

THE REGION

Comas Prairie
 High: 40 Low: 27
 Rain and snow with snow accumulation 1 to 3 inches above 6,000 feet. Cloudy with chance of rain or snow on Wednesday.

Treasure Valley
 High: 40 Low: 35
 Rain likely with northwest winds 5-10 mph. A chance of rain tonight and mostly cloudy on Wednesday.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley
 High: 38 Low: 26
 Rain and snow with snow accumulation 1 to 3 inches above 6,000 feet. Cloudy with chance of rain or snow on Wednesday.

Eastern Idaho
 High: 44 Low: 35
 Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Breezy southwest winds 10-20 mph. Warm and mostly cloudy on Wednesday.

Northern Idaho
 High: 44 Low: 33
 Rain likely with south winds 10-20 mph. Partly sunny on Wednesday with highs in the mid-40s.

Northern Utah
 High: 47 Low: 30
 Cloudy and a little warmer with a chance of rain.

Northern Nevada
 High: 48 Low: 34
 Cloudy with a chance of rain. Southwest winds 5-15 mph.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
High: 48 Low: 34 Cloudy with a chance of rain. Southwest winds 5-15 mph.	High: 49 Low: 35 Mostly cloudy.	High: 35 Low: 25 Partly cloudy with a chance of rain.	High: 35 Low: 25 Partly cloudy with a chance of rain.	High: 36 Low: 26 Mostly sunny.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday: 48 Last week: 52 Normal: 39	Yesterday in Twin Falls: .05 Normal to date: 1.01 Water year to date: 1.94 Normal year to date: 2.98

Idaho

Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High/Low
Boise: 46	37	1.1	degrees at Lewiston.
Burley: 46	39	2.3	Low: 25 degrees at
Camden: 45	35	0.0	Salmon.
Chamberlain: 45	35	1.1	at Mullan and Key, 82 at
Coeur d'Alene: 45	35	1.1	Fla. Low: -12 at
Donnerstag: 44	33	1.4	international Falls, Minn.
Malad: 40	31	0.0	
Meridian: 41	32	0.0	
Moore: 40	31	0.0	
Payette: 41	31	0.0	
Shoshone: 45	25	0.0	
Timberline: 39	27	0.0	
Sun Valley: 39	24	1.01	

High/Lows

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque, N.M.	50	23	0.0
Atlanta, Ga.	47	37	7.2
Chicago, Ill.	42	12	0.0
Denver, Colo.	39	14	0.0
Des Moines, Iowa	18	17	0.0
El Paso, Texas	51	28	0.0
Houston, Texas	65	48	0.05
Indianapolis, Ind.	42	22	0.0
Kansas City, Mo.	41	16	0.0
Las Vegas, Nev.	51	28	0.0
Los Angeles, Calif.	41	18	0.0
Memphis, Tenn.	41	28	0.0
Millwaukee, Wis.	40	14	0.0
Minneapolis, Minn.	39	22	0.0
New Orleans, La.	55	37	0.0
New York, N.Y.	45	37	0.0
Oakland, Calif.	43	20	0.0
Omaha, Neb.	38	44	0.0
Philadelphia, Pa.	41	28	0.0
Pittsburgh, Pa.	32	50	0.0
Portland, Ore.	42	28	0.0
San Diego, Calif.	45	23	0.0
San Francisco, Calif.	48	41	0.0
Seattle, Wash.	38	28	0.0
Spokane, Wash.	47	19	0.0
Yuma, Ariz.	74	49	0.0

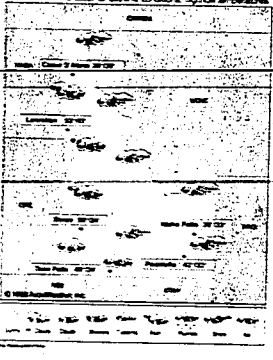
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Houston, Texas	65	48	0.05
Indianapolis, Ind.	42	22	0.0
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Memphis, Tenn.	41	28	0.0
Millwaukee, Wis.	40	14	0.0
Minneapolis, Minn.	39	22	0.0
New Orleans, La.	55	37	0.0
New York, N.Y.	45	37	0.0
Oakland, Calif.	43	20	0.0
Omaha, Neb.	38	44	0.0
Philadelphia, Pa.	41	28	0.0
Pittsburgh, Pa.	32	50	0.0
Portland, Ore.	42	28	0.0
San Diego, Calif.	45	23	0.0
San Francisco, Calif.	48	41	0.0
Seattle, Wash.	38	28	0.0
Spokane, Wash.	47	19	0.0
Yuma, Ariz.	74	49	0.0

Canadian Cities

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Calgary, Alberta	40	20	0.0
Edmonton, Alberta	38	18	0.0
Halifax, N.S.	40	20	0.0
Manitoba, Saskatchewan	38	18	0.0
Montreal, Quebec	40	20	0.0
Ottawa, Ontario	40	20	0.0
Regina, Saskatchewan	38	18	0.0
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	38	18	0.0
Victoria, British Columbia	40	20	0.0
Winnipeg, Manitoba	38	18	0.0

Idaho weather



National weather



UV INDEX

Index: 1
 Minimal
 Burn time: 90 minutes

ROAD INFORMATION

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SNOWWATCH

Snowfall below 5,110 mph.
 Summit between 5,000 mph.
 Linear phone: Fall 1st and 2nd quarter: Jan. 9
 New Lat. 17, 1st quarter: Jan. 24

ACROSS THE NATION

Miss. Blazes Unsettled weather across the northeast. A complex weather pattern across the northeast states today has brought a variety of unsettled weather to Idaho. Due to a strong weather front, temperatures have been mild and strong gusty winds were reported at many locations. Showers of rain, mixed with snow at higher elevations, were also prevalent throughout the afternoon. Accumulations were generally light. High pressure edging in from the Pacific will result in lighter winds after today, with a return of unsettled weather again later in the week.

Blazes A series of storms brought snow, rain and strong winds Monday to the Pacific Northwest, Rockies and northern Plains. A band of showers also fell from the Gulf Coast to the New England.

Up to a foot of snow fell in Idaho City and Farnfield, Idaho. Snow was expected to continue through the day across much of Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, northern Colorado and northern Utah.

- The Associated Press

FDA OKs novel drug for narcoleptics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of Americans with narcolepsy, the incurable sleep disorder where patients are awake one minute and asleep the next, are getting their first novel treatment in 40 years.

The Food and Drug Administration on Monday approved Cephalon's Provigil, a drug to help patients stay awake without the crash of standard stimulants. The drug is chemically different

from amphetamines and other stimulants that narcoleptics now use. While nobody knows if the new drug fights sleepiness as well as stimulants, researchers say Provigil seems safe.

Lawmakers

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 Having me home in January, February and March," Black said. Stubbs is the chief executive officer of the Twin Falls office of Team America, which employs workers for companies in six Northwest states essentially taking over human resources for those companies.

As an attorney, Stubbs had practiced a lot of employment law, and that's basically what he does every day at Team America, he said. The company, which merged with Aspen Consulting in Twin Falls about a year ago, had made similar acquisitions around the region, challenging Stubbs with coordinating all 3,800 employees and dealing with employment laws that differ in each state.

"It has been an exciting time in this company," he said, adding in employment law this is kind of an ideal place to be.

An attorney with legislative experience is a hot commodity in the lobbyist market, and Stubbs turned down a few offers.

"You can make a good living being a lobbyist," he said.

But with his family in Twin Falls — two of his five children are still in school — and with the opportunity here — and with Team America, Stubbs said he didn't pursue the lobbying angle. Stubbs didn't pursue a role in Gov. or Dick Kempthorne's administration either, but his name was tossed around a few times in Boise. He had several conversations about opportunities there, but he chose not to go after any.

"When you look at it from my point of view, I'm not just looking for a job," he said. "I've got to be able to do it."

Black has continued as director of the College of Southern Idaho's Refugee Service Center, which helps people gain the English and job skills needed to relocate in America. He was recently re-elected president of the Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association.

Both rules could take all his attention, but the world's affairs have conspired to add some more responsibility. As his son prepares for a tour of duty with the U.S. Army in Kuwait, Black and his wife have welcomed their 7-year-old son and 4-year-old grandchild into their home.

"I didn't think I'd have to change diapers again," said Black, who's youngest is 15.

But he realizes the couple wouldn't have been able to do this if he'd stayed in the Legislature or been elected superintendent.

"In that respect I'm kind of glad," he said.

Though both men say they're content where they are, neither one would rule out any future political endeavors.

Stubbs said he is enjoying being a lawmaker. Some career politicians would jump at any chance to serve, but he said, not he.

"I'm not sure I'm interested in other parts of the political arena," he said.

A conversation with Black quickly shows he still has ideas about state government and education, and he's not closing any doors on politics.

"I have not walked away," he said.

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Southerners cope with IDAHO ROAD REPORT

QUINTON, Va. (AP) — Five days after the lights went out during a huge ice storm, Denise Nicholas, 46, still clearing a neighbor's fireplace Monday still living in heavy sweaters and jackets.

She used candlelight to play with the toys Santa brought Nicholas for Christmas.

And because there was no electricity to keep the water running, they melted snow to wash dishes and chewed gum to brush their teeth. They hadn't been able to bathe since they left their cold, unheated home on Christmas Eve.

"I feel grubby and I'm losing all sense of time," Ms. Dodson complained.

About 59,000 people in Virginia remained without electricity Monday, down from more than 255,000 at the height of the storm that struck across the South on Christmas Eve.

In Tennessee, about 420 customers were waiting to have service restored, along with fewer than 10,000 in Mississippi and fewer than 2,000 in Alabama.

Some weather also caused widespread power Monday in the Northwest, and a threat of avalanches closed mountain highways used by thousands of motorists.

At least three Virginians have died of the cold in their homes because of the storm. James Cook, 65, died Sunday in a heart attack after a heart attack while he was in bed. Traffic deaths were blamed on the weather across the South, and a military worker was killed in Alabama on Sunday, when he touched a live wire in a field.

Unlike Ms. Dodson and her son and their neighbor, most Virginia residents had power in Virginia had moved into shelters to share light and heat. Many of those who still had no service Monday took advantage of temperatures that warmed up to 40 and made brief trips home to get clean clothes.

Ms. Dodson and her neighbor, Terry Mahalan, used a camp stove to heat meals. And they found an old-fashioned popcorn popper that they could use over the fire.

BOISE (AP) — Here are Monday evening's road conditions from the Idaho Department of Transportation.

Interstate 84 — Wet. Interstate 84 to Salt Lake City-Raft River, wet; Raft River-American Falls, broken spots.

Interstate 15 — Utah line-Pocatello, wet; Malad Pass, wet; McCombs-Falls, dry; Carey-Garden City, wet; Idaho Falls-Idaho Falls, broken spots.

Interstate 90 — Washington line-Coverdell-Alena, dry; west 40th July Pass, wet; Catalina-Idaho Falls, wet; Wallace-Lookout Pass, wet.

Idaho 55 — Boise-Horseshoe Bend, wet; Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, slash by snow; Donnelly-McCall, broken spot floor.

U.S. 95 — Oregon line-Parma, dry; Parma-Parlette, dry; wet; Payette-Cambridge, broken snow floor; Cambridge-Bandow-Biggins, broken snow floor; Bandow-Biggins-Hill, wet; Whitefish Hill, wet; Grangerville-Caldwell, wet; Caldwell-Culiacus-Lawton, wet; Culiacus-Lawton, wet; Lewiston-Hill, wet; Lewiston-Hill-Moscow, wet; Moscow-Battle Mountain, wet; Battle Mountain-County Line, wet; Benewah County line-Plummer, dry; Plummer-Coverdell, wet; Coverdell-Alena, dry; wet; Coverdell-Alena-Bonner County line, wet; Bonner County line-Sunup, dry; wet; Sunup-Boundary County line, dry; Boundary County line-Juntura, U.S. 2, dry; Juntura U.S. 2-Canadian border, wet; dry.

Idaho 50 — Boise-Idaho City, wet; icy spots; Idaho City-Rossman, CLOSED; IDAHO CLOSED.

U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Kootenai, dry; Kootenai-Lula Pass, broken snow floor.

U.S. 26 — Mountain Home-Creek Summit, wet, slash; Cat Creek Summit-Juntura, Idaho 75, slash, broken snow floor; Juntura-Carroll, wet; Carroll-Arcata-Idaho Falls, wet; Idaho Falls-Idaho Falls, dry; Ashton-Monna line, dry.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Junction I.S. 21, wet; Junction U.S. 20-Bertrand, wet; Bertrand-Idaho Falls, dry; Idaho Falls-Scalway, snow floor; Scalway-Clayton, snow floor; Clayton-Ishida, dry.

U.S. 93 — Terrell line-Ishida, dry; Twin Falls-Shoshone, wet; Shoshone-Carey, wet; Carey-Carey of the Moon-Carey, broken snow floor; Carey of the Moon-Carey, broken snow floor; Carey of the Moon-Salmon-Fast Trail Pass, broken snow floor.

U.S. 91 — Wet.

U.S. 97 — Wet.

U.S. 26 — Junction U.S. 20-Blackfoot, wet; Idaho Falls-Ririe, icy spots; Ririe-Carey, broken snow floor.

Idaho 31 — Dry.

Idaho 29 — Broken snow floor.

Sign

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 Among them: the orthopedic surgery departments at New York University, Chicago's Northwestern University Medical Center and Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester.

"For all the science and technology and out-and-out hardware, which is worth millions of

dollars in any operating room, the most important thing that patients and doctors do is talk to each other," said Sculion, director of orthopedic surgery at NYU's Hospital for Joint Diseases.

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Wrong-site surgery is common enough that the practice has its

own emblem, such as "bilateral confusion" and "symmetry failure."

From 1985 to 1995 the Physicians Insurers Association of America counted 225 claims for wrong-site surgery by its 11,000 doctors. Wilie King won \$1.2 million after a Tampa, Fla., surgeon amputated the wrong foot in 1995.

Weather

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 "They will continue to dress-up their wets when other plans are dormant," he said. "They still depend on water even in winter."

But if mucking had not already been done before the latest cold snap, the plans in question didn't have much of a chance of survival, Strick said.

"Without that cover they were probably out of luck a long time ago," he said.

And drivers should be ready for the outdoor weather to get cold. Lt. Steve Jones of the Idaho State Police said.

He recommends drivers be prepared with warm clothes and some sort of traction device — anything from chains to something as simple as kitty litter.

"It really is just a matter of common sense," he said. "Allow extra time for travel, and just because the signs say 73 doesn't mean anyone has to drive that fast."

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 Wednesday's Jackpot: POWERBALL will be an estimated \$25 million and WILD CARD will be an estimated \$1,000,000.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26 NUMBERS
POWERBALL
 7 17 27 29 41
 POWERBALL NUMBER: 33

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26 NUMBERS
WILD CARD
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 WILD CARD: EIGHT OF HEARTS
 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23 NUMBERS

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Officials nab 6 escapees

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Six inmates who broke out of a maximum-security prison over the weekend after shackling their guards to chairs had been captured by Monday.

The last escapee, convicted murderer Aaron Tyrone James, was in custody by Monday evening. James, 31, was serving a 50-year sentence for murder, kidnapping and robbery.

Lyle Thomas Van Uteren, 32, and Roy Dennis, 32, were the fourth and fifth escaped inmates to be found. They were captured Monday morning without resistance near a lumber yard about three miles from Riverbend Maximum Security Institution.

"They appeared to be all right," said Jim Rose, assistant commissioner for operations for the state Correction Department. "They were wet and dirty and tired."

Two other escapees were captured late Sunday, about 18 hours after the breakout from the prison on the outskirts of Nashville. Another was found about 2 a.m. Monday.

Campbell said there was no evidence that a prison employee had helped in the escape.

Three of the escapees were serving time for murder; a fourth was awaiting trial on murder charges.

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Lott puts brakes on censure

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott on Monday urged Democrats to "calm down" and not rush forward with a censure deal for President Clinton, saying the Senate must hear a full presentation of the evidence before deciding his fate.

"We need to go forward and do our constitutional duty to hear the evidence," Lott, R-Miss., said in an interview.

He also warned that a censure resolution that commands bipartisan support could be weaker to negotiate and craft than some assume.

Unless carefully and narrowly crafted, such a rebuke could raise "all kinds of constitutional problems," Lott said.

"I don't think a magic formula has been found yet" to put an end



Trent Lott

to the impeachment controversy, the GOP lawmaker added.

And laying down a partisan gauntlet, he disparaged Senate Democrats, most of whom are said to oppose convicting Clinton on charges of perjury and obstruction of justice in an adulterous affair with Monica S. Lewinsky.

"Are they all loony left?" Lott asked. "Are there no Democrats that are offended if, in fact, the evidence proves perjury or obstruction of justice? Surely there are some Democrats that will be concerned about that."

Lott's go-slow remarks should

reassure hard-line conservatives who fear that a handful of GOP moderates might join the Senate's 45 Democrats in fast-tracking what amounts to a plea bargain for Clinton without the benefit of a full trial — and votes on the two articles of impeachment.

Following the Dec. 19 House impeachment vote, largely along party lines, a bipartisan bill was developed for censuring Clinton as a way to avert a full-blown Senate trial.

But in an afternoon telephone interview from his Pascagoula, Miss., office, Lott insisted that such a proceeding — due to open late next week — must go forward.

At the very least, he said, Rep. Henry J. Hyde, R-Ill., should present the case against Clinton before the full Senate. As chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, Hyde also will serve as the chief prosecutor, or "manager," during the trial.

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Scholar reports more feds

Government has larger work force

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Nearly 17 million people directly and indirectly work for the federal government — about eight times more than the conventional head count used to describe the size of the bureaucracy, according to research by a Brookings Institution scholar.

The estimate of a total federal work force comes from Paul C. Light, director of the Center for Public Service at Brookings, who has studied government operations and reform efforts for several years.

In calculating the government's size, using 1996 data, Light began with 19 million full-time civilian federal workers and added in 1.5 million uniformed military personnel and 850,000 Postal Service employees.

He then measured the "shadow" workers who act on behalf of the federal government. Light found that the government's \$200 billion in contracts in 1996 created 5.6 million jobs, its \$55 billion in grants created another 2.4 million jobs and its regulatory and enforcement activities created 1.7 million jobs in state, county and city governments.

He added those 12.7 million shadow jobs to the 4.25 million civil service, military and postal positions to assert that the true size of government in 1996 was nearly 17 million employees.

Light's study appears in the January issue of Government Executive magazine, a monthly that covers management issues and trends in the federal government. In estimating the total federally supported work force, Light relied on Commerce Department and General Services Administration databases, which were analyzed for him by a Northern Virginia research firm.

The federal budget, which provides an annual head count of civil service employees, does not provide an estimate of the government's shadow work force.

Arizona boomtown trips up on illegal immigrant sweep

Los Angeles Times

CHANDLER, Ariz. — The city fathers of this fast-growing Phoenix suburb had a plan to create a bright and shining center to their community, a downtown worthy of the self-proclaimed capital of the Silicon Desert.

The police department took the first step, with what soon became known as "the roundup," an apt term for a place where cattle still live side by side with the factories of high-tech giants Intel Corp. and Motorola Inc. A plan to clear the city of illegal immigrants, the July 1997 roundup was a resounding success — and a plan gone horribly wrong.

Too late did city officials realize that their five-day operation was targeting scores of legal residents and U.S. citizens who happened to "look Mexican," according to witnesses. The resulting controversy — a big-city-style brouhaha tinged with ethnic overtones — has consumed Chandler ever since.

The raid was one of dozens of similar actions that has been taken by authorities in Southwestern and Rocky Mountain boomtowns, where an explosion of Latino immigration has dramatically transformed the social milieu.

"They just can't stop people based on looks," said Phoenix attorney Stephen Montoya, who has filed a \$35 million lawsuit

'They just can't stop people based on looks.'

— Stephen Montoya

Phoenix attorney

against the city. "They thought the Hispanic community would not unite against this, but we did."

In mid-December, the Chandler city manager officially reprimanded Police Chief Bobby Joe Harjo for the way he conducted the raid, while a group of Latino activists launched a recall against the mayor and two city council members.

To the dismay of leaders in this city of 143,000, the drama has taken on a life of its own. The next chapter may come in February in a federal courtroom in Phoenix, when opening arguments are scheduled in Montoya's civil rights suit. At the same time, the Arizona Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold hearings on the affair. The U.S. Border Patrol is conducting its own internal investigation.

A spokesman for the police department declined to comment on the operation because of the pending lawsuit. In a written statement, Chandler Mayor Jay Tibburett echoed the findings of the city's investigation, saying the

operation was flawed and that officers were not properly trained to carry out complex immigration laws. He called for a "cultural diversity training program" for the department.

"It's going to take 10, 15 years for people to feel comfortable in Chandler again," said Ed Deke, a Latino mayor of the city and plaintiff in the civil rights lawsuit, although he was not detained during the raid. "Repatriations have to be made."

In few places are the contradictions of rapid urban growth — and the role of immigrants, legal and illegal, in that growth — as stark as they are in Chandler, the second-fastest growing city in the United States.

Chandler's raid may have provoked the strongest outcry because the local authorities failed to take into account that its immigrants live side by side with a large, well-established Mexican American community. Latinos make up about 15 percent of the population. Officially dubbed Operation Restoration, Chandler's initiative against illegal immigrants has provoked an aftermath similar in tone and duration to the police abuse controversies that have absorbed other U.S. cities.

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No evidence of mechanical failure in crash

SAVREVILLE, N.J. (AP) — Federal investigators found no early evidence Monday that mechanical failure caused a bus to run off the Garden State Parkway, killing eight people on Christmas Eve.

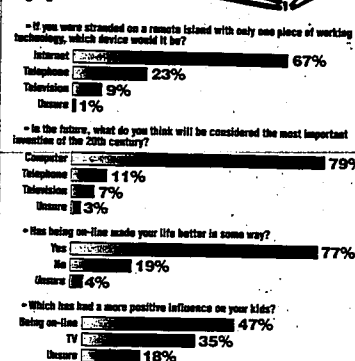
Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board and other agencies began examining the wrecked Bruins Transportation bus. Robert Accetta of the NTSB said a check of the tire and braking systems found no defects.

The driver, Val Viner, told investigators he was trying to avoid an icy patch on the highway. Investigators are trying to determine whether Viner, a 52-year-old Russian immigrant, was fatigued or suffered from any condition that may have caused the accident.

USER FRIENDLY

Survey says...

Internet and Web users are more than a little fond of their newfound connectedness, if a recent survey is any indication...



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Kitchen computing: The joy of CD-ROMs

The Washington Post

My mom's had her well-worn copy of "The Joy of Cooking" since 1961. My sister got a copy of the latest revision of the classic cookbook last year for Christmas...

you've tried. The interesting feature here is the disc's ability to pipe recipes and shopping lists onto a PalmPilot handheld organizer...

New sites worth visiting

By Marilyn Williams Newsbytes

The Chairman - Read All About Him The famous FBI files of Frank Sinatra were recently released and you can view some of them online...

than 20,000 math problems sounds frightening but the help (this could give with homework is undeniable)!

Networks open new security risk

Technology experts warn of growing susceptibility to cyberterrorists

Chicago Tribune

LOS ANGELES — Mention text messages and images of a bombed-out World Trade Center and a nerve-gas-filled Tokyo subway come to mind, but there is another realm where terrorists can strike that is much harder to defend than brick and mortar...

"While we do not believe a debilitating attack is imminent, the threats to our nation and the vulnerability of our infrastructures are real."

-Mary Guitman, Georgetown University

"There is no way to totally protect a computer system that is networked to another system," said Mary Guitman, a professor at Georgetown University...

Perhaps the most critical conclusion reached by experts is the ease with which system owners can be compromised. Using a PC and a phone line, a skilled person could snuff out electricity to vital regions...

International Security division of the U.S. Army's Alamos National Laboratory. That West Mexico lab is one of the primary centers where research is being conducted into cyberwarfare...

Keep C drive clean by banning cookies

By John Gilroy The Washington Post

Q. What's the best way to clean my C drive of those pesky files that accumulate when I go Web surfing?

Computer Q & A

such places as the cache directory in your browser. There are also a few software utilities that make work on cookies and temp files...

A. There shouldn't be a problem with doing it that way. Our reader is encountering personal computer rule No. 2: never trust the enemy...

install more than one hard drive. One solution is to move up to a higher-quality power supply. One other option is to use a PC Power and Cooling voltage regulator...

Cyberprose and cons

By Linton Weeks The Washington Post

Granted, the Internet is changing the way we work, trade stocks, make travel arrangements and find friends — old and new...

Getting there

- The Greatest Tale Ever Told? http://www.amazon.com/ezec/obdms/sub... The Custodian: http://www.millemia.com/... The Interactive Fiction Web Ring at www.gutenberg.org/...

He adds, "I'll drive you nuts." The thing is, it's spots, often innovative and spicy. Here are some lines written by Sarah Goodwin McGregor: "Unveiled, she looked rich and simple. In plain the looked dangerous. The way her mouth worked was wolf."

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By Sarah Barwyn Special To The Washington Post

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EDITORIAL

Idaho's students need truth about sex

The Sun, the state's largest newspaper, has a column in which it writes about a study which found that students who receive sex education in American schools are more likely to abstain from sex than those who do not. The study was conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The study found that students who received sex education in school were more likely to abstain from sex than those who did not. The study also found that students who received sex education were more likely to use condoms and other forms of birth control.

Still, the state Education Department wanted to delete those terms because its AIDS-education curriculum has been reduced to an abstinence-only program. Thus, students beginning to feel the inexorable tug of hormones are told, essentially, "Just Don't Do It."

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Knowledge is power, but ignorance will not keep precocious teens from spreading venereal diseases and getting pregnant. Giving students a passing familiarity with these concepts won't ruin them for life.

Now, before the zealots say we're advocating the end of civilization, we're not talking about condom distribution centers or gay-dating services here. Instead, we suggest giving students real information.

General diseases and unwanted pregnancies can, and often do, change young lives forever. Educating our young people is one of society's best bets against those regrettable, but real possibilities.

The state's Department of Education and School Principals Brian Campbell. When it was announced, Campbell said the main goal was to share full responsibility.

No matter how convincing the argument, some school districts will insist on teaching nothing but abstinence in their sex-ed programs.

To those school districts, we suggest the following test: Count the number of girls who get pregnant before earning a high school diploma, then ask if you're willing to accept that number.

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Idaho's Hispanics fared well under Phil Batt

Gov. Batt will soon be leaving office and leaving behind a legacy of accomplishments to the state's Hispanic community.

READER COMMENT
Daniel Ramirez

As I thought of ways to sound my appreciation for his contributions to the Hispanic community and his advocacy for civil rights, I decided to publicly acknowledge his accomplishments. In my opinion, no other governor has done more for Hispanics than Gov. Batt.

In the political process, Idaho got its first Hispanic state legislator, Jesse S. Berain. I was there when Batt recruited and provided advice, guidance and support for Jesse to run for office. He also trained Jesse and I how to run a successful political campaign.

First, not many people know the governor was instrumental in the inception of the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs. Gov. Batt was essential in seeing the commission become a state office. Although there were many others involved in the process, he made things happen in the state Legislature. Without his support, the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs may not have developed.

Fourth, no one doubts his personal commitment to worker's compensation legislation that includes farm worker's coverage. This issue was the utmost victory for Idaho's Hispanics. For more than 20 years, this legislation was defeated, and it took Batt only two years to get the job done. Because of this law, Hispanics can have a sense of security if a family member is injured on the job. Already, we have seen the benefits as many Hispanic families are compensated when tragedy strikes. Once again, equality for all.

Second, Gov. Batt was involved in the movement to provide portable restrooms for farm workers and their families. Gov. Batt viewed this as a human dignity issue. This may not sound like such a big accomplishment, but it provided privacy for the farm workers and their families.

Fifth, in 1996 Gov. Batt established the "Governor's Hispanic Alternative." This initiative was bestowed on the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs, which resulted in changed policies to ensure

Third, because of Batt's position as chairman of the Republican Party and his personal vision to include Hispanics

that Hispanics have access to the full range of state services.

The intent of the initiative was simple: "To improve the quality of life in Idaho's Hispanics." As the executive director for the Hispanic Commission, this was the most rewarding major accomplishment during his tenure.

I humbly thank our departing Gov. Batt for so many other contributions. It is truly a friend to the Hispanic community and has given much to improve the quality of lives of all Idahoans.

As I look forward to working with the next administration, I am confident that the Hispanic Commission will continue the tradition of a man who leads with fairness, honesty and courage when dealing with the Hispanic community. I should also mention that I used to work for Sen. Kempthorne and know the importance of his issues. He was the first senator to hire a full-time Hispanic employee and open an office in Canyon County. I think they're promising a lot for the future for Idaho's Hispanic community and the continuation of the programs that Gov. Batt initiated.

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Solution: Reduce number of cars

Regarding the issue of traffic, problem on northern Twin Falls, we must take initiative with citizens the problem and how to solve it. The current plan to build a new highway interchange would solve the problem, but it is not a long-term solution. We must take initiative with citizens the problem and how to solve it. The current plan to build a new highway interchange would solve the problem, but it is not a long-term solution.

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is the time it takes for the latter to be non-sentient. Thus, if we allow a non-sentient being to grow into a sentient being, we are taking a life form that has the capacity to evolve should be considered murder.

So what is sentience? The definition is, "Feels or is capable of feeling; having the power or function of sensation or of perception by the senses."

If we look at this from the perspective that an embryo has no sense of perception or feeling, then we might conclude that it is not a sentient being. Perhaps it is not capable at that particular time, but the primary function of any embryo is to live and grow until it reaches a time when it is capable of feeling and perceiving. An embryo's capacity to feel does not mean that it is not capable of feeling. It merely means that it is not capable at that particular time.

If, for instance, we were to conclude that a life form is not capable of feeling at a moment in time, does that mean that this life form is not sentient? Absolutely not, for the simple reason that the lack of feeling or perception does not indicate a lack of sentience. It only suggests that a life at this stage is rendered helpless and incapable. That does not mean it doesn't have the capacity to become sentient.

You're probably thinking, "But this life form is you call it really has no feeling and, for that matter, certainly has no perception." Can we actually use such crude logic to evaluate a situation that involves a life form? We certainly do in the case of a human fetus abortion.

Of course, if we were to apply this same ridiculous logic to an injured or young person, we would more than likely think of all of the ties we have created

with the life form before thinking it was not sentient. Keep in mind that many times people that are injured or dying of an illness due to age or simply due to circumstance are not thought of as being non-sentient. Nevertheless, these people often go through a time in which they, too, cannot feel or perceive. Does this mean that we should simply consider them as residual tissue?

VADET, BILLER
Twin Falls

Remember our soldiers

Just a quick line for the people in the Magic Valley.

I can't believe that everyone there is more concerned about the president's personal affairs than the young men and women serving our country over in the gulf. In all of the letters to the editor and all over the news, people were complaining about the president and saying this little skirmish was to draw attention away from his personal affairs.

I encourage you all to take just a moment and remember all of our soldiers, airmen, sailors and Marines that are

still over there and will be there throughout the holidays.

With each and every one of you the best of holiday wishes.

BRAD KERR
McChord Air Force Base
Washington

Reader salutes Ivins column

Three cheers for Molly Ivins regarding her excellent article on hog "factors" and the environment! (Times-News, June 2, 1998)

Her commentary contained some interesting information as follows:

- According to a Senate study, a single 50,000-acre hog farm now being built in Utah could produce more sewage than the city of Los Angeles. However, there is no requirement for sewage-treatment facilities for hog farms and giant hog factories, many of them Japanese-owned, are spreading across our country, sinking to high heaven. These hog farms are rapidly polluting our rivers, lakes and streams and have replaced factories as the big polluters of the nation's waterways.

- The 1996 Harkin Report on manure pollution also found that the

amount of animal manure produced in the United States is 130 times greater than the amount of human waste. Five tons of animal droppings in every single American and there are no minimal standards or regulations to deal with it.

Molly Ivins humorously suggested a national manure summit on Capitol Hill to resolve this problem.

It seems ridiculous for our government to allow the Japanese to raise millions of hogs in our country and then ship them to Japan for processing, leaving millions of tons of manure behind.

I have a better idea. Since our congressional delegates have so willingly voted in favor of the unfair and unwarranted free-trade agreement, perhaps they can devise a scheme to keep the hogs here and ship the manure to Japan.

VAUGHN PETERSON
Burley

Hunting has double standards

Mighty hunter in the making, by William Brock in the Times-News on Dec. 24.

Interesting article, shows that nature's way. So why is it when a cougar mauls on a cat, it's no longer humane, but a threat to someone's livelihood and the cougar has to be taught a lesson and destroyed. Or a five-pound chicken coop. Seems to me that we are setting double standards.

It's OK for a cat to kill a mouse, but you'll never see the rest of nature's creatures much on each other as she intended. Me thinks one of the main problems is that man does not have enough natural enemies who maul him.

Sure would solve the overpopulation problem.
CARL G. ELLIS
Boise

Doodles



By Garry Trudeau



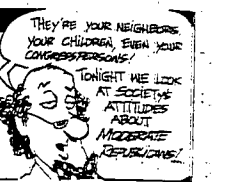
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By Bruce Tinsley



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OPINION

The House wouldn't be rolled

There was a blizzard of public opinion polls on the impeachment of Bill Clinton. The prospect did not seem to disturb the public, despite the fact that the few million supporters of the president were in the minority.

Even President Clinton's supporters, who should have been alarmed, must be public dissenters. Scrambling around the capital at the moment of the vote, on the morning the day was indisputably from any other.

There are several explanations for this, the first, and most obvious, is that the public drew its own conclusions about the president's conduct long ago, and in the absence of evidence, was not especially interested in what Congress had to say. There is a massive to suppose that public opinion was the same as legislative. Voters have shown little legislative disinterest with much interest — who can blame them? — and there was little surprise in the Clinton affair: the public knew what it was doing, and would just as soon have its attention directed elsewhere.

So, there is no danger in allowing the White House to proceed on its own judgment. The impeachment of Bill Clinton was not a special case of blind partisan rage; it was, for the most part, an unpleasant duty for all concerned. With a few exceptions, more Republican members of Congress than any other party in the President's Congress, they, and certainly their constituents, but scarcely their constituents, are joined by more Democratic colleagues. Moreover, they are in defiance of public opinion. Political expediency would have prompted a vote of no confidence, not impeachment. So one watching and listening on, say, Rep. Barney Frank would conclude that pleasure impelled him to vote as he did. For good or ill, Congress is largely composed of lawyers, and presented with the confidence of the President's lies under oath, and observation of justice, members could not think the facts in the House, and remain away.

That is why the Democratic majority, about the "public's" opinion of personal destruction "as a condition. The only person who has the authority to do so is Bill Clinton. Clinton's impeachment is a political act, not a personal one. It is a political act, not a personal one. It is a political act, not a personal one. It is a political act, not a personal one.

When, having chosen to conceal the affair, the lie under oath to a national good, and indeed others to lie as well.

A successful response? Perhaps. But a skilled politician surely knows that the result, in the end, would be a weak, long-forgotten, and out of the march toward historic reform.

Instead, if any politician has promised the "public's" opinion of personal destruction, it is the White House. It was the White House that named James Condit upon the world, with his purchase of the personal abuse and corruption.

It was the White House that defended itself against the impeachment on itself by the planning stages, without Kenneth Starr's excellent, and his message, and names about the sexual conduct of his affairs.

Even in the wake of impeachment, Bill Clinton could not help himself to wrestle with the truth. Speaking to the presidential tribunal in the Rose Garden, he repeated his assertion that he had no illegal sex tapes in his personal belongings — in fact, they were the basis of congressional action — and begged Congress to move on.

PHILIP TERZIAN

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It is. The republic didn't collapse when Bill Clinton was impeached, and life will go on if the Senate should convict him.

The press appears to have suffered a kind of nervous breakdown. Confronted with the willingness of House Republicans to vote their conscience, the tone of coverage has been mournful, shell-shocked and foreboding. Expecting Bill Clinton to slip through the cracks, yet again, journalists were amazed to discover that one house of Congress, at least, would not be rolled.

Philip Terzian is the associate editor of the Providence Journal in Washington D.C.

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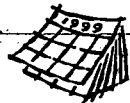
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3 Lbs. For

CAULIFLOWER **\$1.49**
HUGE Heads!

GREEN ONIONS **4 \$1**
Bunches For

Crisp **CELERY** **\$1**
2 Large Stalks For

Large Green **BELL PEPPERS** **5/\$1**

LEMONS & LIMES **4/\$1**

Sweet & Juicy **NAVEL ORANGES** **10/\$1**
Box of 138

LAND 'O FROST Premium Water Thin Sliced **CHICKEN BREAST & SMOKED HAM** **\$1.99**
1 Lb. Pkg. - REG. \$4.28

Oscar Mayer **WIENERS & BALL PARK FRANKS** **59¢**
1 Lb. Pkg.

POTATO SALAD **59¢**
lb.

PEPSI PRODUCTS **\$2.99**
• Reg., Diet, Caffeine-Free
• Slice • Mug Root Beer
• Squirt • Mt. Dew
12 PACK, 12 OZ CANS
2 LITER **89¢**

Clover Club **POTATO CHIPS** **\$1.99**
14 Oz. Pkg.

NEW YEARS SUPPLIES

Cream O Weber **EGG NOG** **\$1.39**
Quart

Cream O Weber **SOUR CREAM** **99¢**
Pint

Dixie **LIVINGWARE PLATES & CUPS** **\$1.99**
24/48 Count Plates
100 Count Cups

SHASTA POP **\$1.09**
BIG 3-Liter Jugs

RITZ CRACKERS **2/\$5**
1 Lb. Box

Nabisco **SNACK CRACKERS** **\$1.79**
Triscuits, Wheat Thins, Etc.

PRINGLES **99¢**
Asst 8 Oz.

Pop Secret **MICROWAVE POPCORN** **2/\$3**
3 Env. Pkg.

Gardetto's **SNACK-ENS** **\$1.99**
11 Oz.

Bubblicious **BUBBLE GUM** **3/99¢**

Planters **PEANUTS** **2/\$5**
18 Oz. Asst.

PACE PICANTE SAUCE/SALSA **2/\$5**
BIG 24 Oz. Jar
Also Velveta Con Queso - 15 Oz.



Maxwell House **COFFEE** **\$5.99**
34/39 Oz. Cans - Assorted Grinds

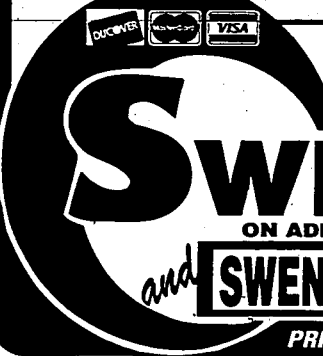
Western Family **PORK & BEANS** **3/\$1**
18 Oz. Can
CASE OF 24: \$7.99

Western Family **ASST. BEANS** **2/99¢**
15 Oz. Cans
• Black
• Pinto
• Garbanzo
• Kidney
• Great Northern

CUP O'NOODLES **3/99¢**
2.5 Oz.

Western Family Frozen **HASH BROWNS** **99¢**
2 Lb. Pkg.

Steinfeld's - 48 Oz. Jug **DILL PICKLES** **\$2.39**
Baby, Homestyle, Garlic



Brawley **TOWELS** **79¢**
CASE OF 30: \$23.70

Kotex/New Freedom **FEM. PRODUCTS** **\$2.79**
Reg. \$3.29

Northern **BATHROOM TISSUE** **\$2.99**
12 Roll Pkg.

Doway **FABRIC SOFTENER** **\$3.99**
40 Oz. Bottle

Dawn Liquid **DETERGENT** **2/\$5**
28 Oz.

TIDE ULTRA DETERGENT **\$12.99**
GIANT 181/189 Oz.

Purina Hi-Pro **DOG FOOD** **\$12.99**
37.5 Lb. Bag

Purina Meow Mix **CAT FOOD** **\$8.99**
18 Lb. Bag

Tidy Cat **SCOOP** **\$8.99**
29 Lb. Box

ON ADDISON AVE. AT WASHINGTON

SWENMART and SWENSEN'S IN SOUTH PARK

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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

Mother searches for daughter

TWIN FALLS - Her daughter ran away from home two days before Thanksgiving and hasn't been seen since.

Jean-Amourux wants her daughter back.

She hopes someone will recognize the picture of her 17-year-old daughter, Jennifer Reese, and call police.

Twin Falls police classify Reese as a runaway and ask anyone with information to call 735-1911.



Jennifer Reese

Burley man dies in I-86 accident

BURLEY - A Burley man died Monday evening when his car rolled over on Interstate 86 near the Raft River.

Porfino Reyna Jr., 39, died at the scene of the one-car accident, 12 miles east of the Interstate 84 interchange, the Idaho State Police said.

A passenger in the 1990 Geo Metro, 20-year-old Armando Reyna, was treated at Cassia Regional Medical Center and released.

Further details were unavailable.

TF man charged with trying to elude police

JEROME - A Twin Falls man was arraigned and held on \$250 bond Monday on charges stemming from a weekend auto chase with Jerome police.

Kevin E. Strum, 40, was arrested early Sunday near Wendell on charges of eluding police, driving under the influence and failure to purchase a driver's license, said a report by Jerome patrol officer Rodney Wolverton.

A spike strip laid on Interstate 84 by Wendell police disabled the van Strum was driving after Strum led officers on a chase from Jerome and down the interstate, the report said.

Wolverton reported that he spotted the van weaving on West Main Street in Jerome at about 1:59 a.m. and turned on his patrol car's overhead lights. But the driver did not pull over, even after a Jerome County sheriff's deputy pulled his cruiser in from the van after the chase hit I-84, the report said.

After the van was stopped, Strum's behavior was erratic and belligerent, and he tried to walk away from officers at one point, the report said.

Strum appeared to be heavily intoxicated but refused to take a breath test, Wolverton reported.

Compiled from staff reports

TN Interactive

How much allowance should a child get? We'd like to hear your story.

The Times-News is preparing an article on kids and allowances and would like to hear from parents who have stories to tell about kids and allowances. If you'd like to share your experience, give us a call.

Contact staff writer Steve Crump:
• By phone, 733-0931, Ext. 223.
• By fax, 734-5538.
• By e-mail, crump@magicvalley.com

Centennial group looks ahead

Ideas are plentiful for Twin Falls celebration

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Blue Lakes Boulevard lined with trees, plus walking tours, a convention center and a commemorative coin, have been discussed as ways to celebrate the Twin Falls centennial.

It's time to make the centennial commission official and work a vision everyone can fork toward, Jeff Gooding said.

"We don't get started, it will be here before we know it," said the chairman of a group planning the city's 100th birthday party in the years 2004 and 2005.

"This is going to be an organizing year is what it should be," added City Councilman Howard Allen, a group member.

The council created the centennial commission late last year but didn't name members, said Gooding, a former Twin Falls mayor. The planning group will recommend people for the five-to-seven-member commission, which he expects will be appointed by the council in mid-January.

Want to get involved?

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF TWIN FALLS - A centennial planning meeting will be held at noon Jan. 23 at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The first step is to get a form of recognition," he said.

The planning group of 20 to 30 people already has been meeting since October 1997 and established committees focusing on finance, public relations, heritage, arts, beautification and festivities, among other topics.

Volunteers will run the show, but a big challenge is raising money for celebration expenses.

Allen said. The city has allocated \$200,000 this year to the project. So far, no money has been spent.

While money might be tight, ideas are plentiful, including a centennial pageant, a convention center, a new historical museum and a commemorative coin, organizers said.

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THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES



Norm Thomas of Twin Falls leaves his Christmas tree onto a growing pile Monday at Sixth Avenue West east of the animal shelter in Twin Falls. The city encourages people to recycle their dead trees by leaving them at this lot, where the trees will be chipped into mulch. The drop-off site will be open until Jan. 15.

Back to the future: '1999' song returns

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - As New Year's Day nears, many rock radio stations will take listeners back to when hair spray sales were through the roof and Charles wasn't the only prince on the block.

"It's no accident that rock-funk performer Prince's 1982 hit '1999' is resurfacing in media for the year to roll around. Warner Brothers Records, which owns Prince's back catalogue, has taken advantage of 1999's advent by re-releasing '1999' according to an MTV press release. This time out, it's a promotional single available only to radio stations. Not to be outdone by his old label, Prince - now called 'The Artist formerly known as Prince' - might also remember the song and re-release it on his own NPG Records label.

Some Magic Valley disc jockeys said Warner Bros. and Prince's business sense about the song is as right as purple rain.

"I have the new single sitting here, but I haven't really done anything with it yet," said Lamont Summers, who riffs KMYX in Jerome.

But as New Year's Eve approaches, Summers plans to start spinning '1999' frequently.

"We'll have some fun with it, and maybe make fun of Prince,"

More about 1982's '1999'

The song "1999" comes from Prince's 1982 double album of the same title. The lyrics have Prince musng over an apparently invisible material apocalypse and telling listeners he plans to "bury the 80's."

The Impact Radio Group, Ltd. of Twin Falls plans this week to crank "1999" on KMYX, it's 1970s and 1980s retro radio station, General Manager Larry Johnson said. Younger listeners will also get an earful of it on the company's contemporary hits station, KTFZ, he said.

Will the song score on the pop charts again?

It hasn't yet, but probably soon with O'Byran said.

"We play it probably four or five times a day," he said.

"We've moved it up from our oldies list and made it part of our current category."

As for the song's meaning, Johnson said it's clear Prince was playing "on millennial fears. Hence, the lyric 'They say, 2000 zero, zero. Party over, oops, out of time,' Johnson said.

But whether Prince actually believed the apocalypse was set for 2000 when he penned the song is unclear.

"I remember that at the time, Prince was into a lot of weird stuff," Johnson said.

Cedar Draw park effort wins grant

By Kelly J. Setzle Times-News correspondent

FILER - A roadside rest stop could become a tourist-attracting park.

That's the plan for the Cedar Draw Roadside Park just west of Filer, Twin Falls County Commissioner Dennis Maughan said.

"We applied for grant funds last year and didn't make it, but this year we did," Maughan said of the cooperative effort of Twin Falls County and the city of Filer.

"The county received a \$32,900 grant and will provide a \$25,000 match for those funds," said Kelly Ann Taylor, Twin Falls County's director of research and development.

"Reclaiming this park for the public will be great. The more people we can get involved in this project, the better it will be."

The grant is part of money set aside for the Idaho Transportation Department's newly established Thousand Springs Scenic Byway. The Cedar Draw money will be used for lighting and restrooms. The property already has a well, Maughan said.

"We plan to add a visitor center, a museum and RV overnight parking within the next two years if we can find the funding and volunteers to help," said Filer Mayor Russell "Bud" Sheridan.

Keeton said the park is about the midpoint of the byway and will be a natural place for tourists to stop and learn about the area.

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Violent crime

in the Magic Valley

Magic Valley counties saw a 4.2 percent increase in violent crimes in 1997. Here are the figures for all violent crimes combined.

Crime	1996	1997	% change
Murder	15	9	-40%
Rape	25	24	-12.5%
Aggravated Assault	368	404	+9.8%
Simple Assault	1,490	1,536	+3.1%
Robbery	36	37	+2.8%

Source: Idaho Department of Law Enforcement

MV crime numbers stay up

Statistics appear to buck U.S. trend

By Brian Haynes Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A recent federal survey found the country's violent crime at its lowest in 25 years, but crime rates in the Magic Valley haven't dropped.

Violent crimes, comprised of murder, rape, aggravated assault, simple assault and robbery, climbed 4.2 percent in 1997 in the eight Magic Valley counties based on Uniform Crime Reports from the Idaho Department of Law Enforcement.

But a national survey found that violent crimes throughout the country fell 6.7 percent. The survey by the U.S. Department of Justice asked about 800,000 people about their experiences as crime victims.

The survey attributed the drop to a 17 percent fall in robberies. The Magic Valley didn't see a fall in robberies, but it did see a 40 percent drop in murders.

The number of murders, however, was too small to affect the overall violent crime rate as other crimes rose.

Caution should be used when comparing statistics from crime reports and the survey because they don't measure the same thing. The crime reports track crimes reported to police, and the survey tracked all crimes whether they were reported or not.

Violent crime victims call police less than 50 percent of the time, the survey found.

Comparisons between local

Please see CRIME, Page B3

Three Mile Island waste will be moved

The Times-News

BOISE - The federal Department of Energy has completed a dry storage facility for the debris of the destroyed core of the ill-fated Three Mile Island reactor.

The Pennsylvania reactor suffered a partial meltdown in 1979.

The completion of the dry storage facility at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory meets a provision of Gov. Phil Batt's 1995 waste agree-

ment with the Energy Department.

"The department now has until March 31, 1999, to start moving the debris into the storage facility and must complete the move by June 1, 2001.

"Today's news indicates once again that the settlement agreement is making Idaho a safer place," Batt said in a statement Monday. "Moving that material into dry storage is an important step in moving that material out of Idaho."

About 330,000 pounds of material from the damaged core was shipped to Idaho in the late 1980s and has been stored in a pool of water. A portion of the material

was used in a research program to evaluate the accident.

"No other waste from commercial reactors is allowed to be shipped to Idaho under Batt's agreement.

But no waste has left the state under the waste agreement, and the Energy Department has no disposal facilities ready to receive waste from Idaho, which must be moved out of the state by 2035.

Meanwhile, the federal government had sent one shipment of spent research reactor fuel from South Korea and 79 shipments of spent fuel from U.S. Navy reactors to INEEL for storage as of mid-1998.

MAGIC VALLEY

SERVICES

Utahna Kirkman Anderson of Prescott, Ariz., and formerly of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. today at Myers Mortuary Chapel, 845 Washington Blvd. in Ogden, Utah; friends may call from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. today at the mortuary.

John L. Banner of Heyburn, 11 a.m. today at the Heyburn 1st and 2nd LDS Ward Chapel; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral (Payne Mortuary).

Milton Staley Cheney of Gooding, 11 a.m. today at the Gooding LDS Church; friends may call from 10 a.m. until service time today at the church (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Thomas R. Gunnell of Murtaugh, 1 p.m. today at the Murtaugh LDS Church; friends may call one hour before service today (White Mortuary).

Charles Rupert (C.R.) Morrill, of Kayville, Utah, and formerly of Kimberly, 2 p.m. today at the Kayville LDS Tabernacle, 198 W. Center St.; friends and family may call from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. before the service at the Kayville Tabernacle.

Lucille F. Nusbom of Boise, memorial service at 2 p.m., 318 N. Raleigh Funeral Home, 318 N. Latah in Boise (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Avis Lee Allen of Kimberly, 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Kimberly 2nd Ward LDS Church; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary, Kimberly Funeral Chapel and one hour before the service Wednesday at the church.

Lydia Woodbury of Burley, 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Valley LDS Ward Chapel in Burley; friends may call at the Payne Mortuary from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral.

Margaret Frances "Fran" Teich Thomas of Rupert, 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Emmett Mortuary Chapel; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Wednesday at the chapel.

Maye Stanley of Burley, 30 a.m. Saturday at the Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel; friends may call at the church one hour before the funeral.

Betty Claire Mae Ramey of Rancho Bernardo, Calif., and Clavon, Idaho, memorial service at 2 p.m., 318 N. Raleigh Funeral Home in Burley; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral.

DEATH NOTICES

George E. Pullman

KIMBERLY - George E. Pullman, 77, of Kimberly, died Monday, Dec. 28, 1998, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

White Mortuary.

Scott Chandler

TWIN FALLS - Scott Chandler, 94, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Dec. 26, 1998, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel with the Reverend Dale Messing officiating. Burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 3 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at the chapel. A full obituary will appear in tomorrow's Times-News edition.

Kenneth Lance

BUHL - Kenneth Lance, 80, of Buhl, died Monday, Dec. 28, 1998 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9523. Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Carol Clark of Twin Falls, passed away on Dec. 22, 1998, from cardiac arrest due to congestive heart failure. She was born on April 9, 1937.

She is survived by her parents, Walter and Lillian Strauch, of Twin Falls. Carol was a precious loving mom to four children and their spouses, a cherished Nana to six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, and a dear friend to many, lifting their hearts with love now and in eternity.



Eura Elizabeth "Midge" Moore, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, and friend, went to be with her beloved heaven and Lord on Saturday, Dec. 26, 1998. Midge passed away at her Aunt Alphonsa's Hospice in Boise from a short illness.

Survivors include her husband, Jess of Twin Falls, a daughter, Janet (Wesley) Dotson of Twin Falls, two sons, Robert (Peggy) Moore of Rupert and Tom (Joyce) Moore of Twin Falls, four sisters, Frances Bolinger and Marietta (Bob) James, both of Twin Falls, Virginia Garon of Burley, Orla and Blanche (Bob) Pratt of Toot, Utah, 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Noble Whitley, one sister, Ruby Head, and an infant daughter, Brenda Caroline.

Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 1998, at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Twin Falls. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary. Memorial contribution may be made to the Cowdage of Southern Idaho Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1238, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Irene K. McCullough

Irene Kinkade McCullough of Twin Falls peacefully passed away, with family by her side, at Mountain View Estates after a courageous battle with cancer.

Survivors include two daughters, Nancy (Bishop) Pierce of Buhl and Donna (Alan) Dowd of Seacrest, Wash. State; Steve Kinkadee of Garden Valley and Penny McCullough of Phoenix, Ariz.; step-daughters, Betty McCullough of Pocatello, a brother, John Wayne four sisters, Kay Elanoga, Mary Wright, Mary Valrine and Madeline and four granddaughters, Tiffany Medeiros, Travis Pierce, Hannah and Aspen Davoloff and three great-grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls. A rosary service will be recited at 7 p.m. today, at St. Edwards. Friends may call from noon to 2 p.m. today at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Burley and from 4 to 6 p.m. today at Parkside Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Burial will follow the funeral on Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park. Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl is in charge of services.

RUPERT

Clifton J. Brown

Clifton James "Jim" Brown, Jr., 58, of Rupert, passed away from unknown causes on Dec. 23, 1998.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, 1998, at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Twin Falls. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary. Memorial contribution may be made to the Cowdage of Southern Idaho Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1238, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

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KIMBERLY



Ralph W. Hie

Ralph W. Hie, 77, of Kimberly, died Sunday, Dec. 27, 1998, at his home.

He was born May 12, 1921, in Sandpoint, Idaho, the first of an children born to Wilbert and Wazhe Hie. He graduated from Jerome High School in 1939 and went to work for the Union Pacific Railroad. Ralph married Grace Taylor on May 21, 1946 and was later inducted into the U.S. Navy, where he served on the USS Bancroft during World War II. He returned home in 1946 and worked for the railroad and to raise a family with Grace. Dad was a wonderful provider and will be missed dearly by family and friends. He was a great gardener and loved working his hobby as a ham radio operator.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1998, at Parkside Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls with Pastor Bill James officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

Medical tests can be repeated

DEAR ABBY: People who are in treatment for infantile Tay-Sachs disease must be tested for other genetic diseases. Which to our shock, my husband recently learned he has Tay-Sachs disease. Because we know that he had not been diagnosed, we requested that our doctor perform the test again on the same child. The test result was correct. Our doctor complied - with no reluctance - and sure enough, the test came back completely negative!

Michael, my little time-consuming doctor, that the test should be repeated. I hope no one else has to go through this. Please, Abby, encourage your doctors to have important tests repeated to ensure the results were accurate.

—BELIEVED IN SANDA BARBARA

BUHL CRIME WATCH

The Buhl Crime Watch report for the week of Dec. 21-27, includes:

- Arrests and citations: Phillip M. (Duke) Hill, Burley, driving while suspended; Brad L. Eberhart, 20, Buhl, driving while suspended; Randy K. Lippard, 20, Buhl, disorderly conduct; Theft - RDD theft of South Ninth (automobile plates); Vandalism - \$25 N. 11th (curtain); \$225 Broadway (broken car window); Disorderly conduct - 305 Clearlake, No. 10; Reported traffic accidents: 1625 Maple; Broadway and Burley; Buhl Police Department message: The Buhl Police Department wishes citizens a happy new year. We remain ever ready to drive carefully. Drinking drivers have a designated driver take you home. The police department will be out in the parks this weekend, with emphasis on unattended drinks.

The Buhl crime report is provided by the Buhl Police Department and published by The Times-News as a public service.

HOSPITALS

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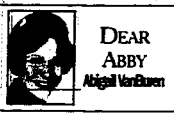
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Stay on top of your investments with the Money pages.

Sympathy Flowers

Beautiful memories.



DEAR ABBY: Please print this on behalf of all the short, older people who enjoy dining out but who feel dwarfed sitting at tables built to accommodate taller people.

Restaurateurs Please give us a lift. Those of us who have shrunken, are crippled with arthritis or have lost range of motion in our shoulders would certainly appreciate a "boost" in the form of a cushion or a stool to sit higher at your tables - or a chair that sits higher off the floor. We

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WEDDING

KUNZ-TAYLOR

RUPERT - Ronald G. and Shari Crane of Rupert and Ronald E. and Raelyne Kunz of West Jordan, Utah, announce the marriage of their daughter, Jenny Kunz, to Michael Taylor, son of Bonnie Taylor of Reno, Nev., and the late Jack W. Taylor.

Kunz is a business at Julian Taylor in Salt Lake City, Utah. Taylor is attending the University of Utah. He is employed at the University Hospital.

The wedding and reception will be held today at the Pioneer Hall in West Jordan, Utah. A reception to honor the couple will

would have more leverage and could manipulate the cutlery much easier.

As long as there are smokers and non-smokers and accommodations for the disabled, why not be innovative and accommodate us? The older population is increasing by leaps and bounds, infirmities and all, and many of us are tired of feeling that we're sitting in a hole while we eat.

Restaurateurs who heed this cry for help would stand 10 feet tall in the eyes of us little people.

DEAR SHORTY: As a person who is 5-feet-nothing, I feel your pain. However, I'm surprised that a pillow or "booster" wasn't available upon request. By printing your message for restaurateurs to see - but a better solution might be to bring your own cushion when you dine out. In case the restaurant owner misses this column.

WEDDING

KUNZ-TAYLOR

RUPERT - Ronald G. and Shari Crane of Rupert and Ronald E. and Raelyne Kunz of West Jordan, Utah, announce the marriage of their daughter, Jenny Kunz, to Michael Taylor, son of Bonnie Taylor of Reno, Nev., and the late Jack W. Taylor.

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The wedding and reception will be held today at the Pioneer Hall in West Jordan, Utah. A reception to honor the couple will

be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Salon D'Amor and Bagels and Brunch, 1231 Oakley Ave. in Burley. The couple will reside in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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The Twin Falls Canal Company NOTICE OF REGULAR STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the regular meeting of the stockholders of the Twin Falls Canal Company will be held on Tuesday, the 12th day of January, 1999. The meeting will be called to order by the Directors at 9:00 a.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

A Director from district 3 (Filer) will be elected for a three year term and a Director from district 5 (Castletown) will be elected to serve for one year, to complete the term of Director Donald R. Kramer, who has retired.

Other business will also be transacted. There will be reports from the Company's General Manager, auditors and lawyers. There will also be reports on concerning Company operation and maintenance efforts, 1999 water supplies, water quality issues; Snake River aquifer studies, the Endangered Species Act; the SRBA, and other matters of interest.

The corporate books will close for the transfer of stock ten (10) days before said meeting.

The polls shall be open at the offices of the Company at 357 Sixth Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m., on January 12, 1999.

Proxies shall be filed with the Company's Assistant Secretary at the Company office on or before January 8, 1999.

Dated this 13th day of November, 1998

TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY Doris Y. Finney, Assistant Secretary

POOR

More power, more accidents

VALLEY IN BRIEF

Deputies investigate snowmobile crash

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Fremont County Sheriff deputies are still investigating a high speed snowmobile accident involving a local physician.

Dr. Homi Vania, 52, of Rupert, was traveling 75 to 80 mph on Elk Creek Trail in Fremont County last week when he lost control and hit numerous trees.

He was flown to the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City and remains in critical condition with chest and back injuries. He is expected to recover, said a hospital spokesman.

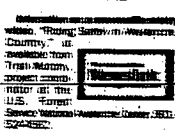
High-speed accidents are becoming more common as more powerful machines have become available, said Burley District Ranger Peter Peterson of the Sawtooth National Forest.

In the past snowmobiling has been a group event, with people on groomed trails going to 25

Snowmobile safety

Snowmobile safety classes are offered by the Mt. Harrison Snowmobile Club. Classes will be offered towards the end of January or beginning of Feb. as weather allows. The program stresses cover basic riding skills, first aid, avalanche safety, maintenance and towing. The class is held at the Cassia County law enforcement building. The riding lesson is at Pomeroy Ski Resort. For more information call

Chuck Lesonski at 733-2322.



mph, he said. But as four-cylinder snow machines have become more common, more people are going faster.

That may be a lesson Vania learned.

"The doctors say there is no reason why he will not be able to practice" again, Vania's son, Shane, said.

The Vania family has not been told when Homi Vania is expected to return to work, but Shane Vania said his father has been making steady improvements.

High speed is not the only rea-

son for snowmobile accidents. In the past 10 months, 27 people were killed by snowmobiles in the United States, said Bill Waldrip, public affairs director with the Sawtooth Forest.

Thirteen of those incidents were on groomed trails.

More snowmobile accidents are attributed to driver mistakes, in power, weight and traction of snowmobiles, said Doug

Shaw, director of the U.S. Forest Service's National Avalanche Center in Bend, Ore.

Being too fast on a descent or in an area where there could be

livestock or wildlife on the roads and running into other vehicles or trees are also factors in accidents, Waldrip said.

A Buick snowmobile rider was killed last year when he hit an animal on the road after dark, he said.

Snowmobile riders can also die if they put their hands on the snowmobile while the proper gear, Waldrip said.

"Always go prepared for cold weather and break down. Never go by yourself," Peterson said. "Be extremely careful to not set off an avalanche."

The Forest Service's National Avalanche Center and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation have prepared a 20-minute avalanche awareness video.

The video teaches riders how to identify hazardous terrain and snow pack instability, perform snow stability tests, make good decisions and carry out a fast and effective avalanche rescue.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached in Burley at 733-2322.

Forest Service closes elk range

FEATHERVILLE - To protect winter elk, the U.S. Forest Service has closed the area along the South Fork of the Boise River from Featherville to Couch Summit to snowmobiles and other motorized vehicles.

Signs noting the closure will be posted. Snow in the higher country has brought the elk down along Little and Big Smoky creeks on the South Fork of the Boise River downstream of Big Smoky Creek.

Property owners who need to travel in the closed areas may get permits from the Fairfield Ranger District. Violators of the closure are subject to fines.

Man gets prison sentence for bomb

TWIN FALLS - A man who kept a bomb in his home, was sentenced Monday to five years in prison.

Christopher Blaine Deford, 28, was sentenced for unlawful possession of explosives, about a month after pleading guilty.

State investigators raided Deford's residence at 2121 Elizabeth Blvd. Sept. 6 and found a bomb and stolen property. Deford was arrested and charged with illegal possession of explosives and with burglary. The burglary charge was dropped in exchange for Deford's Nov. 23 guilty plea.

Deford also will have to pay \$1,088.50 in fines and \$70 in restitution. He will return to court May 10 for a 120-day review.

Red Cross holds to draw blood in Buhl

BUHL - A Red Cross blood drawing will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Buhl Moose Hall, 1010 Main St.

Donors must be over age 17, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health.

"During the holidays is a very special time to share the gift of life with others," Buhl Red Cross Chairwoman Sandra Wiscaver said. "Your gift can make it possible for an accident or trauma patient to celebrate the new year, so please join us on Tuesday."

Appointments or inquiries can be made by calling Wiscaver at 543-2737.

Buhl School Board will meet today

BUHL - The Buhl School Board will meet at 7 p.m. today at the district administration office.

An executive session on student discipline is first on the agenda. Discussion topics in the open meeting include the new school year, high school and district reports and a policy review. An executive session for student discipline and collective bargaining will conclude the meeting.

Radios, gun reported stolen

HEYBURN - Randall Teeter reported a burglary Saturday, a Heyburn police report said.

Teeter said he and his family had left the house after opening gifts; one gift was a set of two-way radios.

When the family returned home Friday, Teeter noticed his two radios were not in the place he had left them, the report said. Teeter said he looked all over the house for them and also found his handgun missing.

Teeter checked the doors and windows of the home for any signs of damage or entry and found none, the report said; the house was locked. Total cost of property missing is \$150.

Tire tracks lead to damaged wall

HEYBURN - Detective Daniel R. Sota, while on patrol Monday, discovered the south wall of the old Rainbow Gymnastics building damaged, a Heyburn police report said.

Sota found tire tracks leading from the asphalt parking lot on the west side of the building to the damaged wall, the report said. He could see where the unidentified vehicle hit the wall, causing a large amount of damage.

There were no leads or suspects.

Fire hits garage on Christmas

BURLEY - A fire was reported at about 12:45 p.m. on Christmas Day in the garage of Robert and Cathy Knight's home at 730 W. 13th St. in Burley, a Cassia County sheriff's report said.

When deputies arrived, smoke was in the alley and coming from under the rafters of the garage. The fire was caused by an electrical appliance left on a piece of furniture in the garage, the report said.

A Buick Skylark registered to Robert Knight's ex-wife, Clara Knight, had damage to its vinyl top, hood and paint. Knight said she did not have an estimate on the damage.

The house was unoccupied at the time of the incident. Knight said the car was given to her son Forest, 16, to fix up.

The fire department has determined the fire was not arson, the report said.

Compiled from staff reports

TAKE IT FOR A SPIN



James Berkeley watches as Mike Beckley teaches Beckley's 2-year-old nephew how to ride a snowmobile.

Crime

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and national statistics are hard to make because factors that contribute to crime, such as economics and demographics, vary from area to area. Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey said.

The rate could also be affected by community awareness and by how aggressively law officers pursue offenses, he said.

Twin Falls Police Chief Lee DeVore agreed, and he attributes a drop in nationwide crime to a reduction in the number of young people.

A small percentage of people commit most of the crimes, and many of those people come from the 13- to 23-year-old age group. When their numbers go up, so does crime. When their numbers go down, as it is now, crime

drops, he said.

Policing techniques can affect crime rates, but their effectiveness is hard to measure, he said.

"We police are always quick to take credit when the crime rate goes down, and we're always quick to point the finger when it goes up," DeVore said.

Tousey sees crime in the Magic Valley continuing to grow as more people move here, and police will continue trying to fight and prevent it, he said.

"We try to do what we can to keep up with it, but I don't think we're ever going to quash it in today's day-and-age," he said.

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Utah parolee to be extradited to Idaho in 1986 murder case

FIRESTONE GAP - A Utah prison parolee's deportation to the state of Idaho this week after being arrested on a first-degree murder warrant in Salt Lake City for the 1986 slaying of Monica Jean Hibbs.

James Eldredson, 34, had been living in Salt Lake City since being released from the Utah State Penitentiary in 1985.

Franklin County Sheriff Don Bestwood said he was just informed on Monday that Eldredson had been arrested in Utah.

Utah pending extradition. Eldredson is accused of kidnapping and slaying the 23-year-old Hibbs on a dirt road, wrapping her body in plastic and dumping the body in a ditch near the mountain.

Utah's Idaho's Dayton Canyon.

A truck driver taking a break discovered her body on May 2, 1986, but it went unidentified and unreported for almost three years. She was buried in the Preston Cemetery, and a local resident purchased a headstone marked "Jane Doe" for the anonymous victim.

Chen in January 1989 identified Hibbs using fingerprints and photographs. It turned out that she and Eldredson had met in Downey, Calif., and had been convicted of a burglary there. Eldredson later was imprisoned in Utah for a Park City robbery, and again for violating parole.

Boise Cascade plant in Oregon will retain some jobs lost in fire

MEDFORD, Ore. - Boise Cascade's announcement last week that it will shut down its 150-million-pound annual plant in Boise, Idaho, because of the

Business leader and local government official present in Boise, Idaho, because of the

some employees who were thrown out of work by the fire or

merely those who were far from town on the morning list or still were unsure about their immediate

future Christmas present," said Gordon Sadley, executive director of the Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development

employees who lost their jobs, use the suppliers that will retain a significant portion of their business.

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merely those who were far from town on the morning list or still were unsure about their immediate

3 men try to identify where Lewis and Clark camped

WILLISTON, N.D. (AP) - Three men are plotting 32 campsites from the Meriwether Lewis and William Clark expedition of the 1800s.

Mike Casler, Richard Stenberg and Roger Thompson have been working on the project for just under a year. They hope to have it completed, and a book published, for the Lewis and Clark bicentennial in 2004.

With the use of aerial maps, Army Corps of Engineer documents and maps from the expedition, the men have been able to track the expedition as it came up the Mandan Villages in 1805.

Casler has plotted Lewis and Clark campsites close to where they actually were nearly 200 years ago.

"Lewis and Clark had put together hundreds of beautiful maps," Casler said. "You can pretty much follow their journey up river."

Casler used photocopies of the original Lewis and Clark maps and compared them to 1897 Missouri River maps. There was a match in the river at that time, Casler said.

He then went to more current maps, such as a 1984 Army Corps of Engineer map that still showed the original river channel.

"It gives you a rough guess of where the campsites were," he said.

Within Williams County, Lewis

and Clark spent about 11 days in 1805. There are seven campsites in McKenzie County and four in Williams County.

The return trip is problematic, Casler said. With the expedition split and Clark's failure to document camps, there were no references to campsites in either McKenzie County or Richland County.

On the return trip, Clark spent seven days in Williams County where five campsites have been identified.

Lewis entered Roosevelt County Aug. 4, 1806. Three campsites have been identified in Montana.

The first campsite in North Dakota is in the Trenton Bottoms on Aug. 7. Two others were identified in Williams County.

Some of the campsites are not accessible because the explorers camped on sandbars. Today, 11 campsites are inundated by Lake Sakakawea. Six sites are accessible but located on private land, Casler said.

South of Williston, Casler has identified four campsites. Those that are accessible were found in the Buford Bottoms in 1805.

On the journey back, the explorers were supposed to join up again at the confluence of the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers, but the mosquitoes were too bad. Clark left a note but Lewis found only part of the note four days later.

Centennial

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historical architecture. For example, it might arrange for a historical steam train to visit for a rail-road theme.

Mary Inman, a historical interpreter, wants to write a guidebook to accompany a series of walking tours. She especially hopes children will take the tours and recognize the names of their great-grandfathers.

"I want kids to have pride in their towns through their own families," Inman said.

For the past few months, the centennial subcommittee chairmen have been working on what

Gooding sees as a critical step: focusing on a bigger picture.

"These will be the folks to get their hands around the vision and take the project and run with it," he said.

Gooding would like to see at least 100 people involved in the Twin Falls birthday party.

"The centennial is a big deal, and we want a lot of people working on it," he said.

"We're open to all sorts of ideas," Gooding said.

Times-News staff writer Pat Marcantonio can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 242.

Excellent service goes the extra mile

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - For nearly a quarter of a century Glynora Dey has been greeting, serving and going the extra mile for customers at the local McDonald's.

It was because of Dey's friendliness and attention to detail that Patty Wiersma of Buhl nominated her for the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce Extra Mile Award.

"She's always been so kind," Wiersma said. "Sometimes I order food. Sometimes I order a drink and she always treats me the same if I order a \$20 or a \$5 item. She's always courteous."

Wiersma said Dey has never been rude to her, or acted like she's having a bad day and she has never made a mistake with her order or in making change.

"She's always pleasant and asks 'How are your kids doing?'" she said.

And Dey is fast. If she is at the drive-through, you're going to get quick service.

"She keeps those kids moving," Wiersma said. "It's not a lot longer, but it's going to be a few minutes longer if she's not at the window."

Chamber Ambassador Jack Jardine said the Extra Mile Award is given to the people who are on the front lines all the time, but never get recognized. He said most of the time it's a business that wins an award, not a particular employee.

"Well, a lot of the time it's the people up front that won it," he said. "And we feel these people that are there day in and day out should be recognized. And this award is not for the owner of the



Members of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce congratulate Glynora Dey of McDonald's Restaurant on Pole Line Road for receiving the chamber's Extra Mile Award.

store, but someone that works there."

Bill Kyle, owner of the Magic Valley McDonald's Restaurants, said Dey is an outstanding employee.

"She really has a desire to be able to meet and talk with people and has a real natural genuineness about her," he said. "And people perceive that of her and are able to really relate to her and with her."

Kyle said she literally has a following of customers. When she moved from the Heyburn and Blue Lakes restaurant to the one on Pole Line Road, folks followed her over there.

He said there is nothing she wouldn't do to help someone. Not just in the restaurant, but in her personal life as well.

"She's very, very involved in her church and her neighborhood," Kyle said. "If there's someone in need and Glynora knows about it, they won't be in need very long. She's that kind of a lady."

The Extra Mile Award was presented to Dey in McDonald's on Dec. 15. It was kept secret until then and Dey was completely surprised when Jardine blew a police whistle and Howard Allen of the

You can nominate someone for the Extra Mile Award

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Do you know of someone who serves the public in some way and deserves recognition for going the extra mile?

Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Jack Jardine said the person nominated for the Extra Mile Award doesn't necessarily have to be in retail.

"One could probably think of somebody in a doctor's office or courthouse," he said. "Those people need to be recognized. They add so much to other people's lives indirectly."

Jardine said this is a wonderful project to work on because it entails looking for the good in people and what this good is found it is heartwarming.

"It's a good feeling," he said. "Just when you're out and around and you see somebody and say 'they didn't need to do that, but it sure made me feel good that they did,'" he said.

People have told him they would like

Previous winners

Previous winners of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce Extra Mile Award include:

- **Lesi Kennedy** of Applebees for the month of July
- **Lacy Scaife** of the Deli at Warramart for the month of August
- **Linna Reiter** of 1st Federal Bank for the month of September
- **Greg Pappasopoulos** of Willis Motors for the month of October

to suggest someone, but they don't feel talented enough to write a letter of nomination. The chamber doesn't want this to be a problem. Just call the chamber, with the name of the person and say why he or she should be honored.

Someone will do the investigative work and chamber ambassadors at the high school will help write it.

For more information call 733-3974.

Twin Falls City Council gave her a plaque sponsored by Jules Harrison Ford.

She also received roses from Fox Floral, dinner for two at Applebees, a fruit basket from McDonald's, car detailing compliments of Auro Pride, a \$25 gift

certificate from Albertsons, an overnight stay and dinner show from Curtus Petes and a perm from the Perfect Look.

"I was so surprised," Dey said. "It's still hard to imagine, but I'm very thankful for it and I'm honored."

Man honors scout pledge for 72 years

By H. R. Welkel
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - For 72 years Fred Locke has pledged, "On my honor I'll do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the scout law..."

For keeping that pledge for more than half a century the 84-year-old Gooding man was honored at a Lion's Club banquet held Dec. 14.

"This man has been a Scout role model and leader for decades of time," said John Calbreath, scout executive of the Snake River Boy Scout Council.

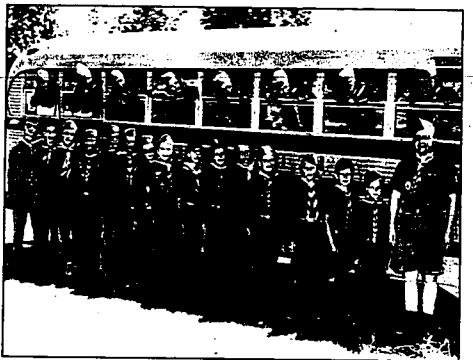
Bob Daniel, Falls District Scout Commissioner, and Scout Troop 33 leader Jerry Freeman, commended Locke for his dedication and longevity of service to Boy Scouts.

Locke joined the Boy Scouts in 1926, earning many awards including his Eagle Scout Award in 1932. In 1938 he was appointed scoutmaster of troop 69, sponsored by the Twin Falls First Baptist Church. Moving to Gooding in 1942, he became the first scoutmaster of troop 33, sponsored by the Gooding Lion's Club. He continues to assist that troop and has served in several offices at the district level.

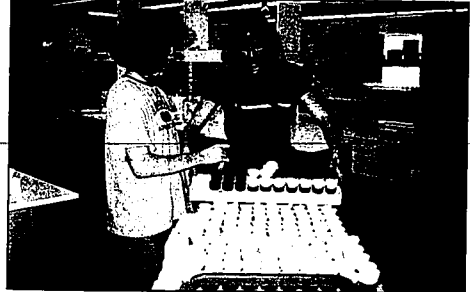
Locke has been a leader on eight national jamborees and was scoutmaster at the 1967 World Scout Jamboree held at Camp Farragut, Idaho. His community service earned him the Silver Beaver award and the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award. More than 80 boys received their Eagle Scout Awards under Locke's leadership.

While in the U. S. Navy his nickname was "Boy Scout".

Locke said he wants to thank everyone who has helped him in his scouting efforts, especially his wife Alice, who has been his "patient partner" for 59 years.



Above, Scoutmaster Fred Locke enjoyed summer camp with troop 33 in July of 1960. Seen in the windows, from left to right, are Gene Gerard, David Hill, Bobby Herbst, Mike Thompson, John Baltis, George Borchers, George Ukona and Gary Boring. Standing, from left to right, are Barry Howden, Jimmy Hutchinson, Jim Silva, Bob McElroy, Harold Blakeslee, Russell Burkhardt, Terry McChargen, Bobbie Scriber, John Greve, Tommy Redman, Terry Gibbons, Dusty Henderson, Tom Rice, Bob Locke and Steve Gerard. Not shown is Walter Locke, assistant scoutmaster. Right, Fred Locke was honored in Gooding for his more than 70 years in scouting.



Misha Egbert (green shirt) and Amanda Moyes move a tray of samples for a soil test at Stukenholz Laboratory in Twin Falls.

Murtaugh science students learn and apply soil lessons

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent

MURTAUGH - Members of teacher Wallace Blacker's science and biology class were given a chance to see what three weeks-worth of work in the field would reveal when they tested their soil samples at Stukenholz Laboratory in Twin Falls.

Eight Murtaugh students are involved in a soil testing program which will give the students a hands-on approach to soil management.

Extensive samples from four different Murtaugh farms are being studied for different soil conditions. Each sample is marked with the location it was taken from so students will be able to see how different areas in the same field may yield different chemicals.

A grant has made it possible to purchase equipment and get additional training for agriculture-related projects.

Both the Wilbur Ellis Fertilizer and Stukenholz Agriculture Laboratory have given the students a lot of instruction, Blacker said.



A memory tree was erected by the Infant Loss Support Group at Cassia Regional Medical Center during non-denominational religious services on Dec. 8. Families of infants lost through miscarriage, stillbirth or death through ornaments to hang in memory of their child.

Support group holds non-denominational memorial services

The Times-News

BURLEY - The Infant Loss Support Group at Cassia Regional Medical Center held the 4th-annual non-denominational religious services on Dec. 8 at the hospital.

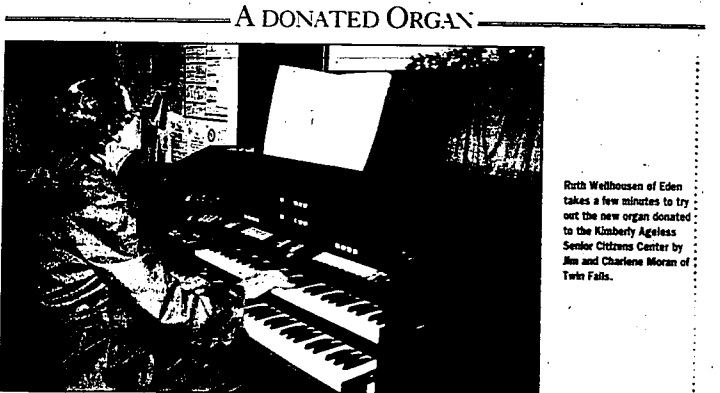
Families of infants lost through miscarriage, stillbirth and death brought ornaments in memory of their child to hang on a memory tree. Following the service, the tree was displayed in the birth center at the hospital.

Parents were also asked to bring a poem, song or scripture passage that has been helpful working through their grief.

Parents who have experienced any type of pregnancy loss or infant death are encouraged by the hospital to participate in the group. The group is a special effort of concerned parents and professionals working to help families dealing with a loss.

Meetings are not therapy sessions, they are an opportunity to meet with others who have also suffered a loss in a supportive atmosphere.

For more information, call 677-6500.



A DONATED ORGAN

Ruth Wellhausen of Eden takes a few minutes to try out the new organ donated to the Kimberly Ageless Senior Citizens Center by Jan and Charlene Moran of Twin Falls.

COMMUNITY

IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING



Bob and Janet Maloney, owners of Pomeroy Portrait Design Studios, presented Roger Wyatt (right) of Valley House with the gifts collected by the studio in anticipation of Christmas. The Maloneys would like to thank the more than 60 families who participated to provide videos, books, dolls and stuffed animals for the needy families in the area.

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center
616 Eastland Drive
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Today: Chef salad
Wednesday: Roast beef
Thursday: Stir fry chicken
Friday: Closed

West End Senior Citizens, Inc.
1010 Main St., Bldg.
All meals at noon, Tuesday through Saturday; 1 p.m. on Sunday and 5:30 p.m. on Monday and Thursday. Suggested donations for meals is weekdays \$2.50, Sunday \$3.50. Monday evenings \$2.50, non-seniors \$4.25 and children under 12-seniors \$2.50. Meals can be delivered and bus service to meals is available Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, call 543-4577. Coffee and rolls every day after 8 a.m.
Thrift shop open every day.
Today: Beef pot pie
Wednesday: Lasagna
Thursday: Turkey salad sandwich
Center closes early
Friday: Closed
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: Fried chicken
Monday: Hot turkey sandwich

Ageless Senior Center
310 Main St., N., Kimberly
All dinners at noon.
Suggested donation is \$3.00 for seniors, \$4.00 for non-seniors, and \$2.00 for children under 12.
Thrift shop open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday: Chicken
Friday: Closed
Saturday: Fork chops
Monday: Cook's surprise
Activities
Today
Ceramics at 1 p.m.
Wednesday
Board elections from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Blood pressure checks at 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Thursday
Closed
Friday
Closed
Saturday
Closed

Friendship Senior Haven
222 Main St., Filer
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.
Today: Hot beef sandwich
Thursday: Fried chicken
Friday: Closed

Gooding seniors will serve Saturday breakfast
GOODING - The Gooding Senior Citizens will serve breakfast from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday at 308 Senior Ave.
The menu includes coffee, eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits, gravy, juice and milk. Cost is \$2.50.
The public is invited.

Minidoka museum will be closed on New Year's
RUPERT - The Minidoka County Historical Museum will be closed on New Year's Day. Regular museum hours are from 1 to 5 p.m. seven days a week. The museum is located at 100 E. Baseline.

CSI program offers several workshops
BURLEY - The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Enrichment Program is offering several classes and workshops in January.
Stress Management class will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays beginning Jan. 12. Alan Porter will instruct the five-session course. The cost is \$20.
Wet on Wet Oil Painting classes will be from 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Jan. 13. Terry Young will instruct the \$25 course.
Chair Canning class will begin at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday,

Jan. 14. Karen Slark is the instructor. The cost is \$20.
Westera Dance classes will be offered from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays beginning Jan. 23. The cost is \$20 for singles and \$30 for couples.
Conversational Spanish 3 will be offered from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays starting Jan. 19. The four-session class cost is \$35.
Calligraphy will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. starting on Wednesday, Jan. 24. Karla Tarben teaches the \$20 class.
Guitar classes will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Jan. 20. Lorraine Young will be the instructor. The cost is \$25.
Five-String Bluegrass Banjo classes are set from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays starting Jan. 14. Larry Oliver will be the instructor. The cost is \$25.
Family History classes will begin from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 25. Marris Mitchell will instruct researching the family tree. The cost is \$25.
The Houseplants workshop will be from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 26. The one-night workshop will offer information on selection, care and uses of plants in the home. Vickie Larsen instructs the \$30 course.
Class size is limited and early registration recommended.
For additional information on the courses or to register, call Nancy Crump at 678-1400 or stop by the center at 1458 Overland Ave.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

We want your news

If it's news to you, we want to hear it. We are Katrina Branch and Joey Bryant. It is our job to fill this page with the news about:
• Community meetings
• Celebrations
• Social events
• Business and industrial achievements
• Your kids and their activities
We will also want to publish your pictures of special events in the life of the community that are important to our readers.



Katrina Branch

Please send your news and photos to: Community Editor Katrina Branch, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303, 733-0531 Ext. 288 or



Joey Bryant

You can reach us by fax at 677-4543 or 734-5538. You can also email us at news@timesnews.net. Deadline for the Sunday page is noon Wednesday. Deadline for the Thursday page is noon Monday. Deadline for the Tuesday page is noon Friday. Deadline for the Saturday page is noon Tuesday. Deadline for the Wednesday page is noon Friday.

The Times-News

Ferlic will be installed as Honored Queen

TWIN FALLS - Jenni Ferlic, daughter of Stan and Kris Ferlic of Twin Falls, will be installed as Honored Queen of the International Order of Job's Daughters Bethel 43 at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, 1999, at the Masonic Temple on Blue Lakes Blvd. N.



Jenni Ferlic

Other officers to be installed are Jill Newham, senior princess; Adrienne Annis, junior princess; Betsy Stimpson, guide; Jenni Kroll, marshal; Jackie Baxter, chaplain; Vanessa Thompson, treasurer; Molly Smith, recorder; Erin Forke, musician; Kelsey Peterson, librarian; Jill Wiseman, first messenger; Tara Chavez, second messenger; Mallory McClumans, third messenger; Stefanie Poe, fourth messenger; Cathryn Walker, fifth messenger; Heidi Wiseman, senior custodian; Becky Bratt, junior custodian; Colene High, inner guard; and Lucy Standley, outer guard.

Those who will be installed as choir members are Sarah Dean, flag bearer; Devin Snyder, custodian of lights; Sarah Lincoln,

assistant recorder; Jana Newbery, hospitality assistant; Amy Slagowski, Happy Ewes and Grumpy Rams; BreeAnn, Albrecht, Katie Baxter, Jessica Chavez, Jessica Corder, Meghan Deibert, Dani Hansing, Kayla Miller, Alyson Peterson, Elizabeth Quessnell, Alison Redman, Megan Smith, and Laurie Strazel.

Retiring Honored Queen Jessica Corder will be the installing officer. She will be assisted by Elizabeth Quessnell, installing guide; Alison Redman, installing marshal; Cami Strolberg, installing chaplain; Emily Redman, installing recorder; Heather Hacking, installing musician; Randeve Startin, installing flag bearer; Alyson Peterson, installing senior custodian; Karlee Annis, installing junior custodian; and Meghan Deibert, installing custodian of lights.

Eleanor Burkhardt of Twin Falls is the narrator. The Adin Smith family will be the hosts. The guest book attendant is Allison Randolph, and Danielle Annis will hand out programs. Twins will be by Becky Turner of Twin Falls.

The public is invited to the installation and the reception following the ceremony.

MV New Neighbors will have luncheon Tuesday
TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley New Neighbors, formerly Welcome Wagon, will have its monthly luncheon on Tuesday,

Jan. 5, at Creekside (Old Towne), 233 Fifth Ave. S.

If you are new to the Magic Valley area, this is a good way to get acquainted. You are encouraged to call and learn about the club and all its activities.

For reservations and information, call Paulette Calbreath at 735-0551 by Jan. 1.

Job's Daughters will sponsor Christmas dance

JEROME - Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 14, will sponsor their annual Christmas Dance from 9 to 12 p.m. Dec. 29 at the Jerome Middle School, 216 Third Ave. W., honoring the past Honor Queen, Kara Spencer.

Cost is \$5 per single or \$7.50 a couple. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Grace Leseski at 536-6561.

Dance in the New Year at Grange Hall in Halley

HALEY - Come dance in the new year from 8 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. New Year's Eve at the Grange Hall in Halley.

Contra dance caller, David Quinley, will direct while the Wood River String Band plays authentic jigs and reels.

No previous dance experience is needed. Singles, as well as couples and families, are welcome.

Bring your own refreshments. For more information, call Quin at 324-7509.

Read about community sporting events in YourSports every Thursday.

Want to clean out your attic? Use The Times-News Marketplace to sell your trinkets. 733-0931

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Please keep both sides of your tickets. Bring them to the fountain after 5:30 pm. Deposit one side in the receptacle before 6:00 pm. Drawing is at 6:00 pm — you must be present to win!

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- Dannelley Sports
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- Christie's Clothier
- Kid's Korner
- Herrett's Jewelers & Gifts
- Lipton Bistro
- Party Time
- First Security Bank
- Visions

- Magic Valley Bank
- Skinner's Sewing Shoppe
- Treasurers from the Past
- Music Center
- Twin Falls Sewing Center
- D&L Academy of Hair Design
- Churchman's Jewelry
- First Federal Savings Bank
- Wills Toyco
- Peacock Alley
- U.S. Bank
- Red's Trading Post
- Ceramic Depot
- Koppes's Brandyville
- Mystic Pathways
- Bobbelt's Cleaners
- Tiffany Square
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- Reflections
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- Bennis's Fine Jewelry
- Precision Video/Audio Service
- The Leatherman
- BSR Equipment
- Mama Inez
- Jensen Ringmakers
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- Vio's Old Towne Pasta House
- Cos Office Supply
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- Country Gift Garden
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What: East Hill Storage 564-6475
PUBLISH: December 29, 1988 and January 5, 1989

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Board of County Commissioners for Jerome County, Idaho, hereby offers for sale as public auction the parcel described below property located as County Assessor's Parcel #17970, GROUND/20/20, more particularly described as: Lot 12, Block Addition to Harvester Township, Sec. 32, T. 22N., and R. 20E., and more commonly known as 925 Main on Drive, Hazelton, Idaho. The name of the former record owner of such real property as it appears on the delinquent tax certificate is Valerie G. Dyer.
Sealed bids must be delivered to the Jerome County Clerk no later than January 4, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. at the Jerome County Court House, 300 N. Lincoln, Room 202, Jerome, Idaho at which time the bids will be opened. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
By: Ray Prescott, Chairman
PUBLISH: December 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1988

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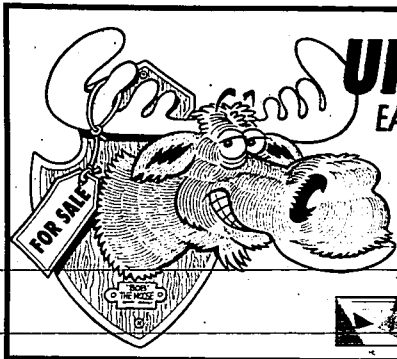
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HAYSTACKER 12 row. 24 to 72 inch bales...

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SUGAR BEETS want to buy...

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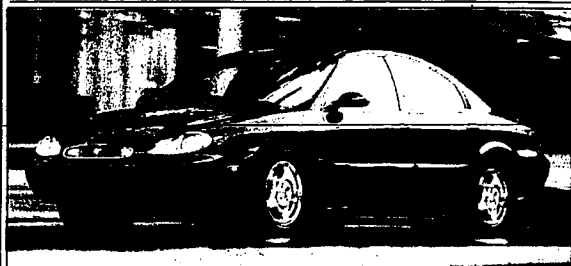
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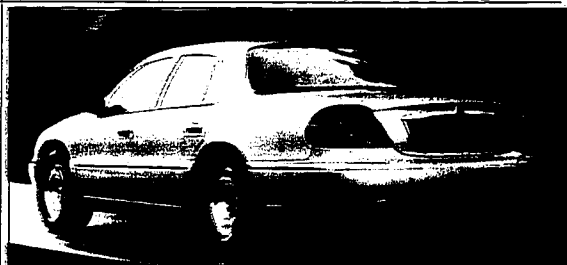
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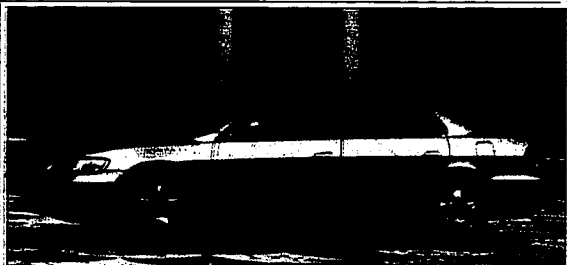
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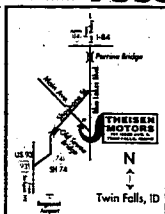
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— Steve Hammer of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* writing on the surprising 14-2 Atlanta Falcons

IN BRIEF

Butler beats Idaho state hoops in Indy

INDIANAPOLIS — Michael Hicks scored 13 points and Mike Marshall added 10 as Butler used a balanced scoring attack to cruise of a 56-41 win over Idaho State on Monday night.

Butler (5-5) held Idaho State to just 12 first half points as the Bengals managed only 28 percent for the half.

The Bulldogs led 26-12 at the half and extended their lead to 33-13 at the end of the first half when Mike Plummer made a jumper at 16:39 to make it 28-14.

But Idaho State (2-7) went on a 6-0 run capped by Brandon Henner's layup with 1:35 to go to cut the Bulldogs' lead to eight points, 38-20.

After that, Butler gradually extended its lead to as many as 18 points before downing Idaho State with a 12-point margin of victory.

Idaho State was led by Kevin Sweetney's 14 points. Hesterby and former College of Southern Idaho Golden Eagle Francis Jaeger added 10 points each for the Bengals.

Wildcats host alumni basketball game Saturday

FILER — Filer High School will host an alumni basketball game at 7 p.m. Saturday at the high school gymnasium. All former Wildcat players are invited. For more information, call Gary Moon at 736-8385.

Stuart closes its doors to daily open gym

TWIN FALLS — The gymnasium at Robert Stuart Junior High School will be closed during the week through the holiday season for scheduled maintenance.

An open gym was originally scheduled through the end of this week. However, the gym will still remain open on Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. through mid-March. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation office at 736-2265.

Mark McGwire receives Male Athlete of the Year

Mark McGwire did far more in 1998 than shatter the most revered record in sports and set a home-run standard that may outlive even him.

With 70 big swings, he helped save the game of baseball. And for all to be accomplished, Big Mac was picked Monday as The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year.

In a season considered by many to be the greatest ever, the 6-foot-5 redhead stood tallest of them all. From his grand slam on opening day to No. 70 on his final swing, McGwire captivated the nation.

McGwire easily won the Male Athlete of the Year award with 332 points. Sammy Sosa, his partner in the season-long home run derby, was second with 177 in the annual voting by AP member newspapers and broadcast outlets. Ten points are allotted for every first-place vote, nine for second and so on.

Running back Terrell Davis of the Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos was third with 63 points. Michael Jordan of the NBA champion Chicago Bulls was next with 54, followed by Broncos quarterback John Elway (50) and NASCAR driver Jeff Gordon (42).

This marked the second straight time the AP's top male athlete was the subject of the AP's Story of the Year. In 1997, Tiger Woods won both awards.

FIRED!

5 lose jobs in NFL coaching purge

The Associated Press

In what may be the biggest one-day purge in NFL history, five coaches were fired Monday less than 24 hours after their seasons ended.

One-sixth of the league's coaches were dismissed: Ray Rhodes of Philadelphia, Dennis Carter of Carolina, Ted Marchibroda of Baltimore, Dave Wannstedt of Chicago and Dennis Erickson of Seattle.

With the exception of Erickson, who was three time zone away, word of four of the firings came within an hour.

"I think it's disgusting. Some of the better coaches in the NFL got fired today," said Miami's Jimmy Johnson, close friend of Wannstedt, who was his defensive coordinator in Dallas.

"I know we're highly paid, but it's a shame when coaches' jobs are dependent on injuries, sicknesses, people in the stands and officiating calls... It doesn't give me a good feeling about our profession when I see things like I saw this morning."

Chicago owner Mike McCaskey, whose team finished 4-12 the last two seasons under Wannstedt, seemed to confirm what Johnson was saying.

"It hurts to see empty seats, people who've already paid for those seats choosing not to show up," he said.

All the fired coaches knew what was coming or sensed it long before the dismissals were announced. In fact, this was the first day in the NFL in a record year — there could be as many as 10 or 11 vacancies this year, approaching the 11 new coaches after the 1995 season.

There was one common denominator in the firings: All the coaches had losing seasons except Erickson, who was 8-8 this year for the third time in four seasons in Seattle despite millions spent on free agents.

"We are 3-13," Rhodes said in the days leading to his firing. "A new coach will be in here shortly."

And at other places as well. There already are seven vacancies: Monday's five, plus the expansion Cleveland Browns and San Diego, where June Jones, who replaced Kevin Gilbride in midseason, has chosen to take the job at the University of Hawaii rather than take a shot at the permanent job with the Chargers.

There will be a vacancy in Norv Turner in Washington is on shaky ground and Cincinnati's Bruce Coslet may be as well.

Also, the Mike Holmgren scenario would be repeated until Green Bay is eliminated from the playoffs — the Packers' coach is free to pursue a head coach/general manager slot and would be the first choice of almost every body.

And San Francisco's Steve Mariucci still hasn't signed a contract extension because he's unsure about the team's future with Carmen Policy and Dwight Clark now running the new Browns in Cleveland.

One of many coaching rumors: Mus...



Seattle Seahawks head coach Dennis Erickson talks at an official during a 27-23 win over Indianapolis in Seattle earlier this month. Erickson was fired as coach of the Seattle Seahawks Monday after an 8-8 season — the team's third in Erickson's four seasons — left the team out of the playoffs for the 20th straight year.



Don Capers



Ray Rhodes



Ted Marchibroda



Dave Wannstedt

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Holmgren going to San Francisco, Mariucci to Cleveland and Rhodes, the NFL's coach of the year in 1995, ending up as head coach in Green Bay, where he was Holmgren's first defensive coordinator.

Capers, coach of the year two seasons ago for getting Carolina to the NFC title game in its second season, is a candidate for the vacancies in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

USM hopes to eradicate demons of bowl losses

Knight Ridder News Service

BOISE — Southern Mississippi is trying to build a bowl tradition.

Heading into Wednesday's Humanitarian Bowl contest against Idaho, the Golden Eagles have lost six of their nine post-season appearances.

Compared to in-state rival Ole Miss, USM has a lot of work to do.

The Rebels HUMANITARIAN BOWL are one of college football's top bowl schools, owning a 15-12 record. Mississippi State, 8-4 and SEC Western Division champions, is 4-5 in bowl games.

USM coach Jeff Bower said the Golden Eagles have the attitude to become a successful bowl team.

"It's all about how you approach winning bowl games," Bower said. "It's how you prepare."

"You don't talk about winning. You talk about what you have to do to win and prepare. Then you get yourself ready to win. We've got the guys who can do it."

The Golden Eagles' first bowl game was a 26-7 loss to Pacific in the 1953 Sun Bowl. USM lost its first five bowl games, all of which came during the 1950s.

The Golden Eagles didn't win their first bowl game until 1980, a 16-10 victory over McNeese State in the Independence Bowl. The Golden Eagles are 2-0 in the Independence Bowl and 0-2 in the Sun Bowl.

One-third of USM's bowl appearances

Jaguars shred the Steelers 21-3

The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Rookie Jonathan Quinn made huge strides in his second career start Monday night. Still, the Jacksonville Jaguars would have to see him return to the bench next week.

Starting for the second straight game in place of the injured Mark Brunell, Quinn threw for a touchdown and ran to give the Jaguars a 10-0 lead in the first quarter. The Steelers 21-3.

The Jags had nine timeouts, knowing a loss would have made them only the third division winner in NFL history — joining the 1969 Browns and 1943 Redskins — to enter the playoffs on a three-game losing streak.

Quinn's 10-for-19, 192-yard performance prevented that. Next, however, the Jaguars wait and hope that the ankle-bruised Brunell sprained four weeks ago, better by Sunday's playoff game against the New England Patriots.

"He'll also need more work," Quinn-ranked run defense that allowed 229 yards to Jerome Bettis, who will have surgery Wednesday to clean out his saline left knee.

The knee could prevent Bettis from totaling 104 yards by halftime and surpassing the century mark on the night's straight time on Monday night, extending his own record.

Kordell Stewart had another situp game, finishing 17-for-37 for 174 yards and two interceptions. Unlike the last two games, coach Bill Cowher let him start.

Still, the Steelers couldn't avoid their first sub-500 record since they finished 7-9 in 1991, which was also the last time they failed to win the AFC Central.

The game began under a thick, miasmic fog that cleared as the first half progressed. By the time the ball was over the Jaguars had a 14-3 lead.

Quinn's first scoring play came after he escaped a collapsing pocket and spun toward his left into the end zone on a 55-yard run helped by a great blind, down-



Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Kordell Stewart (10) hobbles the ball as he runs for yardage past Jacksonville Jaguars' Bryan Schwartz (58) and John Jurkovic in first quarter action of their game in Jacksonville, Fla., Monday.

field from receiver Jimmy Smith.

On the next drive, Quinn hit Keenan McCardell for a 54-yard gain, then converted on a 2-point screen pass to Fred Taylor for a touchdown.

Taylor scored again in the third quarter on a 22-yard run to finish the season with 77 touchdowns, tied for second in the league this season with Minnesota Viking receiver Randy Moss.

The victory ended the tension of an awkward week around Jaguars camp in which Steve Clark and their first season title on the same day as a 23-10 loss to the Vikings.

Wrestling powers rank high

Mimico is tied for 1st with last season's champ

The Times-News

Defending Class A-3 state champion Declo is ranked No. 2 in the first high school wrestling rankings of the season, while defending A-1 runner-up Mimico is tied for first with last season's champ.

The poll, released this week by independent Rocky Mountain Wrestling, ranked A-2 champion Adam Marx of Buhl seventh, with Snake River and Weiser, runners-up last year, in the top two positions.

Declo placed 11 wrestlers in the top six, with two top rankings: Daniel Gull (112 pounds) and Taylor Cofit (55). Heavyweight Lance Osterhout is ranked second to Clearwater Valley's Bo Johnson, who placed second ahead of Osterhout in February's state meet.

The Hornets sit in second place behind North Fremont, a team Declo defeated by 20 points at the state meet.

Defending state champ Adam Marx of Glens Ferry is No. 1 after moving up to the 130-pound division, while teammate Lupe Garcia ranks third at 145 and Pilot Ryan Johnson is fifth at 140.

Mimico, second to Idaho Falls, leads the A-1 rankings with eight wrestlers — double that of its nearest local competition — including four wrestlers in the No. 3 spot: Arkie Clapier (125), Nick Truesen (140), KC Uscola (152), and Wayne Bendle (160).

Twin Falls is the next highest Magic Valley squad with four wrestlers, including defending state champion and top-ranked 189-pound Adam Joslin and No. 2 Jori Tate at 125.

Troy Egbert of Jerome is the top-ranked 125-pound wrestler. Other local A-1 honorees include Mimico's Manuel Fries (fifth at 103), Jerome's Zack Henage (fifth at 135), and Burley's Matt Jones (fourth at 275).

Four local wrestlers are top-ranked in their respective A-2 weight classes: Wood River's Milton Brooks (135), Buhl's Luke Chivers (145), Kimberly's Steve Merter (171) and Buhl's Tyke Sommer (189).

Just as many are ranked No. 2 in their classes: Chris Hiral (112) and Blake Smith (119) of Wendell, Cliff Luff of Kimberly (140), and Ted Larson of Wood River (160).

The next rankings are scheduled for a mid-January release.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

SPORTS

Wood River splits touney openers

McCALL - The Wood River boys' and girls' basketball teams split their respective games Monday in the first round of the McCall-Donnelly Holiday Tournament. The Wolverine boys won 55-48, and the girls lost 48-39. Wood River jumped to an early lead in the opening minutes of the girls' contest before McCall Donnelly nailed two of its three 3-pointers for the game and added four more points to double its guests' score. Wood River managed to trim the halftime deficit to three at 25-22, but couldn't get past the hosts in the second quarter. Senior Jill Brown led Wood River with 10 points, while fellow seniors Sarah Kolash and Debbie Rubel added six points each. Sky Wolfe had three 3-pointers

Local sports

and 10 points and James Cordes had a team-high 15 points in the Wood River boys' win. "We played excellent defense the whole game," said Wolverine boys' coach Roger Quarles. "We capitalized on their mistakes and had a lot of steals." Both Wood River squads play Orofino tonight.

McCall-Donnelly Holiday Tournament
Wood River boys' 55-48
Wood River girls' 48-39
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Bowl

Continued from D1
Tangerine Bowl, where the Golden Eagles are winless. USM also has played in the Liberty Bowl and the now-defunct All-American Bowl. Several USM players have used bowl games as a way to attract pro scouts and earn millions in NFL. Quarterback Brett Favre of Fenix threw for 341 yards in the Golden Eagles' 31-27 loss to North Carolina State in the 1990 All-American Bowl. Favre was the first quarterback taken in the 1990 NFL Draft, going to the Atlanta Falcons in the second round. He later became an MVP with the Green Bay Packers.

"You don't talk about winning. You talk about what you have to do to win and prepare. Then you get yourself ready to win. We've got the guys who can do it."
- Jeff Bower, USM coach
Defensive back Patrick Surtain played solidly in the Golden Eagles' 41-7 Liberty Bowl rout of Pittsburgh last year. Surtain was a second round pick of the Miami Dolphins in last year's NFL Draft.

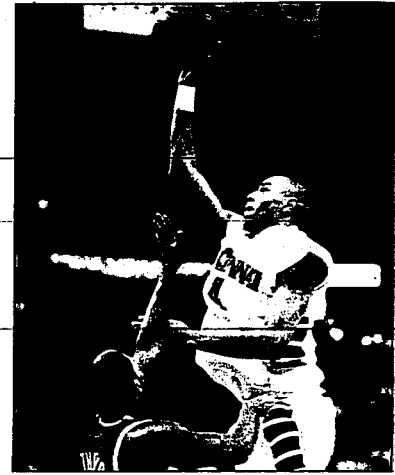
Connecticut stays at No. 1, Cincinnati at No. 3

The Associated Press

Connecticut and Duke held the top two spots in The Associated Press college basketball poll for the third straight week Monday, while Cincinnati moved up to No. 3, its highest ranking since being No. 1 two seasons ago. The Huskies (9-0), who beat Fairfield by 35 points in their only game last week, were No. 1 for the fifth straight week, receiving 63 first-place votes and 3,763 points from the national media panel. Duke (11-1) won one of the season's biggest matchups with a 71-60 victory over Kentucky last week and had six No. 1 votes and 1687 points, 52 more than the Bearcats (11-0).

Men's, women's polls - Scores and Stats

Horned Frogs were ranked 25th in the preseason poll then fell out after losing their opener to Rhode Island. Oklahoma (7-3) was ranked for the last two weeks, but the Sooners fell out from No. 23 after losing consecutive games to Mississippi and North Carolina State in the Puerto Rico Holiday Classic. The only game the Sooners won last week was a 2-0 forfeit over American University of Puerto Rico. Kansas (8-3) lost to Saint Louis last week and dropped from No. 13 to 18th, the Jayhawks' lowest ranking since they were No. 18 on Feb. 5, 1991.



Cincinnati center Kenyon Martin jumps toward the basket as Dayton forward Cory Turner defends in the second quarter at the Rock 'n Roll Summit Sunday at the Gund Arena in Cleveland. Cincinnati won 53-51 and has climbed in the polls to the Top 3.

UConn remains No. 1 in women's poll

Connecticut, one day after a record school victory, remained a solid No. 1 choice Monday in The Associated Press women's basketball poll. Coming off a 117-20 rout of Quinnipiac, Connecticut received 38 of a possible 41 first-place votes to lead a top seven that stayed the same for the second straight week. The poll had the same 25 teams for the third consecutive week, and 14 teams didn't change places at all. Connecticut (9-0) totaled 1,022 points in the voting by a national media panel - 36 more than Tennessee (9-1), which received the three other first-place votes. UConn has been No. 1 for six straight weeks after Tennessee and Purdue each led the poll for one week. Iowa, Syracuse, Pittsburgh, Texas Christian and Oklahoma State rounded out the Top 25. Texas Christian (10-2) returned to the rankings at No. 24 and to a five-game winning streak. The

Climbed two places to eighth, UCLA fell one place to ninth after losing at Tennessee and Clemson moved up one spot to 10th. The poll had few changes because there were only 16 games involving ranked teams last week and Texas Tech played by ranked teams, two were to other teams in the Top 25 - UCLA to Tennessee and Florida to Purdue.

Colorado State lost to an unranked team in California and George Washington lost in two overtimes to Vanderbilt, which was ranked the first four weeks of the season. More changes probably will come in the next poll now that the slowdown for final exams and the Christmas holidays is over. Many teams begin or resume conference play this week and others will be playing in holiday tournaments.

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Kansas State looms big at Alamo Bowl

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Purdue has a clear idea what it will take to beat No. 4 Kansas State in the Alamo Bowl.

"I'm being very candid," said Purdue coach Joe Tiller. "We have to have our best game."

Tonight at the Alamodome, Purdue will turn to quarterback Drew Brees, who set school and Big Ten records this season for attempts, completions, yards and touchdowns. Brees completed 376 of 516 passes (55 percent) for 3,753 yards and 36 touchdowns.

"We're ashamed when it comes to throwing the football," said Tiller, whose team rarely resorts to the run.

The Buildersmakers are the Alamo Bowl defending champions, having beaten Oklahoma State 33-0 last year. But Purdue (8-4) gets a tougher opponent this time.

Kansas State (11-1) is ranked third in the nation to defend and led by senior quarterback Michael Bishop, the Heisman Trophy runner-up.

Bishop topped the Big 12 and led the NCAA in rushing yards in total offense with 299.33 yards a game. He is Kansas State's career leading quarterback rusher with 1,314 rushing yards in his two years at Wildcat.

Bishop led Blinn (Texas) Junior College to consecutive undefeated national championships in 1995

and 1996. Then in the Fiesta Bowl last year for Kansas State, he threw for four touchdowns and ran for another as the Wildcats beat Syracuse 35-18.

"His athletic talent is evident, and he's also competitive," said Kansas State coach Bill Snyder.

"That's awfully important for the position he plays," Snyder said. "Winning is important to him. Playing well is important to him."

This is a rematch of sorts for Snyder and Tiller. They faced each other in the post-season five years ago when Tiller coached Wyoming and his team played Kansas State in the Copper Bowl. The Wildcats won 52-17.

"It only caused me to lose my hair. For that, I will never forgive Bill," Tiller said with a chuckle. "We've got our fingers crossed behind our backs that the (Alamo Bowl) results are different."

The Buildersmakers are riding a five-game winning streak heading into the Alamo Bowl, while the Wildcats are looking to rebound from a 35-33 double overtime loss to Texas A&M in the Big 12 title game.

That defeat — the only one for Kansas State this season — led to the Wildcats getting snubbed by the Big 12 for bowl tiebreaker ranking. Still, Snyder insists Kansas State was glad to be invited to the Alamo Bowl.

Muscle City Bowl

Michigan (10-3) vs. Alabama (7-4)

Time: 8:30 p.m.
Location: Pro Player Stadium, Miami

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Micron PC Bowl

No. 24 Miami (8-3) vs. N. Carolina (5), (7-4)

Time: 8:30 p.m.
Location: Pro Player Stadium, Miami

What to expect from Miami: A furious ground attack led by RB Eugene James. Also, not a whole lot of defense as evidenced by 66 points surrendered to Syracuse, which Miami hopes to do well by the Hurricanes that defeated UCLA, or the Hurricanes who have been just two

teams with winning records (West Virginia and UCLA) this season.

What to expect from North Carolina: That is the question of the

Vikings, Broncos have that super look

If the Minnesota Vikings win the Super Bowl, they may look back to Nov. 1 as the most important day of the season.

That's when they lost for the only time this season — 27-24 in Tampa. The loss allowed them to concentrate on the rest of the season without the pressure of trying to go unbeaten.

The Denver Broncos carried such a burden in starting 13-0.

It's make the Vikings the favorite to win the Super Bowl as they enter the playoffs relaxed and relatively healthy. And make the Jets a decent bet to upset the Broncos for the AFC title because Bill Parcells has his team peaking perfectly for the postseason.

Forget the big-name teams — the 49ers, Packers and Cowboys, all Super Bowl winners this decade. At best, they have an outside chance to reach the conference title game, but little chance of winning in Minnesota.

A look at the playoffs by conference.

AFC

Denver (14-2) remains the favorite.

The Broncos will be home, where they've won 24 straight regular-season games. They also got some of their momentum back by beating the Seahawks 28-21 on Sunday.

But it could get a little scary for Denver if the Jets come to Mile High for the AFC title game. Parcells has led to three Super Bowls and he's had all three of those teams (the 1986 and 1990 Giants and the 1996 Patriots) playing their best at home and in the way his team is playing now.

The Jets' turnaround (from 1-15 two years ago to the AFC East champions this year) can be attributed to coach Bill Parcells' style — assembling a hard-working group of veterans who set the tone for younger players.

Receiver Terrell Davis Johnson is an example, a high-profile, high-talent youngster who Parcells has transformed

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Dave Goldberg

into a Pro Bowler from a "first-year" player who wrote an autobiography titled "Just Give Me the Damn Ball" after an uninspired rookie season.

Buffalo is probably the scariest because Doug Flutie has demonstrated he can perform the same kind of miracles in the NFL as in Canada and at Boston College. On Sunday, they go to Miami, where the Dolphins will be without one of their key defensive players, Jason Taylor, who broke his collarbone in Atlanta on Sunday.

New England and Jacksonville, the other two AFC entries, will meet Sunday with either backup quarterbacks or damaged quarterbacks — Drew Bledsoe has a broken finger and Mark Brunell has a sprained ankle. The winner goes to Mile High Stadium or the Meadowlands, which probably means the winner goes no farther.

NFC

Which opening game is more interesting, Green Bay at San Francisco or Arizona at Dallas?

Probably the first, simply because the teams involved are in the dying dynasty category. The 49ers' front office is in turmoil and its defense is crumbling.

The Packers have a lot of injuries and Brett Favre is having an off-year.

But the second game has its charms — the Cowboys haven't won a playoff game in 51 years and have lost 16 of the last 17 games they've played with Dallas, including 38-10 and 35-28 this year.

Whichever team advances has little chance — Dallas was the first team ever to go 8-0 in the NFC East, but was 2-6 against



Denver Broncos running back Terrell Davis celebrates after a 15-yard rushing play in the fourth quarter of their game against the Seattle Seahawks in Denver Sunday. It could get a little scary for Denver if the New York Jets come to Mile High for the AFC title game.

everyone else, and eventually the Cowboys will have to play outside their division.

Can San Francisco or Green Bay win in Atlanta or Minnesota? This is the first year a team won a dome has home-field advantage, and that can make a huge difference in big games.

Can Atlanta win at Minnesota? Maybe. The Falcons have demonstrated they can dominate the Rams, Panthers, Saints, Colts and other underdogs.

Their impressive wins were 41-10 in New England and 31-19

Stern wants players to vote; union says no

NEW YORK (AP) — The commissioner wants the players to vote on his "final" offer. The union won't allow it.

That's where things stand Monday on Day 181 of the NFL lockout. And if nothing changes for another 10 days, David Stern says the entire season will be canceled.

"We do not anticipate any further negotiations between now and January 7," the commissioner said. "If the players have something to tell us, we'll take it back to our (labor) committee, but the likelihood is that the season will be canceled Jan. 7."

The league and the union held separate media conferences last, each side settling into the familiar roles of optimists (players) vs. pessimists (owners).

Stern, in some of his strongest and most sarcastic remarks of the nearly 6-month lockout, said the players' "runaway" negotiating committee will be blameless if there is no agreement by Jan. 7. That's the date of a Board of Governors meeting at which Stern predicted there will be an overwhelming majority of owners voting to cancel the entire season.

Union director Billy Hunter, still confident that a deal is possible, called for a resumption of talks between both sides' negotiating committees.

"I'm convinced that if that does happen, there's a strong possibility that an agreement could be reached," Hunter said. "We've done everything that we believe is conceivable, and we have been earnest in our efforts to make a deal. It comes down to hard trading, and if they are inclined to trade further, we have ample time to save the season."

The sides met for several hours Sunday outside Denver, with the talks breaking off after each side made several concessions.

Alan Hopton of the Knicks said the owners' moves were paltry.

"To me, it's like putting garbage in the oven and putting

Day 181

A look at the 181st lockout day through various lenses.

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Florida State arrives for Fiesta Bowl

PHOENIX (AP) — As the Florida State players walked off the airplane and down the portable steps to the armcar, quarterback Marcus Outzen was easy to spot.

He was the guy with the short haircut, wearing in the Arizona sun, ready to get to work and lead the Seminoles to a national championship in just his third start.

"I've never been one to get real nervous," Outzen said Monday, minutes after the Seminoles arrived at Sky Harbor International Airport. "I've never really been scared or nervous. I take things as they go and make the most of it."

Next Monday night, No. 2 Florida State (14-1) plays No. 1 Tennessee (12-0) in the Fiesta Bowl with the national title on the line. And Outzen hopes to make the most of a rare chance

to beat Florida State and win a national title in the second and third starts of his career.

"Beyond my dreams," said Outzen, who stepped in when Chris Weinke was lost for the season with a neck injury against Virginia on Nov. 7. "I've always dreamed about playing against Florida. And then back to back to have Florida and a national championship game is just a tremendous opportunity for myself and for our team."

"We're all really anxious to get the game on." The Volunteers (12-0) are anxious to play Florida on Saturday, and worked out under sunny conditions on Monday — temperatures were in the 70s and are expected to stay there

all week.

"We came out earlier, and as long as we didn't get in the mental mindset that we've been here too long, we'll be OK." Vol's wide receiver Peetee Price said before Monday's workout at Scottsdale Community College. "There's no need for us to go out and be trying to knock each other's heads off and be all tense this Monday. We didn't play until next Monday."

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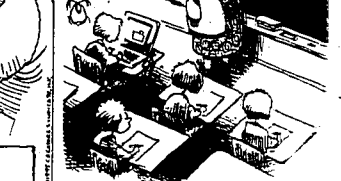
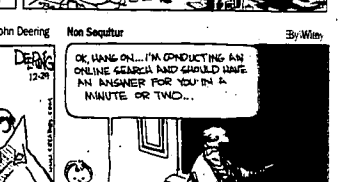
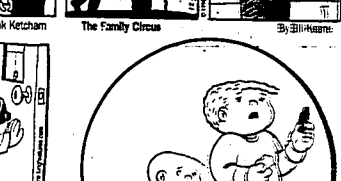
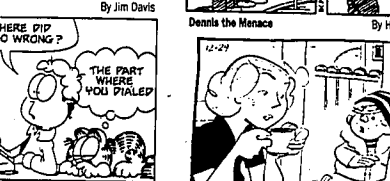
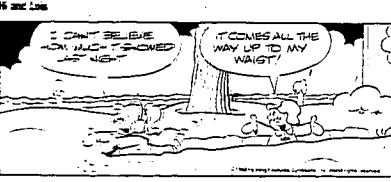
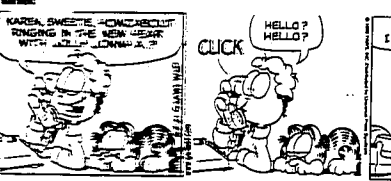
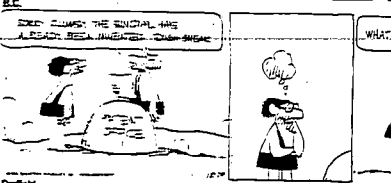
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