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Gem rivers isolate thousands

The Associated Press

BOISE — Gov. Phil Batt asked for federal emergency help Friday as flooding slowed a little but thousands of western Idaho residents remained isolated by washed-out roads for the third straight day.

"I have determined that this incident is of such severity, magnitude and duration that an effective response is beyond the capabilities of the state and the affected local governments," Batt wrote in a letter to President Clinton.

Batt asks for federal help; water recedes

"There is a potential that an estimated 25,000 citizens could require food, water, medical assistance, evacuation and/or sheltering as a result of this disaster," Batt, who said the required federal assistance could reach \$7.4 million, added nine counties to a list of emergency areas on Thursday after a helicopter-tour-of-the-areas hardest hit by heavy rain and flooding. U.S. Sen. Larry Craig led another helicopter tour on Friday.

A representative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency went on the helicopter tour to assess the need for federal help.

Craig said after the trip that he and other members of the Idaho congressional delegation would expedite the request for federal help.

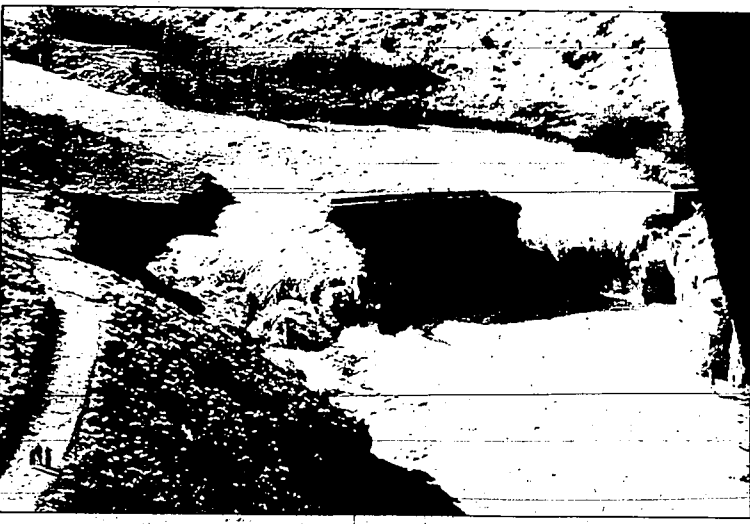
He said the extent of the flood damage was impressive.

"We're seeing the water recede now in the Payette area, but clearly, there is tremendous damage still going on with high water."

From the air, it looked like Payette mvas in the center of a large lake. Kane, who made a similar helicopter trip earlier in the day, said it appeared floodwaters were receding from Council and Cambridge.

"There's a tremendous amount of road damage, both to state and county roads, in that area," Craig said. "Obviously,"

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The Carson River pours through Roberth Dam south of Gardnerville, Nev., Friday as severe flooding continued in the Reno area. The left half of the dam washed out New Year's Day. The structure was known as "Brokek Dam" because the right half gave way shortly after it was built in the 1920s.

Fairfield welcomes blue skies

By Kent McCleary
Times-News writer

FAIRFIELD — Waterlogged residents of Fairfield got good news Friday: Water levels in flooding Soldier Creek were dropping.

Fairfield also saw blue skies Friday afternoon, maybe the best sight of the new year.

"We've got some partly cloudy skies, and some great blue skies. We don't know where they came from, but we're glad to see them," said Fairfield City Councilman Ted Strickler Friday afternoon.

Flooded Soldier Creek was slowly receding Friday, Strickler said, and city and volunteer workers got to sleep during the night.

"The water's down," said Camas County Sheriff Harold Lee. "We are getting just a bit of flooding in town, so we're going to go blast a few ice chunks to get the water flowing again."

Soldier Creek pushed into two houses, one in Fairfield, one in the town of Soldier, Strickler said. A county backhoe rents a snow dam and dug a drain for the water, he said.

No homes were evacuated, but workers had to go in and move some furniture off floors, Lee said.

"We were very lucky Friday on the bridge carrying U.S. Highway 20 over Soldier Creek, Strickler said, although chunks of ice from the bank still were breaking off and backing up the draining water.

Fairfield's lower Fremont is in danger of backing up, Strickler said. The system drains to a lift station, which pumps sewage into city lagoons.

"It's taken on so much groundwater, the surge pumps can't pump it all into the lagoons," Strickler said. "Thursday the lines backed up and we had to do some work on the sewer. We've got two spare pumps, and we're just keeping them on hand."

City crews are searching for the source of the groundwater in hopes of shutting it off and reducing the load on the system.

"The city boys are doing a heck of a job. One of these days, they're going to need some sleep," Strickler said.

The Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross Friday sent out teams to assess flood damage around Gooding, Shoshone and Fairfield.

No homes were evacuated, the Red Cross said.

The Mini-Cassia Red Cross chapter assisted two Burley families early in the week as floodwaters forced them from their homes.

Waterlogged West - A7



Kenda Franks carries an ewe from his flooded property in Olivehurst, Calif., Friday. He was evacuated Thursday night, then returned to rescue his birds.

100-year flood hits St. George

The Associated Press

ST. GEORGE, Utah — Once-in-a-century rainfall pummeled usually sunny St. George Friday, flooding streets and homes and coating much of Utah's Dixie with a smear of goey red mud.

Bill Alder, chief meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Salt Lake, said the desert resort community got what amounted to a quarter of its average annual rainfall Friday. Officially, 2.08 inches of rain fell between 7 a.m. and noon. Some areas received nearly 2.4 inches of rain, he said.

St. George receives on average 8.05 inches of precipitation a year.

"This is truly a once in a 100 year occurrence," said Alder.

"I've seen it worse," said a harried Dean Cox, Washington County's disaster prevention coordinator. "But I haven't seen it this bad for a long time."

Runoff overloaded storm drains and water was hip-deep at some intersections of the city, 270 miles south of Salt Lake. Dozens of basements and businesses were flooded.

As the sun came out and the water receded Friday afternoon, many of the town's streets, sidewalks and lawns were left covered with a sticky red runoff from the surrounding desert.

Adrian Hinton, the Utah State University extension agent for Washington County, said the storm started with a "lightning crash."

Elsewhere around the West

A state-by-state look at flooding across the West:

CALIFORNIA — As many as 110,000 people evacuated from Yuba and Sutter Counties on the flooded Feather River, up to 12,000 evacuated from Sacramento County on the Consumnes River. Many of the 2,200 tourists and employees stranded at Yosemite National Park began leaving Friday. Thirty-seven counties in Northern California declared disaster areas, governor seeks federal disaster help. Mudslides blocks main road to Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant. Several roads closed because of flooding and mudslides, including U.S. 50 and U.S. 101. Four deaths.

NEVADA — Hundreds of Reno-area homes left uninhabitable by worst flooding in more than 40 years; 78 homes damaged in the Carson Valley south of Reno. Reno-Takes Airport, most casinos reopened. One man presumed dead after being swept away in flooded Carson River. State of emergency declared in four counties and the state capital, Carson City.

OREGON — Flooding eases, but scores of homes inundated. Dozens of roads flooded or hit by mud- or rockslides, including Oregon 35 on Mount Hood, where a boulder fell onto highway. Some 21,000 residents of Ashland and Talent had to get water from National Guard tankers after flooding cut off treatment plants. State of emergency declared in six counties. Three deaths.

WASHINGTON — Twenty-four of 39 counties in state of emergency. More than 60 homes in Seattle evacuated because of landslides. Thousands of homes without power. More than 20 major roads closed. Flood warnings on nine rivers. At least 24 deaths blamed on storms that began Dec. 26.

Lawmakers struggle with deregulating phones, power

By Karen Tokkinnen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — United Airlines used to fly into Gooding. United, Delta and Northwest airlines had scheduled stops in Twin Falls, Pocatello and Lewiston.

Ah, the good old days before airlines started to eye larger markets, and before airline deregulation made it easier.

Now, ticket prices have gone up, the number of flights have gone down, and conservative, downsize-the-federal-government Idaho may be losing its enchantment with deregulation.

"(Utilities are) finding that deregulation is one of the more detestable words," said Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly. "Deregulation has become a bit of a political fad that may get beyond good hard economic analysis."

1997 Legislature
Talking the Issues

As the 1997 Legislature prepares to open later this Monday, The Times-News looks at the issues that will shape the session:

Today: Deregulation. Inside: Whatever happens of Medicaid reform.

Sunday: Property tax relief, juvenile crime, prevention programs.

Monday: A preview of Gov. Phil Batt's state-of-the-state address; environmental issues.

Perry Swisher, a former legislator and former member of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission. "It's driven by ideology instead of reason."

As Congress unties the bands restricting public utilities, some Idaho lawmakers are torn. On the one hand, they embrace the concept of a free market and less government. On the other hand, they realize that their constituents could end up paying more to turn on a lamp, heat their home, irrigate their fields and place local calls.

"How bothersome is it you don't see the average citizen pushing for this," said House Majority Leader Bruce Newcomb of Burley.

Lawmakers will face two major deregulation issues in the 1997 legislative session, which begins Monday and will likely run through mid-March.

One is deregulation of telephone service. Congress passed legislation this

year clearing the way for private telephone companies to enter the market and compete for local telephone accounts. The deal sounds good — with more companies competing for business, prices could drop.

But that's too simple, some observers say.

In reality, telephone companies could cherry-pick the prime markets such as Boise or large businesses while neglecting rural markets like Carey or Hollister or residential customers.

That means some residents could pay more than their neighbors across the street for phone bills. One might have to dial an access number to connect with a friend across town who uses a different phone company.

US West, who has a mandate to serve Idaho's most remote stretches, will ask this session for increased rates and for a

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"Deregulation as such is more a religion than an economic judgment," a

WEATHER

IDAHO Weather
Saturday, Jan. 4
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures
Map of Idaho showing temperature zones: Couer D'Alene 35, Lewiston 34, Boise 36, Idaho Falls 26, Twin Falls 29, Pocatello 32.

FORECAST

Magic Valley
Sunny today with highs near 30. Tonight clear with areas of fog forming late. Lows in the lower teens. Sunday areas of morning fog otherwise mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 20s.
The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.
Extended regional forecast
Monday mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow. Lows in the teens to lower 20s. Highs in the mid-20s to mid-30s.
Tuesday and Wednesday partly cloudy with areas of morning low clouds and fog. Lows in the teens to lower 20s. Highs in the mid-20s to mid-30s.
Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley
Patchy fog this morning otherwise mostly sunny with highs in the mid 20s to the lower 30s. Tonight clear with lows zero to 10 above. Areas of fog forming toward morning. Sunday areas of fog in the morning otherwise mostly sunny with highs once again in the mid 20s to the lower 30s.
Treasure Valley
Sunny with highs in the mid 30s today. Light northwesterly winds. Tonight clear with areas of fog forming late. Lows near 20. Sunday areas of morning fog otherwise mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 30s.
Sawtooth Mountains
Patchy fog this morning otherwise mostly sunny with highs in the mid 20s to the lower 30s. Tonight clear with lows zero to 10 above. Areas of fog forming toward morning. Sunday areas of fog in the morning otherwise mostly sunny with highs once again in the mid 20s to the lower 30s.

ACROSS THE NATION

Plains states turn windy as floods swamp West

The North let up but widespread flooding and mudslides kept forcing many people from their homes in the Northeast Friday.
Strong winds blew across the Plains and light snow and rain fell in New England.
High pressure across the South, combined with low pressure in the Plains, created strong, gusty winds from northern Texas to Kansas. The winds helped to push the temperatures across the region well into the 60s up to the 80s.
It snowed in Maine and rained in Massachusetts. Light rain also fell across western New York.
It was mild across much of the East Coast, with temperatures reaching 62 in New York City's Central Park and up to 67 in the Baltimore area.
In Idaho, under increasing high pressure skies became partly to mostly sunny in most of the south and parts of the north. However snow showers were occurring from the central mountains to the Upper Snake highlands to the Caribou highlands.
High temperatures around Idaho were cooler than Thursday with mid 30s to mid 40s common.
In parts of Northern California, mandatory evacuations were carried out because of dam and levee breaks. Stranded tourists trapped inside waterlogged Yosemite National Park had to rely on helicopters to rescue them.
Cleanup work began in Reno, Nev., which has been devastated by the worst flooding in more than 40 years. One good sign: The Truckee River had dropped over 5 feet since Thursday afternoon.
The flooding also eased a bit in Idaho and Oregon, leaving behind a trail of washed-out roads and homes.

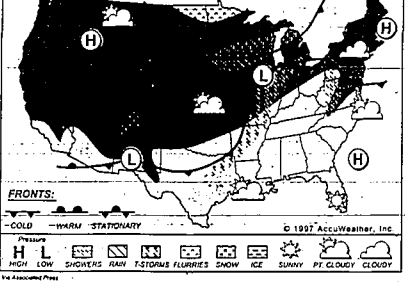
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McCall 32 29 m m m m
Pocatello 41 36 09 m m m m
Salmon m m m m m m
Stanley 37 32 00 m m m m
Sun Valley 37 31 33 m m m m

Eastern Idaho
Mostly sunny today. Highs 25 to 30. West winds 5 to 10 mph. Tonight mostly clear. Lows 5 to 10. Sunday partly cloudy. Highs lower to middle 20s.
Northern Idaho
Patchy fog this morning otherwise mostly sunny. Highs 30 to 35. Light winds. Tonight clear with lows 20 to 25. Areas of fog forming late. Sunday areas of fog in the morning otherwise mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 20s to the mid 30s.
Northern Nevada
Mostly cloudy and colder with isolated snow showers today mainly over the mountains. North wind 5 to 15 mph. Highs 25-30. Tonight mostly cloudy. Slight chance of snow showers. Lows near zero. Sunday mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow showers. Highs 25-30.
Northern Utah
Partly cloudy today with a 20 percent chance of flurries. Local north winds 10-15 mph. Highs in the mid 30s. Tonight and Sunday partly cloudy and cooler. Lows 10-15. Highs in the upper 20s.
The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Saturday, Jan. 4.
Dashes separate high temperature zones for the day.



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Idaho: High, 87 degrees at Malad, Low, 32 degrees at McCall.
Nation: High, 89 at Laredo, Texas, Low, zero at Roseau, Minn.

TEMPERATURES

Table of temperatures for various cities: Albuquerque 61, Atlanta 72, Boston 43, Chicago 45, Dallas 62, Denver 50, Des Moines 45, Honolulu 77, Houston 80, Indianapolis 65, Kansas City 65, Las Vegas 66, Los Angeles 71, Memphis 66, Miami Beach 83, Milwaukee 41, Minneapolis 66, New Orleans 77, New York 61, Oklahoma City 66, Omaha 49, Phoenix 59, Pittsburgh 59, Portland, Me. 27, Portland, Ore. 48, Reno 38, St. Louis 66, Salt Lake City 49, San Francisco 66, Spokane 44, Scottsdale 38, Washington 66.

SKYWATCH
Sunset today 5:18 p.m.
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Lunar phase: Last quarter, Jan. 1; new, Jan. 8; first quarter, Jan. 15, full, Jan. 23.
Visible planets: Morning: Mars, Venus. Evening: Jupiter, Saturn.

HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 87 degrees at Malad, Low, 32 degrees at McCall.
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ROAD INFORMATION

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Phone companies dial into slow approach to deregulation in Idaho

By Karen Tokkinen Times-News writer

BOISE — Telephone companies that want to speed their way to deregulation appear to be siding with a bill that does the opposite: a bill that could have the best chance of passing the 1997 Legislature.
They're meeting with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission Tuesday to discuss a commission bill to apply the brakes to deregulation.
"They're a significant player in the great scheme of things as we develop competition and proba-

bly ought to be the focal point," said Jerry DeGard, a former legislator and lobbyist for AT&T.
"I think that the commission in having legislation drafted is making a good faith attempt to find some middle ground," said Bill Roden, lobbyist for US West. "I think it's a good start."
What's the attraction to the commission's legislation? For one thing, the commission is an arm of state government, and a former legislator sits on the PUC. It knows the ins and outs of the legislative process and how to establish competition in Idaho. Charged with watching out for

consumers, it is also trusted more than the profit-driven telephone companies.
While telephone companies plan to offer their own bills alongside the commission's during the session, they will also try to interject their ideas into the commission's bill before and during committee hearings.
The commission has already made some changes in its latest draft bill. Roden said Telephone companies had requested a provision to sunset price controls. That provision was lacking from the first draft, but present in the second.

Idaho could be a couple of weeks before people could drive out of Lowman. Kane said the Guard was ready to supply food or other necessities to an estimated 400 people in the Lowman area, but hadn't received any requests for help yet.

Mud and rock slides blocked several of the state's major highways in western and southern Idaho, and highway officials said it could be several days before they could be reopened.
The state Department of Transportation said sections of U.S. Highway 95, western Idaho's major north-south route, were closed, damaged or covered by water. Idaho Highway 55, a heavily used route from Boise to northern Idaho, also was closed and Idaho 21 was shut down by a 1,000-foot washout south of Lowman.
Transportation Department Director Dwight Bower said the priority would be getting Idaho 55 open to at least emergency traffic, and clearing Idaho 21 to the point where people could get to the isolated community of Lowman.
Bower said state crews would begin on clearing the sections of U.S. 95 where cleanup could begin.
"High water still delays many repairs and cleanup efforts and

some closures cannot be accessed due to other closures that must be cleared first," the agency said.
Idaho Power said it had about 1,500 customers were still without electricity, but portable generators were moved into Garden Valley to provide temporary power to about 500 people.
The utility said employee Doug Wright, 46, of Halfway, Ore., was injured Wednesday when a backhoe he was operating was swept by a mudslide off an Idaho Power-maintained road between Oxbow and Hells Canyon dams.
Spokesman Dennis Lopez said Wright was in fair condition Friday at a Boise hospital after shoulder surgery.
The utility said melting snow patches in mountain areas of the Snake River produced a record flow in the Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam. The flow Wednesday was 101,728 cubic feet per second, breaking the 14-year-old record of 87,800 cfs.
Company spokesmen said the Idaho Power complex of dams in Hells Canyon was in no danger because the floodgates could handle more than 300,000 cfs.

Utilities

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other protections. It's especially worried about competitors buying its lines at a discount and possibly undercutting its prices. A coalition of competitors, including MCI and AT&T, has a counterproposal.
And the PUC has asked lawmakers for greater control over deregulation.
As we go into this, we may have areas of the state that might not see competition for some time," said PUC member Dennis Hansen, also a former legislator.
"Just to go and change the laws away from any regulation, we see that as a little dangerous..."
"You've got the Stanleys, you've got the Banerofts, you've got little small communities around the state that you need to protect.
The challenge will be to allow competition while protecting prices, said state Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, who sat on a legislative telecommunications

interim committee this summer.
He'd like to see the state still regulate prices, mergers and acquisitions.
The second deregulation issue is power deregulation. Congress is working on ways to allow competition into that industry.
While lawmakers say there isn't much they can do until Congress acts, FMC Corp. has developed legislation to allow large-scale power users to buy from the most inexpensive competitor as early as Nov. 1. Small-scale users would be allowed in two years later.
FMC Corp., which uses 250 megawatts of power, pays \$53 million a year in power bills, said its lobbyist, Conley Ward, a former PUC member.
This year, Idaho lawmakers will do what they can to apply the brakes to deregulation, which, NoH said has gone too fast, without enough consideration of all of its ramifications.
They will also try to find ways

to protect the low rates Idahoans pay, NoH said.
While legislators search out ways to deal with deregulation, Swisher is convinced it'll be the ruin of the economy.
"There are people who believe in Adam Smith as devoutly as Mohammed or Jesus Christ," he said. "They believe the invisible hand in the marketplace is the best way to run society... That's the church in which they worship. Until the next time society goes over a cliff, will the great crash of '29. It will crash, because it's irrational."

CORRECTION

A story in Friday's edition of The Times-News incorrectly stated the area of Cheryl Cheate's house. Cheate was shot in the back, according to a Cassia County Sheriff's Department investigation. The Times-News regrets the error.

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The Leavenworth, Kan., police department bomb team removes a 'hot' letter bomb from the U.S. Post Office in Leavenworth, Kan., Friday, after a postal employee found it earlier in the morning addressed to the nearby U.S. Penitentiary.

8th letter bomb found; cleric's followers checked

WASHINGTON (AP) — An eighth letter bomb surfaced Friday as investigators said leads they were pursuing included whether the booby-trapped greeting cards were sent by followers of an Egyptian cleric imprisoned for conspiring to wage terror in the United States.

Chris Murray, a spokesman for the FBI's Washington field office, called the theory "an important lead we will look at closely."

"Are we going to exclude other things? No," Murray said. But he repeated, "It's certainly something we are going to look at very closely."

The latest letter bomb was found at the Leavenworth, Kan., post office. Like two others found Thursday at the Leavenworth federal prison, it was addressed to "parole officer" at the prison.

Five other explosive-laden letters were found Thursday addressed to the Washington office of the Arabic newspaper Al-Hayat. All eight letters bore postmarks from Alexandria, Egypt, authorities said.

One follower of Sheikh Omar

Abdel-Rahman, the radical Muslim cleric convicted with nine others in 1995 of conspiring to bomb the United Nations and other New York City landmarks, is being held at the federal prison in Leavenworth.

Mohammad Salameh, the Leavenworth inmate, is one of four Muslim militants convicted in the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center in New York that killed six people and injured more than 1,000.

The FBI's legal attache in Cairo was working with Egyptian authorities to try to find out who mailed the letter bombs, Murray said. Investigators have no explanation for why the newspaper was targeted, he said.

The blind sheik, the spiritual leader of Egypt's main Muslim radical faction, al-Gamma al-Islamiyya, was also found guilty of soliciting the murder of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The Egyptian government pledged its cooperation with the investigation, said State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns.

Abdel-Rahman, who also suffers from diabetes and high blood pressure, is being held at the special hospital for federal prisoners in Springfield, Mo. He is serving a life prison term.

In an appeal last April, the sheik urged his followers to "make your voice heard" to improve his living conditions in prison.

"People of manhood, support, sacrifice and dignity rise up from your deep slumber and make your voice heard," said the letter, which was first reported on in Al-Hayat. "Rise up and see justice done," it added. The sheik accused the prison's guards of racial and religious prejudice.

Federal prison authorities redoubled efforts to screen mail at the penitentiaries where the sheik's followers were sent following their convictions for involvement in either the World Trade Center bombing or the broader conspiracy to blow up the U.N. federal building, two tunnels and a bridge.

NBC pays Jewell over \$500,000

NEW YORK (AP) — NBC paid more than \$500,000 to Richard Jewell to avert a lawsuit over comments Tom Brokaw made about the one-time Olympic bombing suspect, The Wall Street Journal reported Friday.

The settlement was announced Dec. 9, but the amount was not disclosed at the time. NBC issued a statement saying it agreed to the settlement to protect confidential sources. It offered no apology or retraction.

The Journal, quoting unidentified sources, said Jewell settled for more than \$500,000.

NBC spokeswoman Beth Comstock refused to confirm the amount. Jewell's attorney, Wayne Grant, said "We did not disclose the terms of the settlement to The Wall Street Journal, and I can't comment on its report."

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Ingeborg Eriksen

High court to study drug search tactics

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court will decide whether police with court warrants to search for drugs always may enter someone's home without knocking and announcing their presence.

The justices voted Friday to study arguments in a Wisconsin case that such no-knock tactics violate the Fourth Amendment's ban on unreasonable police searches.

The nation's highest court last year ruled in an Arkansas case that police without court warrants generally must knock and announce themselves before entering a home. But the Wisconsin Supreme Court in

June created a blanket exception for drug cases.


In a separate order, the court agreed to decide whether public employees always are entitled to hearings before they can be suspended without pay.

The justices will review a ruling in a Pennsylvania case that

says such disciplinary action is never permissible without first holding a hearing.

A federal appeals court revived Richard J. Florio's lawsuit over his 1992 suspension without pay from his job as a police officer for state-run East Stroudsburg University.

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Religious diversification will continue

I think it's an appropriate time to tell you what's ahead in the world of religion next year. There will be plenty of changes, of course, but they should be relatively gradual.

I can predict with confidence that religious faith will continue to become a more private matter. Instead of joining that little neighborhood church for public worship, many people will continue to read their Bibles in the quiet of their homes, praying for world peace and their own well-being. More people, too, will be reading tar cards, rubbing crystals and meditating in the manner of the ancient masters.



FAITH TODAY
Clark Morpheus

At the same time, mega-churches will continue to grow and build larger worship spaces. This may appear to be a contradiction of major dimensions: big churches continuing to grow even as more people practice their religion in private.

I can predict with confidence that religious faith will continue to become a more private matter.

But this isn't the contradiction it seems, because in many large churches, the worship experience is really quite private. You can walk into those huge churches, sit down in a pew, worship and walk out the front door again without ever talking to another person.

It's a very small churches, with 75 to 150 members - where people jump you the moment you walk in the door because they need new members so desperately - that will continue to decline.

Also, Islam will continue to grow in the United States, especially in the African-American community.

Buddhism will become even more Americanized as young American-born priests organize their own temples and meditative rituals.

In 1997, many of the new religions in the land - Scientology, the Moonies, the Church Universal and Triumphant and similar groups - will take another step toward becoming respectable. Gone are the practices of preying on young, lonely people. Novices are no longer isolated. Members are no longer forced into long hours of service to the religion.

While the burus of these faith systems remain alive, the new religions will continue to grow and prosper. But when illness and death overtake the leaders, internal power struggles could bring some of them down. The Hard Krishnas in West Virginia, for example, kicked out their No. 1 man after allegations surfaced this year of child abuse and brutal punishment of dissident members.

The Catholic Church's internal challenges will grow more strident in 1997 as dissident groups such as We Are Church and the Common Ground project of the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin grow stronger. And they will win some concessions even if they are only dialogues with top church officials.

In this day, the world of religion changes so slowly. But we are amid a revolution that will someday be seen as the greatest climate for transformation since the Reformation. While that era happened swiftly, this time of change will move slowly. But today we are participating in one of the greatest power shifts in the history of religion.

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Faith behind a flashing blade

By H.R. Welvel
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - A Jerome priest carries two swords.

The Rev. Jeff Frost, who wears both spiritual and physical armor, is the vicar of Calvary Episcopal Church in Jerome. He's also a fencing expert. Each position requires the use of a sword and special armor.

Stepping behind the pulpit, the minister bows his head in a noble salute to his God, then reaches for his spiritual sword, the Holy Bible, to engage in an assault against Satan and to win a victory for the Lord.

Stepping onto the fencing strip at the Jerome Recreation Center, Frost salutes his opponent with a graceful sloop of his fencing weapon, called a foil, then proceeds to duel with his challenger.

through fencing. In sword fencing you get to find out a lot about the person you are fencing with: who and what they are. I found Jeff to be an honorable and forthright person - someone who would make a good husband and father. But at that time, I didn't know he was going to be an Episcopal priest.

For his wedding, Jeff Frost chose to wear a tuxedo jacket with white shirt and bow tie and a Scottish kilt.

"Ellen was Scottish and was giving up her good Scottish name, Douglas, so I thought it was the noble thing to do to wear a kilt at our wedding," he said, as he pulled out a photo of bride



The Frost family shares a love of faith and fencing. From left to right are Kirkland, Jeff, Ellen and Jean Frost.

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- Ellen Frost

Both of Frost's arenas require skill, practice and discipline.

"Fencing and being a vicar of a congregation have some similarities," Frost explained. "They're like playing chess, because you have to think three or four moves ahead. In both, there are always challenges. You must understand what is happening and what might happen, and you have to set goals."

"Using the Scripture passage of Ephesians 6:17, 'Accept salvation as a helmet and the word of God as the sword which the Spirit gives you,' Frost said he finds comfort in knowing he has the protection of the helmet of salvation and the use of the Word of God in his battle through life.

When he fences, the bearded priest dons a mask that covers his face and head, a protective padded jacket and a glove in his assault against a fencing opponent.

"Fencing and living life are somewhat alike, because you are really competing against yourself, since the better you do the better you fence the more you enjoy it," Frost said. "Both should be full of etiquette, and you need to follow the rules properly and politely."

Frost started fencing in 1977, when he was a student at San Jose Community College in California. He met his wife, Ellen, in fencing class several years later.

"We crossed blades and a love story, emerged," he said.

Added Ellen Frost, "I got to know Jeff

and groom marching under an arch of swords, a tribute from fencing buddies. The friends gave the newlyweds a pair of sabres and told them to use the sabres to work out their marital differences.

The Frost children, Jean, 9, and Kirkland, 7, are avid fencers with their father and mother. The children also serve in their church as acolytes.

Young Kirkland said fencing is a lot like life.

"For instance, in fencing you always have to pay attention," he said. "It's the same in school. You're supposed to pay attention to what your teacher is saying. Instead of thinking about what you want to think about, you have to think about what she's saying. And when I'm fencing, I can't think about anything else except what I'm supposed to think about."

The young lad often chooses his father as a fencing opponent. Dad wields his sword on his knees in front of his son.

Jean saw fencing as a challenge because "you don't know what the other person will be doing - you have no idea at all."

She explained, "You make your first move, then repeat and go on. Life is like that. It's a very learning experience and so is fencing. But they can be very graceful too."

Kirkland chimed in, "Ya, it's graceful, but don't do it like ballet or you'll end

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Tilton's wife says she leads new church

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS - The second wife of evangelist Robert Tilton testified last week during their divorce trial that she has formed a new church, called the New Word of Faith World Outreach Center, because the original Word of Faith is "not a true church."

"It's not the Christianity I know," Leigh Valentine Tilton said of the Word of Faith World Outreach Center of which Tilton is pastor.

She said the "main purpose" of the original church in suburban Farmers Branch, Texas is to collect offerings.

Attorneys for Robert Tilton and the original Word of Faith reacted with surprise to Leigh Tilton's testimony that she had formed a new church.

"It's preposterous," said Charlie Wilson, Robert Tilton's attorney. "She has created a new church ... with a coterie of followers. The theory is, 'We can grab assets of the old church and put them in control of the new church.'"

The new church, Leigh Tilton said, is a subsidiary of Bethel Fellowship of Dallas, which was formed earlier this

year. The pastor of Bethel is Tilton's brother, Robert Middleton, and some of the members are former members of the original Word of Faith. It is unclear whether the new church has a building.

Tilton said she was the pastor of the new church, chartered last week, although she would not take a salary.

She said she had deeded the \$1.6 million former parsonage of the original church - where she lives - to the new church, along with some other assets of the original church. She did not specify which assets.

Attorneys for Robert Tilton and the church are disputing the transfers.

The new church, Leigh Tilton said, has elders, deacons and a finance committee. The original Word of Faith has never confirmed elders and has no deacons, former parsonage of the original church in the trial has revealed.

Robert Tilton "has absolute authority" at the original church and "uses it for his own personal use," she testified Thursday.

"There's no structure or accountability," she said.

J.C. Joyce, an attorney for the original Word of Faith, called Leigh Tilton's

announcement of the new church "looney tunes."

"She was married to (Tilton) for two years, and now she's giving the whole church away to a new church," Joyce said. "There's no merit to it."

Leigh Tilton testified that Robert Tilton promised before their marriage in 1994 that she would be able to continue her activities as an evangelist after their marriage. Since 1984, she had operated Leigh Valentine Ministries.

But she said that after the marriage, he merged her mailing list with that of Word of Faith and that he worked to shut down her ministry.

"Bob (Tilton) would get upset and throw a tantrum and go ballistic" anytime she accepted a speaking engagement, Tilton testified.

She said it took "years of work, blood, sweat and tears" to build up her ministry.

Because of her marriage to Tilton, she said, many of the places where she once spoke as an evangelist have canceled her appearances.

She referred to a letter from the Metro Life Christian Center of

Pompano Beach, Fla. in June.

"Being associated with (Tilton), Leigh, has unfortunately tarnished your reputation in this area at the present time," stated a letter from that church's pastor. "We support you personally, but it will take time before your ministry will be accepted in the church again."

Wilson denied that Robert Tilton had tried to undermine his wife's ministry.

"That's just not true," he said. "We can prove that from her documents. We can prove that from our documents."

He said that in 1994, Robert Tilton encouraged his wife to send out mailings for her ministry.

During the trial, Leigh Tilton's attorneys have argued that Robert Tilton controls Word of Faith and uses its assets to his benefit, so that he and the church are one and the same.

Robert Tilton's attorneys maintain that the church is separate from him.

"He owns Word of Faith," Leigh Tilton testified Thursday. "There's no question."

Mormon Church plans opening Sun Ranch to visitors

The Associated Press

RAWLINS, Wyo. - The Mormon Church, which bought the Sun Ranch last summer, will open to the public historical sites on the ranch in time for this summer's 150th anniversary celebration in the Mormon Trail, a ranch official said.

Russell T. Johnson, director of the ranch's visitor center, said the ranch headquarters near Devil's Gate, a landmark used by travelers along the trail, will be conveyed to a visitors center. The center and other sites in

the ranch, which straddles the Carbon-Natron county line, should be opened to the public by May 1, he said.

He said the center will include displays on the history of the ranch, the area, and the several historic trails that pass through the area. Johnson said the Oregon, Mormon and Gold Rush trails, as well as the Pony Express Route, go through the ranch.

"(The trails) were truly the Interstate 80s of the 1800s," Johnson said. "They're not a trail, they get obliterated and then they're gone."

Four generations of the Sun family have owned the ranch since it was founded by Tom Sun Sr. in 1872. He said the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints intends to maintain the ranch as a working cattle ranch.

The Carbon County planning commissioners are considering a request from the ranch to allow the placement of trailers to house church missionaries who will work as volunteers at the visitor center.

Johnson said the volunteers also would help educate visitors on the his-

tory of the ranch and the trails.

He said visitors will have access to historic sites along the trail segment that passes through the ranch, including Martin's Cove, where 56 Mormons died when they were trapped by a snowstorm in October 1856.

He said the church also plans to build an overlook with historical information and spotting scopes along Wyoming Highway 220 near Devil's Gate. From there, he said, most of the ranch will be visible for the disabled or others who cannot walk the trails to historic sites.

RELIGION

Preacher accused of fleecing faithful

Colorado Springs Gazette

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Michael Joseph Owens was a trusted preacher, professor healer and fire chief in Black Forest until he was convicted of stealing and left in disgrace in 1988.

Eight years later, his name has resurfaced. This time in southern Colorado, where he is accused of taking money from two small churches in Mineral and Rio Grande counties.

In both cases, Owens leaves behind shattered faith, baffled townfolk and a whole lot of questions.

The 42-year-old, who was released from a Denver-area hospital after heart surgery Dec. 6 in an apparent suicide attempt, was back in Rio Grande County on Saturday, this time in a jail cell.

Earlier this month, authorities filed charges against Owens, who embezzled almost \$90,000 from two congregations in Creed and South Fork that had hired him in 1989 to preach the word of God. Much of the money, authorities say, disappeared from a joint church account Owens set up to help the needy.

"There's a sense of betrayal, a sense of misplaced trust," said Charlie Oliver, marshal of South Fork, a town of about 300 people in Rio Grande County and home

to the 50-member Chapel of the South Fork.

"There are some people who will probably never believe it. There are others that believe it—but don't believe it, if you understand that. Then there are those who feel vindicated because they believed something was wrong for a long time."

It was much the same in 1988, when Owens was minister of the Black Forest Community Church and fire chief of the Black Forest Volunteer Fire Department. In August of that year, Owens was sentenced to 30 days in a halfway house and six years of probation for stealing about \$7,000 from a firefighters' pension fund to pay for such things as a travel trailer and airplane tickets.

Owens also was convicted of forging documents that allowed him to work as a paramedic in Black Forest for five years, even though he had only the most rudimentary knowledge of emergency medicine. He was never accused of any crime in connection with his six-year tenure as

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minister of the Black Forest church, part of the United Church of Christ.

But in the course of their investigation, court officials found no evidence Owens had attended the theological schools he said he did, earned the advanced degrees he bragged about or was even a recognized minister of the United Church of Christ.

Despite that, leaders of the Black Forest church who hired Owens in 1982 stuck by him until the end, only accepting his resignation two days after he had been sentenced for theft and forgery.

By that time, the church had seen a bitter division develop between many of the younger families who supported Owens and some of the older members who had long suspected there

was something just not quite right about the minister.

Now members of Creed Community Church in Mineral County and Chapel of the South Fork, 22 miles away, are dealing with the same roiling emotions.

The district attorney for the 12th Judicial District, which encompasses the two counties, alleges that Owens, while acting as pastor of both churches, forged his name on bank account signature cards, for the review of church members and openly sold stocks and bonds belonging to the South Fork church.

The alleged embezzlement of about \$69,000 from the South Fork chapel and \$21,000 from the Creed church began in 1992 — the same year a court ended Owens' probation in El Paso County. It stopped in October, a month before he was fired, authorities say.

Owens' attorney, Joe Lewis, declined comment. Owens could receive up to 12 years in prison for each count and a fine of up to \$750,000.

Harvard preacher: Bible inclusive, not exclusive

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) —

Peter J. Gomes is a preacher who defies stereotypes — a ordained Baptist minister who presides over Harvard's non-denominational Memorial Church, a black, gay Republican.

He's also Harvard's Plummer Professor of Christian Morals. But he knows that title might not sit well with Jerry Falwell and other conservative Christian leaders.

"I'm sure I don't fit your idea of Christian morals, which is why I think you're quite wrong," he said in a recent interview in his basement office at Memorial Church, gesturing as if in imaginary debate. "They have painted the notion of Christian morals, but it is not theirs to cin or mint."

Gomes (rhymes with homes) rejects biblical interpretations that condemn homosexual practices. And in his new book, "The Good Book: Reading the Bible With Mind and Heart," published by William Morrow, he argues the Bible's words support him.

Throughout history, he says, some Christians have manipulated the Bible to oppress Jews, women, blacks and homosexuals. And it's those Christians who claim to be most devout who traditionally have been the biggest oppressors, he says: the white South Baptist who perpetuated slavery, for example, and the German Nazis who executed millions of Jews.

But, "Just because white people had abused Scripture didn't mean Scripture was abusive," he said.

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—Peter J. Gomes, Baptist minister and Harvard professor

others, to see and to hear that the Bible was both for them and with them," he wrote.

When he uses the Bible to denigrate homosexuals he takes the book's words out of its historical context, he argues. "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination," Leviticus 18:22 reads.

When the Old Testament was written, Gomes argues, homosexuality was seen as a risk to the Jews' cultural identity and procreation. But that does not mean God disapproves of all homosexual relationships.

"The biblical writers never contemplated a form of homosexuality in which loving, monogamous and faithful persons sought to live together in the intimacy of the gospel with as much fidelity to it as any heterosexual believer," he wrote. "All they knew of homosexuality was prostitution, pederasty, lasciviousness and exploitation."

Gomes' interpretations have raised eyebrows.

"To suggest that the New Testament is not speaking to homosexuality and that this sim-

ply became the pet peeve of a few cranky conservatives is just ridiculous," said Rev. David Wells, a theology professor at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Hamilton.

"Gomes' need for self-justification is producing precisely the abuse of the Biblical text which he is claiming the early conservatives are doing," Wells said.

Gomes' moral imperative to write the book became especially clear five years ago.

It was 1991, and a conservative Harvard undergraduate magazine devoted an entire issue to attacking homosexuals. The authors, most of whom were conservative Roman Catholics, argued, that homosexuality should be condemned on biblical grounds.

The journal outraged many on campus. And Gomes was asked to address a Harvard Y rally from the porch of Memorial Church in 1991, which he has presided for 22 years.

He was asked to speak as a calming influence, not as a gay man. Indeed, few knew of his sexual orientation at the time. After

all, this was the man who had prayed—at the inaugurations of Ronald Reagan and George Bush. Gomes hadn't planned on disclosing his sexuality that day. But he did, he wrote, because he wanted to demonstrate, "that there was more than one way to read the Bible."

His book, however, devotes only five pages to his own "coming out." His primary intention was to help others find meaning and virtue — and, ultimately, redemption.

The Right Rev. Lord Runcie, the 102nd Archbishop of Canterbury, calls Gomes' work "easily the best contemporary book on the Bible for thoughtful people" and "desperately need."

Gomes, 55, is a short, stocky man with an expressive face, demonstrative hands and a strong, theatrical voice. He has a lifelong love of antiques — his church office and his Plymouth home are full of them — and is often in three-piece suits, adorned by a gold pocket watch.

Gomes preaches to a wide variety of faiths in his Sunday sermons at the 17th-century Memorial Church. Time Magazine once called him one of the country's top seven preachers.

The only child of a middle-class black couple in Plymouth, Gomes fell in love with religion as a small boy. His mother was a Baptist, and he attended Sunday morning services at the town's predominantly white Baptist church a sermon Sunday nights, and his family would go with the tiny Bethel A.M.E. church with some 20 other black worshippers.

CHURCH NEWS

Trinity Lutheran offers Bible studies

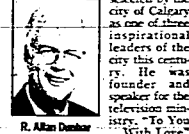
EDEN — The Trinity Lutheran Church is beginning its new year with new Bible studies highlighted by the Parables of Jesus.

The Parables of Jesus will be conducted during Bible class hour from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Sundays. An evening study of "The Miracles of Jesus" begins at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Nursery care will be provided for families with young children.

The current study of Acts being held at 7 a.m. Fridays at the Silver and Gold Senior Center will be temporarily moved to the Trinity Lutheran Church, three miles south of Eden on Eden Road to accommodate the movie, "Peter and Paul," which will be shown at 7 a.m. Jan. 17. The movie is a biblical account of the life of Peter and Paul in the birth of the first Christian Church as recorded in the Book of Acts. Admission is free, and the public is invited.

will speak at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N.

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Church of Christ gives Bible lessons

RUPERT — The Church of Christ will begin a comprehensive four-year chronological Bible study for those in the church.

The course will take participants through adult. Everyone will study the same Bible lesson weekly, according to level of ability. Children's classes will utilize visual aids, puppet shows, object lessons and a structured memory work program.

Classes are available for infants through adults. Everyone will study the same Bible lesson weekly, according to level of ability. Children's classes will utilize visual aids, puppet shows, object lessons and a structured memory work program.

For more information or for a ride, call 436-2570 or 578-8471.

Prayer Coffee planned by Christian Women

TWIN FALLS — The Christian Women's Club of Magic Valley has planned its monthly Prayer Coffee for 10:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday at the home of Isabelle Lamoreaux.

Complimentary child care will be provided. For more information and directions call Isabelle at 733-6433. All women are invited.

Church of Christ gives Bible lessons

'Super Bowl Chili Feed' set in Jerome

JEROME — The Ministerial Association of Jerome has planned its annual "Super Bowl Chili Feed" for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Jan. 25 at St. Jerome's Catholic Parish Hall.

Each participating congregation is invited to bring its best chili, which will be judged by a panel representing all the congregations of the community. Chili is sold for donations for each attendee. Desserts and other contributions are contributed by volunteers. The Rev. J. Byrnm of the Methodist Church is contact person for donations for chili and other concerns.

Vineyard Christian Fellowship meets

TWIN FALLS — The Vineyard Christian Fellowship of Twin Falls has planned its 58th Sunday morning service for 10 a.m. Sunday at the Main Campus, 146 Main Ave. N. Those attending are encouraged to "come as you are."

Presbyterians share Epiphany celebration

JEROME — An Epiphany Star Service will be part of the worship hour at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 252 E. Ave. A.

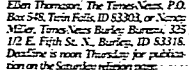
Epiphany is the recognition of Christ's manifestation to the world through the arrival of the wise men.

Dunbar to speak at First Christian Church

TWIN FALLS — R. Allan Dunbar will speak at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N. Dunbar is president of Pocket Sound Christian College and has served in the pastoral ministry for 35 years, much of it at the Bow Valley Christian College, Ft. Collins, Alberta, Canada. In 1994, he was selected by the city of Calgary as one of eleven. With Love and chairman of the Spiritual Outreach Committee for the 15th Olympic Games in Calgary. He leads work shops, crusades and Bible conferences throughout North America and eastern Europe.

MISSIONARY

BURLEY — Elder Ryan Gonnell has been called to serve a two-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Japan Fukuoka Mission. He will speak in an evening meeting at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the View 2nd Ward chapel, 550 S. 200 E. and will enter the Mission Training Center in Provo, Utah, Jan. 15.



Ryan Gonnell
Gonnell is the son of Moses and Dana Gonnell of Burley. He graduated from Burley High School in 1996 and attended the New Zealand Baptist Seminary at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

Greatest Hits of '96: Best books include 'Genesis'

Knight-Ridder News Service

Let us consider some of the books that measured the terrain of the soul in 1996.

Let's start at the very beginning, literally, with "Genesis" (Norton, \$25). Robert Alter's much-praised translation of the first book of the Bible, a professor of Hebrew and comparative literature at the University of California, Berkeley, captures the syntax and style of the original Hebrew. Whether he has captured the power of the original prose is up to the reader to decide.

Watergate investigative reporter Carl Bernstein teamed with Italian journalist and veter-

an Vatican-watcher Marco Politi to write "His Holiness John Paul II and the Hidden History of Our Times" (Doubleday, \$27.50). Bernstein and Politi write that the pope and the U.S. government cooperated to undermine communism in Eastern Europe and neutralize Marxism in Central America. But the authors also recognize that Cold Warrior though he may have been, John Paul II (unlike some of his politically active predecessors from the distant past) is a man of deep and challenging spirituality.

Jimmy Carter becomes Sunday School teacher to us all in "Living Faith" (Times Books, \$25), a testament to the religious

values and beliefs the former president inherited and how they shaped his life. "I have wanted to serve a church in the territory of a clan called McDonald. Due to the hostility of the people, he was forced to stand at the door of the church with a Bible in one hand and a Claymore (Scottish sword) in the other, announcing, "By

ing style, Pelikan explores the various perceptions of Mary over the centuries, from "Queen Eve" to "Mater Dolorosa (Sorrowful Mother)" to "Second Heaven."

Less sweeping in scope but more immediate in its implications for contemporary America is "Active Faith" (The Free Press, \$25), by Ralph Reed, executive director of the Christian Coalition, an outline of the religious right's political agenda. Reed, sometimes called "God's legislative assistant," is one of the shrewdest political operators around. He tells us just where he wants to take his movement into the political mainstream.

Fencing

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up on one foot and that's not good. You better know what you're doing."

There are three weapons used in modern fencing: the foil, a weapon of practice; the epee, a more advanced weapon that requires the use of intelligence in technique; and the sabre, called the weapon of argument because it includes the sense of risk and danger. Electronic fencing is becoming popular. "In the sabre, you have to record when a player scores or touches an opponent

with a sword. In addition to their duties at church, the Frosts direct the Santa River Fencing Association and teach the sport at the Jerome Recreation Center.

"Fencing is a more than recreation, it is a good stress reliever and a good way to develop philosophy of life," says Jeff Frost said. "There are 400 references to swords in the Bible, most of them having to do with God's judgment. So the use of our swords is a good way to be reminded of the importance of a sword, when it is a physical or spiritual one."

God and country, you will allow me to be your pastor?"

"Frost used his fencing sword, a foil, in a sermon illustration at a recent worship service.

"The weakest part of the sword, called the foible, is what you use to touch your opponent," he said. "Jesus often uses our weakest part to touch others."

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COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

AND YOUR JOB WOULD BE TO HELP ME FORCE THE AUTOGRAPHS ON ALL THESE BARS AND BALLS AND PICTURES AND EVERYTHING.

WILL YOU COME TO SEE ME ON VISITOR'S DAY?

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

WHAT'S BRAIN UP TO? HE'S GOING INTO COMPUTER ANIMATION. COOL!

AND BRAD WOULD BE WORTH ENLISTING IN THE AIR FORCE.

RUEBEN FINISHES HIS BUSINESS COURSE, AND STARTS WORKING FOR HIS FATHER.

ALL THE KIDS WE HUNG OUT WITH IN HIGH SCHOOL SEEM TO BE DOING OK. WE SHOULD THANK OUR LUCKY STARS FOR THAT!

I THINK WE SHOULD THANK OUR TEACHERS!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

OUR NEW CORPORATE POLICY IS THAT ALL EMPLOYEES MUST USE THE PRODUCTS WE SELL.

AAARGH!!!! WHAT HAVE WE DONE TO DESERVE THIS ???!!

SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT MANY OF THESE POLICIES ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE PUNISHMENTS?

YOU GET USED TO IT AFTER YOU LOSE YOUR WILL TO LIVE.

Blonde By Brian Crane

I NEED TO BORROW YOUR CRESCENT WRENCH.

THERE YOU GO AGAIN! BORROWING, BORROWING, BORROWING!

WHOA! BACK OFF! I'M NOT BORROWING IT FOR MYSELF.

I'M LEARNING IT TO WEELEY!

B.C. By Johnny Hart

YOU GOT ANY COOKBOOKS?

WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH A COOKBOOK?

I NEED TO KNOW HOW TO SUIT UP AN AN.

Pickles By Brian Crane

DID YOU KNOW YOU WERE GOING TO WEATHERS GOING TO BE BY WATCHING CLOUDS?

YOU CAN?

WHEN THE CLOUDS GET DARKER, IT MEANS NO RAIN OR SNOW FOR THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

WHEN THEY'RE LYING DOWN, IT MEANS IT'S GOING TO RAIN OR SNOW.

WHAT IF HALF THE CLOUDS ARE STANDING AND HALF ARE LYING DOWN?

THAT MEANS THAT HALF OF THEM ARE UP.

Gleed By Jim Davis

PAT PAT PAT

WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH A SNOW BUNNY?

I NEED TO KNOW HOW TO SUIT UP AN AN.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

HERE'S ANOTHER ONE, MITCHELL! FOR A WEEK OF FUN AND INSTRUCTION, SEND YOUR KID TO OUR SKI CAMP!

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"In the old movies, why did people only wear black and white and gray?"

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

SNOW BUNNY

SNOW BOARDER

SNOW PLOW

Elephantine appendix: 5 feet

There are matrimonial experts who'll tell you 99 percent of the marriages in which the women have done the proposing have been successful. Add Bumper Stickers: "Give me amputy or give me something else."

The writer Willa Cather did not profess an exotic faith but better than most she read the real life. It was she who said, "I like trees because they seem more resigned to the way they have to live than other things do."

When you open a new bottle of fingernail polish, you won't have any trouble opening it again. If you smear a little petroleum jelly into the threads-in the screw cap. So, advises a household hater.

Even back in the 1800s savvy wagon makers knew a vehicle with 11 wheels on six rails could carry much heavier loads. Not until the first successful steam engine came out in 1829 did that original con-

New York City's Blamingdale Road would up as Broadway.

"Am told you have to cook duck longer than other common fowl, but I'm not sure why.

Don't just eat the cereal, drink the milk on it, too. It catches added fortifying vitamins, says a nutritionist.

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

MY... THE PRICES HERE ARE VERY REASONABLE.

WHAT'S THE CATCH OF THE DAY?

THERE'S A THIRTY-DOLLAR MINIMUM.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

IF JANUARY 4 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY You create your own tradition, were loved by parents although they claimed that you were impossible to control. You are psychologically or emotionally from parental authority and associated. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons play exciting roles in your life. You are one of the rare comeback kids or prodigies. Seldom if ever does reform cost 10 over your Daring February, major domestic changes occur, including where you live, marital status.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Face the music. Your qualities are more powerful than you might realize. Opposition melts once you make clear. "I intend to fight for my high school interests could be involved. Virgo featured.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Venus keystone relates to income potential, family relationships, ability to dance to your own tune. Lunar position highlights legal agreements, public relations, marital status.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): If you expect pricing, sector after sector, focus on comments, criticism from those who mistakenly feel you desperately seek their opinion. Be gentle, not gullible. Pisces involved.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Lunar phase coincides with aura of sensuality, creativity, sex appeal. Some people claim you press too hard, are too serious. Tell them where to go in no uncertain terms.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Strike while the iron is hot. You'll be dealing with letters or initials in their names: I and R. You'll inevitably desire for expressions of love will be fulfilled.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): New deal in connection with relatives, agreements concerning vacations, trips and visits. For once, have it your way with no unnecessary concessions. Leo, Aquarius persons involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Stick to the unorthodox. Utilize elements of timing, cunning. Scorpio moon/March 20: slowness of speech catch. Result will be blend of surprise, elation, sadness. Aquarian involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): What was lost will be back in your hands. Element of timing, luck ride will you - cycle high, late charge. Popularity increases, additions to wardrobe improve body image. Scorpio moon/March 20: slowness of speech catch. Result will be blend of surprise, elation, sadness. Aquarian involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Secret revealed, no big deal since you knew it all along, at least in an associative. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons involved - some have these letters or initials in their names: I and R. You'll inevitably desire for expressions of love will be fulfilled.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Wish comes true in amazing manner. Written contract brings results. You'll be surprised. Scorpio moon/March 20: slowness of speech catch. Result will be blend of surprise, elation, sadness. Aquarian involved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Entertain big shots. Focus on home-cooked dinner, zesty, meaningful discussions concerning business, career. Unorthodox plan does have merit - respond accordingly. Libra plays role.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): In this position emphasizes philosophy, theology, fascination with foreign lands, cultures. Pernis psychic faculties to surface - trust intuitive intellect and your heart. Virgo involved.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

I CLIMBED TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN AND ASKED THE WISE MAN WHO LIVES THERE "WHAT IS THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS?"

AND WHAT WAS HIS ANSWER?

BUY A NEW BOAT EVERY YEAR!

WHY DO I DOUBT THIS STORY?

WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

1 Fathers
2 Side item
3 Dessert, at times
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5 Creme de la creme
6 Quiring
7 Daring dog
8 Chips
9 Sings, in a way
10 Pack
11 More than enough
12 Widow's
13 Bakery items
14 Electric unit
15 Concierge
16 Packages
17 Sebastian Coe
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19 Samuel's tutor
20 Single entity
21 Like a postmark
22 Shopping center
23 Foulard
24 Calabogues
25 Mrs. Escrow
26 Atlantic Ocean area
27 Past and present
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32 Face cover
33 Muse of poetry
34 City in Italy
35 A Gardner
36 Sweetener
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Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

ECONOMIC NEWS

STOCK MARKET UP DOWN & SIDEWAYS

BETWEEN THE BULLS AND THE BEARS, I'M BUFFALOED!

Yesterday's Puzzle solved

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W E N D E D O E S R A G E

The Boon Loner By Art Sansom & Chip

WILDBERFORCE, DINNER'S READY! MAKE SURE YOU WASH YOUR HANDS!

BOTH OF THEM?

SO, JUST THE LEFT ONE!

THIS I'VE GOT TO SEE!

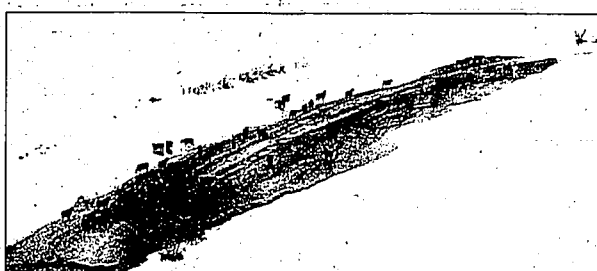
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11 Miss - owl
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14 Letter opening
15 Chaperon-king
16 Heaps
17 Adjectives
18 Craze
19 One who works in a trade
20 Same
21 Olympic groups
22 Miss - of
23 "Daisy"
24 Ang - (all together)
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44 Dornipino and Pavarotti
45 Tin, e.g.
46 State strongly
47 Pianist Peter

49 Money drawer
50 Hindu music
51 Center
52 G.T. book
53 Carry on
54 Be sorry

THE WATERLOGGED WEST



At upper left, a worker scoops debris left behind by massive flooding in downtown Reno Friday. Above, rising waters strand cattle on high spot in the Waiser River, east of Waiser Thursday. Lower right, Antonio Oviedo, 7, is carried by his mother, Maria Perez, as she goes to work from her home in Pajaro, Calif., Friday morning. Lower left, Dennis Edgington uses a chain saw to clear a tangle of tree limbs left from a massive mudslide on Friday in downtown Port Angeles, Wash. At left, Wallace, Van Dyke, 75, sits on a cot in an evacuation center in Woodland, Calif., after being forced to evacuate his Yuba City, Calif., home due to the threat of flooding Thursday.



Idaho lawmaker opposes interim speaker idea

POCATELLO (AP) — U.S. Rep. Michael Crapo said Friday that he is against a proposal to elect an interim speaker until an ethics subcommittee recommends penalties for House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

"Once a person is elected speaker, you have to start moving and directing Congress," the Idaho Republican said. "An interim speaker, pending the outcome of the

ethics investigation, would be similar to saying, 'Let's have an interim president until the charges against President Clinton are resolved.'"

Gingrich, R-Ga., in mid-December acknowledged violating House rules by failing to seek proper legal advice on use of tax-exempt contributions for possibly political purposes, and by providing inaccurate statements to the

ethics committee about the role of his political organization, GOPAC, in the tax-exempt projects.

As a result, at least 20 Republicans have expressed uncertainty about Gingrich's re-election as speaker.

Crapo said the facts of the case and the ethics subcommittee investigation remain fluid, but that he would rather support Gingrich than a Democrat.

Ski resort may have a buyer

SANDPOINT (AP) — Four buyers are interested in the financially ailing Schweitzer Mountain Ski Resort.

Sandpoint attorney Ford Elssesser, appointed as receiver of the debt-laden ski hill in November, said interest in the resort has been better than expected.

"We have very serious buyers," Elssesser said.

A deal could be struck within a few months, he said.

Meanwhile, the refitted Great Escape quad lift could begin moving skiers up the mountain today, manager Tom Trulock said Thursday.

Rebuilding the ski lift began last fall and has been slowed by parts deliveries and brutal weather conditions.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

American Red Cross plans blood drive

TWIN FALLS - The American Red Cross has planned a blood drive for next week at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. Hours for the drive are 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday. Appointments are encouraged and can be made by calling Shurita Warren at 734-4566.

Officials ask motorists to improve parking in hills

HANSEN - The Sawtooth National Forest wants people to do a better job of parking their cars and trucks at the Diamondfield Jack parking area in the South Hills. The correct way to park, according to Sawtooth Forest officials, is in the center of the parking areas - leaving the vehicle at an angle. Doing so increases the efficiency of the parking area and allows snowplow drivers to do a better job, forest officials maintain.

Buhl schools award bus contract to Jerome company

BUHL - At a special meeting Thursday, the Buhl School District awarded its transportation contract to Northside Bus Co. of Jerome, who was the lowest bidder. The contract is subject to approval by the district's attorney and the school board. In other business, the board voted to renew the cooperative agreement with Castledorf High School for girls' softball and wrestling.

Hazelton council meeting rescheduled for Monday

HAZELTON - The regular meeting of the Hazelton City Council has been rescheduled. It will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at City Hall. The agenda includes a developer's agreement and plan for Woodland Estate Developers, City Engineer Scott Bybee and Jerome County Planning and Zoning Administrator Art Brown also are on the agenda.

Gooding council meets Monday to install member

GOODING - The regular Gooding City Council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday. Discussion of old business includes the NDB contract, US West complaint, police office, building permits and bill paying. Under new business, the council will accept Mayor David Adair's resignation, nominate a new mayor, give the oath of office, install a new council member and possibly change the meeting date. An executive session may be held if necessary.

Twin Falls County Fair Board will meet Monday

FILER - The Twin Falls County Fair Board will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday. The agenda includes a discussion of entertainment at this year's fair, a carnival contract, the Bull-O-Rama and Pop's Cooler, as well as the manager's report and the Department of Finance report. The board meets in the fair office at the fairgrounds in Filer.

Author, pastor to share experiences as foster child

TWIN FALLS - Robert E. Colwell knows foster-child issues firsthand. The author and pastor was placed in an orphanage at the age of 11. He will share his experience as a foster child and children's advocate at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the community room of the Department of Health and Welfare, 601 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls. The presentation is free to the public. The Rev. Colwell also will speak to Twin Falls civic groups Tuesday to Thursday under sponsorship of the United Way of Magic Valley and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, said Frannie McMahon, the department's foster care coordinator.

For more information about Colwell, call McMahon at 734-4000. Colwell is the pastor of the Love and Order Christian Fellowship in Los Angeles and chairman for the Los Angeles Children's Shelter's Department and has ministered in jails and prisons through California. He also is president of a Christian-based, inner-city support center for parents of disabled children and co-founder of a recovery program headed by former gun members. McMahon describes Colwell as a dynamic speaker with a message relevant to the needs of abused and neglected children in the community. For more information about Colwell, call McMahon at 734-4000.

Compiled from staff reports

Medicare reform has its backers, but idea is on hold at Statehouse

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

BUHL - Howard Hopkins doesn't want to use any public assistance. Then again, he doesn't want to be confined to a wheelchair. But a stroke five years ago gave him no choice. "I'm one of these guys I've never asked for help in my life. I like to give but not receive," said Hopkins, 65, of Buhl. Yet he supports extending Medicare coverage to allow him to stay home while his wife, Ludene, gets a break from her 24-hour care.

In September, he wept as he told the state's Medicaid Reform Advisory Council that his wife, 67, needed some time away from him. Hopkins echoes what the council hopes the reform will accomplish: keeping people home longer and out of costlier long-term care; cutting costs; and cutting people's dependence on the public program. "Because of Medicare's complexity and a full slate of proposed changes, reform won't come before the Legislature this year. But reform already has the support of Howard and Ludene Hopkins. "We need to take the people out that's used it wrong," he said. "A lot of people are going to be mad when you try to put it back into line." Ludene Hopkins added, "I think change is going to be hard for everyone."

More responsibility

Reform recommendations handed to Gov. Phil Batt Dec. 5 were honed from public comments at 35 hearings. "An initial proposal to mandate motorcycle helmet use didn't even reach the Legislature," he said. Proponents said it could reduce long-term head-injuries at public expense. But opponents said statistics didn't support the measure, which fell under the protest of motorcycle riders. "The helmet issue was a mouse bite out of an immense program, says council chairman Roy Raymond of Twin Falls. Nurturing programs bringing care to people at home will result in the most savings, he said. As is, 70 percent of the spending goes to long-term care. "The savings all will come from trying to encourage people to stay at home as long as possible," Raymond said. Medicaid recipients also would be encouraged to use medical services wisely by practicing prevention and not running to the doctor. In turn, emergency rooms would refer away non-urgent cases. Co-payments by recipients is another recommendation. Other states have adopted a co-payment schedule which requires federal approval, said Jim Wilson, deputy director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. "The federal bureaucracy, they have



Ludene Hopkins provides 24-hour care for her husband, Howard, at their Buhl home.

been pretty reluctant to allow states to collect large amount of co-payments but it has allowed states to collect modest sums," he said. Under state reform, coverage would not be extended to people who give away assets in order to qualify for Medicaid. People can give up to \$5,000 a month to children and still be eligible. In addition, a greater burden would be placed on families to pay for care and on reducing fraud. It also would encourage access to rural health. "Except when necessary, hearing and dental care for adults would be cut in an effort to bring public coverage in line with private plans. "Medicaid coverage is vastly superior to anything you or I can buy," said council vice-chair and state Sen. Gordon Crow, R-Hayden. "Soft-tissue organ transplants also were targeted because they usually are not covered by private insurance. Yet in the final report, this difficult issue was recommended only for study. "The soft tissue was a compromise," said Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Keelium, a council member. "I was really concerned as everyone. But I really felt torn because of a breast cancer survivor about bone marrow transplants."

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About Medicaid

- Medicaid pays for health care of the poor, elderly, disabled, blind, pregnant women and young children. The federal government pays about 70 percent of costs and Idaho the remainder.
- The number of Idaho recipients and costs for their care have more than doubled since 1990.
- In the Magic Valley, 9,319 people received benefits totaling \$4.2 million in 1996, compared with 2,256 recipients in 1986.
- Idaho Medicaid costs \$3,000 million monthly and costs about \$1 million a day.
- Source: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and Medicaid Reform Advisory Council.

Stepping back

"One of the first things we have to do is come up with a price tag for the whole

package. The number one question is will it cost or save money," Wilson said. Batt's office asked Health and Welfare to review the 88 recommendations and the job won't be finished until April. "It's time-consuming because of the rules, and the giant program that is Medicaid. "It's the biggest line item in the department's budget," Wilson said. There's another wild card. "We don't know what Congress is going to do," said Batt special assistant Lindy High. Federal reform will influence the reform Batt proposes to the Legislature. One thing is sure, it won't be as easy as the welfare reform the Legislature passed in 1996, say council members. Medicaid doesn't just involve recipients. It affects hospitals, doctors, 23 different programs and three federal agencies. In addition, the 1996 state welfare reform dovetailed with federal reform. "We were ahead of the curve on welfare," Jaquet said. However, Medicaid and welfare change share a basic tenet, say reformers. "One of its charges was to break people's dependence on government for

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Ski areas return to full operation

By William Brock Times-News writer
KETCHUM - After a spate of warm and difficult weather, the Sun Valley and Soldier Mountain ski areas should be open for business today. All but three of Sun Valley's chairlifts and the majority of its ski runs were closed Thursday because of avalanche danger. Several slides, including a good-sized one that went down to the dirt, convinced mountain managers to restrict access. Abnormally high temperatures, coupled with heavy recent snowfall, caused the slides. "We lost a lot of business and maybe made a few people mad, but we made the right decision," said resort spokesman Jack Striback. All of the resort's chairlifts reopened Friday and, with the exception of the lower bowls, all ski runs were open. Closures Wednesday and Thursday

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put a crimp in Sun Valley's business. Wednesday, just over 200 skiers were on the mountain, compared to 4,100 a year ago. New Year's Day is traditionally a slow ski day, since football bowl games kept would-be skiers at home. Striback said he was worried more about the long-term effects of such poor conditions. "We're concerned about people going home and saying the skiing wasn't very good," he said. Soldier Mountain was closed Thursday and Friday because floodwater inundated the road leading to the ski

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Plan to move Twin Falls' railroad yard chugs along

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - For three years, the idea of moving a railroad switching yard out of the city's warehouse district has chugged along. At a meeting Tuesday, the city's Urban Renewal Agency will vote on whether to bring the idea to a full head of steam fueled by an estimated \$2.6 million. For that amount the agency will purchase a strip of property from Eastern Idaho Railroad between the Blue Lakes Boulevard and Shoshone Street so the railroad can move the yard and build an "intermodal" center where truck freight

Urban Renewal meets

The Urban Renewal Agency will meet at 8 a.m. Tuesday in City Council chambers. On the agenda is making a final version of a list of \$5.3 million of improvement projects and land acquisition in the city's warehouse district.

would be moved to and from trains. The yard project would be added to other Urban Renewal projects totaling \$2.7 million. At a meeting early Friday, agency members toured the yard across Sixth Avenue West from the Depot 600

Twin Falls' Denny's shuts down grill

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - Restaurant row on Blue Lakes Boulevard North is down one eatery, with the closing of Denny's Thursday. "It has not performed up to the expectation we had. It's very unfortunate," said Paul Bier, vice president of operations at DenAmerica, the franchise owner based in Scottsdale, Ariz. Denny's had opened in 1992 at 688 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. It employed between 20 and 25 people. He didn't blame competition, but a location that didn't draw enough customers. "My experience has been that when you develop a restaurant row, you typically draw a lot of traffic to that location. I think it never performed even with the development of these (new) restaurants," Bier said. "We are a growing company and it's always painful when you have to close a restaurant, for the community and employees. Those

folks are out of a job." He doesn't expect the company to look for another spot in Twin Falls because it's acquiring property elsewhere, he said. DenAmerica is the largest franchise owner of Denny's Restaurants and will continue operations in Boise, Chubbuck, Nampa and Idaho Falls, Bier said. The company also owns 150 restaurants in the South. After becoming a publicly held company in 1996, DenAmerica decided to close restaurants with slower sales, such as the Twin Falls restaurant and others in Minnesota and Ohio. "One employee said managers informed them of the closure after customers had cleared out at about 3 p.m. Thursday. "It was a shock to everybody. We all sat there," said Scott Henning, who worked as a waiter for three years. "(Business) got really slow in the last year when everything else started opening up." The agency's projects would be financed by bonds paid by area property-tax revenues. The yard proposal would put the agency over its \$4.6 million bond capability, said Dave McAlindin, city economic development director. But one solution would be two separate bonds, he said. The city also can apply for grants for land acquisition because of the economic benefits of developing the truck-train transfer site. The railroad company's financial contributions still are being discussed, McAlindin said. "We are really trying to work with the

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MAGIC VALLEY

Hecla settles pollution complaint

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Hecla Mining Co. has agreed to make \$15 million in water treatment and pollution control improvements at the central Idaho mine it intends to take out of operation this spring.

The improvements at the Grouse Creek gold mine about 19 miles north of Stanley were agreed to in a consent order settling charges that Hecla repeatedly violated the terms of its federal waste discharge permit in May 1994 and last June.

The \$100 million mine opened in late 1994, but within a year officials said they were finding only about half the gold anticipated.

TWIN FALLS FOR THE RECORD

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included: Arraignments: • Leland Arthur Chapman, 19, no address given; burglary, bail set at \$3,500; public defender appointed.

• Sherry Lynn Griffin, 41, 1547 Elizabeth Blvd., Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, bail set at \$5,000; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing for Friday.

• Joseph S. Stanfield, 18, 8344 Addison Ave., Twin Falls; domestic battery, battery, consumption of alcoholic beverage by minor; innocent plea entered; ordered to have no contact with victims; public defender appointed.

DEATH NOTICES

Mary Snow

TWIN FALLS - Mary Snow, 71, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at her home.

Ivan Clair Tolman

RUPERT - Ivan Clair Tolman, 69, of Rupert, died Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1996, at his home in Rupert.

held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Rupert Cemetery, with Bishop Russ Holland officiating. Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Phyllis Kirkman Bitter

HAILEY - Phyllis Kirkman Bitter, 89, of Hailey, died Friday, Jan. 3, 1997, at Blaine Manor in Hailey.

Jerry A. Merrick

of Gooding, 10 a.m. today, Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Services

Marla Theresa Hitt, of Declo, funeral Mass, 2 p.m. today, Little Flower Catholic Church, Burley. Friends may call one hour before Mass at the church, (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Robert Gerald Tucker

HEYBURN - Robert Gerald Tucker, 80, of Heyburn, died Sunday, Dec. 22, 1996, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Alice Enola Larson Kagle

of Pinetop, Ariz., and formerly of Burley, 11 a.m. today, Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley.

Walve Claudine Wolfe

of Boise and formerly of Buhl and Gooding, 2 p.m. today, Ryleya Funeral Chapel, Boise. Burial will follow at the Morris Hill Cemetery, Boise.

Robert Gerald Tucker

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Julia Josephine Spencer

of Mountain Home and formerly of Glens Ferry, 1 p.m. today, LDS Church, Glens Ferry, Burley. Glenn Rest Cemetery, Glens Ferry. (Summers Funeral Homes, McMurtry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Daniel Alvin Compton Jr.

infant son of Daniel Alvin and Stephanie Lynn Bendele Compton of Buhl, 2 p.m. Monday, First Baptist Church, Buhl. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Admitted

Julia Bowlin of Twin Falls

Released

Dorothy Grenz of Twin Falls

Admitted

Ernest Stuart, Elva Artega and baby girl and Edith Pomeroy, all of Rupert.

Admitted

Jay Clayton Allan, Rachelle Greenwalt, Warren Holm, Rose Krieger, Deirdre Mack, Leslie Olson, Dorothy Thornburg, Russell Vaughn and Charles Wood, all of Burley; Willard Hawkins of Rupert; and Norma Park of Malta.

Released

Wilda Kimber and Bernice Schaner, both of Burley; Dorothy Bailey, James Ballard and Clark

Released

Tanya Hatch and baby girl and Matt Godfrey, all of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS



Venice Berrett

Venice Berrett, 78, of Twin Falls, passed away Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28, 1996, in Twin Falls of natural causes.

two daughters, Jan (Murry) Maxwell of Albuquerque, N.M., and Gena (Dorothy) Ellis of Oakdale, Ore., and her brother, Dr. W. (Em) Tolford of Twin Falls, 16 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. Venice requested no services be held.

SHIRLEY E. MENCK ROGERS



Shirley E. Menck Rogers

Shirley Elaine Menck Rogers, 63, of Twin Falls, passed away Thursday, Jan. 2, 1997, due to illness.

Rod, Mel, and Ken Menck. She was preceded in death by her parents. In complying with her wish, no funeral services have been planned. Please take a moment of thought and prayer for the peace and happiness she has now found. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

BUHL

Arnold Duane Morehead

Arnold Duane Morehead, 71, of Buhl, died Thursday, Jan. 2, 1997, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. He was born March 26, 1925, in Plymouth County, Iowa, to Strachy and Goldie Jones Morehead. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

Missing aircraft wreckage found

COUNCIL (AP) - No survivors were reported Friday in the crash of a single-engine airplane with five people aboard that disappeared after leaving McColl on route to Boise on Thursday.

NORTH SIDE FOR THE RECORD

Gooding County

GOODING - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included: Drunken-driving filings: Ronald O. Sammer, 48, 11214 E. 2900 S., Gooding, bond posted, arraignment Monday.

Jerome County

JEROME - Recent activity in Jerome District Court in Jerome County included: Drunken-driving filings: Javier Jesus Rodriguez, 32, 254 S. 500 W., Jerome; bond posted, arraignment Monday.

Lincoln County

SHOSHONE - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Lincoln County included: Drunken-driving filings: Jon Harlan Buller, 26, Box 3342, Hailey; bond posted, arraignment Jan. 15.

Judge throws out defamation verdict

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Seventh District Judge Brent Moss has dismissed a jury's verdict for Sonya Olson in the defamation claim against her former employer at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

laboratory fellowships worked at EG&G for 12 years before being fired by Blackwood, a newly hired manager, on Aug. 12, 1993 for "poor work performance."

Boise State expands its 2-year options

BOISE (AP) - Boise State University will offer two-year associate of arts and associate of science degrees beginning in the fall.

3 men fined over m\$16,000 for repeat poaching violation

SALMON (AP) - A month after being stripped of their hunting privileges for poaching, two men were arrested in the same area of central Idaho for illegally killing seven elk and one deer.

According to a Fish and Game spokesman, game wardens patrolling the area spotted Hescock and he ran to his van, jumped in and fled.

Private jet runs off Jackson runway

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) - A private jet carrying five people crashed on the runway at the Jackson Hole Airport on Friday and sank belly-deep into mud left at the end of the runway by five days of rain.

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Growers complete buyout of Amalgamated Sugar

The Associated Press and the Times-News

OGDEN, Utah — A cooperative of Northwest sugar beet growers has completed its \$266 million buyout of Amalgamated Sugar Co., officials announced Friday.

"We expect to hit the ground running with present management and top-notch plants," George Grant of Rupert, chairman of the Snake River Sugar Co., said

in a statement.

The cooperative's acquisition of the company with sugar processing plants in Paul, Twin Falls and Nampa, Idaho, and Nyssa, Ore., was finalized last Tuesday, and Grant immediately turned the chairmanship over to Terry Kerterling of Mountain Home.

The vice chairman is Ron Hopworth of Burley, and Myron Huegert of Hazelton is secretary.

Amalgamated, which was owned by

Valhi Inc. of Houma, La., will remain headquartered in Ogden, Utah. In addition to the processing plants, it operates storage and distribution facilities in Utah, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

The financial aspects of the transaction were agreed to a month ago. The growers' equity payments, \$82 million in all, were closed into an escrow account.

To form the cooperative, participating farmers who grow beets on 285,000 acres in Idaho, Oregon and Washington

pledged \$1 per acre up front and another \$80 on acre later.

Snake River Sugar attorney Randon Wilson said it was the biggest cooperative ever financed by farmers from the ground up. Other larger unions resulted from mergers.

While ownership has changed, Amalgamated employees will continue operating the processing plants, and their union will remain intact. Ten key managers also stayed on, making the

most noticeable change where beets are grown in the future.

Wilson said there has been a shift within the cooperative to more growers in eastern Idaho. The growers protest, because the beets will be grown farther from the factories, increasing costs.

But transportation is not a new problem. Aberdeen-area growers have been shipping sugar beets for several years and the company routinely moves them between its four factories.

STRING SERENADE



White Pine Intermediate School teacher Deana Chutensen leads the fifth-grade string musicians Friday in practice for their winter concert. The students will perform the winter concert at 7 p.m. Thursday in the school gymnasium. The 70 orchestra members will be joined by 130 hand students led by music teacher Steve Floyd. Admission at the concert is free.

Minidoka county schools tighten visitor policies

By Lori Bettelski Times-News writer

RUPERT — Minidoka County schools are tightening visitor policies after a Heyburn man was charged last month with entering a school and peering into a classroom.

Minidoka County School District Superintendent Nick Hallett Friday said visitor badges have been ordered for each school. At present, without a badge will be directed to the school's main office immediately.

"We're in a rural area, but we have a lot of people coming and going and we have to become more secure," Hallett said.

The Minidoka County Sheriff's Department on Dec. 19 charged George Robert James, 41, with trespassing. According to police reports, James had been seen that day in one of the girls' restrooms and a locker room at Minidoka High School. He was also seen the previous night at Burley Junior High School, reports said.

The following week, the Cassia County Sheriff's Department charged James with stalking. Police reports indicate a suspicious person had been seen at the Burley junior high and high schools.

Two girls previously identified James from a photo lineup as the person who had chased them at

Burley High School on Dec. 13, according to the report. The report says a mother of one of the girls was able to identify James and said she had seen him at the school on Dec. 13, 14 and 16. She also saw him last at a girls' basketball game at Burley Junior High School, the report said.

Hallett said principals have been instructed to consult with teachers about the incident and notify students to take extra precautions, especially at sporting events.

"We don't want to make them afraid of strangers, but it's important they know it's best to stay in groups and not go off to areas by themselves," he said.

Extra precautions also need to be taken in locker rooms, Hallett said. If a teacher or administrator is out in the locker rooms, doors should remain locked and students are advised to stay out.

Cassia County Superintendent Thomas Morley said Friday the incident has heightened awareness among district officials, although no major changes will be made in the visitor policy.

"These sorts of things do remind us, however, of the importance of being ever vigilant about student safety," Morley said. In both school districts, policies require all visitors to check in at the main office when arriving at a school.

Reno flood victims return home; most casinos, airport reopen

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Some casinos removed sandbags from doorways and scores of residents shoveled mud from homes Friday following the city's worst flooding in more than 40 years.

Reno/Tahoe International Airport, forced to close Thursday by raging floodwaters, reopened Friday afternoon, allowing some of the thousands of stranded tourists to begin returning home. At least three casinos remained closed for another day.

Fred Altmann of Reno cut short a ski vacation to Sun Valley, Idaho, to return to his flood-damaged house across the street from the Truckee River, which reached record flows Thursday but subsided by Friday.

"The damage was a lot worse than I thought it would be," he said. "The amount of mud is incredible. It has to be a couple of feet deep in places. We ended up with 1 1/2 feet of water in the basement and 3 feet on the main floor. We have our work cut out for us the next couple of weeks."

Down the street, water pumps and shovels also were busy at the home of

Vikki Corrigan. "The worst of it is I'm going to lose a lot of antique furniture. You can't replace it," she said. "The house was in the middle of the Truckee (during the flood). It was like an island with water 4 to 5 feet deep around it."

Gov. Bob Miller said several hundred homes were flooded. The Reno airport closed after a man-made lake at the nearby Reno Hilton overflooded, sending torrents of water onto the airport's runways and creating a huge lake. Some passengers were angry.

"Everyone here was so rude — the hospitality around here sucks, they were not very accommodating," said Deb Driscoll of Cumberland, R.I., stranded with friends and family at the airport.

Jacqueline Bray of Warner Robins, Ga., was trying to return home with her family, but planned to stay at Circus Circus Hotel Casino until she could get a flight out.

"I've never been in a flood before, so this is an adventure, I guess," she said.

Hundreds of motorists were stranded after all four major

trans-Sierra highways in the region were closed by flooding or mudslides. But a westbound lane of Interstate 80 reopened Friday at the California line, causing a traffic jam that stretched for miles.

Harrah's Reno reopened after closing for the first time in its 60-year history. It was one of six casinos that evacuated guests as a precaution after flood waters threatened the resorts Thursday.

"We've never really closed down, evacuated, chained the doors," Harrah's spokeswoman Pat Martin said. "We stopped some operations on the day John F. Kennedy was assassinated... Fortunately water never came in our door."

Four other casinos had flooded basements. Also flooded was the state's largest legal brothel, the Mustang Ranch. Located along the Truckee east of Reno, it was inundated with a half foot of water.

"We're trying to reopen Saturday or Sunday," said the manager, who would only identify herself as Bridgette. "The girls are anxious to return to work. I'll bet the customers are, too."

John and Patricia Ramsey returned to Colorado on a private jet from Georgia, where they buried their daughter Jennifer on Tuesday. The 1995 Little Miss Colorado was found scammed in the basement of her upscale Boulder home on Dec. 26. There have been no arrests.

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At a news conference, Boulder

As winter moves in, Oakley crime moves out

By Eric Goodell Times-News correspondent

OAKLEY — A community effort to fight crime appears to have done some good, officials said. "I'm sure has been quiet up here," said Randy Kidd, resident deputy of the Cassia County Sheriff's Department.

This fall, Oakley citizens went up in arms over the crime scene. Although sheriff's department figures showed the number of reported crimes weren't much different from past summers, residents said more crimes — including burglaries and vandalism — were going unreported.

Citizens vowed to get involved by being vigilant in the city's Neighborhood Watch program and by signing criminal com-

plaints against lawbreakers.

The effort has been positive. "The people are getting together and getting established," he said.

Because cold weather is a natural deterrent to crime, city officials are sure that the Neighborhood Watch program is preventing crime. The test will come next summer. Councilman Bob Fulham said.

But he said the city will keep looking for crime prevention.

"We don't want to slow down or stop this positive initiative," he said. Oakley resident Heidi Springman said she's impressed with the citizens' efforts. There appeared to be an increase in crime last summer, she added.

"I feel safer in Oakley now,"

Boulder mayor says no need to fear killer on loose after child's slaying

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — While the parents of a slain 5-year-old beauty queen grieved through their lawyers about a police interview, Boulder's mayor said Friday residents need not fear there is a killer on the loose.

John and Patricia Ramsey returned to Colorado on a private jet from Georgia, where they buried their daughter Jennifer on Tuesday. The 1995 Little Miss Colorado was found scammed in the basement of her upscale Boulder home on Dec. 26. There have been no arrests.

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police spokesperson Leslie Aabolin said the Ramseys had been in contact with police through their attorneys. "They're in the process of setting up an interview," Aabolin said, adding that she did not know whether anything had been agreed.

The Ramseys returned after spending several days at the home of Mrs. Ramsey's parents in Roswell, Ga. Boulder police detectives who have been in Roswell since Thursday went to the home of the parents, Donald and Nedra Ramsey, Friday to interview the couple, said Roswell police Sgt. Dennis Nelson. They gave no indication they were collecting physical evidence," he added.

Mayor Leslie Durgin attempted to reassure residents that they have nothing to fear. In a CNN interview in Atlanta on

Wednesday, Mrs. Ramsey had suggested otherwise. "There is a killer on the loose... If I were a resident of Boulder, I would tell my friends to keep your babies close to you."

Durgin said Boulder residents rightly believe they have nothing to fear.

"I think the people of Boulder have no need to fear that someone is wandering the streets of Boulder looking for young children to fool with," she said. "Boulder is a safe community." It's always been a safe community.

DonBerry's slaying was Boulder's only murder in 1996.

Asked why she was convinced there was not a killer on Boulder's streets, Durgin said police reported there were no visible signs of forced entry into the Ramsey home, suggesting the killer apparently knew the home's layout well.

Railroad

Continued from B1 city and frankly to be good citizens. We really derive no benefit by relocating the yard," Klaus said.

An intermodal center, however, is a different story.

"This has long-term effects on the economic future of the community," McAlindin said. "Many industries will not locate to an area without that capacity," Klaus said. "Without some benefit we could not agree to it."

Eastern Idaho Railroad has a small capacity for truck loading at the current yard.

At the meeting, agency members were ready to vote on the proposals, but delayed the action until board members of the private nonprofit Old Towne Corporation can comment on the rail property purchase. The corporation also is encouraging development in the warehouse district.

"I fully expect them to say this is money well spent," said agency

member and businessman Tom Ashleybrenner, who asked for the delay. "At least, let's present this. It's right in the middle of Old Towne."

The location of a new truck-train loading site will be important because of existing truck traffic problems through Twin Falls, said Erik Barwell, a member of a city and county transportation advisory committee.

"We want everyone to take a real hard look at this issue," he said.

Ski

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area, said Bud Bolin, operations director. The Cassia County Sheriff's Department ordered the road closed.

Soldier Mountain employees were working to remove any available skiers, Bolin said, and if there's any potential danger, we'll have the rats shut down.

South of the Snake River, the Pocatello Ski Area is poised to break its seasonal snowfall record after little more than two months of operation, said Lindy Burrows, area manager. Heavy snows are expected to close the area, but no lifts or runs there

best shut down yet this season.

However, the road leading to Pocatello is not much snow on the sides. "It is looked like a huge tunnel at some points," Burrows said. An avalanche briefly blocked the road after Christmas.

"The biggest slide at Sun Valley was in most stable snow there it has been cold," he said. Below 8,000 feet, the stable snow is likely to be on shady, north-facing slopes.

"People need to make their own assessments and not throw caution to the wind," Abromiet said, noting that delicate corries and unstable snow can be found in seemingly safe areas.

Medicaid

Continued from B1 some of other members agree with me, I can never back up and see the whole program. It's that intimidating," he said.

But he says the job was larger than expected.

"The difficulty I have and

Butter food at home

Along with Medicaid, the state should act at the price of medical care, say Howard and Ludene Hopkins, when Howard

first became ill, one bill amounted to \$85,000. With no insurance, they sold their home and business. Their medication runs \$300 each month, reduced by Medicare.

Whatever happens, Howard Hopkins wants to remain home.

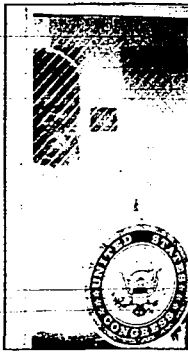
"He doesn't like anybody's else's cooking," Ludene Hopkins said with a laugh.

PEOPLE

Newt Gingrich: Not seen, heard, not forgotten

Watchers say disappearing act is a good idea

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just two years ago Newt Gingrich dominated Washington like few congressmen ever before...



House Speaker Newt Gingrich leaves his Marietta, Ga., congressional office on Thursday...

nouncements like his comment a couple of years ago: "People like me what stands between us and Auschwitz?"

To be sure, Gingrich has been working backstage, through his lieutenants, to assure his reelection as speaker next week...

"Laying low is a wise strategy," says William Conley Jr., a Washington and Lincoln University...

political scientist who's also a Republican — a rare combination. "Assuming that he is charged, as he says he is, being quiet is the way for Newt Gingrich to slow remorse," Connelly adds.

John Pitney, a California professor who got to know Gingrich while on the staff of the House Republican Research Committee...

"Gingrich sometimes reacts badly under attack and if he were to get into a press interview he might respond in a very defensive manner..."

"Publicly, Gingrich has said nothing beyond a Dec. 21 state-

ment acknowledging error: "In my name and over my signature, inaccurate, incomplete and unreliable statements were given to the committee, but I did not intend to mislead."

He has made no effort to persuade the country that the offense was technical and inadvertent and certainly insufficient to warrant keeping him out of the speakership.

Mickey Edwards, a former Republican congressman from Oklahoma, now teaching at Harvard, says that if Gingrich ever runs for president his ethical lapses would be "a strain."

Mrs. Dole returns to Red Cross

WASHINGTON (AP) — Elizabeth Dole returned to her job as president of the American Red Cross Thursday...



Red Cross President Elizabeth Dole returns to her \$200,000-a-year job.

"That's not something that's on the agenda for me now," said Mrs. Dole, a Cabinet secretary in two Republican administrations who has been mentioned as a potential presidential candidate.

A horde of reporters gathered in the main office of the White House, where until Nov. 5 she had hoped to begin a new job this month as first lady.

"Right now my commitment is right here, to the Red Cross," she said. She pointed to a dozen long-stemmed red roses in a vase on a nearby desk, a gift from her husband, and she told her: "Have a good year."

During the campaign, Mrs. Dole, 50, was widely viewed as one of her husband's chief assets. She was praised for her talk show-style speech about her husband to delegates at the Republican National Convention in San Diego...

She became president of the American Red Cross in February 1991.

Gumbel's last day as host on 'Today' a tearful tribute

NEW YORK (AP) — Bryant Gumbel, a man of supreme self-control, struggled mightily to hold back the tears during his farewell show Friday after 15 years as the "Today" host.

"I've had a great time. I really have. I hope that you all enjoyed it a fraction as much," Gumbel, his eyes welling up and his lips trembling, told his colleagues after a series of tributes and a concert by the artist formerly known as Prince.

Matt Lauer takes over Monday as co-host of "Today," network TV's top-rated morning show, with a widening lead over ABC's "Good Morning America."

"It was the first time I spent

the night before a broadcast with nothing to do," he said on the air. Gumbel brought along extra handkerchiefs but didn't need them until the final moments.

"It wasn't all maudlin. Shortly after saying goodbye to most of the nation, he was doing the bump with co-host Katie Couric to an encore performance by the former Prince."

"It's going to be strange not having Bryant sitting next to me in the morning," Couric said. Poet Maya Angelou and Muhammad Ali turned up at the studio, with the former heavyweight champion rising in mock anger when Gumbel greeted his wife with a kiss.

Former co-host Jane Pauley was there, but not her replacement, Deborah Norville, whose ill-fated one-year run next to Gumbel ended in 1991, was invited because executive producer Jeff Zucker said he wanted to remember the happy times.

Man slays neighbor with his beloved red Volkswagen

NEW YORK (AP) — A man used his beloved red Volkswagen to kill a neighbor on the building's condominium board who had tried to stop him from constantly washing the car, police said.

Konstantine Berdenis, 28, was arrested Thursday and charged with murder and possession of a weapon — his 1991 VW Golf. He was ordered to undergo a psychiatric exam.

Police said Berdenis attacked Jeannie Yee, 38, behind the condo in Queens where they both lived, ramming her against a wall with the car, backing up and slamming her again, police said.

A witness, Carlos Pagan, said Berdenis then got out, inspected his car for dents and walked back into his apartment "like nothing happened."

Neighbors said Berdenis had been feuding with the condominium's board of directors, especially Yee, over cost-cutting that shut off the building's outdoor water tap during winter.

Yee's roommate, Elizabeth Segard, said that she heard her Yee's screams and ran to help, and that an impassive Berdenis brushed past her as he walked back into the building.

"I said, 'What did you do? What did you do?'" she recalled. Berdenis, she said, didn't reply.

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Man killed white looking for his hat

SLIDE, La. (AP) — A man who opened his car door and sped backwards to look for his hat fell out onto his head and died.

James Jinks, 20, of Ray St. Louis, Miss., died of his injuries on Wednesday, three days after the accident.

Jinks was driving when his hat flew out the window. A 14-year-old boy who was in the back seat told sheriff's deputies that Jinks stopped, put the car in reverse and backed up to 25 to 30 mph in the dark with the door open.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Eagle Scout honors set

TWIN FALLS - Greg Schroeder and Brad Schroeder have earned Eagle Scout awards through the Boy Scouts of America. The awards will be presented to Greg and Brad at a court of honor set for 5 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls LDS 12th Ward Church, 824 Caswell Ave. W.

To earn the award, scouts must complete at least 21 merit badges and an Eagle project. For his project, Greg build a wooden case to hold a pinewood derby track for Cub Scout Pack 61. Greg was assisted by his grandfather, LaVear Thorneck, father, Robert Schroeder, and several troop members, and the project took about 45 hours of work.

Brad and Greg are both members of Troop 61, sponsored by the Twin Falls LDS 12th Ward and led by Scoutmaster Randy Steel. They are the sons of Robert and Leilah Schroeder of Twin Falls. Brad is 17 and a senior at Twin Falls High School, where he played varsity football. He also is first assistant to the bishop in his priest parish at church. Greg is 16 and a junior at Twin Falls High School. He is a member of the Chamber Singers and was involved with varsity football.

Evening course offered

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer an extended evening entrepreneurial course this semester. People who might be most interested in this offering are those new in business who would like to increase their business skills through education and networking. The program also would be good for individuals planning to go into business for themselves in the future. It will give them an opportunity to learn skills an develop a completed business plan. The evening entrepreneurial program is being developed to enable those people who cannot attend the regular daytime classes to achieve an entrepreneurial degree over a longer period of time. Classes offered during the spring semester starting Jan. 13 are Supervision on Thursday nights, Retail Selling on Wednesday and Introduction to Marketing on Tuesdays. All classes meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. A minimum of 12 to 15 students in each class is required for the classes to be held. For more information, call Mike McClaymond at 733-9554, Ext. 2406.

Envirothon scheduled

TWIN FALLS - The 1997 Idaho Envirothon will be held April 18 at Dixie State and the College of Southern Idaho campus. The Envirothon is a grassroots initiative

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Sights and sounds of Christmas take on new shape

GOODING - The Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind held their Christmas program on Dec. 26. The program was directed by MaryAnn Baton, Lynn Krueger and M. Rose Trimmer. "The Adventurers", made up of the first, second and third grade classes, brought laughter from the crowd as they signed to "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus," while Santa and Mommy, played by Ted and Janice McMurdie, entertained in the background.

As the final act began, the audience listened to the voice of seven-year-old Verina Chapman as she sang a solo to "Do You Hear What I Hear?" while Mike Garner and Mary Ann Baton signed.

Other participants were Chris Arroway, Austin Klaus, Brock Loveland, Geoffrey Marr, Jesse Saxton, Joshua Christi, Andrew Collins, Adabelle Contreras, Carmen Curtis, Rusty Fairchild, Josh Heath, Damon Jensen, Michael Marr, Savannah Marston, Johanna Martin, Adam Toone, Hayden Waters, Kelsey Whitman, Matthew Butters, Justin Call, Jessica Febus, Jamilee Fletcher, Byron Jensen, Dustin Leppert, Brandon McRill, Chelsea Newberry, Lindi Schmitt, Jared Jackson, Thomas McBrown, Melody Mower, Abraham Nighthale, Joey Pitchford, Ruth Anna Spooner, Brooke Bone, Casey Knip, Wiley Heath, Aaron Priester, Justin Sailer, Marcus Settles, Michael Young, Travis Doolittle,



The vision impaired classes at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind perform to "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." Jeremiah Flemings played the reindeer and John Tuck and Jamie Torrez signed.

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Henson, Chris Miller, J.C. Koyle, Brian Harper, Sam Horton, Jamie Torrez and John Tuck.

sponsored in each state by local conservation districts and their state societies. Competition is open to high school students and is based on the study of natural resources. The first-place Idaho team will go on to compete for prizes and scholarship money at the national competition in August in Pennsylvania. More than \$25,000 in scholarships and prizes will be awarded to the top five teams.

West earns Eagle award

TWIN FALLS - Cristian James West has earned his Eagle Scout Award through the Boy Scouts of America. The award will be presented to Cristian at a Court of Honor set for 5 p.m. Tuesday at the LDS 12th Ward Church, 842 Caswell Ave. W.

To earn the award, scouts must complete at least 21 merit badges and an Eagle Scout project. Cristian completed 20 merit badges and put up a chain link fence and shrubs as a wind break at Robert Stuart Jr. High for his Eagle Scout project. Cristian was joined by 19 people who helped complete the project as well as several businesses who donated material. Approximately 120 hours were donated.

Cristian is a member of Troop 61 sponsored by the LDS 12th Ward and led by scoutmaster Tony Bringhurst. He is a 9th grader at Robert Stuart Jr. High and is active in his church as Teacher's Quorum President and as Den Chief. He is the son of Richard and Annette West.

SERVICE NEWS

Wetzstein honored

BUHL - The United Nations Korean War Allies Association recently honored 80 United States Forces Korea service members who have served more than 100 months in the republic or are a descendant of a Korean War veteran. Master Sgt. Paul Wetzstein of Buhl was among those recognized during the ceremony at Seoul, Korea. Wetzstein works with the U.S. Army in Seoul, Korea. The association presented a Plaque of Appreciation to each honoree in recognition of their efforts in maintaining peace on the Peninsula.

McNeil finishes training

KETCHUM - Army Reserve Pvt. Joshua D. McNeil, son of Debbie Osborn of St. Maries and Mike McNeil of Ketchum, has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map-reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, First Aid and Army history and traditions.

Lamberson enters basic

GLENN'S FERRY - Army Pvt. Wendy J. Lamberson, daughter of Carolyn J. and Cleo Stafford of Glenn's Ferry, has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. During the eight weeks of training,

students will study the Army mission and receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, First Aid, Army history and traditions, and special training in human relations. She is a 1988 graduate of Glens Ferry High School.

Ellason ends deployment

HAZELTON - Navy Seaman Glenn R. Ellason, son of retired Air Force Maj. and Mrs. Norb B. Ellason of Hazelton, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the western Pacific and Indian oceans aboard the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson. Ellason is one of more than 7,000 sailors and Marines aboard the carrier who traveled approximately 62,000 miles before returning to their home port of Alameda, Calif. Ellason's ship led the eight-ship USS Carl Vinson Battle Group, which included nine medical aircraft squadrons, two submarines and five surface combatants. During the initial phases of the deployment, aircraft from Ellason's ship were enforcing the no-fly zone over Iraq in support of Operation Southern Watch. The deployment enabled Ellason to visit Hawaii, Hong Kong, Japan, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Singapore and Tasmania. A 1994 graduate of Valley High School, he joined the Navy in November 1995.

Wardell commissioned

TWIN FALLS - Denn C. Wardell, son of Donald L. Wardell of Twin Falls, has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force after having graduated from Officer Training School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala. Pre-commissioning training included basic military subjects, leadership and management, human behavior, professional knowledge, and defense and professional studies. He will be stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, as a developmental engineer.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

If you are caring and compassionate, and would like to make a difference - call Susan Harris at Magic Valley Staffing Service - Hospice Division. You will be rewarded for your acts of kindness to clients and family members who are experiencing a life limiting illness. Duties of a volunteer can encompass a variety of jobs such as support for the patient and/or caregiver, clerical assistance, assist in preparation of newsletter, copying, mass mailings, and assisting with fundraising activities. We service the Magic Valley and volunteers are needed in all locations. Hospice and OSHA training are offered the second Wednesday of each month for new volunteers. For more information, call 734-0600 or outside Twin Falls at 1-800-303-0602. The Senior Companion Program needs six new service providers. How would you like to earn a little money that does not affect your Social Security and other benefits? That is just one benefit we can offer you. If you are 60, lower income, and would like to make a difference in another senior's life, we have a job for you!

If you can help, call Marcie or Teresa at 736-2122. The Foster Grandparent Program has five immediate openings for new Foster Grandparents in many areas across the Magic Valley. If you are lower income and 60 or older and would like to earn a little money while helping our children do better, call us. Foster Grandparents work 20 hours a week, receive a stipend, travel reimbursement, meals, and other benefits. For more information, call Teresa or Marcie at 736-2122. The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center assists families and individuals in transition. Donations of the following items would be appreciated: winter clothing for men, women and children, blankets and bedding. If you can be of assistance, call Gail Hancock at 736-2166. A Community Home Health social worker is looking for volunteers to visit homebound seniors in Gooding, Lincoln and Jerome counties. Anyone who has an extra hour each week and would like to make a difference can contact Dee Foster

at Community Home Health at (208) 934-9004 or 1-800-330-8570. An older woman in Gooding who is homebound is needing a volunteer to serve as a life line contact. Life line agency would call volunteer to check on woman in possible emergency. If interested, call Dee Foster at Community Home Health at (208) 934-9004 or 1-800-430-8570. Volunteers are needed in the Magic Valley to become a part of the program, Guardian ad Litem (a United Way Agency) advocate for an abused or neglected child. Evening pre-service training will begin in January. For more information, call Michelle Shield at (208) 324-6890. This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Judy Tipton at the College of Southern Idaho, 736-2122, to have it appear in this column. It is requested that persons submitting items for this column, should call Tipton before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call Tipton weekly to remain request.

CLUB PROFILE



Members of the Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation are from left, Sandy Herrera, director of clinical services; Susan Johnson, administrative assistant; Ken Archer, administrative director; Doug Schrank, foundation director; Nancy Adams, foundation director; Duane Cutright, president of foundation; Frances Guilan, secretary; Ruby Jinkins, foundation director, Susan Faulkner, treasurer; and Clive Pope, foundation director.

Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation

Purpose: The Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation is a volunteer organization that works to raise funds for the hospital. Members also work to publicize activities and events at the hospital. Meets: 11 a.m. the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Gooding Hospital. Dues: none. Major projects: The Foundation organizes annual events such as the Festival of Trees which is held in December and the Paul Heuston Classic Golf

Tournament which is held in September. Currently the organization is selling artwork by local artist Dyrek Godby. Mr. Godby has donated half of the sale proceeds to the hospital. For more information contact: Duane Cutright at 837-4045.

Profile your club! The Times-News would like to profile your organization. Send your information along with your name and phone number and a photo to April Crnich, Community Editor, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303



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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

This team can make the Super Bowl. This team can win the Super Bowl.

—Carolina linebacker Sam Mills on the Panthers

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Men's college basketball**
CSI vs. Southwest Missouri State at Las Vegas Invitational
- Women's college basketball**
CSI at Eastern Oregon
- Girls' high school basketball**
Wendell vs. Malad at Filer, 6 p.m.
Burne County at Filer, 7:30 p.m.
• Aberdeen at Declo
Rockland at Rafi River
Oakley at Murrough
Minico at Bonneville
Twin Falls at Buhl
- Boys' high school basketball**
Buhl at Wendell
Burley at Pocatello
Bismarck at Glenns Ferry
Filer at Wood River
Richfield at Hansen
Kimberly at Valley

In most cases, junior varsity games begin at 6 p.m., with varsity games following.

SCOREBOARD

Men's college basketball	
Malcolm X 73	CSI 59
Women's college basketball	
CSI 62	Col. Basin 59
Girls' high school basketball	
Richfield 56	Bliss 44
Carey 51	Camas Co. 31
Filer 46	Malad 27
Valley 48	Hagerman 34
Highland 57	Burley 48
Burne County 52	Wendell 31
Buhl 64	Kimberly 37
Wood River at Middleton	
Hansen at Sho-Ban	
Boys' high school basketball	
Minico 54	Jerome 42
Gooding 51	W. River 39
Richfield 69	Bliss 45
Murrough 79	Cassford 63
Carey 44	Camas Co. 42
Capital 54	Twin Falls 37
Hansen at Sho-Ban	

Pro basketball	
Minnesota 94	Boston 84
Arlington 95	New Jersey 85
Indiana 117	Phoenix 104
Chicago 110	Cleveland 89
San Antonio 93	Denver 91
Seattle 108	Vancouver 94
L.A. Lakers 100	Sacramento 93
Philadelphia at Golden State	

IN BRIEF

Washington State signs juko player

PULLMAN, Wash. — Junior college player Corey Scott signed a letter of intent to play at Washington State University, the school said Friday.

Scott is a 6-foot-4, 235-pound linebacker out of Cerritos Community College.

Scott, 19, is from Cerritos and played one season for the junior college. He will be eligible to play for the Cougars next season.

Earlier, WSU signed offensive lineman Joe Criscione, a teammate of Scott's at Cerritos.

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More bad luck in Vegas: Eagles drop 2nd game of Invite

Fall to Malcolm X, 73-59

The Times-News
LAS VEGAS— Same song, different night.
The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team struggled offensively for the second straight night of the Las Vegas Junior College Invitational, losing to Malcolm X 73-59.
After jumping out to a quick 10-5 lead, CSI (11-3) couldn't find the basket and Malcolm X was off to the races.
The Hawks used a run-and-gun offense to slowly creep away from the cold-side Eagles.
"It's amazing. We missed layups," said CSI coach Jim Thrash. "I can't understand it. It's not one guy — it's



three or four."
One of the biggest thorns in CSI's side was outside threat Joe Bullock. Bullock, who made a visit to CSI but elected to attend Malcolm X, hit several 3-pointers at key times.
In the first half, Malcolm X hit 47 percent from the field, including three 3-pointers. From the line the Hawks were even better, knocking down 6-of-7.
On the other side of the court, CSI hit only 31 percent of its shots. From the line, the Golden Eagles were 5-of-7.
The clincher was the turnover ratio. Malcolm X had only six, while CSI coughed the ball up 11 times in the first

half. That was only one less turnover than the Golden Eagles had been averaging per game this season.
One bright spot in the first half, however, was CSI's rebounding. The Golden Eagles outrebounded the Hawks 24-18.
Down only 10 points with less than 30 seconds to go in the half, Malcolm X hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to further deflate the Eagles.
CSI opened the second half with a layin and followed it with a Greg McQuay slam, cutting the Hawk lead to 41-30, two minutes in.
But a Bullock 3-pointer carried the Malcolm lead to 14 points.
After two CSI field goals, Bullock hit another 3-pointer.
Trevon Broadway, who finished the night with 29 points, scored an old-fash-

ioned three to cut it to 10.
With 15 minutes remaining, the Golden Eagles reeled its first single-digit deficit since the first half.
The Golden Eagles scored a quick two after a timeout to close within 47-41, but that was as close as the Eagles would get.
"Defensively we're not perfect, but the effort is there," Thrash said. "Offensively, we're not getting it done."
It doesn't get any easier as No. 7 CSI faces Southwest Missouri State today at 3 p.m. in the final day of the Invitational.
Earlier, Friday Western Nebraska beat Southwest Missouri State, 73-68, and Utah Valley defeated New Mexico, 66-46.

CSI scores
CSI 59
Malcolm X 73

Minico defeats Jerome, 54-42, in arrhythmic game

By John Derr
Times-News writer

JEROME— It was a game that both coaches described as a typical end of Christmas break battle. Both teams looked like they hadn't played in a few weeks and found it difficult to get into an offensive rhythm.
In the end it was the Minico Spartans, behind three players in double figures, who came out on top with a 54-42 victory over the Jerome Tigers in boys' non-conference basketball action Friday.
"It feels great. We needed this. We started slow, but we have a lot of games at home and we play tough there," said Gibson, who scored 19 points and dominated inside all night.
The Tigers played without point guard Brad Thompson, who suffered a broken right index finger. The status of the 3-year starter, who his coach described as the glue that holds us together, is unknown at this time.
Jerome hit a pair of shots to open the game and led by one after a low-scoring first quarter. With three minutes gone in the second quarter Jerome held a four point lead, but the Tigers would go scoreless for the next five minutes.
Minico went on an 11-0 run, pushing it up the floor and beating the Tigers to the basket while easily handling Jerome's press. Gibson tossed in five, going 3-for-4 from the line and Jensen hit his second 3-pointer as the Spartans led 25-18 at the half.
Jensen hit another 3-pointer to start the second half, but the Tigers battled back going straight at the taller Spartans inside. Post Dan Dirksen and Andy Walgamott each chipped in four points as Jerome pulled within one near the end of the third quarter while Gibson and Jensen rested on the bench.
The final period belonged to Minico, with Gibson hitting six early to build an eight point lead with three minutes left. Jerome went just 1-for-16 from the field in the fourth quarter.
The Tigers continued to fire away from downtown, but finished with just one 3-pointer on the night, well off their average of six. Minico controlled the inside finishing with a 34-22 rebounding advantage.
With all the attention Gibson was attracting, McKenzie took advantage to hit several shots inside.
"This is a huge confidence builder," said McKenzie, who chipped in 12 points inside.
Jerome's coaches were worried about Jensen and kept asking the players on the floor where was number 30. The senior guard found himself open more than the Tigers wanted as he finished with 16 points, including four treys.
Minico coach Mike Charters said that his team was fortunate to win the game. "We didn't play as good as team



Jerome's Andy Walgamott and Minico's James McKenzie battle for a rebound during Friday night's game.

as we will when we play them again. We played well at times."
Jerome coach Brent Clark said that his team didn't execute.
"The defensive intensity was not there and we could not get our shots to fall. We took a week off and it might take us a while to get it together," said Clark.
Minico 54
Jerome 42

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Jerome 515 15-11-43
Minico Frank 1 0 2 1, Gibson 8 3 4 19, Hardley 1 0 0 2, Jensen 2 2 1 1 3 2, Dirksen 0 0 2 2, Walgamott 1 1 2 3, Wainwright 0 0 2 2, 54 points, game ends.
Jerome-Corcoran 5 0 0 2 lay, 1 0 0 3, Pennington 0 0 2 2, Williams 2 2, Dirksen 0 0 0, Walker 1 2 2, Wainwright 4 0 0, Holliday 2 2 8, Jerome 1 0 2 1, Totals 15-33 11-32 42, 3 points, game ends.
Junior varsity reads: Jerome def. Minico.
Juniors visit: Minico def. Jerome.

Packers hot when Favre is cold

The Green Bay Packers are hot when quarterback Brett Favre is cold.
Favre is 17-0, including two playoff games, as a starter when the temperature is 60 degrees or below in Green Bay, and the forecast is for wet and snowy with the temperature around 32, when the Packers entertain the San Francisco 49ers in an NFL playoff game Saturday.
When it comes to playing at Lambeau Field, however, the Packers can win in "swarm" weather, too: They have won 16 straight games and 26 of 27 at Lambeau.
The NFC Central champion Packers (13-3) have more than just one of the biggest home-field advantages in sports. They also have the NFL's top-ranked defense (259.8 yards per game) and the NFC's second-ranked offense (345.9). The offense is led by Favre, who has passed for 3,899 yards and 39 touchdowns and is the league's second-rated

passer (95.8) behind the 49ers' Steve Young (97.2).
Wild-card San Francisco (13-4) has the NFC's No. 3 offense (344.1), but more importantly a wealth of playoff experience. The 49ers are 22-12 in the postseason, 11-4 in NFC divisional playoff games and have won four of their last five postseason games.
Young, banged-up physically but still tough in the clutch, has a 6-3 playoff record as a starter. Jerry Rice, tops in the NFL with 108 catches during the regular season, is the league's all-time playoff leader with 113 catches, 1,706 yards, 18 touchdowns and seven 100-yard games.
The Packers eliminated the 49ers from the playoffs 27-17 last year at San Francisco. On Oct. 14 at Green Bay, the

Gators win 1st national title

Vote isn't even close

The Associated Press
NEW ORLEANS — The Florida Gators won their first national championship Friday by a margin as convincing as their Sugar Bowl victory over Florida State.
Hours after whipping the Seminoles 52-20 Thursday night in a rematch of two archrivals, the Fun'N'Gun Gators were officially declared No. 1 in the final Associated Press college football poll.
"We're proud of our effort and that people recognize what we did," said Danny Wuerffel, Florida's Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback. "It's what you play for. You do the best you can as a team. It's a team game and real special."
Florida (12-1) received 65 1/2 votes and a 1,673 1/2 points from a national panel of 67 sports writers and broadcasters. The Gators were ranked third going into the postseason behind Florida State and Arizona State.
Ohio State (11-1), which gave the Gators a scare in a game for the title by beating Arizona State 20-17 in the Rose Bowl, finished second with 1 1/2 first-place votes and 1,585 1/2 points.
Florida State (11-1) fell to third with 1,529 points, but still finished in the top

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— Danny Wuerffel, quarterback
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Capital bests Bruins, 54-37

By Mike Mailer
Times-News correspondent

BOISE— A better beginning or a better finish and the Twin Falls Bruins might not have taken a 54-37 defeat home with them from Capital High Friday night in a non-conference boys' basketball battle.
Capital's 9-0 start in the first two minutes of the game had the Bruins backpedaling all evening long.
Then a 14-3 run to end the game after the Eagles (4-3) had their lead chipped to 40-34 with four minutes to play, sealed the fate of Twin Falls, 4-4.
Through it all, Capital's pressure defense kept the Bruins struggling to stay steady.

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"When you play a team like that, you got to have 32 minutes of intensity," said Twin Falls coach Dan Vogt.
"Things that we couldn't let happen, we did happen."
A five-point run by the Bruins topped by Todd Welch's free throw trimmed Capital's lead to 39-34 with five minutes remaining. An answering free throw by the Eagles edged the lead back to six with 4:59 left.
Then Twin Falls missed two 3-point shots, committed two turnovers, was called for a violation to give the Eagles a second chance at a free throw and let Capital's Randy Keleher slip through for a tip on a missed free toss. A baseline layup off a patent offense by Keleher, who led the Eagles with 14 points, upped the lead to 47-34 with 2:12 to play.
"I thought our kids played pretty smart that last four minutes of the game," said Capital coach Charlie Henry.
The Eagles also made 11 of 14 free throws in the last period to finish 17-for-22 for the contest.
Keleher had four points in the first two minutes to help the Eagles to an 8-0 start.
"They had a game last night. They may not have warmed up and they could be going," Henry said. "But once they got the blood going, it was a pretty even match."

The Bruins looked rattled by Capital's standard pressure defense early in the game, missing layups and committing turnovers. The giveaway problem continued throughout the game, with Twin Falls totaling 21 turnovers.
"I guess it's kind of like getting used to cold water, facing that kind of pressure," Vogt said. "I felt like we were ready. It took a little bit to get going."
Baskets by Mark Thrash and Ben Kohring, who topped Twin Falls with 13 points, quickly brought the Bruins back within four points, as close as they ever got to Capital for the rest of the game.
The Bruins fell 66-51 to Capital in

SPORTS

Charger coach Bobby Ross resigns

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Bobby Ross, who coached the San Diego Chargers to their only Super Bowl appearance two years ago, resigned Friday due to philosophical differences with general manager Bobby Beathard.



Bobby Ross

After the Chargers struggled to an 8-8 record this season, Beathard reportedly wanted Ross to fire offensive coordinator Ralph Friedgen and defensive coordinator Dave Adolph. Ross is extremely loyal to his assistants, having fired only one in 20 years. Friedgen has been with Ross throughout those 20 years.

Gators

Continued from B6. five for the 10th consecutive year. Arizona State (11-1), with 1,486 points was fourth and Brigham Young (14-1) fifth with 1,360 points.

AP final Top 25

Table with 3 columns: Rank, Team, Points. Top 25 includes Florida (65.1/2), Ohio St. (1.1/2), Florida St., Arizona St., Brigham Young, Michigan, Penn St., Texas Tech, Virginia Tech, North Carolina, and North Dakota.

USA Today/CNN final Top 25

Table with 3 columns: Rank, Team, Points. Top 25 includes Florida (58), Ohio State (4), Florida State, Arizona State, Brigham Young, Nebraska, Penn State, Oklahoma, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Alabama.

Late jumper sparks Spurs' win

DENVER (AP) — Carl Herrera hit a 10-foot jumper with 2.5 seconds left Friday night to lift the Spurs to their third straight win, 93-91 over the hard-luck Denver Nuggets.



NBA

Laphonso Ellis, who finished with a career-high 30 points, had a chance to tie the game after being fouled with 0.7 seconds left, but he missed two free throws as the Nuggets fell to an NBA-worst 4-11 at home.

fade-away jumper with 0.7 seconds left.

Bulls 110, Magic 89

CHICAGO — Dennis Rodman grabbed 22 rebounds and Michael Jordan scored 22 points Friday night as the Chicago Bulls fought away in the second half for a 110-89 victory over the injury-ravaged Orlando Magic.

Hawks 95, Nets 85

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Christian Laettner scored 10 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and helped Atlanta to lead Atlanta over New Jersey.

T'wolves 94, Celtics 84

BOSTON — Tom Gugliotta had 32 points and a season-high 19 rebounds, and Kevin Garnett blocked eight shots as Minnesota gained a rare road win.

The teams traded baskets after Maxwell's long shot, and Ervin Johnson's dunk tied the game at 91 before Herrera hit the game-winning shot on a broken play following a San Antonio timeout.

Pacers 117, Suns 104

INDIANAPOLIS — Reggie Miller made seven 3-pointers and scored 33 points as Indiana snapped a three-game losing streak.

Boston beat the Nuggets on Monday, when Rick Fox made 12 of 16 shots.

Norman stands out among semifinalists

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — In its second year, the Andersen Consulting World Championship of Golf has a player good enough to justify its name.



Greg Norman

Greg Norman, the world's trickiest match-play format to reach the semifinals of a tournament which began last spring and will conclude this weekend on the 7,001-yard, par-72 Jack Nicklaus at Grayhawk Golf Club.

Norman, whose career earnings in No. 1 PGA history, has been resting a sore back and won't play again until the Doral Ryder Open in March. But he said

interrupting a planned three-month layoff was worthwhile because of the quality of the competition.

The faces Hisayuki Sasaki of Japan and Steve Stricker of the U.S. are among the 16 players who will meet in a 36-hole match on Sunday.

Norman, 41, lives in Hobo Sound, Fla., but represents the International Section. In the July 29-30 regional tournament at Kohler, Wis., he defeated Craig Parry and Steve Elkington, both fellow Australians, and Frost, a South African.

BASKETBALL

NBA standings table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Western Conference standings table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

NBA box scores

Summary of NBA box scores for various games, including Bulls vs Magic, Hawks vs Nets, and T'wolves vs Celtics.

Late NBA box scores

Late NBA box scores table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

Major men's college scores

Major men's college scores table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

Major women's college scores

Major women's college scores table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

NFL

Continued from B6. Packers beat the 49ers 23-20 in overtime.

Jaguars at Broncos

In today's AFC playoff game, the wild-card Jaguars (10-7) will play quarterback Scott Brunell, who the NFL's top passing offense (255.9).

but the AFC West champion Broncos (13-3), with quarterback John Elway and running-back Tony Stewart, have the league's best rushing attack (176.6) and top total offense (361.9), and they were 8-0 at home this season. They also

lost to Pittsburgh in 1994. Brunell, who passed for 4,367

yards and 10 touchdowns, will be facing the AFC's second-ranked offense (275.4) as the Jaguars try for their seventh straight win including their playoff upset of Buffalo. Elway, the AFC's top-rated passer (89.2), has thrown for 3,328 yards and 26 touchdowns. Davis led the AFC in rushing with a club-record 1,538 yards.

SCORES AND STATS

FOOTBALL

Football scores table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

NFL playoffs

NFL playoff scores table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

NHL standings

NHL standings table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

SKINNY CONDITIONS

Skinny Conditions table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

Friday, Jan. 3

Friday, Jan. 3 table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

TRANSACTIONS

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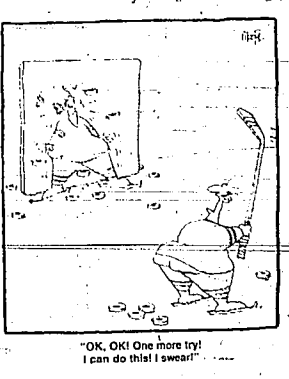
TELEVISION

Television table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

RADIO

Radio table with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct, GB, and Home/Away records.

IN THE BLEACHERS



"OK, OK! One more try! I can do this I swear!"

SPORTS

STANDINGS

(Through Jan. 2)

Boys' high school basketball
Class A-1, Region III

Overall	W			L			Pct.			Conference		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	GB		
Highland	6	0	1.000									
Minico	3	5	.375	2	2	.500	1.5					
Cassidella	3	2	.600	1	1	.500	1.5					
Twin Falls	1	3	.250	1	2	.333	2.0					
Burley	2	6	.250*	0	2	.000	2.5					

Class A-2

Jerome	5	2	.714	1	0	1.000	-
Wood River	2	3	.400	0	0	.000	0.5
Buhl	0	7	.000	0	0	.000	0.5

Class A-3, Canyon Conference

Declo	7	0	1.000	3	0	1.000	-
Wendell	7	0	1.000	2	0	1.000	0.5
Gooding	3	4	.429	1	1	.500	1.5
Cassidella	3	1	.750	0	0	.000	2.0
Valley	2	4	.333	0	1	.000	2.5
Filer	5	3	.625	0	2	.000	2.5
Gleason Ferry	2	3	.400	0	2	.000	2.5

Class A-4, Northside

Shoshone	4	2	.667	2	0	1.000	-
Dietrich	6	0	1.000	1	0	1.000	0.5
Caray	3	1	.750	0	0	.000	1.0
Camas Co.	1	1	.500	0	0	.000	1.0
Bliss	1	3	.250	0	0	.000	1.0
Richfield	1	4	.200	0	1	.000	1.5
ISDB	0	2	.000	0	2	.000	2.0
Ketchikan	1	0	1.000	0	0	.000	1.0

Class A-4, Southside

Murtaugh	4	2	.667	0	0	.000	-
Oakley	4	3	.571	0	0	.000	-
Cassidella	2	4	.333	0	0	.000	-
Hagerman	2	4	.333	0	0	.000	-
TFC	2	4	.333	0	0	.000	-
Hansen	1	3	.250	0	0	.000	-
Raft River	1	5	.167	0	0	.000	-
MV Christian*	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	-

*Plays JV only; ineligible for post-season.

HIGHLAND 57, BURLEY 48

BURLEY — The Bobcats had a chance to saddle the Region III leaders with their first conference loss of the season, but Highland held tight in the fourth quarter of a girls' basketball contest Friday.

The Rams surmounted an eight-point Burley rally late in the game for the 57-48 win.

Ashley Toner and Sommers Hunt both scored four points during the 8-1 Bobcat run that cut Highland's lead down to six points with 1:47 left to play. Hunter team scores in the rest of the game.

Turning point: To open the fourth quarter, Highland went on a 7-0 run, opening a 13-point lead. Burley turned the ball over four times during the Ram rally, and missed four shots.

Player of the game: Heidi Gioicochea, Burley. Playing with a severe cold, the freshman scored nine points and controlled the ball against the Rams. Coach's quote: "We still have a lot of jitters. We don't have much experience yet." — Kim Krumm, Burley.

Game notes: Ashley Toner of Burley led all scorers with 14 points, despite twisting an ankle in warm-ups and fighting a cold. Her ailments showed in her shooting, hitting just 3-of-14 shot attempts. ... Keni Kerts, making the most of her increasing playing time, scored six points. ... Highland scored 24 points in the second quarter, breaking open an 11-11 game after the first quarter.

— Kevin Miller, Times-News writer

Hundreds attend Pokey Allen's memorial service

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Pokey Allen, the popular former head football coach at Boise State and Portland State universities, was remembered Friday as a humorist, a friend and a great coach by those closest to him.

Allen died of cancer Dec. 30 in Missoula, Mont., where he had been visiting with family over the holidays. He was 53.

During a memorial service in Portland, Al Egg, team chaplain at Portland State, told a crowd of more than 300 not to mourn Allen, but to celebrate his life as he would have wanted.

Speakers included Portland State President Judith Ramaley and current football coach Tim Walsh, along with former player Matt James. They emphasized Allen's renowned sense of humor as they told about their experiences and their personal relationships with the coach.

After leaving Portland State Allen was head football coach at Boise State for four seasons. He resigned last month after doctors told him that his cancer was spreading.

Payton, Sonics blast Grizzlies

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Gary Payton, who coach George Karl referred to as "the engine of our team," fired on all cylinders Friday night.

Payton, who just missed a triple-double in the previous night's 96-82 win over Philadelphia, scored 14 of his game-high 29 points in the third quarter to lead the Seattle SuperSonics to a 108-94 win over the Vancouver Grizzlies.

"That was just something I do. I'm playing like that every night," Payton said. "The shots were falling. We needed a big boost, they had the momentum going out of the second quarter and I was getting the wide-open shots, and it was just hitting them."

Foster's outburst came after the Grizzlies ended the first half with an 8-2 run to cut the Sonics

lead to 52-47.

Seattle responded from its first possession of the second half, going 6-for-7 and outscoring Vancouver 14-3 to open up a 66-50 bulge before the third quarter was four minutes old. Payton scored seven of Seattle first nine points over that span.

Payton added 10 assists while Shawn Kemp, despite fouling out in the final minute, scored 19 and added 12 rebounds.

Anthony Peeler scored 24 points, including 14 in the third quarter, and Shareef Abdur-Rahim finished with 19 points as the Grizzlies lost their NBA-high 26th game. George Lynch pulled down a game-high 15 rebounds.

"The Grizzlies didn't help their cause by committing 21 turnovers, including seven in the third quarter."

CLOSE CONTACT



Burley's Ashley Toner is fouled by two Highland players while shooting in the second half of the Bobcats' 57-48 loss to the Rams Friday.

Bruin wrestlers tied for 2nd after 1 round

The Times-News

ELKO, Nev. — After one round of competition Friday in the Kiwanis Invitational wrestling tournament, Twin Falls was tied with White Pine for second place.

Meridian was in first place in the 19-team tournament.

The Bruins were ahead of locals Minico, Buhl and Jerome.

No team results were available after the second round of competition Friday.

The tournament ends today with the semifinals and finals.

Still alive for a chance at championships include:

- 112-Jon Tate of Twin Falls, who will wrestle Thompson of Minico. Tate advanced by pinning the No. 2 seed.
- 119-Kramer of Twin Falls, who will wrestle Segura of Lowry. Kramer also advanced by pinning the No. 2 seed.
- 125-Jason Rubliatus of Twin Falls pinned Aragon from Minico to advance to semifinals. Rubliatus wrestles the No. 1 seed today.
- 140-Jason Heavole of Twin Falls pinned No. 4 seed Bryce from-Battle Mountain. Heavole will wrestle Little from Meridian in semifinals today.
- 215-Randy Hamilton of Twin Falls beat No. 3 seed Orman of Minier. Hamilton will wrestle the No. 2 seed Jones from Owyhee in the semifinals today.

BSU to host NCAA touney games in 2001

BOISE (AP) — Boise State University will host first- and second-round games in the 2001 NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament.

The NCAA Administrative Committee on Friday approved the Boise State Pavilion as the site-for the March 15 and 17 games in 2001, which will mark the sixth time the school will host those tournament games.

The previous tournaments were in 1983, 1989, 1992 and 1995.

Boise State also will host first- and second-round tournament games on March 12 and 14, 1999.

Archie Bowd Arena in San Diego, Calif., will be the other first- and second-round site in the West in 2001.

The West Regional will be March 22 and 24 at Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim, and the 2001 Final Four will be at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis on March 31 and April 2.

Bruins

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Twin Falls at the two teams' first meeting this season.

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Section C

Construction spending rises in November Postal rates may increase

Single-family housing outlays kept in check

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Builders increased spending on construction projects in November at the fastest pace since last March, although they held single-family housing outlays in check for a third straight month.

However, there have been signs recently that spending on single-family houses might be increasing. For instance, housing starts rebounded in November after two consecutive monthly declines. And new home sales shot up 14.2 percent, which analysts contend will further spur housing construction.

The Commerce Department reported

Friday that overall spending on residential, nonresidential and government projects shot up 1.9 percent in November to \$592 billion. It was the third straight increase and the biggest since a 2.3 percent gain in March.

Analysts had expected little change, contending recent sharp increases in nonresidential and public outlays had not been sustained. Big gains in those areas in October had led overall spending to its third consecutive advance.

Some analysts said the continued strength in construction will boost economic growth during the final three months of 1996.

Growth in the GDP, the total output of goods and services within the United States, slowed to 2.1 percent in the July-September quarter from 4.7 percent three months earlier.

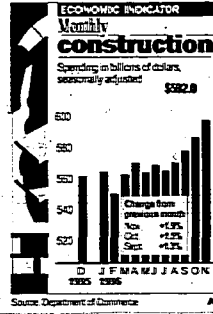
Despite analysts' predictions, govern-

ment outlays jumped 2.5 percent in November to \$150.3 billion. It was the third strongest performance that included increases of 7.6 percent in school construction and 4.6 percent in spending on streets and highways.

And spending on private, nonresidential buildings rose 1.5 percent to \$152.3 billion, the fourth consecutive gain including a 5.4 percent advance in October. Outlays for factories, office buildings, hotels and motels and the category that includes shopping centers all rose.

Residential spending also rose, up 1.2 percent to \$247.6 billion. But the increase was limited to condominiums and apartment projects, which jumped 5.6 percent.

Spending on single-family construction — more than 25 percent of total construction outlays — slipped 0.3 percent, the third straight decline.



The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The post office expects likely to take the first steps this year toward raising stamp prices.

On the face of it, that was good news for mailers. But the one-year promise was quite a change from Runyon's speech earlier in the year in which he said, "We are going to do everything we can to keep stamp prices steady until the next century."

And an internal postal memorandum

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DOW JONES

NEW YORK (AP) — Final Dow Jones averages for

30 Ind	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
30 Ind	6481.75	6506.42	6437.10	6544.09	+101.50
NYSE	2288.87	2292.37	2272.88	2288.88	+16.02
NASDAQ	211.55	212.17	210.18	211.40	+0.24

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CLOSING FUTURES

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Outlook from Edward Jones

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MONEY

Light brown, dark green most popular car colors

DETROIT (AP) — For the first time since the days of Earth shoes and the Argo oil embargo, light brown and green are the most popular colors for new automobiles in North America.

Light brown was the top choice for luxury cars in 1996 and dark green was No. 1 for full- and sport-compact cars, according to DuPont Automotive's annual survey, released Thursday.

A year ago, white was the top pick for every category except sport-compact cars, which were most popular in dark green. This time, white was the top choice for trucks and vans only.

The last time green was No. 1 was 1972. Brown has never

ranked No. 1 in any category ever before. The survey began in the 1950s.

"It used to be old-fogeyish," said Joe Palazolo, a salesman at Roy O'Brien-Ford in St. Clair Shores. "Now it's chic, like it's classy."

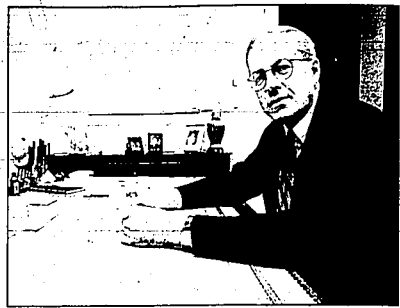
Dark green covered 21 percent of new sport and compact cars, 19 percent of full- and mid-size cars, 21 percent of trucks and vans and 12 percent of luxury cars.

Light brown covered 18 percent of luxury cars, 10 percent of full- and mid-size cars, 10 percent of sport-compact cars and 5 percent of trucks and vans.

DuPont Automotive is a major paint supplier.

Most popular vehicle colors

The most popular car and truck colors, based on a DuPont Automotive survey:	Full/Intermediate	6. Bright red
1. Light brown	1. Dark green	7. Dark blue
2. White	2. White	8. Teal
3. White metallic	3. Light brown	9. Silver
4. Dark green	4. Medium red	10. Purple
5. Black	5. Black	11. White
6. Dark blue	6. Dark red	12. Medium-dark green
7. Medium red	7. Bright red	13. Black
8. Light green	8. Purple	14. Bright red
9. Dark red	9. Sport/Compact	15. Medium red
10. Silver	1. Medium-dark green	6. Dark red
	2. White	7. Light brown
	3. Black	8. Teal/slate
	4. Light brown	9. Medium-dark blue
	5. Medium red	10. Silver



Fannie Mae CEO James Johnson's ability to smoothly navigate both Wall Street and Washington helped the mortgage company through a great deal of adversity.

Game store takes on television

Aims to increase family interaction

BELLEVUE, Wash. (AP) — Bumper stickers urge you to "Kill Your TV." Tim Zier would be happy if you just turn it off.

In fact, his 2-year-old Kirkland company is dedicated to that ideal. Recently he opened his first Turn Off the TV game store at Westlake Center in Seattle.

"The theme I'm trying to emphasize is to turn off the TV and get back around the game table with family and friends, where you can interact," he said.

Zier (pronounced zero) grew up in Walla Walla and graduated from Washington State University in 1971, just when the state's economy was faltering because of a major Boeing Co. retrenchment.

He moved to the San Francisco area, where he was in public accounting for five years before earning an MBA from Stanford University. Then he worked in financial management for a series of fledgling high-tech companies, first in the Bay Area and then in Burnaby, British Columbia.

"I spent a career in high tech and got to the point where I'd had enough — not had enough of computers but had enough of playing games on computers. I thought it was time for getting back to basics," he said.

Zier, 48, says what bothers him most about computer games is that it's usually one person against the computer, leaving others to just watch. He used that frustration to formulate a plan for his new business, which he started after moving his family to Bellevue.

Turn Off the TV operated as a catalog business the last couple of years, and had about \$150,000 in revenues in 1995. The company last year sent out 160,000 shopping guides listing some 150



Tim Zier, owner of Turn Off the TV, demonstrates a game called Shoot the Moon at his Seattle store.

titles — from trivia contests to board games like Chinese checkers to a streamlined QuickChess game that uses 10 pieces per side instead of the usual 16.

The 750-square-foot Westlake store will stock about three times as many games, but Zier says he doesn't want them just stacked along a wall like they are in many stores. Instead, Turn Off the TV is equipped with a number of play stations, complete with directions, where customers can try out a variety of games before deciding whether to buy.

Zier expects to spend half his time in the store for at least the first two months, learning more about customers and their game preferences. But he also will have to tend to the catalog business, the company's main office on Market Street in Kirkland.

"I think next year I'd like to have two to three additional stores. I think we'll stay in the Northwest for next year, Seattle and maybe Portland," he said.

"This is meant to be the first of many, many stores. This won't be our only store. This is our prototype."

Zier says he'd like to be in Bellevue Square by this time next year, and ultimately wants to move into other regions of the country. So far he has supplied all the capital for the company's growth, but hopes the retail store will make it easier to attract an investor "who can imagine this being in 100 different shopping centers."

Being in malls like Westlake Center, Bellevue Square or Pioneer-Place in downtown Portland is an important part of his strategy, since those centers

draw a large number of tourists as well as local clientele. He sees out-of-town visitors as a likely boost to the catalog business.

"That's really the model to grow both the retail and the catalog operation at a pace we can afford to keep," he said.

Despite the company's name, Zier admits to being a "sports junkie" who watches athletic events on the tube. But he finds less and less merit with today's average television shows.

"If I watch the typical TV sitcom, I stand up at the end of it and feel this great sense of unfulfillment," he said.

He also worries about the effects on kids — particularly on their creativity and reasoning power — if they watch hours of TV every day.

CEO easily maneuvers political, financial worlds

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was a rough year in Congress for Fannie Mae. The giant mortgage company faced attacks from Republicans who proposed everything from a special tax to stripping the \$325 billion company of the numerous subsidies it enjoys.

But Fannie Mae fended off the volleys, and in no small part because of its chief executive and chairman, James Johnson, widely regarded for his ability to smoothly navigate both Wall Street and Washington.

Johnson is now moving into his seventh year at the top of one of the nation's most influential companies, whose mission is to increase the number of affordable home loans across the country.

He has an ideal resume for the job, with stints ranging from the Carter White House to the former Stewart Toltman Brothers. While running one of the nation's biggest financial companies represents a considerable task itself, Johnson also is chairman of The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington's premier arts venue, and sits on another dozen boards and commissions.

Johnson is also out promoting a new book, "Joining America: A New Way Home," that looks at the virtues of home ownership and proposes a plan to improve the ability of minorities and immigrants to buy homes. While the book seeks to repair Fannie Mae's image following its tough year, those who know Johnson say it also reflects his personal dedication to the issue.

"Obviously, they have to do the P.R. But I honestly think Jim Johnson believes what he says," said Diane Case, national director of financial institutions at the accounting firm Grant Thornton and a former chief lobbyist for the Independent Bankers Association of America. "He eats, thinks, and sleeps Fannie-Mae and he believes in home ownership."

Someone who doesn't know Johnson well might mistake the book — with its appeal to core American values interlaced with careful political analysis — as a potential launching pad for political office. Johnson laughs at the notion of running.

"No, whatever," he said. "I was chairman of Mondale's campaign. I worked in the White House for four years. I worked in the U.S. Senate. So I know what that life is."

"I love public policy. I love having an impact. But I think where I am today, I have an enormous impact on a very important dimension of public policy. I have no desire to go out and lead the life of an elected official," Johnson, 53, said.

Johnson's professional life can't be understood without an explanation of his unusual company.

Fannie Mae, formerly known as Federal National Mortgage Association, was created by Congress in 1938 to make home mortgage loans more available. To do this, the company buys home loans from banks and other lenders, providing them the cash flow to make additional loans.

Fannie Mae repackages these loans together into a type of bond, known as mortgage-backed securities, which are bought by mutual funds, individuals and others for their attractive returns and stability.

Fannie Mae was partially privatized in 1968 and allowed to sell stock to the public, but it still enjoys considerable public benefits, such as the ability to borrow cheaply and \$2.25 billion line of credit with the U.S. Treasury.

Among the attacks on Fannie Mae this year were attempts by the GOP-led Congress to turn Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac over to private hands and assessment of a special tax to pay for the troubled savings and loan insurance fund. Fannie Mae also considered the Steve Forbes flat tax plan a threat, since it would have removed taxpayers' mortgage interest deduction, and in the company's opinion, increased the cost of buying a home.

Johnson has no apologies for the company's aggressive response against these initiatives.

"We've been given a public responsibility to lower mortgage rates and make mortgage money available and deal with affordable housing challenges," Johnson said. "And when people try to impose costs on us and try to in some way undermine our ability to fulfill our public mission, we fight back very vigorously."

Part of its political strength lies in the diverse and experienced staff, calls from senior administrative posts.

They include John Buckley, a former communications director for the Republican National Committee and spokesperson for Jack Kemp, and Robert Zoulek, former White House deputy chief of staff for Bush.

Johnson, "while a life-long Democrat, he is not pigeonholed as a fierce ideologue or zealot," said Paul Scholten, president of America's Community Bankers, an S&L trade group.

This politically astute business leader was born far from the Beltway — Benson, Minn. — but not far from politics. His father was speaker of the Minnesota Legislature from 1955-57.

Johnson received a political science degree from the University of Minnesota and a masters in public affairs from Princeton. He joined then-Sen. Walter Mondale's staff in 1972, then after a respite in the private sector, rejoined Mondale as an executive assistant to the vice president.

Rates

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says that, while Runyon does not want to raise rates next year, a decision will have to be made by this March, with a possible increase of "a penny or two."

In fact, the mailing industry expects the post office to apply this year for a rate increase to take effect in 1998.

"I look for it in the time frame of June to August," said John Hald, economic consultant to the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, in a telephone interview Friday. He looks for an increase of around 2 cents.

Business Mailers Review suggests a filing for a rate increase might not come until October if the post office has strong profits in the first half of this year.

"It's likely the service will pro-

pose a 35-cent stamp," the review speculated, a 3-cent increase from the current rate.

And John Ward, postal vice president for marketing systems, has told an influential trade group that a filing for a rate increase seems likely in the latter half of this year.

Raising stamp prices isn't as simple as printing new stamps. It is a long, complex process that can take nearly a year. And since that process isn't yet under way, Runyon is safe in promising no increase in 1997.

The current 32-cent First Class rate took effect on Jan. 1, 1995. Since then the post office has had record record profits of \$1.8 billion in fiscal 1995 and \$1.6 billion in the fiscal year just ended.

But rising costs are projected to cut the profit to \$100 million in 1997, which could prompt concern about a return to red ink in 1998.

The two good years have allowed the postal service to reduce its outstanding debt by 19 percent, but the total is still \$5.9 billion.

Hald explained that the Postal Rate Commission and the post office's governing board have agreed on the agency spending \$963 million annually to reduce that debt.

Thus if profits are less than that amount the agency is short of its target and, "on that basis, I think they are going to need more money in '98. Even if they make \$400 (million) or \$500 million in '97, they will probably be

in the red in '98," he said.

Over the past quarter-century stamp prices have gone up about every three years. The last increase came after four years.

The post office no longer receives a tax subsidy for its operations. When Congress made it a semi-independent agency in the early 1970s it directed the post office to break even over time.

That has resulted in a cycle in which the post office raises rates, making money the following year, then broke even, then lost money leading to another rate increase.

Runyon, while he has drawn criticism for his management style, has instituted efficiencies that saved money and improved finances at the agency.

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"Why did you take that silly heart finesse?" asked North.

"I couldn't resist," replied Rollie. "I had a very 'strong feeling' the finesse would work."

North took a reasonable gamble when he bid six spades. With North looking at the ace and king of trumps, surely Rollie's vulnerable weak two-bid promised a six-card suit headed by the Q-10.

North was right; the slam was cold. But Rollie's "feeling of the table" caused him to toss the slam away.

Dummy ruffed West's diamond lead, and Rollie crossed to his club to return to ruff another diamond. He discarded his last diamond on dummy's club ace and led dummy's heart queen.

Rollie had played the hand perfectly to this point. All he had to do now was win his heart-ace. He trumped and made a heart.

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♥ A K 9	♦ Q J 10 8
♣ A K 8 5 2	♠ A K 8 5 2
WEST 8145 B	
♥ 9 5 2	♦ K 7 5 3
♣ Q J 10 9	♠ J 9
EAST 8146 C	
♥ 8 7	♦ 2
♣ A K 7 5 3 2	♠ 10 7 6 4
SOUTH 8147 D	
♥ A 6 4	♦ Q 10 6 4 3
♣ 8 4	♠ 8 6 4
♥ Q	♦ Q

Vulnerable: North South Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East

3♥ Pass 2NT Pass 3♠ Pass 6♠ All pass

• Heart two bid • Weak honor

Opening lead: Diamond queen

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

♥ 9 5 2	♦ K 7 5 3
♣ Q J 10 9	♠ J 9

North-South

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ANSWER: Pass. Not much else to say. South said it all with his single raise.

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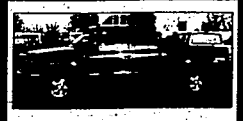
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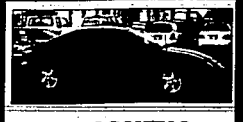
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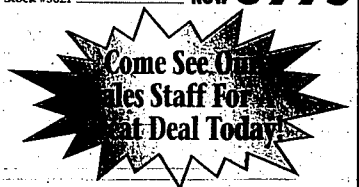
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