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## Good morning

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## Bomb rips roofer's car near home in Twin Falls



By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — An apparent bomb erupted beneath an empty parked car Sunday night, startling residents for several miles around and perplexing police and the car owner.

"It echoed over the canyon like a thunderbolt," said Yoyanda Burnett, who heard the explosion 1/4 miles away inside her home.

Steve Thompson, a 27-year-old roofer, was watching television in his living room when he heard a loud bang outside his home at 215 Adams Street.

"I am a fairly decent person, I pay my taxes, and I am like anybody else," Thompson said. "I am not a felon ... Whoever did this has got to be lower scum than me."

The explosion, which sounded at 9:49 p.m., ripped off the right rear wheel and axle of his 1985 Toyota Camry, shattered the car's windows and scattered debris from the bottom of the car. It was parked about 20 feet from his house.

Smoke dissipated into the night air, while his muffler, pieces of metal, shoes and other items lay strewn about the broken glass.

"If I had been in the car it would have killed me," Thompson said.

Police roped off the block as residents gathered in curiosity. Thompson said he talked to police that evening, and could only speculate why anyone would plant a bomb beneath his car.

Detective Ike Kistler, who is investigating, referred all questions to his supervisors. Lt. Ron Axman of the Twin Falls Police Department said Kistler hadn't yet determined Monday what the bomb was made of and whether it was placed "in, near or around the vehicle."

Thompson said the bomb exploded beneath the right rear tire and the gas tank. The blast excavated a hole five inches deep in the front yard where his car was parked. The explosion shattered a window on the front of his house and the side of his neighbor's home.

Axman said he couldn't describe the bomb and he didn't have any suspects.

A Sunday night explosion ripped off the rear axle and right rear tire of a 1985 Toyota Camry owned by Steve Thompson of Twin Falls.

## Batt backs farm worker comp

But silence greets his idea on gas taxes

By Karen Tolkinen  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — Gov. Phil Batt ushered in the 1996 Legislature Monday with familiar issues — reiterating his support for downsizing government, reforming welfare and holding down property taxes.

The Republican governor, speaking to one of the most conservative Legislatures in the country, was interrupted repeatedly by applause and laughter. He listed trimming the cost of government as one of his accomplishments in the past year — by refinancing bonds for buildings, lowering energy costs and placing its long-distance telephone contract out for competitive bid.

**Still to pay for fixing Idaho's roads.** Batt said he favors increasing state gasoline taxes by 4 cents per gallon, and boosting vehicle registration fees. The lawmakers didn't clap for that idea.

But he drew applause for once again throwing his support behind an issue that some local lawmakers pinpointed as a hot spot during this year's session: requiring farmers to pay worker's compensation for their employees.

"These are working Idahoans are among the most vulnerable of our citizens," he said. "They are generally poor. Few can afford a lawyer. They work in a dangerous occupation. They are the backbone of one of Idaho's most productive economic assets. We must stop ignoring this glaring deficiency in our society."

Batt, an onion farmer from Wilder, said his administration had lowered the cost of worker's compensation insurance by 20 percent for farm coverage, and was willing to give farmers a break in other areas to get it.

"If it is necessary to give farmers relief from taxes somewhere else, let us determine where, and get on with it," he said. "Our workers can wait no longer."

Republican Rep. Colin Gould, a Buhl rancher, said Batt could run into some problems on that issue. She doesn't want farmers to be forced into paying worker's compensation at the expense of some other form of coverage.

Follow Republican Rep. Doug Jones, a Filer farmer and past Twin Falls County chairman of the Idaho Farm Bureau, said



Gov. Phil Batt opened the Idaho Legislature session Monday with his State of the State address. Leading applause for his comments were Lt. Gov. Butch Otter, left, and Speaker of the House Mike Simpson.



he voted for required coverage last year and would like to see something passed this year.

But it's one of the hot spots in this Legislature session, and likely to be opposed,

### Speech highlights — A3

he said.

One of the biggest opponents of mandatory worker's compensation insurance, the Idaho Farm Bureau, is one of the most powerful lobbying groups in the state. It has fought against the measure in previous years and is likely to again this year.

Batt's proposals would be unlikely to change the Farm Bureau's stance this year, said spokesman Dennis Tanikuni. The bureau decides its policies at its annual meeting in December.

Batt also said he welcomes legislative hearings on his nuclear waste issue.

"I am convinced that any legislative hearings you choose to have will bring to light the necessity of this agreement and the soundness of its terms," he said.

Leaders in the House and Senate have proposed holding hearings on the nuclear waste agreement in hopes of finding out whether state and federal governments have the same understanding of the pact's meaning.

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## East Coast slowly digs out after monster blizzard

The Associated Press

A blizzard of historic proportions shut down the East at the start of the work week Monday, stopping cars, trains, planes and just about anything else that moves.

At least 47 deaths were blamed on the weather.

"The snow in some places was thigh-high," Hoboken, N.J., set up roadblocks and all major airports were closed from Washington to Boston. Bus lines shut down, and passengers from one Amtrak train were stuck in a West Virginia hotel.

### Sounds of silence — A4

Hundreds of truckers and other travelers were stuck in truck stops, restaurants and highway service areas.

"It's better to be stuck somewhere comfortable rather than in the truck," said William Bedell, a trucker from Aiken, S.C., stopped along the New Jersey Turnpike. "The load is not worth your life. You can always get another truck, not another me."

It was the third worst snowstorm on record for New York City, where 20.1 inches piled up in skyscraper-surrounded Central Park. Outlying Staten Island got more, with 27.5 inches.

"It reminds me of when I was growing up in Iceland," said Olof Haggerty, trying to get a cab to work in New York City.

The city's worst blizzard was the day after Christmas in 1947, when 26.4 inches fell. But there was little wind, unlike the blizzard of March 12, 1888, when 21 inches got heaped into drifts that reached second-story windows. The 1888 storm killed more than 300 people on the East Coast.

The Northeast also got heavy snow in 1983, when Philadelphia received a record 21.3 inches. That city got more this time: 30.3 inches.

The Baltimore region got 23 inches, just short of the 24.7-inch record set in the big blizzard of January 1922.

The most snow was in the Appalachians, with 43 inches in West Virginia's Webster County, and 30 in parts of Virginia and Tennessee. Far to the south, Georgia got a foot and Alabama highways were iced.

Mail delivery was halted in Washington and New York City, and hundreds of schools were closed from Georgia to New Hampshire. New York City's 1 million schoolchildren enjoyed their first snow day since 1978.

Much of the federal government was shut down, and Phil Gramm and Bob Dole had to cancel New Hampshire campaign trips because they couldn't get out of Washington. The United Nations also closed.

Even using cross-country skis was dangerous. Vivian Toan ran into trouble using her skis on New York's Brooklyn Bridge. "I almost got blown off," she said. "I had to hang on to some of the cables."

On New York's Fire Island, a restaurant and three houses collapsed during the blizzard and washed out to sea.



# Batt proposes worker's comp for farm laborers

**BOISE (AP)** — Here, at a glance, are the highlights of Gov. Phil Batt's State of the State address, delivered Monday:

**Government reorganization**  
Proposed special committee to analyze replacing four-member Tax Commission with one director of tax collections.  
Eliminate the Department of Labor and Industrial Services, giving labor functions to the Department of Employment and inspection functions to self-governing agencies.

**Welfare reform**  
Endorsed all 44 recommendations of the welfare reform task force that include denying welfare for children borne to women already on welfare and limiting

cash assistance to two years with a third year of continued medical and child care benefits.  
Creation of a special committee to come up with a restructured Medicaid program for special legislative session consideration once Congress completes its Medicaid reform efforts.

**Education**  
Board of Education's strategic plan for innovative use of technology and policies for more flexibility in operations of both public and higher education and making education more relevant to students.

**Economy**  
Creation of a job retraining program financed from unemployment compensa-

tion funds.  
Four-cent fuel tax increase and 30 percent to 50 percent registration fee hikes to cut into the multibillion-dollar backlog of highway maintenance.  
Worker's compensation coverage for farm laborers, even if it means some kind of tax break for farmers.

**Environment**  
Redeclaration of Idaho's official opposition to salmon recovery plans that require increased flows of Idaho water without scientific evidence they will work.  
Pledge to release a recovery plan for bull trout on Jan. 15.

**1995 achievements**  
Cut property taxes by \$41 million and

essentially capped annual property tax-financed budget increases at 3 percent.  
Saved \$681,000 by refinancing building bonds.  
Cut energy costs 4.5 percent.  
Competitively bid state long-distance phone and computer access service with potential \$721,000 savings.  
Used inmate labor to generate \$1.3 million for prison costs and save \$520,000 in extra construction costs.  
Turned some medical, child support and other programs over to private business.  
Creation of a procedure to accommodate water quality mandates without burdensome federal intervention.  
Agreement allowing resumed federal radioactive dumping in exchange for limits on amounts of new waste disposed of in

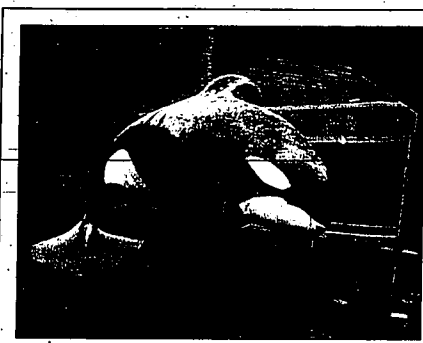
Idaho and court-enforceable promises to remove most waste in 40 years.  
Streamlined paperwork and red tape in the Insurance Department, Employment Department, Industrial Commission, State Insurance Fund, Public Utilities Commission, Transportation Department, Tax Commission and Division of Environmental Quality.  
Shut down financially troubled Quality Assurance Laboratory.  
Saved \$180,000 by combining administrative functions of Insurance and Finance departments.  
Board of Education rules essentially requiring student athletes to obey the law.  
Creation of the Department of Juvenile Corrections.

## Be patient, Denver asks of travelers

**DENVER (AP)** — Last week, it was Denver International Airport's bulky ground radar system.  
This week, it's stalled trains.  
It seems the problems at the city's new \$5 billion airport just never end.  
Now there's a debate over whether the automated baggage system is slowing up baggage. Denver Mayor Wellington Webb and United Airlines, the only airline using the automated system, insist there's no problem. Angry passengers called a local radio station to disagree, with one passenger saying his bag "looked like it had been chewed on by an alligator."  
The airline acknowledged it had to shut down the incoming automated system Dec. 22 because it kept getting annunciations on where to deliver bags. The system still is out of service.  
"I refer to it as a snakebite. You try to recover and keep moving forward," said city spokesman Andrew Hudson.

The airport located on the prairie 25 miles northeast of downtown Denver opened Feb. 28 with \$2.2 billion over budget and 16 months behind schedule.  
The automated baggage system was blamed for two of the four delayed openings, after it began mangling and ejecting bags during tests. But airport officials insist those problems were corrected. They say the number of damaged bags has not increased over the number of damaged bags at Stapleton International Airport, DIA's predecessor.  
Over the weekend, DIA officials had other problems to contend with. The automated subway that shuttles passengers among the three concourses broke down, and thousands of passengers had to be put on buses to reach outlying concourses. At least one train was stranded, and passengers had to debar and walk through tunnels to the nearest concourse.  
On Saturday, a woman broke her ankle when she fell on an escalator after a power surge abruptly shut it down.

Last week, The Denver Post reported that the Federal Aviation Administration ground radar systems at DIA, which were supposed to make it the safest airport in the nation, failed on 75 percent of the days during a six-month period ending in October.  
Weather tracking screens sounded alarms that couldn't be shut off. Airplanes taxiing on the ground disappeared from sight, and a radar system for wind shear failed to detect dangerous microbursts. A radar glitch was partially blamed for an incident Oct. 23 in which a jetliner on landing approach nearly hit a maintenance truck on the runway.  
Mike Boyd, an independent aviation research analyst based in Golden, said many of the problems stem from design flaws, which the city has repeatedly denied. For instance, Boyd said airport designers eliminated walkways next to the underground trains to save money, and rushed the automated system into service in an effort to open the airport on time.  
"This is an indication of a poorly planned, sloppily built airport," said Boyd. "Unfortunately, the city is behaving like an alcoholic, trying to claim it doesn't have a problem."



Keiko, the killer whale who starred in 'Free Willy,' gets used to his new home at the Oregon Coast Aquarium Monday.

## Movie star whale makes big splash with visitors

**NEWPORT, Ore. (AP)** — Hundreds of fans flocked to see Keiko, the orca whale star of the "Free Willy" movies, in his first day on public display Monday at the Oregon Coast Aquarium.  
There were no stupid pet tricks, as David Letterman might say, as the underweight whale got acclimated to his new rehabilitation tank and shook off some of the stiffness from his plane ride Sunday from Mexico City.  
Backers of the effort to move Keiko to the Oregon Coast are adamant that he no longer will be a performing animal, and will be viewed by the public only through an underwater observation area.  
There are no plans to create stadium-like seating around Keiko's 2-million-gallon tank.  
"I don't think the public is ready to experience orca whales in a different way. They don't have to jump through hoops or have trainers ride on their backs. This is a more natural setting," said Dave Phillips, president of the Free Willy-Keiko Foundation.  
The hundreds of visitors, who jammed into the underwater observation area Monday seemed pleased with the vanage point. Excited children pressed up against the glass

and shouted, "There's Keiko!" as the giant animal glided by.  
When Keiko swam up to the glass and eyed the throngs of tourists, one mother holding her young son on her shoulders said, "Look, Adam, he's watching us!" while a middle-aged woman appeared in awe: "Oh, he's beautiful!"  
The ideal goal is to return Keiko to his pod, or family, off Iceland. But because he's been in captivity for nearly his entire life, that might not be possible. If he can't be free, Keiko will live out his life in his new tank.  
One of the visitors who showed up for Keiko's debut, Laria Elmore, 47, of Newport, said she fully supports keeping Keiko in a more natural setting and tourists behind glass.  
"I don't want to see him do tricks," Elmore said. "If having people view him from a window will help him get healthy, that's fine. I want freedom for him."  
On Sunday, just before he was placed in his new pool, Keiko began thrashing his tail in anticipation. Three of his trainers jumped in ahead of him, then he was lowered gently into the water. He slapped his tail into the air, then swam quickly in circles in his spacious new home.

## Supreme Court lets limits stand on broadcast of indecent material

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Rebuffing free-speech advocates, the Supreme Court is letting federal regulators confine radio television and radio programs to late-night hours when children are less likely to tune in.  
The justices left intact a federal appeals court ruling that upheld government limits on indecent broadcasts. The Federal Communications Commission restricts any such program on TV or radio to the hours between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.  
The news media, civil liberties and children's advocacy groups and others, including post-Allen Ginsberg, had challenged the rule as a violation of free-speech rights. The appeals court had ruled last summer that the rule was justified by the government's "compelling interest in protecting children."

The high court's action, taken without comment, was among a flurry of orders issued by the justices Monday while most of Washington was shut down for the aftermath of a major snowstorm. The justices also heard arguments in three cases also issued on ruling.  
Eight of the nine justices made it to work, several with the help of four-wheel drive vehicles, sent by court officials. Justice John Paul Stevens was stranded in Florida because all Washington-area airports were closed.  
In other action Monday, the court:  
• Turned down a parents' rights challenge to a program making condoms available to students in public junior and senior high schools in Falmouth, Mass. The state's highest court upheld the program last July.  
• Refused to review former boxing champion Mike Tyson's rape conviction. Tyson spent three years in prison and now is serving four years' probation for the 1991 rape of a beauty pageant contestant in Indianapolis.  
• Ruled that train crews are not on duty while they wait to be picked up at a stopped train after they have worked the maximum 12 straight hours allowed by federal law.  
• Heard arguments in a dispute over whether copyright protection can be granted to the part of a computer program that instructs users how to use the program.  
The broadcast indecency rule was upheld last June by the U.S. Circuit

Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. "We find that the government has a compelling interest in protecting children under the age of 18 from exposure to indecent broadcast material," but last June's ruling had defined "indecent" material as that which describes sexual or excretory activities or organs in patently offensive terms.  
Unlike obscenity, indecency is protected by the First Amendment's free-speech guarantee. Governments must justify any interference with indecent expression.  
But broadcast programs traditionally have been given less legal protection than the printed word or other forms of expression.  
A federal trial judge struck down an 18-hour ban on the broadcast of indecent material, but last June's ruling by the appeals court reinstated it in its current 16-hour form.  
The two appeals denied review Monday argued that "the 6 a.m. to midnight ban is unsupported by any evidence of harm to minors and is not narrowly tailored to serve the government's asserted interests."

## Ruling protects spotted owl lands

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Supreme Court Monday left standing the designation of some 63 million acres of federal land in Oregon, Washington and California as protected "critical habitat" for the northern spotted owl.  
The justices, without comment, rejected an Oregon county's arguments that it should be able to change the designation Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt made in 1992 under the Endangered Species Act.  
In the spotted owl case, lawyers for Douglas County, Ore., contended that the county violated the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) by failing to file the required environmental impact statements before making the designation.  
The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled, however, that no such impact statements are required when the secretary makes critical-habitat decisions.

The spotted owl was designated a threatened species in 1990 and interior subsequently identified areas essential to its conservation that may require special management consideration or protection.  
Douglas County, located in heavily forested southwestern Oregon, owns more than 4,000 acres contiguous to or within national forest land. About two-thirds of the county's annual operating budget is derived from federal timber sale receipts, and much of its property tax base is tied to the timber industry.  
The county sued Babbitt and two environmental groups — Headwaters and Umpqua Valley Audubon Society — after learning that interior's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service did not plan to file an environmental impact state-

ment in compliance with NEPA.  
A federal judge ruled that such NEPA compliance was required, and set aside the critical-habitat designation. The judge ruled heavily on a 1976 Supreme Court ruling he said requires all federal agencies to comply with NEPA "unless there is a clear and unmistakable and overriding interest."  
The 9th Circuit court reversed that ruling. The appeals court said the Endangered Species Act implicitly exempts from NEPA "the secretary's decision to designate a habitat for an endangered or threatened species."  
In the appeal acted on today, lawyers for Douglas County said six other federal appeals courts have issued decisions that conflict with the 9th Circuit's interpretation of the Endangered Species Act.

## Office blast was sabotage

**ESPANOLA, N.M. (AP)** — Sabotage was responsible for a weekend blast that blew out a window and cracked a rear wall in a U.S. Forest Service office here, the district ranger said Monday.  
"Somebody did something," Lori Osterstock said.  
She said a preliminary investigation by federal Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Bureau agents found the Saturday night explosion was deliberate, but did not immediately determine what caused it.  
"Right now, they're just gathering pieces of things," she said.  
The ATF agent in charge could not immediately be reached for comment.

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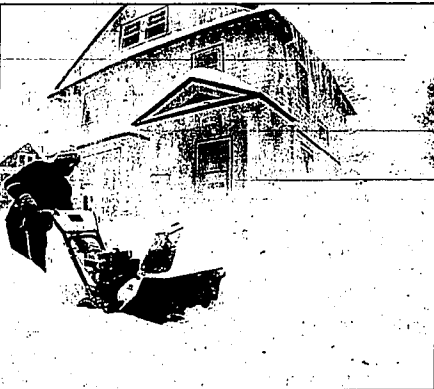
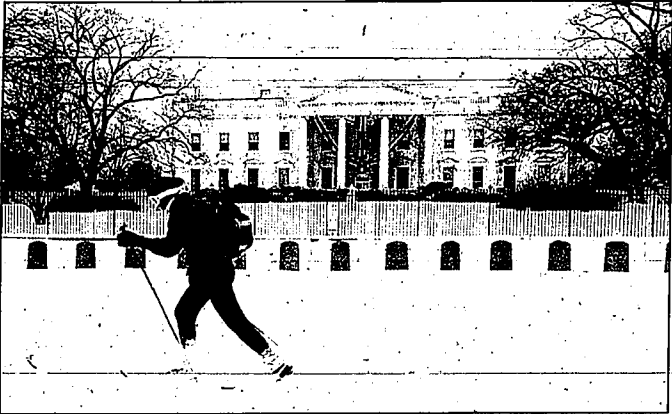
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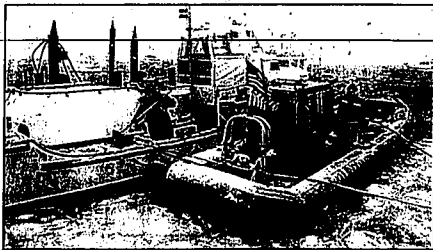
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Nation



AP photos  
One of the most powerful blizzards of the century cripples transportation in New York City, at top. Above, a cross country skier strides past the White House as snow continues to fall in the Washington area, closing governments, schools and airports. At left, Mark Claffin of the West Roxbury neighborhood of Boston uses his snowblower early Monday morning to clear his sidewalk. Below, at the Chatham Fish Pier, Coast Guard workers brave the cold and snow to de-ice their boats.



# Blizzard zaps Capital, except for High Court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Of the three branches of government, the Supreme Court proved itself the little engine that could.

Blizzard or not, eight of the nine justices got to work Monday, donned robes, heard arguments, issued orders and handed down a ruling, involving the working hours of railroad crews.

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on Mideast peace talks, at the Defense Department, on Bosnia peacekeeping, and at the White House, on the budget situation; were all canceled. And while the high court was busy, the lower courts were idle. The Postal Service put out an announcement: "The transportation of mail has come to a virtual halt. ... Customers should not expect collection or delivery."

But the Supreme Court put in a full day, missing only John Paul Stevens, who was stranded in Florida because all three Washington-area airports were closed.

Justice David M. Souter arrived late after the court sent its lone four-wheel drive vehicle to get him. Justices Stephen G. Breyer and Ruth Bader Ginsburg hitched a ride with a court employee.

The Federal Communications Commission, which during the shutdown had made special arrangements to conduct auctions of communications licenses, was forced this time to call them off.

Even non-governmental Washington was closed. Robin Dean, 39, a marketer for a business development firm, glided three miles to work on cross-country skis, hoping to drum up some government business. But her office was locked.

"Before it was Congress, now it's Mother Nature," she said, skiing off in the tracks left by a four-wheel drive vehicle.

**"It's actually quite fun."**

Peter Doyle, macroeconomist, about the upwards from 20 inches of snow which fell in the Washington area

"I feel a little jerked around," said government manager Anne Ostberg from her home.

During the partial government shutdown, she and her staff were stuck between President Clinton and the Republican Congress, she, along with tens of thousands of federal workers, had been under orders not to show up.

But Ms. Ostberg was so eager to get back to her responsibilities at the Corporation for National Service, which supports hundreds of thousands of volunteers, that she sneaked back to work five times during the shutdown and tackled her accumulated mail.

Then, just when the man-made crisis ended, the natural crisis took over.

Over the weekend, Clinton laid out a plan to balance the budget within seven years. That step met the terms

of Republican legislation that allowed the government to reopen.

Then came the storm, the worst in at least a decade — upwards of 20 inches of snow, mounting drifts, nasty winds and subfreezing temperature. And officials closed the government yet again, at least for a day.

Peter Doyle, a 54-year-old macroeconomist, had put on a tie and

hopped a bus to join a handful of colleagues at the International Monetary Fund. But too few were there to accomplish anything. He grabbed a laptop computer and headed home.

"I'm just kicking myself that I didn't take my computer home on Friday," he said as he walked up the middle of a deserted, snow-drifted Pennsylvania Avenue, six blocks from the White House.

Then he looked around and cheered up. "It's actually quite fun," he said.

A snowplow cleared a path in front of the White House, where budget talks between Clinton and Republican leaders resumed after having been blown away by the storm Sunday.

Briefings at the State Department,

to cover the storm in Washington and New York City.

"We're really going to blitz the big cities with coverage," Kenecy said. "Our research, our focus groups tell us they want us there. ... They want to have us live through it with them."

The Weather Channel, with a staff of 65 meteorologists, has been on the air since 1982 and is available in more than 182 million households — including some very influential households.

"We did hear the governor of New York say the state was well-prepared for the storm because they'd watched The Weather Channel," said network spokeswoman Kathy Lane.

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## Storm fuels Weather Channel viewership

NEW YORK (AP) — The blizzard that socked the East brought sunny smiles and big ratings to The Weather Channel, where meteorologists reveled in tracking one of the biggest snowstorms of the century.

"We don't like to alert the public to that," said meteorologist Bill Kenecy, "but, yes, it's true: We're having a good time."

The Atlanta-based cable channel had its own problems with the storm when a 1/2-inch snowfall on Sunday prevented several staffers from getting to work.

Overnight ratings for the storm were not available, but Kenecy said major weather events historically have yielded ratings three to five times the average.

"With an event like this, I'll bet we're in the neighborhood of a 1.5 (rating) or a 2," Kenecy said. "That's close to 1 million households at a given time."

Kenecy said he expects ratings for the blizzard to "blow out the old numbers" from the previous peak, during the "super storm" of 1993.

"This one's an epic storm," he said.

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to cover the storm in Washington and New York City.

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## New Yorkers listen closely to sound of silence

NEW YORK (AP) — These were the sounds of the city on Monday: the scrape of snowplows, the gentle schuss of cross-country skis, the yips and shouts of more than a million school children given a free day to play.

And something else. In some parts of New York City, you could hear the most foreign sound of all: absolute, pristine silence.

It was deafening.

New York is always at its quietest and gentlest after a snowfall. Then, before the snow is smudged by soot and trampled by millions of scuffling feet, the city seems somehow cleaner and softer, its rough edges smoothed, its brassy attitude muffled.

Monday was no exception. For many people, the day was a gift, an unexpected holiday on which many offices and all schools were closed, and most trains, planes, cars and buses were idled.

In Central Park, 13-year-old Eric

Sacco came skittering down a hill on a snowboard, whooping all the way. At the bottom, he was asked his assessment of the day.

"It's good," he said. "No school."

Which pretty much said it all.

About 25 yards away, the city Parks Department was giving away hot chocolate and lending plastic sleds and saucers for children — and some adults — to use on the still-accumulating snow. It wasn't hard to strip away mentally the plastic and the bright nylon parkas and imagine the same scene on the same hill on the day after the Great Blizzard of '88 — 1988.

Throughout the city, familiar sights were transformed. Telephone booths had graceful cupolas of snow. On a dead-silent street in Queens, an entire block of cars became a row of white mushrooms, each sporting a side-view mirror sticking through the snow.

—Across from St. Patrick's Cathedral on Fifth Avenue, snowplows pushed

snow into jagged hillocks that rose 10, 15 feet off the street.

Busy streets became pedestrian malls. At the self-proclaimed Crossroads of the World, Broadway and 42nd Street, it was possible to stand in the middle of the intersection for more than a minute with no danger of getting hit by anything harder than a snowflake.

A couple of blocks away, Mashi Tantilo and Mike deSeve skied up Seventh Avenue toward their office at 50th Street, where they work for MTV. They were on their way from Greenwich Village, a trip of about 2 1/2 miles.

"Excellent ski conditions," deSeve declared.

He went on to identify himself as the director of MTV's cartoon hit, "Beavis and Butt-head." All right, he was asked: What would THEY do during the blizzard?

"Well, they might write their names

in the snow, if you know what I mean," he said. On further reflection, he added, "They'd probably use it as a way to meet their dates."

Uh huh, uh huh.

Even the pimps and hustlers of Times Square appeared to have taken the day off. In the Show World Center, a vast porn emporium, a bored cashier named Rico said business was way off.

"If you're looking at a 1-to-10 scale, it's maybe 2 to 3 percent," he said.

If most people greeted the storm with equanimity or even glee, there were those for whom it was an annoyance — or worse.

Consider the plight of David Demelo, Denise Spor, Eric Hansen and Shane Gny. The four, who range in age from 19 to 23, were each in the middle of bus trips that were scheduled to stop briefly in New York that was Sunday.

## Dealership loses bet against snow

NEW YORK (AP) — A Manhattan car dealership ber customers that it wouldn't snow more than 4 inches Monday. Looks like a losing bet.

Potamkin Automotive Center promised that all the cars it leased between Dec. 22 and Jan. 2 would be free — for the life of the lease — if more than 4 inches of snow fell in Central Park on Jan. 8. A blizzard hit New York City Sunday, and was expected to continue well into Monday.

More than 100 people took the dealer up on the offer and rented Cadillacs or Buicks, The New York Times reported.

"People are calling left and right," salesman Paul Koka told the Times. "They want to know where the snow

has to be, because a lot of them live in Connecticut and Long Island. But the deal is four inches or more in Central Park."

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# College freshmen's interest in civics continues to plummet

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A year ago, the nation's largest annual survey of college freshmen found that their interest in government and politics had dropped to an all-time low.

This academic year, it has sunk even lower.

Never before in the 30 years of the survey, which has long been regarded as an important gauge of how college students view their lives and society, have more freshmen shown more apathy toward politics.

A nationally representative sample of about 240,000 college freshmen took part in the survey, which was released Monday.

Only 29 percent of the freshmen polled last fall thought it was important to keep up with politics and only 15 percent said they even discuss the subject often. Those numbers have declined steadily since the 1960s — the all-time high of freshmen interest in political affairs was 58 percent in 1966.

But in recent years that interest has plummeted.

Analysts of the latest survey expressed dismay with the declining interest freshmen exhibit in a range of other civic subjects, such as cleaning up the environment, participating in community affairs and improving race relations. Since 1992, for example, the number of college freshmen who cite "promoting civic understanding" as a priority has dropped from 42 percent to 33 percent.

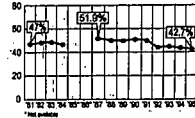
In another pessimistic sign, about 34 percent of the freshmen in this survey said they believed an individual could do little to change society, the highest such percentage ever recorded on that question.

"This is all of great concern to us," said Linda J. Sax, the associate director of the survey, which was conducted by the UCLA Higher Education Research Institute. "Students seem to be even more disconnected from politics than they were last year, and that was the

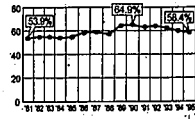
## American freshmen

College freshmen's support for casual sex and legal abortion is dwindling, but support for the legalization of marijuana is on the rise.

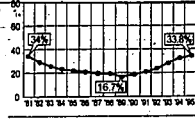
### Support for casual sex



### Support for keeping abortion legal



### Support for legalization of marijuana



The above percentages are based on the responses of 240,000 college freshmen to the survey. The survey was conducted by the UCLA Higher Education Research Institute. The survey is conducted annually by the UCLA Higher Education Research Institute.

Source: American Council on Education

...that he had seen until now." Still, some higher education officials who have long studied the survey results cautioned that student views can change substantially every few years and that interest in government and political affairs traditionally rises in a presidential election year. That occurred in 1992, but student interest has dropped sharply every year since.

"The real test will be to see if student attitudes change later this

year," said Laura Wilcox, a spokeswoman for the American Council on Education, which represents more than 1,500 colleges and universities. "If they don't, that could be one more sign of just how deep the problem of disillusionment with politics has become this decade."

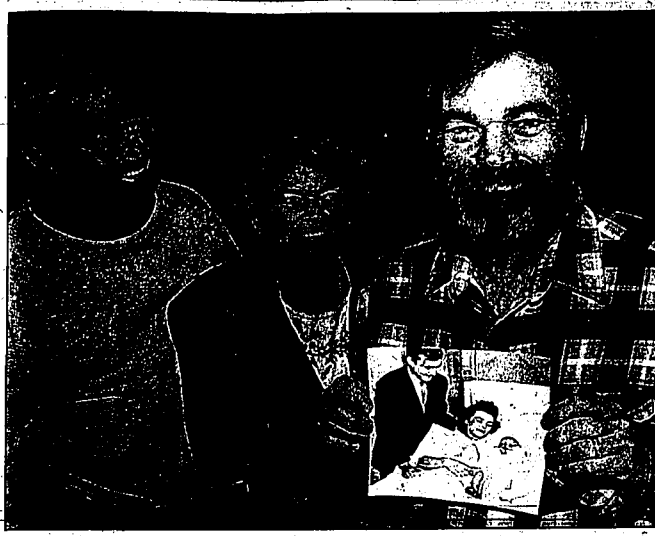
Other university administrators said that declining interest in political affairs may be a reflection as well of the growing pressure that many college students, particularly freshmen, are feeling just to make it through college successfully and to keep up with rising tuition costs. More college students than ever before hold part-time jobs.

"That's what many of them have to concentrate on," said Fred Siegel, director of admissions at Washington University. "They're paying a high price to be at a university. They simply may have less time than ever to focus on other issues."

The survey also found that a large majority of college freshmen believe that race should be considered to some extent by colleges when they select students. About 70 percent said race should be given "some special consideration," but students were split 50-50 when they were asked specifically if they support affirmative action.

Other findings in the survey include: A slight decline in student support for abortion rights to 58 percent (it was 65 percent in 1990) and declining student interest in having sex with a partner they have known "for a very short time" (from 52 percent in 1987 to 43 percent now).

Growing support for gay rights (70 percent of the freshmen opposed prohibitions on homosexual relationships) and increasing support for legalizing marijuana (34 percent of freshmen support it, the highest percentage in nearly two decades). A continuing decline in interest in religion: Last fall, 15 percent of students said they had "no religious preferences," compared to 7.6 percent in 1978.



James Otis Slickler Jr., with his parents, James Otis Slickler Sr. and Julianna, holds a photo taken of him on his birthday, Jan. 1, 1946, by a local news photographer. Slickler was born a half second past midnight at Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis and is the apparent national winner of that year's baby derby. His arrival launched what would become known as the Baby Boom.

# First Baby Boomer, now 50, doesn't fit generation's mold

NEW MELLE, Mo. (AP) — James Otis Slickler Jr. graduated from high school in 1965 and immediately enlisted in the Navy.

He never went to Vietnam. And he never lived with a woman who wasn't his wife.

"The closest I ever got to living in a commune was the barracks, and everyone there had the same haircut," Slickler says with a laugh.

Slickler was born a half-second after midnight on Jan. 1, 1946, and according to an Associated Press report at the time he was the year's first baby. (Two Los Angeles girls were born at the stroke of midnight and disqualified.)

Though no one knew it at the time, his arrival at Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis launched what would become known as the Baby Boom — the more than 76 million babies born between World War II and 1964. They are the generation of the Beatles and Vietnam, raised on television. "Never trust anyone over 30" and "Make love, not war" were their mottos.

But Slickler, who lives in rural New Melle about 40 miles west of St. Louis, shares few of the traits attributed to the Baby Boom generation.

"I fit the Baby Boom generation, as far as dates go, but I never really thought of myself as a Baby Boomer," he says. "I am more of a leftover from the previous generation."

His brown hair, now showing traces of gray, falls just over the back of his collar. He grows it out once a year for his annual appearance as Simon Peter in the community Passion Play.

"This is the longest my hair has ever been," he says, laughing. Most children where Slickler grew up lived in two-parent households. Academic achievement, church volunteerism and the common good of the community were highly valued.

His parents — Julianna and James — still recall with pride how their son lettered in track all four years of high school.

## Baby Boom timeline

Jan. 1, 1946 — The Baby Boom begins, although, of course, no one realizes it at the time.

June 27, 1950 — The United States sends military advisers to South Vietnam.

Jan. 20, 1953 — World War II hero Dwight D. Eisenhower is inaugurated as president.

Dec. 1, 1955 — Rosa Parks sparks the Montgomery, Ala., bus boycott by refusing to give up her seat on a segregated bus.

Oct. 4, 1957 — "Leave It to Beaver" debuts.

May 9, 1960 — The Pill is approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

April 17, 1961 — The Bay of Pigs invasion fails to overthrow Fidel Castro.

Aug. 28, 1963 — The Rev. Martin Luther King delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech at the Mall in Washington.

Nov. 22, 1963 — President Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas.

Feb. 11, 1964 — The Beatles

land in New York. July 20, 1969 — Neil Armstrong walks on the moon.

Aug. 15-17, 1969 — Woodstock festival draws 300,000 to 500,000 to Bethel, N.Y.

May 4, 1970 — National Guardsmen open fire on antiwar protesters at Kent State University in Ohio, killing four.

Jan. 22, 1973 — The Supreme Court recognizes the right to abortion in Roe vs. Wade.

Aug. 9, 1974 — President Nixon resigns to avoid impeachment.

April 24-30, 1975 — The last Americans in Saigon scramble aboard U.S. helicopters as North Vietnamese troops overrun the city.

Dec. 22, 1989 — The Berlin Wall comes down.

Jan. 20, 1983 — Bill Clinton, 46, becomes first Baby Boomer president of the United States.

—The Associated Press

He married in 1978, but it lasted only four years. He met his second wife, Shirlee, in 1987. He is the stepfather of her four children and has five grandchildren.

He operates a hydropress at McDonnell Douglas Corp. and lives in a brick-front, ranch-style home on what once was his father's farm. His parents live next door.

He took it as gospel that if you were willing to work hard and sacrifice, you would be successful. And he shuns the notion of buying more than he can afford.

"I'm 50 years old, and I own my house and everything in it," he says. "And I only have a few more payments on my minivan, and then it will be paid for, too."

Slickler is typical of the first wave of Baby Boomers who will turn 50 this year, says Rex

Campbell, professor of rural sociology at University of Missouri-Columbia.

"He didn't have the same competitive pressures that came with those born after 1950," Campbell says.

It's difficult to lump people born as much as 19 years apart into one generation, Campbell calls 1946 the cusp, a transitional year between the old and the new. Those born in 1950 are more stereotypical Baby Boomers.

"They are the ones that really changed the world," Campbell says. "The others were pushed ahead of it or behind it."

Slickler admits to some stereotypes: He loves the Beatles and cherishes his original copy of the White Album. And he still has his baby blue Mustang Fastback, which he bought new in 1971.

# Washington's Lincoln County bouncing back from Dec. 21 fire

DAVENPORT, Wash. (AP) — Cellular phones and lots of elbow grease have brought Lincoln County government back from the ashes of a fire that destroyed the courthouse.

Although the nearly 100-year-old building was extensively damaged by the Dec. 21 fire, the county government was back in business in about three days. Workers are scattered all over Davenport, but every department is operating.

County Commissioner Ted Hopkins, a retired Army lieutenant colonel, is given much of the credit for the quick recovery.

"He's done a marvelous job at that," Deputy Auditor Marlene Grapp says.

Hopkins said Army training came in handy. "In the Army, sometimes every day is a crisis," he said.

Hopkins persuaded a cellular tele-

phone company to donate a dozen phones the day after the fire, and had county telephone numbers forwarded to the cell phones. Regular phone service has been restored to some departments, but others are still using the portable phones.

The county also got a break because its turn-of-the-century vaults kept the fire away from many records. Many documents are still in the vaults, and Sheriff Dan Berry is keeping a 24-hour count on the burned-out courthouse.

Assessor Jon Freeze said he lost his aerial photos, but his backup computer records were fine. He credited the "heavy old metal desks and cabinets" that were once the butt of office jokes.

Hopkins said inspections indicate the courthouse probably can be repaired. An insurance consultant will be in Davenport this week to help

county officials decide what to do. The Superior Court Clerk's vault had to be sealed Wednesday after melting ice began to run inside. Aisd Prosecutor Ron Shepherd is shoehorned into the Public Works building outside town.

But justice is still being served in the auditorium at the county fairgrounds.

"We have a computer and a phone and, if we have those, we can do anything," Deputy Court Clerk Peggy Semprinozik said.

A cross town at the fairgrounds kitchen, District Court Administrative Assistant Donna Sisko had more room but no computer.

She was issuing handwritten receipts for traffic fines and calling Olympia to clear up suspended driver's licenses.

## Small quakes hit S. California

RIDGECREST, Calif. (AP) — A swarm of small earthquakes that jolted residents from their weekend sleep was the latest sign of seismicological turmoil beneath the Owens Valley, a seismologist said.

A 5.2-magnitude quake struck at 6:32 a.m. Sunday and was centered 10 miles north of this high desert town, said seismologist Jim Mori at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

It was followed by eight smaller quakes in the same area Sunday, ranging from 3.0 to 3.7 magnitude; and two more early today, a 4.1 magnitude at 12:57 a.m. and a 4.3 at 2:52 a.m.

In all, there have been more than 8,000 aftershocks to a magnitude 5.8 quake that struck the Ridgecrest area Sept. 20. Ridgecrest is about 100 miles north of Los Angeles.

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# Former president was France's political chameleon

By **Mort Rosenblum**  
The Associated Press

PARIS — On that May night in 1981, Francois Mitterrand brought Frenchmen back to the Bastille, their enduring symbol of revolution.

Waving roses, not pitchforks, they danced to the dawn of a Socialist France.

Fourteen years later, after the longest reign since Napoleon III, he left France with twice as many jobs...

And still, for many Frenchmen, he died a conquering hero.

"He was my friend," said Christina Martins, eyes moistening, as she clutched a symbolic Socialist rose outside the apartment where Mitterrand died Monday.

Mitterrand cared about such important little attentions. He treasured his friends and appreciated his admirers.

His genius was to master the moment; to seize the highest ground, to divide with the present and thereby obscure nagging details from the past.

But if Charles de Gaulle chiseled his name forever into the annals of France, historians will debate endlessly over the legacy of Francois Mitterrand.

In the journal Enquete Sur l'Histoire, editor Dominique Venner noted that 1989 and the years that followed reshaped all of Europe, offering unparalleled challenge to a great statesman.

"I could have been the man of an immense ambition and dream,"



French President Francois Mitterrand, right, and President Bill Clinton toast at the Elysee Palace in Paris on June 7, 1994. Mitterrand died Monday of prostate cancer.

Venner wrote. "But he did nothing. This man was too small for a destiny that was too grand."

Voices in the street were mixed. Millions of Frenchmen, from the right as well as the left, paid tribute to their "Tonton," the endearment for "uncle" by which the aging president was widely known.

But on the morning that he died, newscaster Claude Chabaler was unmoved. "I voted for him, and I regret it bitterly," he said.

Soon after Mitterrand was reelected in 1995, his popularity rating dipped below 50 percent. When he left office in 1995, head high and battling painful cancer, enthusiastic ratings had returned.

Many were not enraptured by his regal style and, in the end, questionable substance.

"We had such hopes for him,"

Alain Vagh, a ceramics artist, in the Provence town of Salernes. "But he shifted his beliefs, his policies, and he left us worse off than he found us."

Mitterrand's own assessment appeared in memoirs published as a long interview with Elie Wiesel, a Nobel laureate and old friend, who survived a Nazi death camp. He listed achievements:

Abolition of the death penalty; a new face of France after decentralization; defense of oppressed people in the Third World; decisive positions for the construction of the European Union.

"I believe," Mitterrand added, "that this makes up part of a balance sheet of which I would be proud, if I had the propensity to be proud."

Pride, his detractors say, was his fatal flaw; the driving force of a man determined to win, prepared to move

anything — including his own principles — to reach that goal.

His half century of politics started on the right, shifted left, and ended back again. He fought De Gaulle, biographers say, partly because the general bruised his ego during their first encounters.

De Gaulle distrusted Mitterrand, who he linked to Marshal Philippe Petain and his collaborationist Vichy government.

When a recent best-selling book revealed his Vichy past, the president said that he worked with Petain as a necessary evil, at the innocuous post of tracing French war prisoners.

The mystery was never settled about whether he knew that France was deporting Jews to the gas chambers or Frenchmen to work as forced laborers in Germany.

Mitterrand's champions say his

## Analysis

hallmark was not pride but rather a sense of duty, with an unflinching eye for the needs of the time. He defended not only France but also those close to him.

In an intimate portrait called "The Year of Goodbyes," Laura Adler describes Mitterrand's grief when Francois de Grossouvre shot himself, in 1994, in his office at the Elysee Palace.

Grossouvre did questionable business on the side, meddled in others' affairs and served no real purpose, the president said, but he was an old friend who kept his powerful position as aide.

He stuck by Rene Boussquet until he no longer could, when evidence mounted against the former Vichy police chief that he played a role in deporting French Jews to their death. Mitterrand defended other friends, despite corruption charges.

Yet when the Rainbow Warrior Affair neared his door, Mitterrand declared it a dead issue. French agents had sunk the Greenpeace ship, killing a crewman, and that was that. One of his oldest friends, Defense Minister Charles Hernu, "wore the hat" as the French say. He took responsibility and resigned.

He was a brilliant manipulator of the levers of power and politics. His Socialists won in 1981 by co-opting the Communist Party. Long ago afterward, he crippled it beyond repair.

With his mastery of the moment, Mitterrand shaped his own image, sometimes rearranging the past to advance the future. An imperious manner awarded off impertinent curiosity about even the present.

Once, at a news conference about his policy on war in Chad, he was asked how many French troops were deployed.

With icy sarcasm, he replied: "I did not have my camera when we flew overhead."

He liked to laugh, but mostly in private, over the conscious of his public persona. In his school soccer team photo,

he already had the grave face of a man who would be king. He is holding the ball.

Mitterrand loved books, long walks among oak trees and, perhaps above all, women. Every biographer speaks of him as the seductive romantic in a country where that is no drawback.

Only in his last years did a magazine mention a widely known secret: the president had a daughter born to a mistress while he was married. "Et alors?" the president responded. "So what?"

Adler's book depicts Mitterrand's pleasure at presiding over the annual recital of the Legion of Honor girls' choir, a stirring blend of old ceremony and fresh, young voices.

For many Frenchmen who loved him, Mitterrand incarnated the spirit of a nation built on glory, fortified by tradition, and dependent, for its future, on towering self-confidence.

"I still believe in the forces of the spirit," the president said in his final New Year's address, "and I intend to be with you always."

However historians rule, Mitterrand was the last of his kind, an elected monarch who ruled a France that was forced to fit itself into a new sort of world.

As a lover of symbols and emblems, this must have occurred to him on May 30, on the Champs Elysees, as leaders gathered to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Europe.

Mitterrand rolled up the broad avenue, standing erect in a jeep, as De Gaulle did five decades earlier to reclaim Paris. He was flanked by horsemen in red and blue, helmets gleaming in the sun.

Alighting at the reviewing stand, the dying president waited in regal splendor as presidents and kings railed up to pay homage. And then clashing brass stirred all the grand memories of France.

When the parade ended, modern expediency took over. Traffic was heavy, lunch was nearby, and aircraft were waiting. Mitterrand climbed into a bus, with his guests, and rode off into history.

## 200 believed dead as cargo plane crashes in a busy street in Zaire

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — A cargo plane plunged onto a busy street just after takeoff Monday and tore through a crowded downtown market, mowing down cars, shacks and people in a fiery crash that left more than 200 dead.

Black smoke billowed from the wreckage as soldiers covered victims' bodies with white sheets.

As evening fell over Kinshasa, a chaotic, crumbling city of 6 million, calls went out over national radio and television for people to donate blood to help survivors. The dead filled the city's four main hospital morgues.

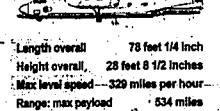
No official casualty count was released, but hospital workers and news reports said more than 200 people died. A U.S. Embassy official said he had unconfirmed reports from embassy sources of 300 dead.

The largest state-run hospital in Kinshasa, Mama Yemo, had to turn away victims for lack of equipment and medical supplies.

"Bring your blood to save the injured. They need us to survive," Dr. Maholo Pelagie of the Kinshasa blood bank begged over state radio.

The Russian-made Antonov 32, a twin-turboprop, had just taken off from Ndolo airport in Kinshasa when it plummeted to the ground. The plane skidded 600 feet across the street, smashing through cars and stalls in the Simba Zikira market before coming to a stop.

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Source: Jane's All the World's Aircraft — AP planes and cargo flights, is miles from major hotels and embassies. It used to be Kinshasa's international airport.

"The plane just piled into the market," said John Escodi, the public affairs officer at the U.S. Embassy in Kinshasa. "It was the worst possible time for that market because it was very busy and it's located right at the end of the runway, across the

street from the runway." Kinshasa is covered with such markets, sprawling open-air mazes of hawkers selling anything from live chickens to clothing. Most of the dead were on the ground, said Kamanga Mutond, a Zaire radio reporter who visited the crash scene. "The plane was totally destroyed," he said.

Details of the plane's crew and its contents were not known, although initial reports said the crew was Russian. It wasn't clear who owned the plane, either. Various reports said it belonged to one of two charter companies operating in Zaire, Air Excellence or African Air.

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## Notorious opium warlord's troops surrender to Burmese army

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The private army of the Golden Triangle's most notorious drug lord has surrendered to Burmese forces, turning over an arsenal of aging but deadly weapons, Burma's state-run

television reported Monday.

But the whereabouts of opium warlord Khun Sa — wanted in the United States on drug-trafficking charges — were still unknown.

Announcers said 4,431 members

of Khun Sa's private Mong Tai Army surrendered in their mountain stronghold of Homong, a small city in the notorious Southeast Asian opium belt known as the Golden Triangle.

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# Sports

## Golden Eagles outlast Northwest Nazarene



### Golden Eagles

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#### Sportsquote

“It beats being talked about as an old coach.”

—Colorado's Rick Neuheisel on constantly being described as a young coach

#### Briefly

### Montana forward is Big Sky player of week

OGDEN, Utah — Montana forward Shawn Samuelson, who scored 42 points and had 16 rebounds in two games last week, was named Big Sky Conference Player of the Week.

Samuelson, a 6-6 senior from Broadus, Mont., led the team in victories over Black Hills State and St. Mary's of California.

For the week, he was 14-of-21 from the field and from the free throw line, good for 67.7 percent.

Against Black Hills State, Samuelson was 6-of-8 from both the field and the free throw line, and followed that up with a matching 8-13 performance from the field and the line against St. Mary's.

He also had three assists and three steals in the two games. In Montana's 70-63 overtime victory over St. Mary's, Samuelson had a career-high 24 points and added 10 rebounds to the double-double.

He is averaging 15.5 points and 7.7 rebounds per game this year, and is shooting 52.6 percent.

### Work continues on removing Three Rivers Stadium snow

PITTSBURGH — Despite the foot of snow that blanketed Three Rivers Stadium on Monday, don't expect any snowfalls or snowdrifts in the stands during Sunday's Colts-Steelers AFC championship game.

Work crews began removing the snow Sunday, hours before the game started, and Steelers spokesman Joe Gordon said the crews will work "until the snow is gone."

Another storm that is forecast to hit Pittsburgh on Friday night or early Saturday threatens to force another snow removal project before Sunday's 10:30 p.m. MST kickoff. But Gordon said the stadium should be clear unless the snow occurs on game day.

### Tyson loses high court appeal on prior rape conviction

WASHINGTON — Boxing champion Mike Tyson failed Monday to persuade the Supreme Court to review the rape conviction for which he served three years in prison and now is on four years' probation.

Without comment, the court rejected arguments that Tyson was denied a fair trial when convicted in 1992 of raping Desiree Washington, a beauty pageant contestant, in Indianapolis in 1991. Tyson contends the two engaged in consensual sex.

Tyson, once the world heavyweight champ, was released from an Indiana prison last March and has resumed his boxing career.

### Sportslate

#### Today

- High school girls' basketball: Burley at Jerome, 8 p.m.; ISDB at Carnas County JV, 8 p.m.; Carey at Bliss, 8 p.m.; Valley at Deco, 8 p.m.; Dietrich at Richfield, 8 p.m.
- Over River at Harman, 8 p.m.; Blackfoot at Minico, 8 p.m.; Murren at Oakley, 8 p.m.; Wendell at Sheehans, 8 p.m.
- High school boys' basketball: Snake River at Hood River, 7:30 p.m.; Buhl at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.; Glenns Ferry at Filer, 4:30 p.m.; East River at Rockland, 7:30 p.m.; Casiford at Tignerman, 8 p.m.; Wendell at Oodling, 4:30 p.m.; Carey at Bliss, 8 p.m.; ISDB at Carnas County, 7:30 p.m.; Dietrich at Richfield, 8 p.m.
- High school wrestling: Oakley at Burley Juniors, 8 p.m.

By Brad Bowlin  
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho basketball fans now understand why Coach Steve Irons scheduled a non-conference game right after the Christmas break.

His Golden Eagles needed all of the first half and most of the second half to shake the rust from a 23-day layoff before downing Northwest Nazarene College, 73-62 Monday night.

"We were a little stagnant, a little flat emotionally," Irons said, agreeing that the Eagles will need to improve when they host Region 18 foes North Idaho and Ricks College Friday and Saturday.

With the possible exception of Dixie, North Idaho has the most athletic team in the league, Irons said. Ricks College, which lost standout guard Ben Caton, always presents a stiff challenge. Caton plays for Utah.

Monday night's post-holiday warm-up was billed as a junior varsity game, but the Crusaders put five varsity players, including two seniors and a junior, on the floor.

"Sometimes that experience overcomes our athleticism," Irons said.

It did for much of the first half, as the visitors from Nampa controlled the tempo and led 27-26 with 4:43 remaining.

George Brown was largely responsible for keeping the Eagles in the game to that point, out-kicking the Crusaders in the lane and finding open jumpers for 11 points in the first half. Marcus Wallace gave CSI the 28-27 lead before a steal sent Brown to the free-throw line. He made it 30-27.

Rich Brown converted a baseline, move moments later and a Rusty Yoder try beat the buzzer following two NNC charities for CSI's biggest margin of the half.

Rich Brown opened the scoring three minutes into the second half with a driving bucket. When he missed the ensuing free throw, George Brown grabbed the rebound, spun in the lane and hit the short jumper.

George Brown completed another nifty spin move next time down the court to push the lead to 41-29, prompting an NNC timeout.

The lead grew from there, cresting at 17 when Yoder completed the fast break with 10:45 remaining.

Crusader senior Reid Kornstedt countered with a three-pointer that started a 16-2 run, bringing NNC to within 59-56 at the 5:32 mark.

Wallace scored next for CSI after another George Brown steal, and Yoder scored inside then outside the arc to give the Eagles a 66-56 cushion that proved to be plenty.

Despite the sluggish play at times, Irons said CSI's halfcourt defense looked solid. Interior defense was an Achilles heel as the undersized Crusaders found plenty of open shots inside during the opening half.

Offensively, "we were getting whatever we wanted," Irons said. But the flow and

Men 14-1 overall  
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Saturday at CSI vs. Ricks

Women 13-1 overall  
3-0 Scenic West  
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Friday at CSI vs. North Idaho  
Saturday at CSI vs. Ricks

the shooting touch never materialized.

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### Dreams of glory



Twin Falls drag racer Mark Kidd and his wife, Sharon, brought daughter Marisca to her first race before she was a month old.

## Twin Falls racer hopes 1995 championship only a beginning

By Ron Gates  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Mark Kidd's drag racing career finally brought him a National Hot Rod Association title last year, but the Twin Falls speedster hopes that's just the beginning.

"It was like a monkey off my back," said Kidd, who had raced his way into the late rounds at several National events and advanced to the semifinals on one other occasion. Plenty more to come — "I hope."

A half dozen NHRA regular-season races determine championships in seven divisions, including the Northwest Division 6 alignment in which Kidd participates.

It gets no easier thereafter. Eventual national champions, in fact, must weather eight consecutive races in head-to-head competition without faltering.

A impressive array of trophies attests to Kidd's success.

"Those are what they call Oscars, though we're not supposed to call them that," he said. "I've won 11 of those."

Much larger "Oscars" awarded for divisional championships stand out, yet are dwarfed by 1995's most prestigious trophy.

Kidd, who grew up in Huntington Beach, Calif., started racing on the Lion's Track — one of the biggest — when he was five years old.

Daughter Marisca, incidentally, accompanied Mark and his wife, Sharon, to her first race when she was just 28 days old.

"I first got put on the track myself in 1979," Mark remembered. "I hit the circuit full time in 1986. We do it at the sportsman level, but it's really close to a business for me. We do it all. Right from the paint and lettering."

The formula for success, according to Kidd, is anything but a secret to achievers in any business endeavor.

Surround yourself with enough good people and good things will happen," he said. "Our total investment in two cars — all home-built — is in the \$70,000-\$80,000 range, but it doesn't come all from money. In the end, a few friends helped make it happen."

Kidd's father, Dennis, helps rebuild engines and Johnny Vanny helped build the Chevrolet Nova he presently races. A Wendell contractor, though, has proved a God-send for Kidd.

"Dan Lafferty always wanted to race. He turned out to be a huge backer," said Kidd. "He works his tail off on cars at the races and actually read our car for us on the Winston Circuit. Dan stepped up, funded the tour and got experience driving. He's been a big part of what's happened."

While it might appear that there's only

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## Baseball Hall of Fame sees its 1st shutout in 25 years

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Phil Niekro, Don Sutton and Tony Perez all put up good career numbers, no doubt.

Not the great ones needed for the Hall of Fame, however.

For the first time in 25 years, no player was elected to the shrine Monday as members of the Baseball Writers Association of America shut out all 55 candidates.

"I think it's getting harder, and harder every year to get into the Hall of Fame," Perez said from Puerto Rico. "The baseball Hall of Fame is hard to get into right now. You have to have re-



Niekro Perez Sutton

ally super numbers or whatever; you've got to be Babe Ruth or Hank Aaron."

Only seven times ever — and not since 1971 — since the original selection in 1936 has the BBWAA failed to elect anyone. But with 75 percent support needed, Niekro was listed on 68.3 percent of the ballots, followed by Perez with 65.7 percent and Sutton

Please see BASEBALL/B2

## Minutemen remain on top

The Associated Press

Massachusetts was on the top of the college basketball poll Monday, its third straight week at No. 1. Penn State was at No. 20, its first national ranking in 31 years.

The Minutemen (12-0) were one vote shy of unanimous, receiving 64 first-place votes and 1,624 points from the national media panel to easily outdistance Kentucky (11-1), which was runner-up in the poll for the third straight week. The Wildcats had 1,541 points, 97 more than Kansas, which moved up one spot from last week.

Cincinnati, Georgetown, Connecticut, which received the other first-place vote, and Villanova all moved up one spot from last week to hold places 4-7. Wake Forest jumped from 12th to eighth and was followed in the Top Ten by Memphis and North Carolina.

Memphis dropped six spots after losing to Massachusetts and Houston last week, its first losses of the season, while North Carolina jumped six places after opening its At-

### Women's poll — B3

lantic Coast Conference season with wins over North Carolina State and Maryland.

Iowa dropped one spot to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Mississippi State, Utah, Syracuse, Virginia Tech, Clemson, UCLA, Arizona, Georgia and Penn State.

The last five ranked teams were Illinois, Purdue, Michigan, Stanford and New Mexico. The biggest drops of the week were Arizona and Illinois, which each lost two games. Arizona fell from No. 9 to 18th, while the Illini went from 13th to No. 21.

Penn State (11-0), one of four unbeaten teams along with Massachusetts, Cincinnati and Clemson, was last ranked in February 1965, when Bob Weiss was the team's star player. The Nittany Lions went 20-3 that season and lost in the first round of the NCAA tournament to Princeton and Bill Bradley. The only NCAA bid the school has had since then was in 1991.

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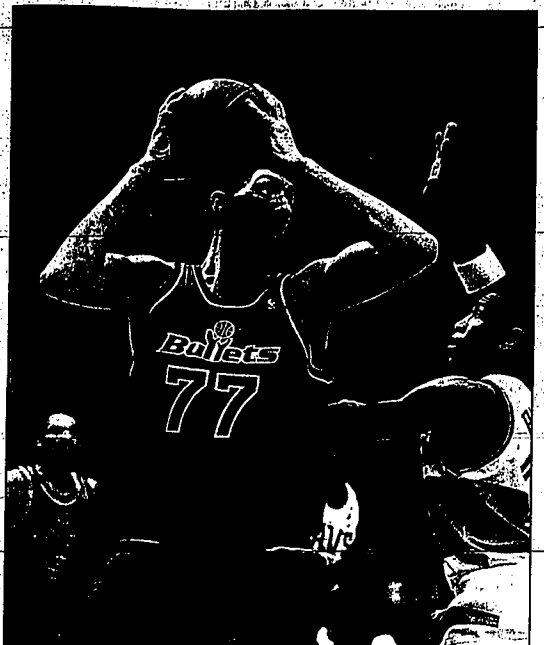
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# In your face



Cleveland guard Bobby Phills sticks to Washington center George Mursan during the second quarter of their game in Cleveland.

## Jazz beat the Heat, 94-92

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — John Stockton hit a 20-foot jump shot at the buzzer Monday night, giving the Utah Jazz a 94-92 win over the Miami Heat.

Stockton, who scored 27 points, tied the game with a 3-pointer with 16 seconds remaining. After Miami's Alonzo Mourning missed a hook shot, Utah's Greg Ostertag rebounded and passed to Stockton, who called time-out with 1.9 seconds remaining.

Adam Keefe inbounded to Stockton, who came to the left side, caught the ball, turned to his right and took the winning shot as the clock ran out.

Karl Malone scored 32 points for Utah. He made 15 of a career-high 28 foul shots.

Mourning led the Heat with 22 points, but was just 4-of-17 from the foul line.

Bimbo Coles scored 18 points and Billy Owens added 17, including a layup with 1:14 left that gave Miami a 91-88 lead.

Owens fouled Malone on the other end, and he made one of two shots to cut Utah's deficit to two points with 1:02 remaining.

After Mourning made one of two free throws, Keefe missed a pair of foul shots with 26 seconds left. But Ostertag grabbed the rebound, and the Jazz passed the ball around to Stockton, who made his tying 3-pointer.

Jeff Hornacek scored 16 points as the Jazz won their sixth straight home game.

Utah starting forward Chris Morris was helped off the floor with 10:59 left in the game.

### Pro basketball

with an injured right shoulder. The extent of his injury was not known following the game. Morris dove for a loose ball and Owens appeared to land on top of him. Morris was down on the floor for several minutes before being helped off by Utah trainers.

**Cavaliers 109, Bullets 91**  
CLEVELAND — Bobby Phills scored 25 points Monday night, and the Cleveland Cavaliers shot 59 percent for the second straight game to beat the injury-ravaged Washington Bullets 109-91.

Chris Miller and Terry Brandon each scored 23 points for the Cavs, winners of six of their last seven games. Cleveland has gone 18-6 since losing its first seven games of the season.

The Bullets, who have lost their last 10 road games against the Cavs, missed up just eight plays. Among the mistakes was leading scorer Chris Gelpi (23 points per game) with a strained shoulder and third-leading scorer Robert Pack (18.1 points) with a bruised knee.

The Cavaliers took advantage by shooting a season-high 59.4 percent from the floor, improving on the 59.2 percent they shot in beating Orlando on Saturday night.

The Cavs led 48-41 at halftime, and the Bullets got within four on a 3-pointer by Ledell Eackles starting the third quarter. Cleveland pulled away quickly with an 18-4 run that began with a 3-pointer by Brandon and ended with a 3-pointer by Phills.

Washington never got closer than 10 after that. Lawson Howard led the Bullets with 23 points and George Mursan had 14 points and 12 rebounds. Eackles and Tim Legler scored 13 each.

The Cavaliers improved to 10-1 in games in which they score at least 100 points.

### Pro hockey

strapped a 4-4 tie and Detroit's 14-game home unbeaten streak Monday night as the Winnipeg Jets defeated the Red Wings 6-4.

The Red Wings, who have the NHL's best record, are just 2-1 in away games.

Detroit's other home loss this season was a 2-1 setback to Ottawa on Oct. 24.

Winnipeg is 2-0-1 in three games with Detroit, but it was the first win in Detroit since Nov. 19, 1992. The Jets are the only team that has played the Red Wings more than once without losing to them.

The Canadiens improved to 10-1 in games in which they score at least 100 points.

**Penguins 8, Canucks 5**  
PITTSBURGH — Mario Lemieux scored his 36th goal and set up two others Monday night, leading the Pittsburgh Penguins past the Vancouver Canucks 8-5.

Lemieux has 25 in all but one of his 35 games this season, and has 25 multi-point games. Magidus Naslund and Bryan Smolinski each scored twice for the Penguins.

Naslund put Pittsburgh ahead 6-5 with 5:49 left, connecting 12 seconds after Red Vancouver's Alexander Mogilny scored his 34th goal on a shorthanded breakaway.

Lemieux got an assist on Naslund's go-ahead goal. Naslund deflected Chris Joseph's shot for his 15th goal and Lemieux's first goal in seven, power-play opportunities.

Smolinski scored his second goal of the game at 17:37, and Lemieux added an empty-net goal with seven seconds remaining.

"It was a governing situation," said Vancouver's 3-0-2 road streak. The Canucks have lost seven straight games to the Penguins overall and are 0-6-1 in Pittsburgh since Jan. 7, 1995.

# Lobos edge Aztecs, 77-74

**ALBUQUERQUE (AP)** — Freshman Kenny Thomas scored a season-high 24 points, including a pair of free throws with 16.7 seconds left, as No. 25 New Mexico held off San Diego State 77-74 Monday night.

Thomas, playing this season despite the NCAA's ongoing efforts to declare him ineligible, hit 10 of 15 shots and teamed with sophomore 7-foot-1 Daniel Santiago to give the Lobos (12-1, 2-1 WAC) enough offense to turn back a series of rallies by the Aztecs.

San Diego State got 27 points from Paul Jarrett, whose third 3-pointer of the game cut the New Mexico lead to 71-70 with 1:10 left.

New Mexico then milked the 35-second clock and turned the ball over to leading scorer Charles Smith. Smith, who hit just one of seven shots in the first half, went one-on-one against Chad Nelson and pulled up at the top of the key to hit an 18-footer.

Jarrett missed at the other end and Thomas rebounded and was fouled. Thomas made two foul shots and the teams traded baskets in the final seconds.

### Men's college basketball

With Smith and Clayton Shields, the Lobos' two leading scorers, going 1-for-10 in the first half, Thomas and Santiago carried New Mexico through the first half.

**No. 9 Memphis 57, N.C. Charlotte 55**  
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Coach Larry Finch had little to brag about Monday night after No. 9 Memphis came away with a 57-55 victory over North Carolina Charlotte.

"Everything that could go wrong went wrong tonight — but it's win and we'll take it," Finch said. The Tigers won their Conference USA debut and moved to 9-2 overall. And Finch acknowledged that his team was lucky to extend its home winning streak to 26.

"With as many free throws as they shot, if they had been hitting them, we would have been in trouble," he said.

N.C. Charlotte (6-5), also in its conference opener, went to the foul line 23 times and made only 12.

The lead changed hands 12 times in the second half with neither team holding more than a 3-point advantage.

Ponce James gave the 49ers a chance to tie the game with 24 seconds left when he went high out-of-bounds to grab a slapped-away Tiger pass and called a timeout while still in the air.

Roderick Howard attempted a 3-pointer from the right foot but missed, and the Tigers' Chris Garner came down with the rebound to end the game.

The 49ers were led by Demarco Johnson with 17 points.

**No. 3 Kansas 76, Oklahoma St. 61**  
STILLWATER, Okla. — Third-ranked Kansas opened defense of its Big Eight title with a dominating performance Monday night, using a 19-2 run at the start of the second half to win 76-61 and end the Cowboys' 24-game home winning streak.

Karl Lattin and Paul Pierce were out the smaller Cowboys inside, and Jacques Vaughn played his usual solid game as point guard. The Jayhawks (11-1 overall, 10 Big Eight) won in Stillwater for the first time since 1993.

The loss was their first at home for the Cowboys (63, 3-3) since Missouri beat them in January 1994. They have lost just five times in 75 home games under coach Eddie Sutton.

Lattin had 19 points and 11 rebounds, while Vaughn scored 17 and Pierce had 15 points and eight boards.

Kansas used its size advantage and tough, man-to-man defense to keep the Cowboys out of sync most of the night. Adrian Peterson and R.W. McQuatters scored 14 each for the Cowboys, who shot just 35 percent, no surprise considering Kansas had held its first 11 opponents to 39 percent shooting.

# Georgia knocks off Tennessee

**ATHENS, Ga. (AP)** — Saudia Rouds scored 20 points and Georgia Tech won its first game since the state's No. 4 Tennessee's 44-game regular-season winning streak in the Southeastern Conference with a 77-71 victory Monday night.

### Women's college basketball

It was the ninth victory in a row for the Lady Bulldogs (11-2), who gave Andy Landers' his 400th coaching victory in 17 seasons.

The Lady Vols (11-3) were delayed in traveling from Knoxville because of snow and ice and didn't arrive in Athens until late afternoon, causing a 30-minute delay in the scheduled starting time.

Freshman Chamique Holderness had 21 points and 19 rebounds for the Lady Vols, who used their rebounding superiority to build a 33-20 lead with less than four minutes remaining in the first half.

Georgia rallied behind its 3-point shooting and a pressing defense that forced Tennessee into 23 turnovers. Georgia also had eight steals, half of them by Roundtree.

**No. 8 Virginia 61, No. 16 Duke 60**  
DURHAM, N.C. — Tori Suber scored on a driving layup with one second left Monday night, helping a second-half rally and giving No. 8 Virginia a 61-60 victory over No. 16 Duke.

The Cavaliers (10-3, 2-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) were down by as much as 47-39 following Windsor Coggeshall's five straight points in a one-minute stretch. Virginia retained a 3-point lead with 1:04 left.

The Cavaliers improved to 10-1 in games in which they score at least 100 points.

Virginia began its final run on a three-point play by DeMaya Walker with 1:10 left. Suber added a layup, Suber got a free throw and Walker added a jumper with 42 seconds left to give the Cavaliers a 59-58 lead.

Failure to convert free throw during the Big East (11-0 ACC). All Day hit the front end of a two-shot foul to tie the score at 60 with 10 seconds left.

Kim Orr missed the back end of a two-shot foul with six seconds left. Jessica Palamiano hit three crucial points as No. 2 Vanderbilt rebounded and passed to Suber, who drove from the baseline to the basket.

Suber finished with 20 points for the Commodores (12-0, 1-0 Southeastern Conference) were up 72-69 when Palamiano, off a pass from Sara, buried a wide-open 3-point shot with 67 seconds to go. South Carolina did not score again.

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Georgia's Kedra Holland, right, battles Tennessee's Michelle Marcinlak for a rebound in the first half of their game in Athens, Ga., Monday.

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# Tampa Bay, Montreal tie at 3

**MONTREAL (AP)** — John Cullen called it bizarre: Tampa Bay Lightning coach Terry Crisp likened it to a roller coaster.

A five-game road trip ended Monday night in a 3-3 tie with the Montreal Canadiens after Tampa Bay's Alexander Selivanov scored his second goal of the game with 5:25 left in regulation.

That left Tampa 2-2-1 for the trip — with shutout wins in Ottawa and Edmonton, but losses of 10-0 and 9-2 in Calgary and Vancouver, respectively.

The Canadiens took a one-goal lead into the final minutes of regulation.

The Lightning pulled goaltender Jean-Claude Bergeron for a sixth attacker and Shawn Burr led the puck across the crease to Selivanov for an easy tip-in.

**Stars 4, Kings 4**  
DALLAS — The Dallas Stars, playing hours after coach Bob Gaylor announced his resignation, tied the Los Angeles Kings 4-4 Monday night on Kevin Hatcher's second goal of the game with 7:47 left in regulation.

Gaylor, who will remain the team's general manager, was 11-19-2 with the Stars this season and is 1-2 in place in the Western Conference after being ousted last 16 games ago.

Ken Hitchcock, coach of the Michigan K-Wings, Dallas International League fan club, will be introduced as Dallas' new coach Tuesday. Assistant coaches Doug Jarvis and Rick Wilson ran the Stars on Monday night.

Hatcher converted Mike Kennedy's goalmouth pass for his eighth goal of the season, tying it at 4-4.

**Jets 6, Red Wings 4**  
DETROIT — Keith Tkachuk's second goal of the game

# Big-time schools await NCAA's brave new world

DALLAS (AP) — The streamlining of the NCAA has raised more questions than it has answered concerning the new freedom of big-time athletic schools.

Will such schools institute a football playoff system? Will they add basketball scholarships? Will they increase expense money for speedy athletes? No body seems certain.

"I don't understand myself yet exactly what this means," said Bob Frederick, Kansas athletic director and chairman of the selection committee of the men's basketball tournament.

"I think there will be a good many things that are different in the future," said Frederick.

"But I think the main concern will be of efficiency of the structure. Everybody is sick of coming to this convention year after year and voting on the same things."

A good example of Henn's point came later when delegates spent most of Monday's afternoon session arguing over proposals to weaken and strengthen academic eligibility requirements passed at the 1995 convention.

"Under the present system, if you get five or six sponsors for something, you can bring it to the floor," Henn said.

"That's the way the organization of this size and complexity to operate."

After debating the restructuring measure for more than an hour, delegates voted 777-79 in favor. The new structure will streamline the NCAA's decades-old way of doing business where small schools often have as much voice as major powers in such things as revenue distribution and policy-making.

Many details of the new structure, which places a group of college presidents at the top and takes effect in August 1997, will be worked out by transition committees and further voted at the January 1997 convention.

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# Iowa rebounds from rare losing season

**IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP)** — The Iowa women's basketball team is out to make a point.

After enduring a rare losing season a year ago, the Hawkeyes are winning again. They're 12-1 under first-year coach Angie Lee, and Monday, they returned to the Top 10 in the Associated Press poll for the first time in nearly two years.

"We just want to prove we're capable of playing basketball," sophomore Nadine Diamond said. "We're back."

As part of its resurgence, No. 10 Iowa is 5-0 against teams it lost to last season, when the Hawkeyes relied heavily on six freshmen and finished 11-17. The latest victory was 68-54 Sunday over Western Kentucky, which had beaten Iowa 79-43 last season.

"That's one of the main focuses that we had going into the season, to pay everybody back that beat us last year," senior Karen Clayton said. "It's good that we've been able to average those losses because we know last year we were a good team. We just didn't play as a team. This year we're playing much better."

While Iowa continued its climb, Louisiana Tech remained No. 1 for the eighth consecutive week and was a unanimous choice for the fourth straight week.

The Lady Techsters (11-0) did get a new challenger, though, as Vanderbilt (11-0) replaced Connecticut as the No. 2 team. And Clemson joined the poll at No. 23 — its first Top 25 appearance in almost three years.

All 39 members of a nationwide media panel gave their first-place votes to Louisiana Tech, which returned from a two-week holiday break to start Sun Belt Conference play with victories over Lamar and Arkansas State. Tech had a perfect 975 points in the voting.

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# Suspect Final 4 has familiar look refuses to testify

By Dave Goldberg  
The Associated Press

It's too bad the Kansas City Chiefs didn't beat the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

If the Chiefs had won, the Super Bowl might have ended up being a replay of the first Super Bowl, when Bart Starr led Green Bay over Dallas in the NFL title game and then beat the Chiefs in 1967 in the first championship game between the merged NFL-AFL.

Nonetheless, the Super Bowl semifinals include four of the NFL's traditional teams, even if the Colts moved from Baltimore to Indianapolis in 1984. The Packers, Cowboys, Steelers and Colts simply are four of the NFL's most storied franchises.

Those Baltimore Colts, with Johnny Unitas, Raymond Berry and Alan Ameche, were powers in the late 1950s and early 1970s. And their overtime win against the New York Giants in the 1958 championship game is considered one of the landmarks of pro football, a contest that put the NFL on the national map.

The Colts also were the victims of the last upset Joe Namath and the New York Jets in the 1969 Super Bowl, a game that justified the AFL's existence.

Two years later, the Colts won the Super Bowl by beating Dallas on a last-second field goal by Jim O'Brien in a boring but memorable game.

The Cowboys, Packers and Steelers, of course, have their own tradition. In the late '50s and '60s, Vince Lombardi's Packers were the NFL's most dominant team, with Hall of Famers such as Starr, Paul Hornung, Ray Nitschke, and Jim Taylor.

They've won 11 NFL championships, plus the first two Super Bowls.

Chuck Noll's Steelers, with Terry Bradshaw, Franco Harris, Lynn Swann and the Joe Greene-led Steel Curtain, dominated the late 1970s, winning four Super Bowls in six years.

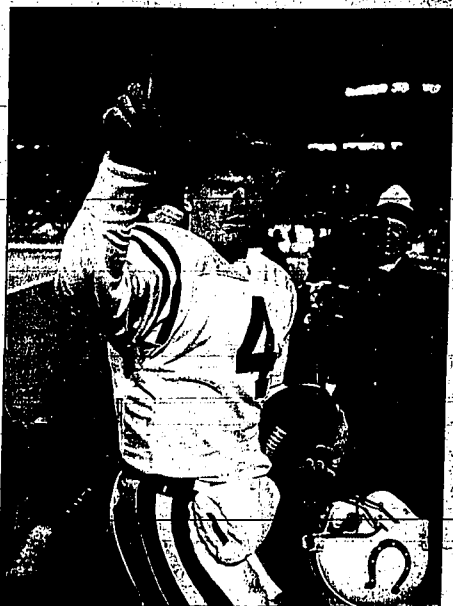
Tom Landry's Cowboys, led by Roger Staubach, was the NFC's best team at that time, losing twice to the Steelers in Super Bowls in between a win over Denver in the '78 Super Bowl.

The latest edition of the Cowboys, built by Jimmy Johnson after Jerry Jones bought the team and fired Landry, are in their fourth straight-NFC title game and looking for a third Super Bowl victory in four seasons. Johnson won two in '93 and '94 and now Barry Switzer is a win away from going for his first.

**POINTS, POINTS, POINTS:** In the first seven playoff games over the last two weeks, a total of 422 points were scored. That's 60 per game, 30 per team.

In the eighth game, it was Indianapolis 10, Kansas City 7, dropping the average to 55 per game.

... The same goes for Detroit.



Indianapolis quarterback Jim Harbaugh celebrates victory over Kansas City Sunday. The Colts meet the Steelers for the AFC title game.

**ON TO BALTIMORE?** Two things emerged from last week's debacle in the wild-card game in Cleveland and a dozen owners. — It's likely they will not vote on Art Modell's proposed move to Baltimore when the league meets Jan. 17 in Atlanta. It may take until the March meetings for that to happen because of the court cases still pending.

— Modell may go to Baltimore with his team but the Browns could stay behind in the form of uniforms and name for some future franchise in Cleveland.

The lack of a vote is in line with the NFL's tendency to wait for a consensus before making a move. Keeping the Browns in Cleveland for a move by a team like Tampa Bay may be the result of the court case.

**SHULA WATCH:** Don Shula seems to have accepted his "retirement" philosophically. But there are people in two cities where he has roots who may not have accepted it.

There's talk in Baltimore that if the Browns re-settle there and Bill Belichick is dismissed, that Shula would be the perfect coach. That, of course, is where he began as a head coach.

... But it really doesn't matter ... it's Jimmy Johnson's dream job.



Shaquille O'Neal of the Orlando Magic and the rest of the team were snowbound in Allentown, Pa., Monday, after their flight into Philadelphia was diverted.

# Sporting events feel the big chill again

The Associated Press

Work crews began removing the snow Sunday, hours before the storm ended, and Steelers spokesman Joe Gordon said the crews will work "until the snow is gone."

Another storm forecast to hit Pittsburgh on Friday night or early Saturday threatens to force another snow removal project before Sunday's kickoff. But Gordon said the stadium should be clear unless the snow occurs on game day.

"But if it happens (on game day) like it happened Sunday, what can you do?" he said.

Stadium snow removal became an NFL issue when hundreds of spectators pelled New York Giants and San Diego Chargers players and sideline personnel with snowballs Dec. 23 at Giants Stadium.

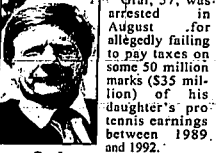
Other college basketball games called off Monday: Miami at Seton Hall; La Salle at Dayton; Xavier, Ohio, at Temple; Army at Yale; Fordham at Fairfield; Jacksonville State at Marshall; Drexel at Lehigh; St. Francis, Pa., at Marist; St. Francis, N.Y., at Monmouth; Long Island University at Rider; Catawba at Furman; William & Mary at The Citadel; South Carolina State at Coppin State; Mount St. Mary's at Wagner; Iona at American; Robert Morris at Fairfield; Dickinson; North Carolina A&T at Howard; Morehead State at Eastern; Maryland-Baltimore County at Radford; Winthrop at Loyola, Md.; Florida A&M at Delaware State; and Hampton at Campbell.

Those rescheduled for Tuesday included Fordham-Fairfield; Xavier-Temple; Mount St. Mary's-Wagner; St. Francis, N.Y.-Monmouth; St. Francis, Pa.-Marist; LIU-Rider and South Carolina State-Coppin State. Hampton-Campbell was reset for Jan. 15.

Among the postponed women's games were Holy Cross at Fordham and Howard at North Carolina A&T.

Numerous race tracks shut their doors, including Laurel, Suffolk Downs, the Meadows, Freehold, Penn National, Turfway, Beulah Park, Philadelphia Park, Lebanon and Mountaineer.

In New York, major league baseball closed its offices. Despite the foot of snow that blanketed Three Rivers Stadium, there probably won't be any snowballs or snowbrails in the stands during Sunday's Steelers-Colts AFC championship game.



Graf

Steffi Graf's father has refused to testify before a panel investigating allegations that officials knew taxes weren't being paid on millions of his daughter's earnings.

Peter Graf's lawyer, Steffen Ufer, said Monday his client turned down a request by a state parliamentary committee to testify Tuesday, citing his right to remain silent to avoid self-incrimination.

Graf, 57, was arrested in August for allegedly failing to pay taxes on some 30 million marks (\$35 million) of his daughter's tennis earnings between 1989 and 1992.

Just as officials have rejected Graf's appeals to be released on bond, saying he might attempt to destroy evidence or flee the country to avoid prosecution.

Steffi Graf is believed to have earned up to 120 million marks (\$83 million), including endorsements and payments to take part in tournaments, since she turned pro in 1982.

She is also under investigation in the case. The 11-man Baden-Wuerttemberg state parliamentary committee, which has been investigating the Graf case since October, said it wants to complete hearing testimony by the end of the week.

Among those still to be questioned is a representative of the Mannheim prosecutor's office, Bettina Krenz, one of the main investigators.

Also scheduled to testify is the chairman of General Motors Europe, Hans-Wilhelm Gaeb, formerly the head of GM's subsidiary Opel.

Gaeb announced in October that Opel was dropping its sponsorship of Steffi Graf, worth an estimated 1.5 million marks (\$1 million) annually, when the four-year contract expired at the end of 1995.

# Weah voted FIFA player of the year

MILAN, Italy (AP) — Liberian-born forward George Weah was voted 1995's FIFA world player of the year on Monday, beating AC Milan teammate Paolo Maldini and German forward Jurgen Klinsmann.

Weah, 29, received 170 points in voting by national team coaches. Maldini, a defender and the Italian captain, had 80 points, while Klinsmann had 58. Brazilian forward Ronaldo, who won the 1994 award, was fourth with 50 points.

Weah, who spent four seasons with AS Monaco before his transfers to Paris and Milan, recalled the days when he was a child from a poor village on the outskirts of Monrovia. He used to play with a ball made of rags, and currently makes \$1.5 million a year.

"Thanks to all who voted for me and thanks to my coaches. I wish peace in Africa." Weah, who joined AC Milan in an off-season transfer from Paris-St. Germain in France, last month became the first non-European to be voted European player of the year.

Jacques Glassmann of Valenciennes if France was given the FIFA Fair Play Award, a 10,000 Swiss francs (\$8,600) — for unveiling the biggest scandal in French soccer history. Glassman, 33, reported a bribery attempt by Olympique Marseille. As a result, Marseille was stripped of the French League title and relegated to the second division.

FIFA honored World Cup champion Brazil as the best team in 1995 and Jamaica as the best emerging team on the world scene. The Jamaicans climbed to 40th place from 96th in the FIFA computer rankings.

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# Magic Valley

## Pharmacist Crowley dies at 92

By Julie M. McKinnon  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — S. Leslie Crowley, a Twin Falls pharmacist who served as a professional and personal role model for many, died Monday. He was 92.  
For more than 50 years, Crowley was at the helm of Crowley Pharmacy. He retired in 1995, the same year he was named Twin Falls "Pioneer of the Year."  
"He was always impressed at how dedicated he was in his business," said Doug Brown of Claude Brown's Home Furnishings.

When Brown's business was across Main Avenue from Crowley's, Brown would occasionally go into work at 5 a.m. or so. Crowley was always already at work in his store; the Kiwanian and Toastmaster also would make night-time runs to people who needed medicine.  
"Not only did he start early in the morning and stay late at night, but he did a lot of years," Brown said. "I used to think 'Boy, what dedication that guy has.'"  
And, as Brown and others attested Monday, the great grandfather also was dedicated to his family and the Church of

Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.  
"You can just see it reflected in all of his children and his grandchildren," said Brent Nielson, president of the Twin Falls West LDS stake, of which Crowley was a member.  
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## Around the valley

### Investigators seek gas-station robber

**BLISS** — Investigators are looking for a man who robbed a highway gas station at a gunpoint.  
A man walked into the Tesaco station near Bliss at 7:08 p.m. Sunday, pointed a handgun at the clerk's face and demanded money from her, according to Chief Deputy Sonny Reyes of the Gooding County Sheriff's Department.  
No one else was inside the gas station during the robbery, though several customers were dining inside a restaurant in the same building, on Highway 30, Reyes said. The clerk handed him up to \$600 cash — in \$10 and \$20 bills as the robber instructed her — then she lay down on the ground and counted to 10 while he fled, Reyes said.  
The clerk told deputies that she noticed a black or dark-colored car, possibly a Monte Carlo, doing a U-turn on Interstate 84 shortly after the robbery, Reyes said.  
The robber is described as a tall, thin white man in his middle to late 20s, with prominent cheekbones and a brown mustache. The clerk said he was wearing denim jeans and jacket, and a blue bandanna to mask his head and hair, Reyes said.  
Anyone with information should call the sheriff's department at 934-4421. The man is considered armed and dangerous, Reyes said.

### 2 teen escapees receive adult sentences to state programs

**TWIN FALLS** — Two teenagers who smashed a guard's stolen car through detention center gates during a brief-but-violent escape in July were sentenced as adults Monday to state programs and threatened with prison.  
Jessy Salas, 15, of Jerome, will spend six months in a military-style boot camp near the town of Cottonwood, after which 5th District Judge Roger Burdick will determine whether Salas's behavior warrants his sentence of at least two years in prison, said Twin Falls County Deputy Prosecutor Grant Loebs.  
John Jones Jr., 16, of Kimberly, was placed on three years of probation, and ordered to repay up to \$3,255 for the damage he and Salas caused during their escape. If he fails to meet his probation requirements, Jones could spend two to four years in prison, 5th District Judge Daniel Meehl said.

They escaped from the Snake River Juvenile Detention Center July 6 with two other teenagers, who were prosecuted as juveniles. During their escape, Salas and Jones attacked two guards, bludgeoning one with a pillowcase containing a Bible.  
Both teens were being held in local jails for about seven months on their arrests. Originally they were charged with six felony crimes, then Salas pleaded guilty to escape and battery, while Jones pleaded guilty to escape.

### United Way within \$18,000 of '95 fund-raising goal

**TWIN FALLS** — The United Way of Magic Valley surpassed 1994 total in fund-raising last week and moved to within striking distance of its current goal.  
The organization had \$256,855 worth of pledges in hand as of Monday, or \$1,803 more than the United Way collected for its entire '94 campaign. A week remains in the 1995 pledge drive.  
The United Way hopes to raise \$275,000 in pledges by Jan. 15, or \$18,145 more than it has now. In the final week of last year's campaign, it collected \$28,962.  
The local organization has not met its fund-raising target since 1991.  
This year's improvement has been paced by large Twin Falls businesses, which have pledged \$15,611 more than last year at the same time.  
The United Way allocations committee will meet starting Jan. 15 to hear funding requests for the 19 member agencies. The board of directors must approve the final allocations decision on Jan. 23.

### Dr. Gies to address Wendell Chamber of Commerce

**WENDELL** — Dr. John Gies will address the Wendell Chamber of Commerce at Wednesday's noon luncheon in the Farmhouse Restaurant.  
Dr. Gies is a certified family practitioner and chief of staff at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.  
His topic, "Healthy Choices," is about reducing health risks and costs. He also will field questions on local and national health issues. The public is invited.  
Compiled from staff reports

## Snow business



After Jan. 18, the Soldier Mountain Ski Area will use this former snow-grooming machine to haul skiers far beyond its existing lifts.

## Ski area soldiers on with new attraction

**FAIRFIELD** — Beginning next week, the Soldier Mountain Ski Area will more than double the number of acres available for skiers — without adding another chair lift.  
Instead, the folksy little ski area will fire up a modified snow-grooming machine and start hauling skiers far beyond its two existing lifts. The Sno-Cat skiing operation, as it's being called, will commence Jan. 18.  
"We had to take a step and do something new with our product," said Don Schiermeier, mountain manager and co-owner of Soldier Mountain. "I said let's stop talking about it and just put it together."  
He and several employees gave Idaho reporters a taste of the new ski service on Monday.  
Simply put, the new service will fill an intermediate niche between chair lifts for the masses and helicopters for those who can afford them. It will be the only such service between Grand Targhee, on the west slope of the Teton, and Brundage Mountain, north of McCall.

The centerpiece of the new service is an old snow-grooming machine fitted with an open-air cab capable of carrying about a dozen people. It's unwieldy and slow, but climbs fearfully steep slopes — hauling skiers and their gear far beyond Soldier's existing lifts.  
It will open up 1,500 acres of new terrain for skiers, Schiermeier said, noting that Soldier's two existing lifts provide access to 1,147 acres. The highest lift ends at an elevation of about 7,000 feet, but the old grooming machine can take skiers to the 9,500-foot mark.  
Once there, skiers will be free to make their way down under the watchful supervision of two experienced guides — John Matteson and Scott Caunter. Both men will direct skiers to areas with good snow and steer clear of places where avalanches could occur.  
"We can avoid all the scary spots and still have plenty of places to ski," Matteson promised.  
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In general terms, the new terrain consists of open slopes dotted with abundant stands of timber. There are ridges, knobs, small bowls and a wealth of other features to explore, so skiers can choose their own level of difficulty — from long, easy traverses to steeper slopes requiring tight technical control.  
After a few hours of running wild on back-country snow, Matteson and Caunter will lead weary skiers to a spacious hut for a leisurely nip and nibble. The hut consists of a transverse cabin stretched over a sturdy metal frame, yielding a light and airy interior. A wooden floor, woodstove, propane heater, tables and chairs round out the decor.  
When they're ready for more, refreshed skiers can hop in the Sno-Cat for another jaunt to the 9,500-foot level.  
The machine will be at their disposal all day, so skiers can cover thousands of vertical feet.  
Schiermeier and his partners have owned Soldier Mountain for only two years, but the new service is just the tip of their expansion iceberg. With experience gained from the Sno-Cat operation, the owners ultimately hope to build four more chair lifts and open up thousands of additional acres to skiers.

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rain for skiers, Schiermeier said, noting that Soldier's two existing lifts provide access to 1,147 acres. The highest lift ends at an elevation of about 7,000 feet, but the old grooming machine can take skiers to the 9,500-foot mark.  
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## Softball squads eye new school field

**By Virginia S. Garber**  
Times-News writer  
**TWIN FALLS** — The grassy area west of Sawtooth Elementary may soon resound with the shouts of summer softball — but men won't be welcome to play.  
The city and the Twin Falls school district are collaborating to build two softball fields and a soccer field for joint use on five acres of school district property. But long home-run hits could damage nearby homes, so signs will prohibit adult men's games there, Parks Director Chad Browning said.  
To be neighbor-friendly, the fields also would be unlighted and used only during daylight hours, and no public-address system would be installed, according to the joint proposal.  
The deal is touted as a tax-saving proposal to accommodate the city's burgeoning recreation program and the high school girls' teams with one swing. From mid-March to mid-May, high

school girls' teams would use the new fields — much closer to home than Frontier Field at the College of Southern Idaho, where they currently practice and play. City league women's and youth teams would take their turns from mid-May to mid-August, Browning said.  
The fields would be only 250 feet from home plate to the chain-link fences — too short for men's games. The bleachers would seat about 200 people.  
The fence of one softball diamond could be removed when an overtopping soccer field is in use from mid-August to early November, Browning said.  
The planning and zoning commission meets at 7 p.m. today in City Hall to consider the softball fields and other land-use proposals.  
Also on tonight's agenda:  
• Twin Falls has a "void in the computer office business," according to Java Express of Idaho Falls, which proposes building a drive-through coffee shop at 709 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. The business would

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## Chem plant testimony sates Cassia

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Cassia County will put to rest the credibility issue surrounding a planned farm-chemical plant, Commissioner John Adams said Monday.  
"We have found out what we wanted to find out," Adams said.  
Commissioners, who approved the plant in November, held an inquiry Monday into the plant's operating procedures and the ties of Bob Kerley, the plant's financial backer, to a Tucson, Ariz., mining chemical company.  
The Tucson area plant, Minerec Inc., is under court order to shut down by the end of 1997. Kerley said the company negotiated the order because it wants to leave the site on the Tohono O'odham Indian Nation reservation, Kerley said. The plant essentially is being forced out, he said.

Commissioners cited local and Arizona news reports of alleged environmental pollution by Minerec, coupled with community concern about the proposed Cassia County plant, as reasons for Monday's inquiry.  
Kerley explained to commissioners the procedure and safety measures planned for the Cassia County plant, which will produce the soil fumigant metolachlor. Among other precautions, the plant will be built on a high-density liner, Kerley said.  
Kerley also told commissioners his side of the story regarding Minerec, of which he said he is a principal stockholder. His 19 percent stock ownership places Kerley on the company's board of directors, he said.

Minerec's head, Walt Edwards, has approximately the same holdings as Kerley, Kerley said. But Kerley has helped finance Edwards' efforts to sue the state. Minerec has been wrongly accused of environmental pollution in an effort by the tribe to force the plant off the reservation and expand the tribe's casino, which is located in the same industrial park, as Minerec, Kerley said.  
Tribal and Pima County officials have told The Times-News that Minerec has

## Board to mull spending for new computers

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Tonight the School Board is expected to discuss whether to ask voters to fund computer technology.  
Ideally, the Twin Falls School District would like to install three to four computers in every classroom, set up a computer lab in each school and provide students with on-line services and e-mail communication, between schools, said district Superintendent Terrell Donich.  
The price tag is about \$700,000 for 350 computers. To meet this goal, the School Board has several options; it could wait and save the money to pay for equipment over years, or it could ask voters to spend the money over a certain period of time, Donich said.  
The levy would cost \$9.50 annually for the owner of a \$60,000 home if the equipment is purchased over two years, Donich said. If the equipment is purchased over one year, the cost would be \$18.95 annually.  
A survey of voters revealed that 83 percent supported stronger funding for technology. Voters recently rejected a \$2.06 million levy for video equipment and a building for an alternative high school.

Other items on the School Board's agenda include whether to conduct a survey of the public's perceptions of the public school system. The Idaho Small Business Development Center is proposing to conduct one for \$3,000.  
Donich also is testing specialist for the district, plans to report on his survey of standardized test scores for K-12 students. School Board members also will discuss evaluation of the district's program for gifted students, and review their projects for bilingual and migrant students.

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# Prosecutor: Accused had motive

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)**—A federal jury Monday convicted Ogdan resident Eric Wolfgang Wicklund of planning to kill an Idaho State Police officer who once was married to Wicklund's wife.

The jury deliberated for about three hours before finding the 33-year-old guilty of a crime that could put him in prison for up to 10 years. Wicklund was charged with conspiring to travel across state lines to commit murder.

U.S. District Judge Dee Benson set sentencing for March 22.

Wicklund was not simply pumping up his ego when he told friends he intended to kill Trooper Robert Laumann of Pocatello, assistant U.S. attorney Brooke Wells said during closing arguments Monday morning.

"It wasn't just a detailed plan," she said. "It was a plan of execution. He made substantial steps toward his intended murder of Trooper Laumann."

Wicklund testified Friday that he had low self-esteem and was only trying to impress others when he talked about killing Laumann last August. Wicklund is married to Laumann's ex-wife, Paige.

His attorney, Herschel Bullen of Salt Lake, told jurors the story was an invention.

"Here we have a great big adolescent," Bullen said. "A hoze, that's what we're dealing with here."

But Wells said "Bozos commit crimes everyday."

Wells said Wicklund's plan involved telling his wife and a friend of his plans, getting the friend's help in obtaining two guns, making arrangements to have the guns sighted and traveling to Idaho to get the guns and complete his plan.

Prosecutors contend Wicklund planned to kill Laumann so his wife could get custody of her children with Laumann and also collect the trooper's life insurance benefits.

Laumann testified last week that his ex-wife also would have benefited financially from his death because he had recently obtained a \$10,000-plus judgment against Paige Wicklund for back child support and other financial obligations that had not been paid since their 1992 divorce.

FBI special agent Tim Healy testified last week the alleged "murder for hire" scheme was revealed when conversations between Wicklund and undercover snitch Robert DeVore, who was equipped with a tape recorder and transmitter, were monitored.

DeVore shared an Ogdan apartment with the Wicklunds last summer. He reported the death plot to authorities and then helped federal agents seize a weapons purchase from an undercover officer.

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## Death notices

**S. Leslie Crowley**  
TWIN FALLS — S. Leslie Crowley, 92, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 8, 1996, at the Twin Falls Care Center. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the LDS 6th Ward Chapel, 667 Harrison St. in Twin Falls, with Bishop Gilman J. Stanger officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. A complete obituary will appear at a later date.

**Services**

Jan Schubert Helfg, formerly of Gooding, graveside service, 11 a.m. today, Elmwood Cemetery, Gooding.

Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Verna M. Carpenter, of Twin Falls, memorial service, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Church of the Assumption, 210 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, (Blay Colonial) Funeral Home and Crematory in Twin Falls.

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## Hospitals

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted  
Angela Romero of Hansen.

Released  
Jose Guzman and Robert Miller, both of Twin Falls; and Janice-Vollaire of Hansen.

**CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**

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Margaret Vogt of Burley/Dana Paskett of American Falls; and Melissa Rush of Rupert.

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## Obituaries

**Twin Falls**

Chaplain Jim Davis officiating. Her earthly remains will rest beside those of her mom and dad at the Roseville Cemetery in Los Angeles, Calif. Her sweet spirit has already joined them in Heaven. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary.

**Lamont Bankhead**  
Lamont Bankhead, 79, of Meridian and formerly of Twin Falls, a retired transport operator, died Saturday, Jan. 6, 1996, at Boise hospital of respiratory failure.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, 1996, at the First Presbyterian Church, 1001 Ward, Duane and Ustick Road. Bishop Steven Grant will preside.

Lamont was born April 22, 1916, in Matta, Idaho, a son of the late Hannah Tams Bankhead. He grew up and attended schools in Burley. As a young man, he moved to Port Townsend, Wash., where he was employed by the Crown Zellerbach Co. It was there he met Marie Deloo, and they were married Feb. 11, 1941, in Long Beach, Calif. Sixty after he was inducted into the U.S. Navy, where he was a shipfitter. Following his military service, Lamont and Marie spent 10 years living in Twin Falls, where their two sons were born.

The family moved to Medford, Ore., where Lamont was employed as a truck driver for Consolidated Freightways for 33 years. He retired in 1979. He was a member of the Million Mile Driving Club, and took pride in his collecting and skillful.

In 1990, Lamont and Marie moved to Boise to be near family. Throughout his life, Lamont's motto was "live and let live." He enjoyed many outdoor activities including camping, motorcycling, and gardening. He loved music, and was an aspiring steel guitar player. He was a member of the Teamsters Retiree Club, and a lifelong member of the LDS Church. He will be remembered as a loving and devoted husband and father.

He is survived by his wife, Marie; two daughters, Nicole Kraske, Ronald and Joni Bankhead of Port Townsend, Wash., and Dennis and Donna Bankhead of Boise; five grandchildren, Nicole Kraske, Cory, Dennis Jr., and Amanda

**George W. Crofts**  
George W. Crofts, 89, died Jan. 4, 1996, in Bountiful, Utah. He was born Jan. 6, 1906, in Basalt, Idaho, to James Henry and Lola Krebs Crofts, one of 12 children.

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He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving as a counselor in two different bishoprics, was a high counselor, and stake missionary. He and his wife served 18 months in the San Antonio, Texas, Mission.

Survivors include five daughters, Lynne (Richard) Venturini of California; Janet Asper of Bountiful; Carolyn Crofts of Salt Lake City; Georgia (Milo) Paskett of Bountiful; and Kathryn (Terrell) Westover of California; 10 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie; sons-in-law, Ronald Asper and Louis Calvi; both of his parents; and all of his brothers and sisters.

The funeral will be held at noon Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1996, at the Emerson LDS Ward, 950 W. 25 S. Friends may call any time before the service. Interment will be at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Arrangements are under the direction of Lindquist and Sons Bountiful Mortuary.

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**Virginia F. Thomas**  
Virginia F. Thomas, 91, of Twin Falls, went home to the Lord on Sunday, Jan. 7, 1996, after spending the last three years of her life in the tender care of the staff at Twin Falls Care Center.

She was born Nov. 11, 1904, in Mexico, Mo., the daughter of Asa and Julia Reynolds Hiebbeck. She spent all of her childhood in Catholic convents. At the age of 16, she married Jeff Martin Thomas in Los Angeles, Calif. They were later divorced. In 1931, she married Henry Ramsdell. He died of injuries received in action in World War II.

She studied nursing and became a licensed vocational nurse, working at Parkview Hospital in Hollywood, Calif., until she retired in 1962. She moved to Twin Falls to be near her daughter and son-in-law and lived happily at Duval Courts until she was 88 years old.

She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Twin Falls, and was a sweet, kind lady who was loved by all who knew her.

Survivors include two daughters, Evelyn (Dr. Charles) Donnelly of Parkersburg and Dorothy (Vernon) Parker of Montclair, Calif.; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

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BOUNTIFUL, Utah (AP) — This northern Utah city sank hundreds of thousands of dollars into salt to combat this year's anticipated snowfall.

Warm weather has left much of the salt unused, but Bountiful officials aren't too disappointed.

"Our salt budget is in wonderful shape compared to last year," said Terry Thompson, assistant superintendent of maintenance in the street and sanitation department.

Workers also have been able to continue street repair and maintenance far longer than usual, he said.

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**Jerome County posts unexpected surplus**

By Rob Lundgren  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** — Jerome County has \$261,182 more than it projected, thanks to a productive 1995.

The Rupert accounting firm of Condie, Stoker and Associates presented the results of Jerome County's annual audit to county commissioners Monday.

Though the commissioners had projected a \$299,049 surplus to be carried into fiscal year 1996 (October 1995 through September 1996), the surplus turned out to be \$560,231, according to the audit report.

Commissioners asked the auditors what was responsible for the surplus, and Dean Condie said: "Your investments have been conservative. You're not looking at any Orange County, California, situations here. You brought in more revenues than you projected, and nearly all of your departments' expenditures came in under budget."

Commissioner Roy Prescott congratulated the department heads. "Your job was to get your jobs done for the county to have this surplus," he said.

County Clerk Cheryl Watts added that this surplus has already been integrated into this year's budget, enabling all taxing districts within

the county to lower their tax rates.

In other business, the commissioners OK'd a proposed restaurant east of the airport on Highway 93.

Henry Hergesell intends to build a 2,400-square-foot, 92-seat, family-dining restaurant. He said his restaurant, "The Butte," will specialize in hickory barbecue and prime rib dinners. Customers will have a view of the airport and of Twin Falls.

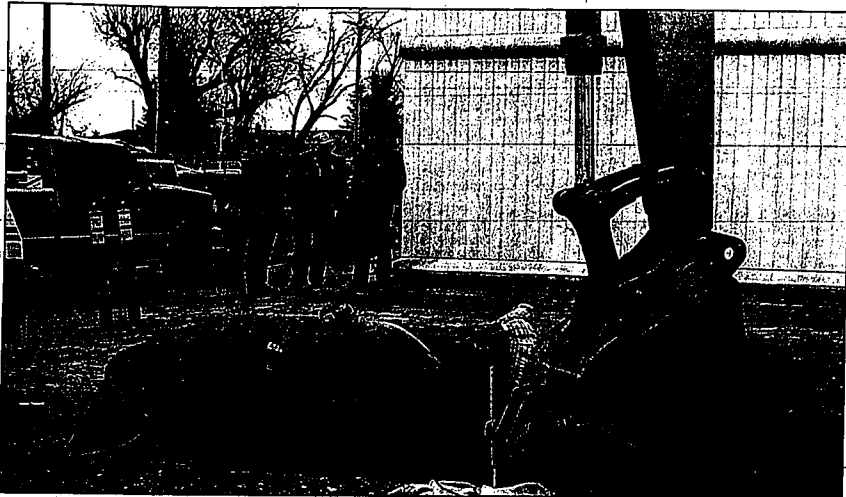
The county commissioners unanimously approved a zoning text amendment to allow the project, which previously had been approved by the county's planning and zoning commission.

The commissioners also discussed possible solutions to jail crowding. According to Sheriff George Silver, the jail's maximum capacity is 34, with an additional four inmates held over for a maximum of 72 hours. Jerome has 38 inmates right now.

The nearest available housing is in Coeur d'Alene, Silver said. Options discussed by Silver and the commissioners included:

- Housing inmates in tents.
- Converting the community room in the basement of the courthouse.
- Double bunking.
- Encouraging the courts to free minor offenders to make room for more serious criminals.

**Dig this**



Workers remove the remnants of an old gasoline station from what is now Pettingill's Auto Parts in Burley on Monday.

**Former Burley CPA arraigned for tax evasion, false tax returns**

**BOISE (AP)** — Former Certified Public Accountant Paul Jackson of Burley has been arraigned on three counts of tax evasion and five counts of filing false federal income tax returns, U.S. Attorney Betty Richardson says.

Jackson, 59, was arraigned Monday before U.S. Magistrate Mikel Williams.

He was indicted by a federal grand jury in December on charges he failed to report substan-

tial income during 1989, 1990 and 1991.

The indictment also alleges Jackson falsified deductions on forms filed for Idaho Metal Fabrication Co. in Burley.

The Internal Revenue Service investigated the case. If convicted, Jackson could face up to 30 years behind bars and \$2 million in fines. A jury trial has been scheduled for Feb. 26, before U.S. District Judge Lynn Winmill.

**Softball**

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A portion of Old Town will be governed by a strict new set of zoning rules — and no tattoo parlors, the council decided. The rules are meant to ensure that redevelopment maintains the historic character of the old warehouse district.

A dentist won't be able to move his practice to the canyon rim.

Developers had requested that Joel Newton be allowed to build a professional office in one lot — previously approved for a bed and breakfast — of the residential Pinnacle Subdivision.

An unsightly power-line structure makes the lot unsuitable for a

home, they said.

But a neighbor argued that the move would set a precedent for altering planned-unit development agreements.

Councilman Chris Talkington said that "the term commercial on the rim conjures up" years of debate about use of canyon-rim land. The council denied the request.

Brad McElliott received permission to develop 22.5 acres on the northwest corner of the intersection of Falls Avenue East and Locust Street North.

His plans call for duplexes and other homes, professional offices and a health spa.

**Cassia**

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leaked toxic gas into the air and dumped chemicals into the county sewer.

Competitors have tried to hang Minerec around Kerley's neck, Kerley told commissioners. Buckman Laboratories of Missouri, which sells metal sodium locally, is the company trying to stop Kerley from setting up shop in Burley, Kerley said.

Buckman has denied that allegation in a previous Times-News interview.

Cassia County residents, including a few neighbors of the plant site and former Gov. John Evans Sr., attended the meeting, along with Denny Curtis, the real estate agent who sold Kerley the property at 285 West and 500 South.

Curtis told commissioners he has checked

Kerley out and that he is respected in the chemical business.

"If I found out they are not what they say they are, I'm for getting them out of here," Curtis said.

Burley lawyer Dick Smith reported to commissioners his recent visit to Minerec. Kerley invited Smith to Minerec because Smith has helped Kerley in forming an Idaho corporation, Kerley said.

Smith said he talked with Minerec leaders and the corporation's lawyers, who told him troubles with their company started in 1993 when the tribe's casino opened. The plant basically is shut down and is under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, Smith said.

Last year, the federal Environmental Protection Agency stated that Minerec "lacks

the technical sophistication to safely conduct chemical production." In the past two years, Minerec twice has accidentally released the toxic gas hydrogen sulfide into the air.

But Smith said Minerec denies the complaints made against it, none of which have yet been decided in court.

"I don't know what any of it has to do with the type of plant that Mr. Kerley is offering this area," he said. Minerec "is not a plant he designed or built, or that was built to make metam. This is a mining chemical plant that is basically shut down now," Smith said.

"This wasn't a Kerley plant. He became involved on an investment basis, according to my information. He was not a driving force with this plant, except as a financial benefactor," he said.

zations are being asked to get comments from the public and report to the facilities committee meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 25 at the district's central office. The meeting will be open to the public.

One idea that has been put forth, already, Bishop said, would be to build a new high school and have the existing high school serve as a junior high. The district's two junior highs could then be transformed into elementary schools.

Bishop said it might save money and be better for the district to not rebuild all three schools due to school enrollment. Bishop said an ideal size for elementary schools is 500 students.

Acquia and Pershing elementary are much smaller than that, with enrollments of about 274 and 241 respectively.

Having schools with bigger enrollments would let the district work more effectively with students as well as let them enjoy more opportunities, according to Bishop.

Another idea includes having a year-round school program for students, which would reduce the number of buildings required.

Newer additions to the three schools

may still have some use, Bishop said. For instance, thought Pershing Elementary was built in 1918, some classrooms were added later.

Though several other ideas have been proposed, Bishop emphasized that a plan hasn't been decided upon and no closure date has been set for any of the schools.

Bishop said other advantages of replacing the buildings includes reduced maintenance costs. In a report done five years ago, cost of electricity and heating oil needed to operate Acquia Elementary amounted to 41 cents per square foot. In the newer schools, the cost was about 28 to 30 cents per square foot.

Maintenance costs at the older buildings also run high, Bishop said.

Bishop said that a meeting between board members and heads of the schools' parent organizations helped persuade the district to act fast on formulating a plan. Karen Garner, chairwoman of the parent advisory committee at Burley Junior High, said that instead of talking for years on what to do, the district needs to obtain a plan quickly.

An ad hoc committee assigned to look at the district's building situation was formed five years ago by the district.

Smith said he found that Kerley has an "unblemished record in the chemical industry and that his word is good, Smith said.

Smith said he did not speak with members of the Tohono O'odham Nation while he was in Tucson.

Former Gov. Evans asked commissioners whether anyone from the county had been to Minerec to check into the company.

Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said he had made some phone calls to people in Arizona. Pima County officials do think Minerec dumped chemicals into the sewer, he said.

Toward the end of the meeting, county resident Truman Bradley said the Arizona company was irrelevant to the Cassia County plant. "I agree that what's going on here has nothing to do with Arizona," he said.

**Minidoka Schools eyes replacing 3 crumbling elementary schools**

By Eric Goodell  
Times-News correspondent

**RUPERT** — In what its superintendent says will be a "major undertaking," the Minidoka County School District is looking for a way to replace three crumbling elementary schools.

Michael Bishop says it's evident that the aging schools — Pershing, Heyburn and Acquia — have served past their life expectancies. A report from a facilities committee formed by the school district confirmed those suspicions.

The committee's head, Dan Lloyd of Paul, told School Board members in October that he feared parts of the buildings wouldn't withstand a minor earthquake. Many other problems exist with the buildings, he said.

At the urging of some parent organizations, district officials want to move fast to rectify the situation. To meet board Chairman Bill Hepworth's goal to have all necessary construction completed by the year 2000, Bishop said the district needs to come up with a plan that will address the situation by June.

"Any solution will cost us money," said Bishop, who hopes taxpayers will help with the planning effort.

Heads of the various parent organi-

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# Valley life

## Single mom who counts her blessings comes out on top

**DEAR ABBY:** In response to the single mother who is tired of "Just getting by"...

I can certainly empathize with her. I am 46 and have an 8-year-old child and I live from paycheck to paycheck because I don't receive child support either. When I get depressed, I play the "count your blessings" game, and it changes my perspective. This single mother who is just getting by is able to provide a comfortable roof over her daughter's head, good food and nice clothes. She wants to provide "better things" in life, and she's angry because she can't afford dance lessons for her daughter. She should realize that there are at least a million mothers on our planet who would gladly trade places with her. I would encourage her to be creative — teach the daughter herself. She can turn on the radio and have some of that fun she thinks only money can buy. Where there's a will, there's a way.

—FRANCINE YACOBIN DALLAS  
**DEAR FRANCHINE:** You and many others pointed out that with a little creativity and help from others, this single mother can provide quality entertainment for her daughter. Many readers suggested she consider church activities, scholarships from the



**Dear Abby**  
Abigail VanBuren

YWCA, picnics in the park, and visits to the public library to check out books and videos.

Among the other excellent suggestions: Share housing with another single mother or senior citizen, barter for some of the things she needs (perhaps she could clean house for the dance teacher), trade baby-sitting with another mother, or baby-sit to earn extra money.

**DEAR ABBY:** A few days before Christmas, my family received a card from an aunt. Enclosed in the same envelope were two birthday cards: one for my brother and one for me. We both have December birthdays. Mine is Dec. 23 and his is on the 28th.

My mother thought this was incredibly rude and refuses to send this aunt a card next year. She thinks it was "cheap," and people should have the decency to send each card in a separate envelope.

I, on the other hand, say it would have been wasteful to send two cards

in separate envelopes. That's just two more postage stamps and envelopes arriving on the same day. I wouldn't mind if I didn't get my own envelope. (My brother said he wouldn't either.) Abby, if you say it isn't proper etiquette, my aunt will no longer receive Christmas cards from us.

—A 12-YEAR-OLD DAILY READER  
**DEAR DAILY READER:** Your aunt was not "cheap" — she was wisely conservative. In addition, she was helping the environment by conserving paper — a tree product. Please show this letter to your mother.

**DEAR ABBY:** In response to "Hurt Mother-in-Law": I was married in 1967, and I clearly remember my new mother-in-law taking me aside and saying, "You already have a mother, so let's figure out a name for you" to call me that you are comfortable with. I'm comfortable with "Doris."

She set the stage for a wonderful relationship. My father-in-law did his part, too. He introduced me to his friends as "my daughter." That always got a laugh from them, and it made me feel warm and accepted.

In loving memory of Doris and Armand Roth.  
—KRISTEN W. ROTH  
PACIFIC PALISADES, CALIF.

## Club calendar

TUESDAY	THURSDAY	SUNDAY
<b>Al-Anon — Burley</b> 2:00 p.m. at Presbyterian Church, 2106 Burton. For more information, call (208) 678-9843. <b>Al-Anon — Filer</b> 8 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 600 Stevens St. at Sixth. <b>Al-Anon — Gooding</b> 8 p.m. at City Hall Library, 308 Fifth Ave. W. <b>Al-Anon — Halley</b> 7 p.m. at St. Charles Parish Hall on First Street. For more information, call (208) 788-4682. <b>Cocaine Anonymous</b> 6:30 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-7242. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7:30 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Closed meeting. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084. <b>Twin Falls TOPS Club ID No. 3</b> Meets Tuesdays at Valley Vista Village Recreation Room, 653 Rose St. N. Weigh-in begins at 11:30 a.m., with meeting at 12:30 p.m.	<b>Adult Children Anonymous</b> Noon until 1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7 p.m. at 901 S. Fir in Jerome. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 8 p.m. at Kimberly Senior Citizens Center on Main Street. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 10 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Twin Falls Optimist Club</b> Luncheon meeting at noon at North's Chuckwagon. This week's program will be given by Andy Johnson and Buzz the Drug Dog. If you are interested in joining a youth oriented organization, call Chris Whitten, Membership Chairperson at 734-441 or Holly Reese, Treasurer at 734-5905. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Dinner at noon and pinocle at 1 p.m. For more information, call 734-5084.	<b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 6 p.m. at 311 First Ave. in Halley. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7:30 p.m. at 228 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>MONDAY</b> <b>Al-Anon — Ketchum</b> 8:30 a.m. at Sun Club, Second Street E. For more information, call (208) 726-3165. <b>Al-Anon — Kimberly</b> 8 p.m. at Senior Citizen Center on Main Street. For more information, call 734-4631. <b>Al-Anon — Shoshone</b> 8 p.m. at Senior Citizen Building on North Rail Street. For more information, call (208) 544-7802. <b>Christian 12-Step Support Group</b> 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at Eastside Baptist Church, 204 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Susan at 734-7201. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> Noon at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 8 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 8 p.m. at War Memorial Hall in Gooding. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Overeaters Anonymous</b> 3:30 p.m. at College of Southern Idaho Desert Building, Room 112. For more information, call 734-4547. <b>Substance Abuse Volunteer Effort (S.A.V.E.)</b> Support group meeting from 8 to 9 p.m. at Cassia Memorial Hospital Beck Room in Burley. Organized in 1983. S.A.V.E. needs formal permission from the Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Center to adapt its 12 Steps and Traditions to a format which respects the spiritual principles of the LDS Church. The meeting's true identities are kept confidential. For more information, call 436-9460. <b>Sweet Adelines Chorus</b> 7 p.m. at Valley Christian Church, corner of Heyburn and Missouri in Twin Falls. For more information, call Kelly at 733-6328 or Betty at 734-1900. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Exercise — Over 60 at 10 a.m. Non-strenuous and no charge. For more information, call 734-5084. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>Al-Anon (non-smoking) — Twin Falls</b> 7:30 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. <b>Alcoholics Anonymous (sunrise serenity, non-smoking)</b> 6:45 a.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 733-7897. <b>Cocaine Anonymous</b> 6 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-7242. <b>Jerome TOPS Chapter No. 48</b> 6 p.m. at Public Library, TOPS is a non-profit organization to support weight loss. For more information, call 324-5722. <b>Magic Valley Pinocle Club</b> 7:30 p.m. at Disabled American Veterans Hall on Harrison Street and Shoup Avenue. Open to the public. \$2 donation. Prizes. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 6 p.m. at 571 Second E. in Ketchum. Non smoking. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> Noon at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7:30 p.m. at 215 Shoshone St. S. in Twin Falls (through rear door). Closed meeting. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Overeaters Anonymous</b> 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church on Shoshone Street (go through side doors) in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Exercise — Over 60 at 10 a.m. Non-strenuous and no charge. For more information, call 734-5084. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084.	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Al-Anon — Buhl</b> 8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 516 Main St. For more information, call (208) 543-5792. <b>Al-Anon — Step Meeting</b> Noon at Walker Center, 219 Shoshone St. in Twin Falls. <b>Al-Anon — Wendell</b> 8 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 1752 Second Ave. W. For more information, call (208) 536-2723 or 536-6527. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> Noon at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7 p.m. at 219 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls (through rear door). Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Exercise — Over 60 at 10 a.m. Non-strenuous and no charge. For more information, call 734-5084. <b>Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center</b> Dinner at noon. For more information, call 734-5084.	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Al-Anon Family Group</b> 9 a.m. at Canyon View Hospital, 228 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-5222. <b>Cocaine Anonymous</b> 5:30 p.m. at Magic Valley Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-7242. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 6:30 p.m. at 571 Second Ave. E. in Ketchum. Non smoking. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Narcotics Anonymous (Southern Idaho Region)</b> 7 p.m. at 801 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257. <b>Overeaters Anonymous</b> 10 a.m. at the Walker Center on Shoshone Street (go through rear entrance) in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547.

## Valley happenings

**Computer group meets Wednesday**  
TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Computer User Group will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Family History Center, 401 Maurice St. N.  
"Doing Your Genealogy by E-Mail: Utilizing Internet Listservers" is the topic for discussion. For more information, call Charles Sestanovich at 734-6701 or 733-8073 or Howard Johnston at 423-4293.

**Homeowners association sets meeting**  
TWIN FALLS — The Lazy L Mobile Homeowners Association will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the park center.  
Rick Parker from the College of Southern Idaho will be the speaker. He will provide information regarding development of property adjacent to the park and will discuss "gold cards" available to senior citizens that give them access to CSI facilities. A short business meeting also is planned.

**Square dancers sponsor workshop**  
JEROME — The Buttons and Bows Dance Club is sponsoring a round dance workshop Thursday at the American Legion Hall.  
Beginners will start at 7 p.m., and advanced dancers will follow at 8:30 p.m. For more information, call June Custer at 733-9235.

**Red Cross sponsors blood drawing**  
GOODING — A blood drawing, sponsored by the American Red Cross Bloodmobile, is planned for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the War Memorial Hall.  
Appointments are preferred but not required. To make an appointment, call 934-5409.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News Valley Happenings, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83420. 0548. Please submit news at least a week in advance and include a phone number where you can be reached.

## Busy folks eat up lunch hour by running errands

**Don't get in her way during her lunch break**  
Diane Villaverde Perez just might run you down.  
In that short hour, the lawyer has to get her heels healed, her teeth cleaned, her clothes dry-cleaned. If there's time left, she shops.  
Then it's back to work.  
And lunch?  
"I'll pick something up on the way or I'll have something delivered to the office," she says, scrambling back to work after a sprint through Burdines department store in downtown Miami. "I'll eat at my desk for five to 10 minutes."  
In Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Karen Laudadio strolls into The Galleria mall in search of a cookie press. She marches into Williams-Sonoma, looks at this, doesn't like that. The search is over. She finds the cookie press.  
"There's a lot of stuff you can only do during business hours," says Laudadio, an ER internist and a specialist. "I have to use up my lunch hour for errands."  
Villaverde and Laudadio are not alone.  
These days, as people work more and have less time afterward, lunch hours are getting gobbled up by everything but lunch. The result: a midday, 11 a.m.-to-2 p.m. rush hour in the malls and on the streets.  
Just look at these numbers:  
• Lunchtime bargain hunters make up more than 50 percent of Burdines' weekday business at the downtown Miami store. Walk in there during lunch and you'll have to elbow your way through the shoe department.  
• About 31 percent of all of First Union Bank's transactions take place between noon and 2 p.m. at the Miami Springs branch, it's 40 percent with a line the length of Calle Ocho. Well, almost.  
Are people so overworked that they really have to use up their lunch hour? Yes, according to Juliet Schor, author of "The Overworked American: The Unexpected Decline of Leisure." Schor calculated that the average employee now puts in 164 hours more of work a year than his or her counterpart 20 years ago.  
Ask Laudadio.  
She's a wife and mom who works in Fort Lauderdale. Sometimes she goes without lunch. But she says she doesn't have any other time: I go

home right after work and I have a family" — and "sometimes I have to walk through my lunch hour."  
Villaverde is a mother of two teens who works in downtown Miami. Between court hearings downtown, she'll stop by the bank, her doctor's office, the shoe repair shop. Or she'll catch up on phone calls.  
"I run from A to B to C to D. I do anything I can possibly squeeze into it (lunch)," says Villaverde, who spends two hours of her day sitting in her car, in morning and evening rush hours.  
Villaverde has an hour for lunch. But if errands eat up more time than expected on lunch break, she will work longer to make up for it.  
Sometimes, she ends up eating fast-food fast, meaning she'll munch at her desk.  
Some workers, like secretary Cristina Nania, leave work to work out.  
She walks into the law office in the morning and heads to Bayfront Ave. W. Close to work up a sweat about midday.  
And lunch? She stops for a snack after the gym.  
"When else am I going to get things done?" she says.  
As she heads back to work, so does a young reporter, who had to sacrifice four of his lunch hours to get this story done.

**Pilot clinic set in Boise**  
The Times-News  
BOISE — A night instructor refresher clinic for Idaho pilots is planned for 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Feb. 17 and 18 at the Idaho Transportation Department Division of Aeronautics facility, located at 3483 Rickenbacker St. near the Boise Airport.  
The class is designed specifically for those wishing to renew ratings on unexpired instructor certificates. Upon completion, participants will be able to renew their unexpired flight instructor certificate. Those attending must bring their current flight instructor certificate, airman and airman medical certificates so a temporary flight instructor certificate can be issued after completion.  
Early registration before Jan. 19 is \$125 per person. It's \$150 per person after Jan. 19, and deadline is Feb. 9. Checks or money orders (no credit-card payments accepted) should be made out to the Idaho Division of Aeronautics and sent to Idaho Division of Aeronautics, P.O. Box 7129, Boise, ID 83703-1129.  
For more information or to request a registration form, call (208) 334-8776 or 1-800-468-5865. Forms also can be picked up at the Division of Aeronautics, 3483 Rickenbacker St.

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She is a beautiful young lady wearing a light gray and white coat, and very much in need of a home. She is spayed and about 18 months old with a charming personality and playful nature. She would be good with older children. The Animal Shelter, 139 8th Ave. W. 336-2299, has a cute apricot colored Poodle and other nice young adult cats. Santa, in the form of the Hamilton Elementary School children, raised the shelter pets for the holidays. Though a "Pennies for Pets" project they raised \$112 for a cash gift plus the loss of most appreciated treats for the shelter pets. A big "Thanks" from People for Pets members.

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Elderly couple found slain at home

DOWNEY (AP) — Bannock County deputies are investigating as a double homicide the shooting deaths of an elderly couple found in their rural home three miles west of Downey during the weekend.

Neighbors say they fear violence is coming to what has been a peaceful rural area of south Bannock County.

William "Duke" and Dalma Fuhrman, both 72, were found in their home Saturday about 1:45 p.m. by family members.

Family members told investigators they found indications of gas in the home, and at first thought something had gone wrong with a newly installed propane gas furnace.

Under Sheriff Loren Nielson said at first glance, it looked like a case of accidental asphyxiation. "The way the room was centered and the way the bodies were found was consistent with some-

one going to sleep," he said. "The blood on the victims also was consistent with asphyxiation because the blood vessels rupture. It was two or three hours before the coroner got there and we started looking at it as something else."

The bodies weren't removed for several hours. "I had every officer out trying to find leads late into the night," Nielson said. "We still weren't sure exactly what happened until we were able to move the bodies and we didn't want to start a panic."

Emergency medical technicians thought there was a chance to revive Mrs. Fuhrman, but the effort was abandoned.

Deputy Coroner Fred Mann determined the couple died of gunshot wounds. About the same time the Fuhrmans were discovered, neighbors two miles down Marsh Valley Road discovered that Dale Davis' horse had been shot to death.

Autopsies were performed on the Fuhrmans and the horse to determine if the same weapon was used in both instances.

"We have recovered slugs from the Fuhrmans and the horse and they don't match," Nielson said. "Somebody got a license plate number on a vehicle that may be related to the horse. We will be doing some other interviews on that today."

Cindy Barrett, the closest neighbor of Duke and Dalma Fuhrman, was red-eyed as she worked at a Downey store.

"I was raised in the country and I wanted my kids to have the same happy life," she said. "We bought our land from the Fuhrmans so we could give our kids a safe childhood."

Her employer, Craig Bloxham, was outraged by the violence. "I guess nobody is safe anymore," he said.

Beating death sends Blackfoot man to court

BLACKFOOT (AP) — A Blackfoot man will enter a plea to a second-degree murder charge after Rebecca Alves died of head injuries from a beating.

Parson Scott Richards, 34, has been found guilty of 7th District Court to appear Jan. 29 on the murder charge.

Blackfoot Police Officer Gilbert Fowler testified before Magistrate James Matsch that he responded to a Nov. 11 call from the local hospital of a domestic abuse case.

Alves was severely bruised on her head and body, and she was very scared after being attacked twice that day, he said.

"He hit her with closed fists and he kicked her," Fowler said of Richards, based on Alves' statements.

When the hospital released her, Richards was taken to jail on a \$100,000 bond.

"She was at my house all night, convulsing after convulsions, throwing up," Dori Valpando testified.

Eastern Idaho Medical Center pathologist John Mitchell in Idaho Falls testified Alves died from swelling of the brain caused by a blunt trauma to the head.

Founder: Hope House does use federal funds

NAMPA (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich was to meet the founder of the Hope House when he arrives this week to campaign for Rep. Helen Chenoweth because the organization uses no federal funds.



Tragedy of a American Commission which holds that church-based and voluntary organizations are better equipped to help the poor and disabled.

The press release from Chenoweth's re-election campaign says the private Hope House receives no state or federal money, meaning it is the type of operation the House speaker has praised in his drive to have private charities take over, work now done with taxpayer money.

But the founder of the house says about a third of the \$625,000 annual operating budget does come from federal programs — chiefly, from Supplemental Security Income. The Gingrich-led Congress has targeted that program for cuts.

Gingrich still plans to meet with Donnalee Velvick, who was inspired by her own background as an orphan to establish Hope House.

Velvick does take less in government money than other similar centers in Idaho.

The House speaker is no opponent of giving government funds to private residential centers.

He has championed a philosophy expressed in the 1992 book, "The

Briefly

Herdon to preside over Smith trial

IDAHO FALLS — Seventh District Administrative Judge James Herndon has appointed himself to preside in the double-murder trial of an Ammon man after a Bonneville County judge stepped down from the case.

No other district judge was available to preside over the case against Lanny Smith, Herndon said. He also vacated the Jan. 22 trial date for Smith, who is charged in the 1992 shooting deaths of Leo and Mary Downard of Ammon.

Herdon's decision followed the unexpected announcement Wednesday by 7th District Judge Marvin Smith that he was voluntarily stepping down from the case.

Judge Smith, who has presided over the Lanny Smith case for more than a year, gave no reason for his decision. They are not relatives.

Both defense attorneys and prosecutors are barred from talking about it by a longstanding gag order.

Herdon said the trial will likely be rescheduled for some time in the next 60 days. It will still be held in Bonneville County.

Woman dies after hit-and-run accident

BOISE — Sharon Totten, 59, died 22 days after a hit-and-run driver struck the family's car when they were returning from seeing their newborn granddaughter, Mary Elizabeth, for the first time.

Ed Totten, 36, was driving his mother and father, Don Totten, back from St. Luke's Regional Medical Center Dec. 14 when another car swerved into their lane on Vista Avenue. Ed and Don Totten suffered broken bones.

Sharon Totten was admitted to St. Luke's, and two days later, fell into a coma. The Boise resident never awoke and died Friday.

Deputy Ada County Prosecutor George Gunn said he may file a vehicular homicide charge against Steve Brown.

Brown was arrested Dec. 18. He is charged with leaving the scene of an injury accident, grand theft and three counts of aggravated battery. Police say he was driving a stolen 1987 Cadillac.

Brown is in the Ada County Jail on \$100,000 bond. A court appearance is set for today.

Head-on collision kills Oregon man

PARMA — A Nyssa, Ore., man and his sister were killed, while another man was critically injured in a head-on collision near Parma.

Javier Martinez, 27, was killed at the scene of the accident, on Idaho 20-26 near Parma Sunday. His sister, Sylvia Martinez, 20, died Monday at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Arnelardo Ramirez, 23, was in guarded condition at West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell.

Jose Francisco, 21, was in critical condition and Esmeralda Plecencia, 17, was in guarded condition at West Valley. All five are from Nyssa, Ore. Police say Ramirez may have been wearing a seat belt, but no one else in the car was.

Javier Martinez was driving west when he collided with an east-bound car driven by Lisa Meservy, 37. Her passengers Olivin Cardoso, 16, and Megan Seward, 2, were treated and released. Meservy and Cardoso were wearing seat belts and Seward was in a child safety seat. All three are from Boise.

Police say it is not clear which car veered into the opposing lane. The accident is still under investigation.

Dean Thornton faculty fellowship created

MOSCOW — Faculty members in the University of Idaho College of Business and Economics will be recipients of a new endowment.

Dean Thornton of Seattle, Wash., former president of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, has contributed \$168,000 to the University of Idaho to create the Dean D. Thornton Faculty Fellowship Endowment.

Income from the endowment will provide cash awards to faculty members in the College of Business and Economics. The award is intended to recognize and reward faculty members who have established a record of excellence in teaching and research in the areas of public and private enterprise.

Thornton earned a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Idaho in 1952.

Health insurance provider to build plant

BOISE — Blue Cross of Idaho plans to build a 150,000-square-foot headquarters building in Boise to be open by late 1997.

The new facility, yet to be designed, would be built on a 34-acre site a quarter-mile south of Fairview Avenue on the west side of Eagle Road. Construction is expected to begin early this summer.

The site will allow for unification of Blue Cross employees currently housed at four separate locations, a prepared statement said.

The health insurance provider's current headquarters building dates back to 1962, with additions in 1968 and 1975. Since then, another building and two leased satellite locations have been added to accommodate the company's 400 workers.

Employment is expected to reach 450 by the end of this year and 500 by the end of 1997.

Compiled from wire reports

New securities chief plans lower profile

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's new financial securities commissioner, Marilyn Scanlan, plans on carrying a lower profile than her predecessor but stresses the agency will remain aggressive against brokers in the wrong.

Scanlan started as head of the Idaho Department of Finance's Security Bureau on Dec. 11.

She replaced Wayne Klein, whose high-profile and often controversial tenure ended Dec. 8 when he resigned after nine years to pursue other interests.

He gained national attention with his investigations of securities law violators. He was key in a review of Prudential Securities which concluded with steep fines in 1993. He was labeled overly aggressive by some Idaho investment brokers, but stood by his approach.

Scanlan has worked for the state attorney general's office and other agencies since 1986. She said Klein enjoyed the attention of the media, but she does not.

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**Money**

**Washington utility expansion goes on although merger is delayed**

SPOKANE (AP) — Federal questions about a proposed merger with a Nevada utility have not slowed the Washington Water Power Co.'s aggressive expansion plans, its chairman says. Chairman Paul Redmond said the utility is seeking to expand its lucrative power brokering across the country, while continuing to grow locally. "We've got a company to run," Redmond said in the wake of a federal investigation into the proposed merger with Sierra Pacific Resources of Reno, Nev. Instead of issuing an expected

approval Nov. 29, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission voted to require hearings on the merger. The hearings before an administrative law judge are scheduled for June. Officials for WWP and Sierra Pacific are expected to travel to Washington, D.C., this week to begin discussions with federal regulators on issues that nearly killed the merger. For instance, regulators questioned claims that the deal would save consumers \$450 million over 10 years. Redmond said a final decision on

Altus, the name of the proposed company, may be at least a year away. "At this point, there's no reason to believe Altus is not a doable challenge," Redmond said. Although Sierra remains the only major merger candidate, Redmond said WWP will be on the lookout for other opportunities to expand its electricity and natural gas service territories. The company made recent additions in the Wallace and Sandpoint areas, he said. More than 100 Spokane workers

had accepted sweetened early retirement or severance packages as part of WWP and Sierra Pacific efforts to pare redundant positions. Redmond said those offers were conditioned on the merger closing. The only employees who can depart with their incentive packages are those who can show their position can be left vacant when they depart, he said. That's unlikely in a company that has undergone a series of downsizings, Redmond said. WWP employs about 1,400 people.

The two companies announced their proposed consolidation in June 1994, and officials had expected to close the deal last fall. One goal of the reorganization of WWP is to expand its business as the most successful broker of electricity in the Northwest, Redmond said. From about \$115 million in 1995, the company expects wholesale revenues to reach about \$180 million this year, and \$220 million in 1997. With FERC's approval, a step Redmond ruefully said should be rou-

ted, "we're going to implement national strategy." He said the company's reputation will help set it apart from the dozens of other brokers buying and selling energy in the increasingly deregulated marketplace. Also, WWP will create Resource Link, a response to a trend among national chain stores, franchises and other businesses to remove energy management decisions from local managers and put them in the hands of a consultant.

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