems uncomfortable when we show affection toward him, and is no longer open with us about what he's doing in school or with his friends. If we try to engage him in conversation, he gives us one-word replies. According to his teachers, he's well liked by his classmates, but his grades are starting to slip. What would you suggest?

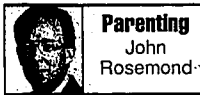
A. This is probably nothing more complicated than pre-adolescence, in which case you would do well to stop "bugging" your son to talk and emot. He'll come around when he's ready.

Pre-adolescence — or the "teenage years," as I call them — begins around age 11 and lasts too long. Before this important transitional stage, the child's security is invested primarily in his relationship with his parents, self-esteem is primarily a function of parental approval, and the child's sense of identity (self-concept) is tied predominantly to his or her role within the family.

The "task" of preadolescence is to find a secure niche within the peer group. This requires that the youngster put some distance between himself and his parents. And so, around age 11, the child begins withdrawing security from the family and investing it in the peer relationship. Increasingly, self-esteem becomes a function of peer approval, and self-concept a measure of how successful the youngster is at finding a relatively stable role within the peer group.

As you can imagine — and probably remember — this metamorphosis generates its share of anxiety and insecurity, which explains why this age child often looks worried and troubled.

Although he may at times act like he



Parenting
John Rosemond

wants nothing to do with you, your son is actually trying to figure out how he can develop a place for himself among his peers and still keep you "on his team." Without realizing it, you're

doing half his job for him. Every expression of concern on your part affirms the security of his relationship with you. And so, he seizes the opportunity to turn the tables on you a bit. I'd suggest you back off a bit and let him begin assuming a greater share of responsibility for the relationship. You might issue an open invitation of the "if

you want to talk, you know where to find us" sort.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist in private practice in North Carolina. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at the Charlotte Observer, P.O. Box 32188, Charlotte, N.C. 28277.



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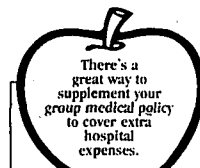
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Study: Caffeine can affect fetus

Newsday to accurately assess the risk of caffeine in triggering fetal loss.

If those long, tiring days of pregnancy aren't hard enough, doctors may soon be issuing stricter warnings against that last vestige of pep: caffeine.

Gone are the glasses of wine and cigarettes. And the latest study, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, provides convincing support that as little as two cups of coffee a day — or the equivalent found in cola tea and chocolate — increases the odds of a miscarriage.

Other studies have linked caffeine to growth retardation in fetuses.

"This is an exposure we can control," said Brenda Eskenazi, associate professor of maternal and child health and epidemiology at the University of California, Berkeley. "There is enough evidence to say that women should take in as little caffeine as they can."

Eskenazi, who wrote an accompanying editorial in the journal, added that "doctors have to walk the delicate line between beseeching pregnant women with warnings and protecting the fetus."

Despite recommendations made a decade ago by the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology that pregnant women should cut down on caffeine, 90 percent of women drink coffee and tea during pregnancy.

In the latest study, researchers at McGill University in Canada compared caffeine consumption in 231 women who miscarried in the first five months of pregnancy and 993 women who delivered. They found that women who drank a cup and a half of caffeine-filled beverages or a comparable amount in chocolate had twice the risk of miscarriage than women who didn't.

"Caffeine is not the only risk factor for fetal loss, but we want to reduce the odds. We have not identified a safe level yet so our advice is: Stop drinking."

There have been few good studies on the dangers of caffeine and pregnancy, and the latest one will stir controversy. Last year, another study by federal researchers found no risk, but Berkeley's Eskenazi said that the earlier report did not study enough women

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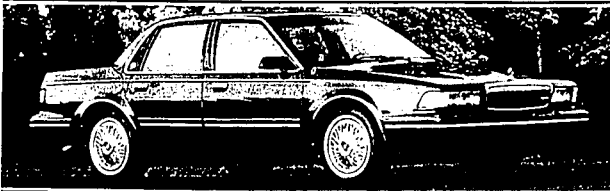
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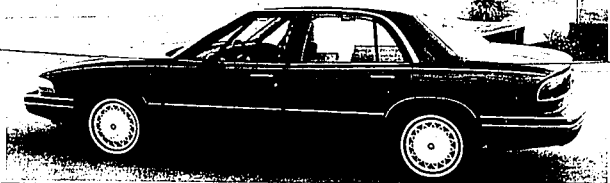


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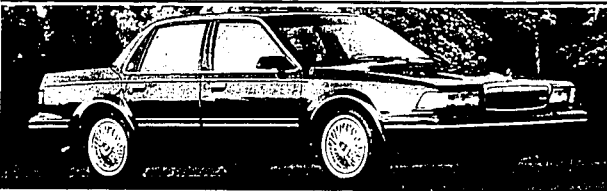
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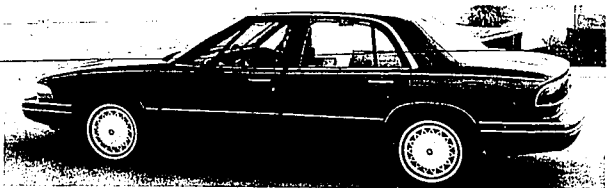


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Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz works with linebacker Jeremy Sample during Sunday's early morning practice on the Southern Methodist University campus in Dallas.

Fighting Irish QB McDougal looks forward to Cotton Bowl

DALLAS (AP)—Kevin McDougal hasn't let Notre Dame's loss to Boston College spoil his surprising season, even though he probably won't get the national title he promised Lou Holtz.

McDougal, quick to put a positive spin on any situation, is looking forward rather than behind as the Fighting Irish try to rebound from their disappointing last-play-of-the-season defeat.

"I put that in the past after it was over," said McDougal, one of few Notre Dame players with such an upbeat outlook in the weeks following the Boston College game. "If we win I try not to think about it too long, and if we lose I try to treat it the same way."

He threw for seven touchdowns and ran for four, directing an unheralded offense that ultimately was nearly as high-powered as the 1992 unit that featured Miter, Reggie Brooks and Jerome Bettis.

And he almost single-handedly rescued the Irish from a 21-point fourth-quarter deficit against Boston College, throwing at will until his fourth-down TD pass to Lake Dawson gave Notre Dame a short-lived 39-38 lead with 1:09 to play.

The season was smudged only by David Gordon's 41-yard field goal at time expired which gave the Eagles a 41-39 victory.

"I felt the whole time I could do this, it was just a matter of getting a shot," McDougal said.

He nearly blew the shot when he got it in August.

Holtz gave McDougal a narrow lead over junior Paul Fajila heading into two-a-days, but a combination of McDougal's misfirings and an astonishing performance by Powless left the senior on the second team.

Before the final preseason scrimmage, Holtz told McDougal that Powless probably would start the open-

er Sept. 4 against Northwestern. McDougal responded by telling Holtz he understood the decision, but still believed he could lead Notre Dame to a national championship.

Then Powless broke his collarbone in the scrimmage, and the starting job, finally, was McDougal's. He had a shaky first half in the opener, but led the Irish to a 27-12 victory with three long second-half completions.

He stepped into the national spotlight the next week in a 27-23 defeat of then-No. 3 Michigan. McDougal ran for two touchdowns and was 12-of-20 for 208 yards.

Aside from two poor outings against overmatched opponents Purdue and Pitt, McDougal was steady and, at times, spectacular.

He hopes Holtz will open up the offense against Texas A&M, but he realizes that's unlikely with Notre Dame's awesome running game and the Aggies' best-in-the-nation pass defense.

"He always tells me, you know, 'We're going to throw more this year,'" McDougal said of Holtz. "We'll see. I think I'll try to stress that this time, since this is my last game

coach Don Nehlen said. After all, he coached the 1988 team to an 11-0 mark in the regular season and a shot at the national championship, only to lose 34-21 to Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

Nehlen wants to make sure this year's team is focused on beating Florida.

"It's important how you approach a bowl game," Nehlen said. "You can work these guys to death, then they forget to show up for the game. So we have to do a good job of having a little bit of fun and making sure we have a good week of practice because the team that focuses real well has a chance to win."

Like his players, Nehlen believes a victory against Florida is the only thing standing between West Virginia and the top spot in college football.

"I think if we win the game there's going to be co-champions," Nehlen said. "I'm sure that any football team that can become 12-0 is going to get a piece of the championship. I'm sure of that. Winning the game is the big obstacle."

First things first, West Virginia

W. Virginia seeks perfect season

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—It wasn't Dixieland jazz, Bourbon Street bars or famous French Quarter restaurants the West Virginia football team was looking for Sunday. The Mountaineers hit town seeking a perfect season and a shot at the national championship with a Sugar Bowl victory.

"If we would win this game, I think it would be a crime if we weren't ranked No. 1," said guard Tom Robcock.

body in the nation is going to be watching to see if they can stay undefeated. It's a great chance for us to show people what we can do. If we can beat the team that is in line for a national championship, that says a lot about our team."

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Florida (10-2) may not be able to add a national title, but that doesn't stop the team from wanting the bowl title.

"We have so much to play for," Florida coach Steve Spurrier said. "We have a chance to be Florida's first team to ever win the Sugar Bowl, to be Florida's first team to ever win 11 games."

It will be the fourth appearance for the Gators in the Sugar Bowl and second in three years.

"I think these (West Virginia) guys have a legitimate shot at winning the national title," Florida quarterback Terry Dean said. "We know every-

body in the nation is going to be watching to see if they can stay undefeated. It's a great chance for us to show people what we can do. If we can beat the team that is in line for a national championship, that says a lot about our team."

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Expect more change for NFL TV

Man at an intersection holds a sign that reads, "Will Shout Hysterically and Flail My Arms and Go Nuts With A Telestrator For Food." It's a big sign; he's a big guy. Who if not John Madden with his thespian over the manly sight of a clump of sod stuck to a helmet?

The NFL television package has changed with a speed rivaled only by the alacrity with which you'll head to the mall to exchange that wicker necktie.

Fox wins NFC from CBS. NBC loses AFC despite CBS. ESPN and TNT keep Sunday nights. ABC keeps Mondays. ABCDEFG and a partridge in a pear tree.

Winner: Fox, which reveals its NFL announcers will be Shannon Doherty and Homer Simpson's Grumpy Dad, Loser: CBS, which leaves John Madden jobless, unless Fox bumps Homer's dad.

Expect more change — a new wave of smaller outlets seeking their piece of NFL pie. You think pay-per-view is scary? Consider the future of NFL TV.

PBS: Bid by public channel pins hopes on the ad slogan, "Watch the NFL on PBS or We'll Become All-Barney Television!" Play-by-play: Dick Cavett.

MTV: Game analyst: Beavis (but, mysteriously, not Butt-head). Example of tie-in promo: Win a Party Weekend With Eddie Vedder of Pearl Jam and Rockin' Jawddaddy Don Shuai.

Manhattan Late-Night Public Access: Unique hook here: nude halftimes.

ESPN2: Highlights of backward jogging and melon eating during timeouts. Halftime: Hank Goldberg interviews player with particularly "rugged" appearance in feature called "Who's Not Telegenic?"

Univision: Announcers mark score by shouting, "Deecccccccc!" Halftime feach (roughly translated): "We Step on Castro With Sharp Cleats."

Trinity Broadcasting Network: First announcer: "Jim, Chicago has the patience of Job in keeping it on the ground despite its deficit." Second announcer: "Yeah, Moses had more commandments than the Bears do passes!"

Black Entertainment Television: Queen Latifah, Snoop Doggy Dogg host pre-game Det Football Jam. Gimmeck: Ice Cube drops assin' rap on losing team.

HBO: Offers tuxedoed Dick Schapp and Ferdie "The Football Doctor" Pacheco. Tie-in includes exclusive, HBOOnly, epic miseries,

"The Winds of A Locker Room," starring Richard Chamberlain. Showtime: Augments game coverage with continuing original dramatic weekly series, "The Winds of A Season," starring Richard Chamberlain.

Infomercial Network: Dionne Warwick and LaToya Jackson utilize psychic powers to foretell play selection. Halftime meal of coursework that prepares entire four-course meal without heat, or food.

Home Shopping Network: Gimmeck: 25 times per game, random viewers receive this gorgeous, genuine "Diamontelle" ring and exquisite "Pearletta" necklace.

Playboy Channel: Announcers wear silk paisley bathrobes, smoke pipes, refer to halftime break as "the centerfold."

Nick at Nite: All games in black and white. Announcers Dick Van Dyke, Bob Denver. In studio: Barbara Billingsley.

The Weather Channel: First announcer: "You can see by this graphic that no team has a higher average home temperature at kickoff than Miami's 83 Fahrenheit Bill." Second announcer: "Not only that, Ed, the Dolphins also rank among league leaders in humidity and — this may shock fans — dew point."

Oilers match club record with win

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The streak lives.

The Houston Oilers kept it going Saturday by beating the San Francisco 49ers 10-7, winning their 10th straight game to match a 31-year-old club record.

"We're trying to win the Super Bowl," Houston receiver Ernest Givins said. "We won a big one against the 49ers but the biggest game has yet to be played."

Houston won the Christmas day match-up between division winners by holding down San Francisco's league-leading offense, which scored 55 points last week in a victory at Detroit, and forcing Steve Young into two end-zone interceptions and a fumble.

The Oilers, meanwhile, had just enough offense to overcome their own mistakes. Warren Moon had three interceptions but also threw a TD pass to Givins to help capitalize on Young's fumble.

"Everybody wonders at some point when we're going to break but every week it's another guy in the locker room who gets us going," said Moon, who gave way to Cody Carlson in the late going after aggravating a rib injury.

"We have seen it all," added Moon, who expects to play in next Sunday's regular season finale against the New York Jets. "We know what to expect. I think we're a mature team. We're a lot closer than we were earlier in the season. We play with so much more emotion, and that's the key. I said at the beginning of the season you can't win on talent alone; you've got to play with emotion."

It has been an emotional season for the Oilers, who closed ranks and kept the team together after a 1-4 start and bitter infighting among players and coaches threatened to splinter the club.

The new-found solidarity helped the team weather injuries to key personnel and the shock of reserve defensive lineman Jeff Alm's suicide.

"Because we've gone through everything we've possibly could go through adversity-wise, we just stand up to whatever is in front of us and just hit it in the face," Moon said. "We don't let things bother us any more."

The defense exuded that attitude against the 49ers, coming up with three turnovers and now has 25 in the past six games. Houston's defense, which reflects defensive coordinator Buddy Ryan's attacking style, has asserted itself even though it has not been at full strength.

"They caused trouble for us with their blitzes," San Francisco running back Amp Lee said. "Our defense played great but our offense didn't step up and make the plays when we had to."

Houston rookie Blaine Bishop started for injured safety Bubba McDowell. The secondary already has lost cornerback Darryll Lewis and safety Marcus Robertson to season-ending knee injuries.

Bishop responded by sacking Young on a blitz and forcing him to fumble. Chris Dishman and Steve Jackson each had interceptions as Houston's secondary shut down Jerry Rice and John Taylor. Linebacker Eddie Robinson blocked a third-quarter field goal try by Mike Cofer.

Moon: Injury won't stop him from playing

HOUSTON (AP)—Warren Moon says an aggravated rib injury will not keep him out of Houston's game against the New York Jets next week unless the Oilers have clinched home-field advantage through the playoffs by kickoff time.

Moon, who sustained a cracked rib on his left side in a Dec. 19 victory over Pittsburgh, asked to be replaced after being hit during the fourth quarter of Saturday's 10-7 victory at San Francisco.

The injury is expected to take three or four weeks to heal, but Moon plans to play against the Jets Sunday night with extra rib protection. He said, however, that he might sit out if the game has no playoff implications.

The Oilers (11-4) entered Sunday tied with Buffalo and Kansas City for home-field advantage.

The Bills, who beat the Jets 16-14 on Sunday, would clinch home field with a victory next week at Indianapolis. In that case, the Oilers' fate would be sealed before their 8 p.m. EST game against the Jets at the Astrodome. If the Bills lose, Houston could clinch with a victory.

Moon said he struggled with rib pain throughout the San Francisco game, but he knew that backup Cody Carlson was still not fully recovered from a groin injury suffered in October.

"I just went as long as I could, but as the game went on, it just stiffened up," he said later.

Added receiver Gary Wellman: "Warren kept saying, 'Guys, I'm hurting right now, so try to come back to the ball.' He said he was throwing it as best he could but there may not be a lot on it."

The injury was reflected in Moon's performance — he completed only 11 of 26 passes with three interceptions.

Eventually, Moon asked offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride to replace him: Carlson was sent in and completed all three passes he attempted while leading the Oilers on a 12-play drive that clinched their 10th straight victory.



Houston Oilers quarterback Warren Moon suffered an aggravated rib injury in Sunday's game against the San Francisco 49ers.

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Victory would heal Dolphin wounds

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SAN DIEGO — Against the backdrop of the gentle Mission Hills, a deep post pattern from the Pacific Ocean, the Miami Dolphins have come to this scenic city in search of healing. Their bodies have been battered, their egos bruised, their playoff aspirations buffeted by three consecutive defeats. But a victory Monday night at Jack Murphy Stadium would clinch the San Diego Chargers would elude the Dolphins a wild card spot in the postseason and soothe all their recent ills.

"We had a great start this season and have lost the last three ballgames, but now we have a chance to feel good about ourselves again with a win against San Diego to get us in the playoffs," Dolphins coach Don Shula said.

Sunday victories by the Buffalo

Bills over the New York Jets and Green Bay Packers over the Los Angeles Raiders placed the Dolphins (9-5) in the enviable position of controlling their playoff chances Monday night.

Miami held similar control three weeks ago when it had the best record in the NFL at 9-2, and was scheduled for a three-game homestand at Joe Robbie Stadium.

"Three weeks ago, we were playing for the home-field advantage in our minds," said center Jeff Dellenbach. "Now we're playing for our lives and I'm not so sure home-field advantage would be so great for us to have anyway."

The Dolphins found no advantages to playing at JRS, losing to the New York Giants, Pittsburgh Steelers and the Bills the past three weeks. So the Dolphins have traveled almost as far as

you can within the continental United States to regain their previous form.

"This is a team that needs to get back to doing the things that made us successful to begin with," defensive end Jeff Cross said. "Maybe the change of scenery will help us do that."

"I think we got too comfortable with ourselves and lost sight of what our goals are. Every good team in the NFL goes through it once in a while. What we need to do is break out of this slump before it gets too late."

It's already too late for the Dolphins to catch the Bills, who Sunday won the AFC East Division title. The chase of the Houston Oilers for the best record in the conference also ended in futility over the weekend.

The most the Dolphins can hope for is the home-field advantage for the wild-card game in two weeks.

Goalie won't let heart problem stop her from playing with national soccer team

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Not even a hole in her heart could keep Jennifer Mead from participating in sports.

Two years after doctors diagnosed her condition and performed open-heart surgery, Mead, a Providence College senior, is training for a spot as a goalie with the U.S. national women's soccer team.

Next month, at the NCAA convention in San Antonio, Texas, Mead will be presented with the Honda Inspiration Award, given annually to the collegiate woman athlete who has overcome a handicap to contribute most to her team's success.

"When I first got back, I think they were kind of shocked," she said of her college soccer teammates. "No one knew whether I would be playing. I didn't think twice about it."

A native of Raynham, Mass., Mead came to Providence in 1990 on a basketball scholarship.

She played only basketball as a freshman, earning a spot on the Big East Conference All-Rookie Team, before juggling soccer and basketball as a sophomore.

It was during her second basketball season, in January 1992, that she decided to see a doctor for a breathing problem that seemed to her like asthma. The doctor ordered chest X-rays.

"There were testing for pneumonia," Mead said. "But my heart looked too big."

After taking a closer look, the doctors diagnosed Mead with a congenital heart defect of the atrial wall — a hole in the heart. One month later, Mead underwent four hours of open-

heart surgery at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston.

A hole in the wall between the two heart atria can cause the heart to work harder to pump blood throughout the body, according to Dr. Michael Landzberg, director of the Boston Adult Congenital Heart Service.

"While it may not be life-threatening, it will create significant morbidity — problems in someone's life," Landzberg said. Those potential problems include heart failures and lung disease, he said.

Mead said she had been having occasional breathing problems for about four years leading up to the operation, but didn't think it was anything serious.

"I had never been sick. To be told I was going in for open-heart surgery was kind of shocking," she said.

Mead said she never doubted she would recover and eventually resume her athletic career.

"I was nervous but not as much as I probably should have been," she said. Mead's recovery began almost immediately after the operation. Told she would have to be hospitalized for a week to 10 days, Mead returned home five days after the procedure. Within the week, Mead was clearing on her basketball teammates from the bench.

The first month out of the hospital was miserable. Doctors told Mead she should move her arms as little as possible so she stayed in bed, "basically doing nothing."

Within a few months, Mead was back at school and even doing some light workouts. She dropped two

classes but managed to pass the other two. In the fall, Mead was back on the soccer field, minding the net.

The trainers had constructed a chest protector to guard Mead's sternum, which still has nine wires holding it together, so she could dive to make saves.

"I guess there was a little bit of concern since you never really know," Providence soccer coach Nicole Crepeau said. "But she played a great season."

Mead earned her second straight All New England selection in 1992. On the basketball court, she returned to average 10.1 points per game and lead the team in rebounding with a 7.4 average.

This past soccer season, she allowed only 1.04 goals per game and had a .883 save percentage. She trained over the summer with national team and is hoping for a goaltender's spot on the 1996 Olympic team.

Mead did have a setback this fall in basketball practice when she collapsed on the court, basketball coaching nothing wrong, but Mead decided to quit the team so she could concentrate on soccer.

Mead has enough credits to graduate this spring, but she also has one season of soccer eligibility remaining. Crepeau is hoping she uses it.

Foley said it was ironic that a heart problem had sidelined her because "what's gotten her this far is her heart."

"She was a great player before (the surgery). Afterward, she became a leader," Foley said.

Packers

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"The field was like concrete. With the weather, we had to stretch their defense and we did that with our running game. It was so cold that I put vaseline in places I never thought of before," said Packers quarterback Brett Favre.

"We still have one more left. I think our goal is to win the division. I'd be lying to you if I said I wasn't happy that we're in the playoffs."

Sterling Sharpe, still not talking to the media in Wisconsin, became the first receiver in NFL history to catch 100 passes in two seasons when he made a first-quarter reception. He had seven catches to move to within two of the NFL-record 108 he set last season. One catch Sunday was a 23-yarder for a touchdown that put the Packers up 14-0 in the third quarter.

But the Packers' defense, recording the team's first shutout in two years, was just as big on the frozen field. Green Bay had eight sacks, one by Tony Bennett that put Raiders quarter-

back Jeff Hostetler off the game in the third quarter with a concussion. Hostetler went to a local hospital for observation but rejoined the team for the flight home.

White picked up a fumble in the first quarter and then flipped it to Butler to make it 21-0 and Darrell Thompson had a 60-yard scoring run two minutes later.

"We were blessed to get eight sacks. The footing to me wasn't that good," said White. "There's relief but now we want to win the division."

Raiders coach Art Shell wouldn't blame the weather.

"It's a loss that hurts us, but now we have to regroup, forget about this one and move on to the next one against Denver at home," he said. "We just didn't make things go. They did."

Raiders receiver Tim Brown, who caught seven balls, said the footing was the worst part of the conditions.

"It's one thing to play in weather like this but it should almost be outlawed to have to play on a field that

The cold doesn't affect whether you catch the ball but whether you can make the cut. With a team like ours that relies on speed, a field like that will kill you."

The Packers finally cracked through the subzero wind chill at the end of the first half for a 7-0 lead on Edger Bennett's 1-yard scoring run with 1:01 to go.

Mike Prior's 24-yard punt return to the Raiders' 48 got the drive started. Darrell Thompson had a 15-yard run and Brett Favre hit Sharpe with passes of 11 and 17 yards.

Sharpe's first catch of the game also allowed him to pass Don Hutson (488) for second place on the Packers' all-time list, trailing only James Lofton.

Vikings

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McMahon's winning percentage as an NFL starter (.702) is second among active quarterbacks only to Montana's .718. McMahon is 4-0 in regular-season head-to-head meetings over the years, though Montana won their only postseason matchup.

Montana's early interception set up Fuad Revez's 22-yard field goal. McMahon then immediately took advantage of a fumble by Todd McNeil by hitting Carter for a 31-yard touchdown pass. Nick Lowery's 42-

yard field goal made it 10-3 at halftime.

The Vikings then went 73 yards in five plays on their opening second-half drive. McMahon's 39-yard pass to Steve Jordan preceded his 29-yard scoring pass to Carter, who burned cornerback Dale Carter for the second time.

Graham added a 6-yard touchdown run and Revez's field goals of 19 and 34 yards made it 30-3 before Dave Krieg threw a 2-yard TD pass to Keith Cash with 30 seconds left.

Patriots

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anapolis 257 yards to 37 in their seventh best rushing performance in history.

On the game's first series, Russell ran six times for 39 yards on a 69-yard drive that ended in his 2-yard touchdown run.

"We stuffed it down their throats and really established that we were going to dominate the game where it counted, in the trenches," quarterback Drew Bledsoe said.

"I just had big holes to run through," said Russell, who went over 1,000 rushing yards for the first time in his three pro seasons with 1,060. "I just feel like the guys around me have a lot more confidence in me and the coaches have a lot more confidence in my ability and now, in certain situations, they look to me as a go-to guy."

In their last two games the Patriots have scored more points (58) than in their previous six (50). Bill

Parcells' offensive approach, establishing a consistent running game behind a steady line, is taking hold in his first season as coach.

"In past years, we used to always watch game film and see what another team did and try to do that," offensive tackle Bruce Armstrong said. "Now we're establishing (our own) offensive personality."

In their first 11 games, the Patriots got inside opponents' 20-yard line 33 times and scored just nine touchdowns and 12 field goals. In the last four games, they are 13-for-17 with 10 touchdowns and three field goals.

They were 6-for-6 Sunday as the Colts defense had to focus on New England's running game. That made it easier to throw.

"We saw the potential for this (productivity) a long time ago," said Bledsoe, who threw two scoring passes. "We're really starting to develop some confidence."

Seminoles

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Ward missed two practices in Tallahassee because of ceremonies for the Heisman and graduation.

"They're good distractions," Bowden said. "Those are nice problems to have. And all that time he's going through that graduation and accepting the Heisman, he's wanting to be back on that field with his buddies."

Nebraska linebacker Trev Alberts participated in contact drills, his most physical workout since dislocating his elbow in the final regular-season game against Oklahoma.

"I felt OK," Alberts said. "I did everything. I hit people. I even got down in a three-point stance."

Three Seminoles rejoined practice after being sidelined with knee injuries — receiver Matt Fries, center Clay Shiver and tailback Marquette Smith. The status of all three for the game is uncertain.

Bowden said he's confident that quarterback Charlie Ward and offensive coordinator Brad Scott will be at their best for the game despite distractions earlier this month. Ward graduated and won the Heisman Trophy; Scott accepted an offer to become coach at South Carolina.

"When Brad got the job," Bowden said, "I said, 'If you don't think you're going to have time to get involved in this thing, let me know so I can start making some adjustments. But I'd a lot rather have you here than anybody else. I can think of.' He wanted that too."

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THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY ANY MORE...I'M GOING TO USE MY NEW SNOW BLOWER!
NOUVEAU RICHE!

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF DECEMBER 27 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You travel more than most persons, many are drawn to you with their most intimate problems, questions. You are a humanitarian willing to fight when cause is right. You are romantic, idealistic, often cast first and think later—some insist you have "fiery temper." February, September and November most important for you during 1994.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Work week gets off to promising start—short trip could involve locating missing document. Focus on organization, intense relationship, decision regarding business, marriage. Decide!

SAGITTARIUS (April 20-May 20): Views vindicated, long-range prospects become crystal clear. Financial burden removed, there will be more freedom of thought, action as result.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Cycle high, circumstances move in your favor, cents transpire to bring you closer to ultimate goal. Make fresh start, be direct, take initiative. Love relationship undergo "major test."

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Period of seclusion necessary, proves beneficial. Attention revolves around galleries, institutions, visit to one confined to home, hospital. Eccentric relative will profess love.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fun and frolic featured—you'll have reason to celebrate, mainly because money appears almost as if by magic. You'll gain allies, win friends, you'll have good fortune in matters of romance, career.

VIROO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Polish silverware. Prepare for "important" guest. Prestige elevated, standing in community enhanced. Participation in political, charitable project indicated.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Attention revolves around publishing, advertising, ability to communicate needs in informative, entertaining manner. Get views on paper—refuse to be limited by "foolish" inhibitions, censorship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 19): Emphasis on home, family, art objects, luxury items, domestic adjustment that could include where you live, marital status.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Spiritual values surface. Gemini moon highlights publicity, special appearances, partnership and marriage proposal. Don't fall victim to self-deception—get realistic view of situation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You'll be saying, "I can handle this, it really is my cup of tea!" Scenario features intense relationship, business proposition, deadlines, marital status.

QUARUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Finish what you start, reach beyond the immediate, have dialogue with one from foreign land. Your taste in food tonight will be dubbed "exotic." Moon position highlights sex appeal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): New view of property required—obtain professional appraisal. Family relationships highlighted due to surprise announcement from dynamic, stubborn Leo. Aquarian also involved.

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- 32 Part of
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- 36 Army address
- 37 Spotted cats
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- 46 Slimmer
- 49 Holds firmly
- 51 Release one's spirits
- 53 Heavy play
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Prepare verbally, physically

Lots of men who attack women prime themselves at the outset with wild vicious torrents of obscenities so terrifying they freeze the victims. Police say women who train to defend themselves should contain themselves first to withstand that initial stunning verbal onslaught.

Camera studies of the March blizzard along the Eastern Seaboard showed 5.0 lightning bolts struck per hour for awhile there. Some storm.

The Amazonian Kayap tribespeople are daring in their diet. They'll eat things you and I wouldn't, certainly. Please note, their language has about 100 different words for diarrhea.

Just before World War I, one Frederick Winslow Taylor, M.E., Sc. D., announced his studies convinced him an able-bodied man with a shovel lifts the most tonnage in a day's work with shovelfuls each weighing 21 pounds, no more, no less. So shovel makers started putting out modified tools for sand, snow, dirt, ashes, grain. Eventually, nobody remembered the weight no-

LM. Boyd
What's what?

World



A Sarajevo woman pulls valuable wood to her home Sunday. The Bosnian capital was relatively quiet after five days of intense shelling, but heavy fighting was reported elsewhere.

Fighting rages in central Bosnia

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Muslim-led government forces and rival Croat militias battled Sunday for territory in central Bosnia, while Serbs shelled Muslim areas in the east, according to radio reports.

Sarajevo remained without electricity after a key power supply line was knocked out in fighting last week. A cold rain added to the chill in the heartless city.

Croatian radio reported fierce fighting between government troops and Croats near Kiseljak, west of Sarajevo. It also reported infantry and artillery battles in central Bosnia around Busovaca, Vitez and Novi Travnik.

The Bosnian Croat military headquarters appealed to all "Croats from the homeland and abroad" to join Bosnian Croat forces or provide weapons, the radio said.

Bosnian radio said the Muslim enclave of Gorazde in the east was

shelled by surrounding Serb forces, and that Olovo, northeast of Sarajevo, was under heavy artillery attack.

In Sarajevo, however, it was somewhat quieter after five days of heavy shelling that made a mockery of a holiday cease-fire.

The Christmas truce had been agreed to by all sides in Bosnia's war, but broke down almost immediately after peace talks in Belgium failed last week, the sides hope to make territorial gains before negotiations resume Jan. 15.

Serbs hold about 70 percent of Bosnia, and the rest is about equally split between government and Croat forces.

U.N. monitors reported 689 shells hitting Sarajevo on Christmas day, including several that landed near Kosevo hospital. One person was killed and 15 wounded, bringing Sarajevo's casualty toll since Thursday to 11 dead and 99 wounded.

Serb forces encircling the city have besieged its residents for 20 months with artillery and sniper fire.

U.N. peacekeeper spokesman Maj. Manuel Cabezas said more than 100 shells hit eastern Mostar, in southwestern Bosnia-Herzegovina, on Saturday. Tens of thousands of Muslims have been under siege by Croat forces there for months.

Bosnian radio reported that Croats, who control western Mostar, were continuing their attacks Sunday.

Christmas brought one bit of good news: A convoy carrying beans, mattresses and 60 tons of precious diesel fuel arrived in Sarajevo on Saturday. U.N. relief agency spokesman Ray Wilkinson said the trucks got through even though Serbs tried to divert them onto an impassable route.

War erupted in April 1992 when Bosnian Serbs rebelled after a vote by Muslims and Croats to secede from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia. An estimated 200,000 people have died since.

China voices opposition to sanctions on N. Korea

The Washington Post

BEIJING — Premier Li Peng said Sunday China opposes economic sanctions to compel North Korea to accept full international inspections of its nuclear facilities, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

The Chinese position could set up a conflict in the United Nations Security Council, should the Clinton administration decide to seek U.N. sanctions in an effort to force the inspections on North Korea, which U.N. and U.S. officials fear may be seeking to develop nuclear weapons.

Both China and the United States are permanent members of the Security Council with veto power over its resolutions.

Li spelled out the Chinese position in talks Sunday with U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, who arrived in Beijing from North Korea for talks on the nuclear-weapons impasse.

For several months, North Korea has refused to permit inspections by the U.N.'s International Atomic Energy Agency at two sites the United States suspects are being used to process nuclear materials.

In a statement made as he left North Korea, Boutros-Ghali said he had a "friendly" meeting with President Kim Il Sung and explained his policy on "various matters in (North Korea's) conduct of its foreign affairs, including the nuclear issue," but he did not provide details of the discussions.

A senior diplomat in Beijing who is close to both North Korea and China said China does not believe North Korea has the capability of building nuclear weapons. North Korea has assured China it does not possess nuclear

Gunmen escape with loot

MINERALNYE VODY, Russia (AP) — Four masked kidnapers landed their explosives-packed helicopter, freed their last hostages and fled with \$10 million ransom Sunday, four days and hundreds of miles from the drama's start, a Russian news agency reported.

The ITAR-Tass news agency reported that the gunmen abandoned the aircraft in a suburb of Makhachkala, capital of Russia's southern Dagestan province.

"The terrorists left the helicopter and escaped in an unknown direction. Active search for the criminals was launched," it said.

The helicopter had been followed by two choppers carrying elite Russian troops, and other forces waited in Makhachkala. It was unclear how the gunmen eluded them all.

The flight to Makhachkala, on the shore of the Caspian Sea, was the latest leg of a tense and circuitous journey that began on Thursday when the gunmen seized about a dozen schoolchildren.

The kidnapers released a few hostages at a time over the next few days as authorities met their demands — ranging from a radio to the ransom.

Earlier Sunday, the gunmen freed three of their hostages and took off from the airport at Mineralnye Vody, a mining spring resort.

After flying for 90 minutes to the southeast, the camouflage-painted Mi-8 helicopter landed near Khasavirt, also in Russia's Dagestan province, officials said.

It took off again, flying for about an hour to suburban Makhachkala, said ITAR-Tass. Makhachkala is 400 miles from Rostov-on-Don, where the hostages were taken.

The gunmen claimed at one time to be suffering from AIDS and demanded free passage to Iran for treatment. But First Deputy Prime Minister Oleg Soskovets, who headed the effort to end the crisis, said that appeared to be a smokescreen.

"During the operation, we concluded that they simply wanted to disappear in an unknown direction — together with the money they have received. It seems that they counted on accomplices on the territory of Russia," he said on Russian television.

The crisis began Thursday morning when the kidnapers, armed with three automatic rifles and a pistol, seized about a dozen students in Rostov-on-Don, 600 miles south of Moscow.

They herded the hostages onto a bus, then demanded a helicopter and began flying south toward Iran. They threatened to kill the hostages unless given safe passage. Officials said the gunmen had explosive devices and threatened to blow up the helicopter if attacked.



Jesse Jackson, right, shown with his son, Jesse Jr., at a news conference Sunday, says it's time for the United States to end its embargo against Cuba.

Jackson says U.S. should help Cuba economy, drop embargo

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Cuba has taken significant steps toward freeing its economy from state control, but acute shortages of food and medicine continue to plague the country, the Rev. Jesse Jackson said Sunday.

Jackson, who has described his four-day visit to the island as a humanitarian mission, urged the United States to end its three-decade-long economic embargo on Cuba's communist regime.

"We have to break the cycle of 30 years of hostility," he said at a news conference in Havana. "The fight should end. It would be a disaster if the policy of aggression and violence is successful, since more Cubans will leave the country in rage."

Cuba's economy has been deteriorating sharply since the Soviet Union — its principal source of foreign aid — collapsed in 1991.

Thousands have been fleeing Cuba in recent years, most of them heading for asylum in the United States.

Jackson said Fidel Castro has made "substantial" changes toward liberalizing the Cuban economy. But shortages of food and medicine continue, affecting children the worst, he said.

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Dear Mr. Wolff:
After two passes at duplicate, RHO opened one diamond and I overcalled one spade. Partner bid one no-trump after a pass by my LHO. RHO passed and I bid two spades, holding a good six-card suit and another king. Should I have been regarded as a "blinding hog"? That's what my partner called me.

ANSWER: Your partner's comment was unjustified. Under the conditions you describe, it's perfectly normal to rebid the good six-card major.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
In the Jacoby-Transfer system, what is meant by the term "transfer refusal"?
Free Thinker, Milwaukee, Wis.

ANSWER: When responder to a no-trump opener bids two diamonds or two hearts, he promises at least five cards in the next higher-ranking suit and asks opener to bid that suit. Opener complies with average openings. However, with a maximum opening and a good fit for the five-card suit, opener may jump one level with a four-card fit or he may "refuse the transfer" by bidding two no-trump or a higher-ranking suit at the two-level. The refusal promises a good three-card fit and a maximum opening.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At duplicate, my LHO opens one heart and partner overcalls one no-trump. After a pass by RHU, should I bid two spades with ♠8-7-6-4-2, ♥J-9-3, ♦J-7, ♣Q-8-5?

ANSWER: It's a close call, but I lean toward a pass because of the heart holding. Partner might hold two top spades and the hand may play better at one no-trump than at spades.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
Defending against a no-trump game, partner leads the spade king and I hold the Q-8 doubleton. If dummy holds three small spades, should I play my eight or should I jettison the queen? The bidding was strong and dummy has a long club suit.

ANSWER: Throw away the queen! Partner may well have the A-K-J-x-x, and even if he leads low to your queen, you may have problems giving him the lead to run the suit.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I open one diamond, partner bids one heart and I raise to two hearts, holding three fair trumps and a side singleton. If partner invites game via two no-trump, should I return to hearts or rebid my five-card diamond suit?

ANSWER: It is customary to provide four-card support if you bid either three or four hearts. Therefore, if you raised with only three-card support, it's advisable either to rebid the diamonds or to bid three no-trump.

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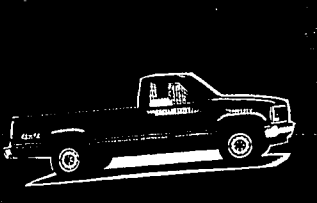
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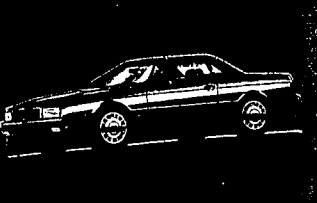
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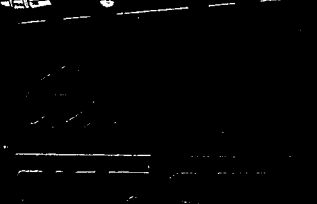
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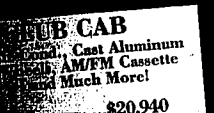


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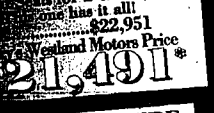
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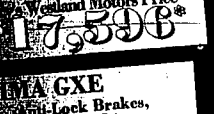
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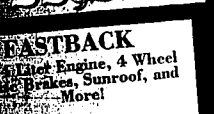
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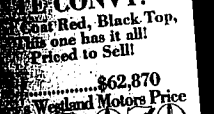
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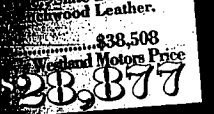
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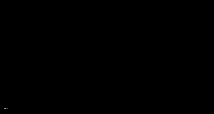
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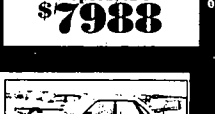
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