



GOOD MORNING

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Protesters take the stage



A Seattle police officer and a World Trade Organization protester about to meet Monday outside the Washington State Convention and Trade Center in downtown Seattle.

Demonstrators, bomb search hamper WTO events

The Associated Press

SEATTLE - The World Trade Organization stumbled at the starting gate of its week of global talks Monday when authorities were forced to delay opening activities four hours for a bomb search.

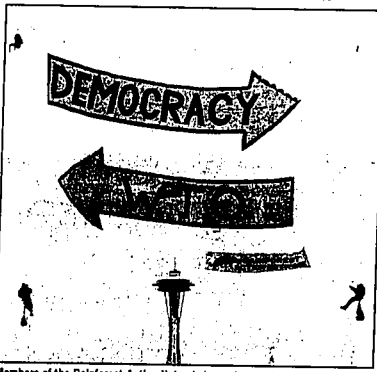
And while the Clinton administration hopes the WTO sessions will showcase the benefits of free trade, demonstrators tried to use the meeting to highlight a long list of grievances against the 135-nation organization that sets the rules for world trade.

Critics contend the Geneva-based WTO puts trade promotion goals above other legitimate interests such as human and worker rights and environmental protection.

The Stern Club staged a noisy but peaceful march in downtown Seattle under the watchful eye of police in riot gear.

At a separate event, radical French farmers - who grabbed international attention this summer after being arrested for trying to dismantle a McDonald's restaurant in France - led a crowd at a Seattle McDonald's in chanting, "No new road, shut it down." A restaurant window was broken and one person was arrested, police said.

Protest leaders said Monday's activities were only a warm-up for what is planned as their biggest event of the week, an



Members of the Rainforest Action Network drop a banner from a construction crane Monday in Seattle, protesting the World Trade Organization meetings scheduled to begin today.

'Export or die' - C3

AFL-CIO-sponsored march by workers and their families that will coincide with today's opening sessions of the WTO negotiations. Organizers hope as many as 50,000 people will participate.

Some radical groups have indicated they will try to chain themselves together to block delegates from entering the huge downtown convention center, the main venue for the talks.

A bomb sweep of the center Monday morning did keep hundreds of delegates and reporters out of the building.

Idaho farmers convene for trade talks

By Barney McManigal
States News Service

WASHINGTON - Hoping to make agriculture a key issue in global trade, Idaho farmers and lawmakers will join the barrage of government officials, environmental protesters and negotiators from around the world at this week's trade summit in Seattle.

The World Trade Organization, which is hosting representatives from more than 130 member nations, will set the agenda for an upcoming round of global trade talks that will occur over the next three years throughout the world.

Beginning in Seattle, the WTO will hammer out trade policies for areas that have not yet been addressed since the organization was established in 1995.

While the WTO will cover several issues in its trade agenda, Idaho farmers say agriculture deserves the largest seat at the table. The most recent set of talks in Uruguay ignored many of the problems in the way agricultural products are sold around the world, they said.

Among their demands are the

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Clock's ticking

Deadline looms for Auger Falls hydro project

By N.S. Nohkervend
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The clock is ticking again on a federal deadline to start construction on a controversial hydroelectric project at Auger Falls.

The developer, Cogeneration Inc. of Salt Lake City, is not likely to start moving any dirt before the Dec. 17 deadline, opponents of the project say. And the long-time point man on the Auger Falls project says he is no longer involved with the proposal.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission earlier this month lifted a stay that allowed Cogeneration to delay the start of construction on the controversial project. The developer now has until Dec. 17 to start construction.

At the same time, says Liz Paul, conservation director of Idaho Rivers United.

"It's clear that the project is over," Paul said. "The developer has played all his cards and FERC says it's time to call the game."

Former Cogeneration President Steve Harmsen, a Salt Lake City businessman who for years headed the project, said Monday that he no longer is directly involved with the proposal.

The FERC decision is the latest in a long list of setbacks to beset the proposal.

Cogeneration land near the falls has been sold at a sheriff's sale to satisfy liens - twice. The state has played all his cards and FERC says it's time to call the game."

Former Cogeneration President Steve Harmsen, a Salt Lake City businessman who for years headed the project, said Monday that he no longer is directly involved with the proposal.

Remarkably, Harmsen's FERC license still is valid - until Dec. 17, when the license expires. If construction has not started by then, FERC can revoke the license.

FERC licensed the project in 1991. The federal agency, which oversees private hydro power projects, issued a stay in 1997 because of two pending lawsuits. Those suits have been dismissed, thus eliminating the rationale for the stay.

When the stay was issued, Cogeneration had 24 days left to start construction. With the stay lifted, the clock is ticking again.

The project included a 1.6-mile dam across the Snake River above Auger Falls - about three miles downstream of the Perrine Bridge. The dam would divert a portion of the river through a 1.6-mile canal to a powerhouse below the falls near the mouth of Rock Creek, where turbines would bring power from the river.

The power plant would be capable of generating 43.6 megawatts of electricity, one megawatt is one million watts, or enough power to illuminate 10,000 100-watt light bulbs.

Critics have questioned the project's effects on water quality, fish and wildlife, and recreation.

Justice: Framework is in place for safe schools

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

BUHL - Legal solutions should be the first resort to keep schools safe from violence, Idaho Supreme Court Justice Cathy Silak said Monday.

But the state has a good system to prevent violent crimes and to punish and rehabilitate juvenile offenders, she said.

Families, communities and school officials have to provide intervention and counseling first, Silak told about two dozen people at Buhl's 8th Street Center. But when that fails, the state's juvenile corrections laws give serious punishments when they're warranted and emphasize community-based diversion and rehabilitation programs when they're not.

She praised the youth courts where volunteer teens offer sentencing suggestions to minor offenders. She relayed one case in Idaho Falls in which a girl had stolen a pair of jeans, mainly, she told the teen "judges," to get some attention from her busy working mother. Part of the recommended sentence was that the girl and her mother spend 10 minutes talking every day.

"I don't know if I would have thought of that," Silak said.

Idaho has safe school laws, but one restricting weapons on school grounds is unclear in parts, and Silak said she's glad Rep. Randy Hansen, R-Twin Falls, and others are working to change it.

The six-year justice also talked about students' Fourth

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A LONGER WAIT FOR BENEFITS

Social Security changes eligibility rules

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Social Security retirement age is going up - from 65 to 67 - and Americans will begin to feel the effects next year. The changes have been in the works for 16 years, but pollsters say most people have no idea they're imminent.

Now 65, the normal Social Security eligibility age eventually will reach 67 for those born in 1960 or later. Also, taking early retirement at age 62 is becoming

less of a good deal.

Americans are living longer and healthier lives, which is very good news, but the system needed to create greater incentives to work longer in order to continue to function," Social Security Commissioner Kenneth S. Apfel said.

The changes initially affects people born in 1938, who will turn 62 in 2000 and become eligible for Social Security's early retirement option.

Those people can still choose to collect reduced

Social Security benefits next year. If they do, however, their early-retirement benefit will be slightly less than in the past - 20.56 percent less than it would be if they wait until to retire until the usual retirement age, rather than the 20 percent reduction that has been standard before now.

That means the typical person retiring at age 62 in 2000 will receive \$721 a month, rather than the old formula's \$783.

For those born in 1938 who decide to retire only

when they're eligible for regular Social Security benefits, the wait will be two months longer than before, until two months after their 65th birthday.

Although the Social Security eligibility and benefits change has been planned for 16 years, most Americans either don't know it's coming or don't understand how it will affect personal retirement plans.

A poll of Americans over age 25, taken this year by

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Delayed gratification

The Social Security Administration is raising the age at which Americans can receive their retirement benefits. Here's a look at how the changes will affect recipients.

If you were born in:	You will turn age 62 in:	The percentage you receive if you retire when you turn:	But to collect 100% of your benefits, you'll need to retire when you turn:
1937 & before	1990 & before	60%	65 yrs.
1938	2000	70 1/2%	65 yrs., 2 mo.
1939	2001	70 1/2%	65 yrs., 4 mo.
1940	2002	70 1/2%	65 yrs., 6 mo.
1941	2003	70 2/2%	65 yrs., 8 mo.
1942	2004	70 2/2%	65 yrs., 10 mo.
1943-54	2005-16	70%	66 yrs.
1955	2017	74 1/2%	66 yrs., 2 mo.
1956	2018	74 1/2%	66 yrs., 4 mo.
1957	2019	74 1/2%	66 yrs., 6 mo.
1958	2020	74 2/2%	66 yrs., 8 mo.
1959	2021	70 5/8%	66 yrs., 10 mo.
1960 & later	2022 & later	70%	67 yrs.

Source: Social Security Administration

THE REGION

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Comas Prairie

High: 45 Low: 27
Cloudy, with a chance of snow in the morning. Partial clearing in the afternoon.

Treasure Valley

High: 51 Low: 31
Cloudy, with a chance of rain in the morning. Partial clearing in the afternoon.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 51 Low: 31
Cloudy in the morning, with a chance of rain showers. Winds 10-15 mph. A good chance of snow on Wednesday.

Eastern Idaho

High: 49 Low: 26
Mostly cloudy with chance of rain or snow later in the day.

Northern Idaho

High: 49 Low: 38
Rain likely in the morning, tapering off to scattered showers, partly cloudy on Wednesday with a chance of showers.

Northern Utah

High: 50 Low: 30
Mostly clear this morning, locally windy and continuing mild. Chance of snow tonight.

Northern Nevada

High: 53 Low: 26
Mostly cloudy and mild, with winds 10-20 mph. A chance of snow on Wednesday.

Today

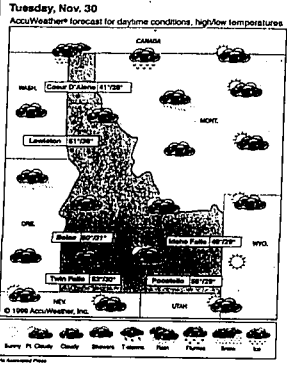
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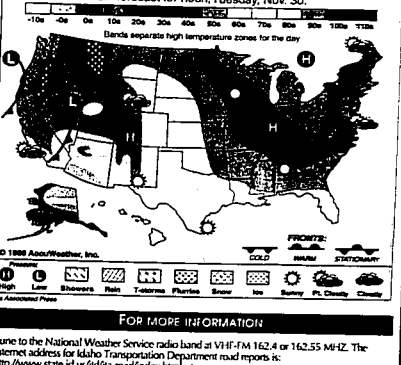
Friday

Saturday

Idaho weather



National weather



Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday: 45-33	Yesterday in Twin Falls: .01
Normal: 54-34	Month to date: .11
Last year: 41-24	Normal mts. to date: 1.22
	Water year to date: 1.4
	Normal year to date: 1.95

Idaho	Highs/Lows
Boise	Max 57 Min 39
Blackfoot	52 34
Coeur d'Alene	39 34
Grangeville	m m
Hagerman	55 30
Idaho Falls	49 26
Lewiston	51 41
Malba	60 27
Malta	61 25
McCall	49 24
Pocatello	53 23
Starbuck	37 25
Twin Falls	51 16
Valley	44 22

The Nation	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	60	42	
Anchorage	17	13	
Asheville	45	37	
Chicago	45	37	
Dallas	58	29	
Denver	58	29	
Des Moines	58	29	
Detroit	47	30	
Houston	70	50	
Indianapolis	43	28	
Jacksonville	69	42	
Las Vegas	63	42	
Los Angeles	69	41	
Memphis	70	50	
Miami Beach	80	62	
Minneapolis	53	33	
Montgomery	58	39	
New York	44	41	
Oklahoma City	60	39	
Phoenix	65	51	
Pittsburgh	49	29	
Portland, Ore.	59	39	
Reno	52	31	
San Antonio	69	50	
San Francisco	59	40	
Seattle	59	40	
Washington	59	40	
Yuma	79	50	

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Sun time: 50 minutes
50 minutes

FIRE DANGER

The BLM has ended its fire report for the season. Officials ask public lands users to use caution.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 5:06 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:40 a.m.
Lunar phase: New, Dec. 7; first quarter, Dec. 16; full, Dec. 22; last quarter, Dec. 29.

ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: Skies became cloudy over the state during the afternoon in advance of a weather system common over most of the state. Not only did cloudy skies prevail, but warm temperatures as well. Afternoon temperatures in the 40s and 50s were common over most of the state. The warm system moved into the Boise, where at 3 p.m., the temperature was 55 degrees. The cool spot was Mullan Pass, where the mercury fell to 34 degrees. Winds over the state were light and variable.

Beware: Snow fell across the Great Lakes area and Northeast on Monday, while rain dampened the Pacific Northwest.

Lake effect snow, up to 7 inches in some areas, fell over parts of Michigan, Pennsylvania and New York state.

Fair to partly cloudy skies were found from the Mid-Atlantic states and Southeast, west into the Plains.

A storm system moving into the West Coast spread rain into western parts of Washington, Oregon and California. The heaviest rainfall was seen over northwestern California.

— The Associated Press

Cuban boy becomes center of political tug-of-war Farmers

CARDENAS, Cuba (AP)—The 5-year-old Cuban boy who survived a boat capsized en route to the United States was handed over to his relatives in Miami on Monday, and his father in Cuba accused them of trying to make money off his son.

The boy, Elian Gonzalez, was quickly becoming the focus of an international tug-of-war. While his father and the Cuban government have demanded his return, U.S. authorities eventually turned him over to relatives who were fighting to keep him in the United States.

Juan Miguel Gonzalez, the father, said he initially was

thankful that his aunt and cousin in South Florida were taking care of Elian, but had come to believe that they were "enriching themselves" with his highly publicized case.

"(Elian) has been kidnapped," he told Associated Press Television News in an interview Monday at his coastal home east of Havana. "If I have to go and look for him, I will."

"Here, he has his health care and education free," said Gonzalez, 31, a park employee. "He does not lack anything."

About 50 of Gonzalez's neighbors and co-workers had rallied at his home earlier in the day to

support his efforts to bring Elian back to Cuba.

Later, inside the living room dominated by a poster of revolutionary icon Ernesto "Che" Guevara, Mariela Quintana, 51, Gonzalez's mother and the child's grandmother, pleaded tearfully for the boy's return. Gonzalez's second wife, Neils, 22, quietly nursed her baby. Elian, 2, a month-old half-brother, Hianne.

Elian was found drifting Thursday off the coast of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. after a small powerboat carrying 13 Cuban refugees capsized. Two adult survivors were rescued off Key Biscayne, Fla.

Seven bodies were found before the U.S. Coast Guard called off the search. Three other people are presumed dead.

Cuba blames the United States for the tragedy and says the child had been kidnapped by his mother, or who died during the voyage.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Alejandro Gonzalez on Monday reiterated the government's demands for the boy's return.

Cuba's Prensa Latina news agency quoted the spokesman as saying that Cuba "has presented the United States with all the documents the necessary documentation to proceed with the reclamation of the minor."

Elimination of export subsidies and other trade barriers that make it difficult for farmers to obtain a competitive price for their products. Many farmers also dispute exemption requirements that some nations impose claiming they are not based on "sound" science.

"It is imperative that agricultural trade agreements remain the primary focus of these talks," said Tim McGreevey, executive director of USA Dry Pea & Lentil Council in Moscow, Idaho.

McGreevey, who will be meeting this week with Sen. Mike Crapo, Idaho, and other officials, said the issue must not be ignored any longer.

"Farmers right now are facing the lowest commodity prices in history for just about every commodity," McGreevey said. "We need to be able to work on a level playing field."

But Mike Simpson, R-Blackfoot, who is the co-chairman of a group of House lawmakers determined to make farming and ranching issues a priority among the Seattle trade ministers, said it is unclear how the body will place agricultural trade issues on the agenda.

"How far we will get on (agricultural issues) is hard to say," Simpson said.

But Simpson, who will be meeting this week with U.S. Trade Representative Charles Barshefsky and Chinese Foreign Trade Minister Shi Guangsheng among others, added that lawmakers' concerns have been in step with what the Clinton administration plans to request in Seattle.

"I believe that they have placed agriculture as the number one priority, and I hope that is

more than rhetoric," Simpson said.

Crapo, who will stand in for Sen. Larry Craig, Idaho, as co-chairman of the Senate WTO Caucus for Farmers and Ranchers, said maintaining the status quo on existing trade barriers to American agricultural products was unacceptable.

"If the agreement is that we stand still, that is no agreement that we can live with," Crapo said.

Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, suggested that lawmakers' presence at the Seattle meetings was important because it would assert Congress' role in crafting trade laws. Unlike most nations, Craig said, the legislative branch in America must approve any agreement made by the executive branch.

"To be Seattle, to hold the press conferences, to attend meetings with agricultural groups is very important and very symbolic," Craig said.

Craig said he will not attend the Seattle meetings because he is leading a trade delegation of U.S. companies to China and Taiwan.

Kelly Olson, administrator of the Idaho Barley Commission in Boise, said she expected the trade negotiations to give agriculture a significant role in the upcoming talks. But her proportion to be attributed to agricultural issues still remains unclear, she said.

"Nothing that comes out of Friday will be very detailed," said Olson, who attended the meetings under the Idaho business officials. "The real work in negotiations will not begin until the ministers go home and begin developing more specific proposals."

Benefits

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The Employee Benefit Research Institute, found that almost 60 percent of those aged 10 think they will be eligible for Social Security benefits before they actually will be.

Bruce Blandin, president of the American Savings Education Council, said people attending retirement seminars he conducts across the country are shocked when he tells them they won't be eligible for full Social Security benefits at age 65.

"I go through that and hear a lot of gasps in the room," said Blandin. As a result, many people may be underestimating how

much they need to save on their own if they want to retire in their early 60s, he said.

New annual Social Security statements mailed starting this fall to working Americans about two months before their birthdays are meant to help people understand the coming changes. The letters tell people their eligibility ages for normal Social Security benefits and their benefit levels if they choose earlier or later retirement.

Starting with people born in 1938, the normal Social Security eligibility age will rise by two months for each year, until it reaches 66 for those born in 1943.

It then stays at 66 for everyone born through the end of 1954.

If people whose normal eligibility age is 66 choose early retirement at 62, their benefits will be 25 percent lower.

On the bright side, the yearly rate of increase in benefits for those who wait past their normal eligibility age to start collecting Social Security will gradually rise, up to 8 percent for those born in 1943 or later. It is 6 percent for someone turning 65 in 2000. This incentive is not offered beyond age 70, however.

The retirement-age increase was agreed in 1983 by Republican President Reagan

and Congress, then controlled by Democrats in the House and Republicans in the Senate, as one of several changes to postpone looming Social Security cash shortages.

Lawmakers reasoned that with life expectancies rising, Americans could manage to work a little longer.

They preserved the age-62 early-retirement option for people who can't go on working because of health problems and because it is extremely popular. About 60 percent of workers choose to start collecting Social Security benefits at age 62.

Lottery Update

Congratulations to Mike and Penny Belgard and Tom and Hope Ridge of Salt Lake City, Utah who won \$100,000 in Saturday night's Powerball Drawing. Wednesday night's jackpot is estimated at \$32 million!

Schools

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Amendments protections from unreasonable searches — which are lower for public school students — and she answered questions from Buhl educators about what's reasonable in removing weapons, stolen money or even Pokemon cards.

Buhl Middle School Principal Barry Espil added whether it was reasonable to search a whole

class if someone in it had probably stolen some money from a student. Silak turned the question on the group, and most said, "No." It's the same for stolen Pokemon cards, but if a student is rumored to have a gun, that probably constitutes a "reasonable suspicion," she said.

Buhl President Bill Chisholm said schools and communities can

take too many liberties away from youths, and when they turn 18 and are on their own and expected to be responsible citizens, they're not prepared.

Silak agreed in part, but she said she saw a place for restrictions such as drug testing for extra-curricular activities, because that shows the community thinks there is no place for

even casual drug use.

"I don't think I see the schools turn into fortresses or mini jails," she said. "And I don't think that's what they intend to do."

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 DRAWING

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POWERBALL NUMBER 28

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 DRAWING

FAST 5
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27 DRAWING

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CHRISTMAS BEAUTY



Workers prepare to erect the Capitol Christmas Tree on Capitol Hill. The 70-foot-tall white spruce tree arrived in Washington Monday from Wisconsin.

Boeing will join government in assessing production lapses

SEATTLE (AP) - The Boeing Co., embarrassed by a recent string of production lapses, will join the Federal Aviation Administration in examining its production and quality-control systems, the government and the aircraft maker said Monday.

The decision to conduct the separate but simultaneous reviews came a month after the crash of EgyptAir Flight 990, a Boeing 767, but results from other incidents, including:

- An airline telling Boeing that two of 16 bolts holding the verti-

cal stabilizer onto the tail of a 767 were not sufficiently tightened.

- Assembly line mechanics at Boeing's Everett plant, where 747s, 767s and 777s are built, reporting that fuel tank repairs were being made after the tanks had been inspected and that debris such as sealant tubes and rivet guns were occasionally left behind.
- An adhesive being improperly applied to a condensation barrier that keeps moisture from dripping onto cockpit electronics.

AMD makes fastest chip - for now

SUNNYVALE, Calif. (AP) - The fastest computer chip for personal computers has reached the market just in time for the holidays.

Computer chip maker AMD released a new processor Monday that crunches information at a speed of 750 megahertz, surpassing Intel Corp.'s 730 megahertz

chip introduced last month.

Computer chips, also known as microprocessors, are what make computers run. The faster the chip, the quicker and more powerful the computer. Powerful chips help voice and video processing, three-dimensional graphics and networking with other computers.

Crimes against kids often go unreported

WASHINGTON (AP) - Only 28 percent of violent crimes against children are reported to police, much smaller than the 48 percent of violent crimes against adults that police are told about, the Justice Department said Monday.

Even when a weapon was used against a child or the child was injured, the police were less likely to find out about such attacks than when an adult was the victim, according to the department's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

"Serious categories of juvenile victimization that should be coming to the attention of police and other authorities are not," wrote David Finkelhor and Richard Ormrod in the office's study.

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Report: To err is human, even in medicine

WASHINGTON (AP) - Medical mistakes kill anywhere from 44,000 to 98,000 hospitalized Americans a year, says a new report that calls the errors stunning and demands major changes in the nation's health care system to protect patients.

The groundbreaking report by the Institute of Medicine says there are ways to prevent many of the mistakes and sets a minimum goal a 50 percent reduction

in medical errors within five years.

The problem is less a case of recklessness by individual doctors or nurses than it is the result of basic flaws in the way hospitals, clinics and pharmacies operate, the report says.

Doctors' notoriously poor handwriting too often leaves pharmacists squinting at tiny paper prescriptions. Did the doctor order 10 milligrams or 10 micrograms?

Does the prescription call for the hormone replacement Premarin or the antibiotic Primsin?

Too many drug names sound alike, causing confusion for doctor, nurse, pharmacist and patient alike. Consider the painkiller Celebrex and the anesthetic drug Carbonyl or Narcan, which treats narcotic overdoses, and Narcan, which can paralyze breathing muscles.

Medical knowledge grows so

rapidly that it is difficult for health care workers to keep up with the latest treatment or newly discovered danger. Technology poses a hazard when device models change from year to year or model to model, leaving doctors flummoxed for the right switch.

And most health professionals do not have their competence regularly retested after they are licensed to practice, the report said.

ABC ponders when to come back with 'Millionaire'

NEW YORK (AP) - Regis Philbin, the man who makes millionaires, says it jokingly: "I'm just ready to save the network any time they call."

Don't laugh. It's hard to overstate the impact of ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," which will almost certainly claim an unexpected victory in the important November ratings "sweeps" on the back of its hit

quiz show.

ABC executives are huddling to decide how and when to bring "Millionaire" back, either as a regular series or another sweeps event in February. A decision could be announced as early as today.

Over the course of time I have been blown away by the public's demand for this program," said Michael Davies, the

show's executive producer.

"Millionaire" drew its biggest audience ever - just under 30 million people - on Wednesday for the last of its 15-episode run. Over the 18 nights, it had an average viewership of 24.2 million, and was consistently popular among viewers from teenagers to senior citizens, said Larry Hyams, ABC's top researcher.

"That's very, very rare," Hyams said. "You don't see such broad-based programming on network television anymore."

ABC has a seemingly insurmountable lead in the November sweeps, which end Wednesday. It would be ABC's first victory in a sweeps month, which occur four times a year, since 1994.

'Peanuts' artist Schulz will leave hospital this week

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (AP) - Cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, who two weeks ago was diagnosed with colon cancer, will be heading home from the hospital this week.

Schulz has been undergoing chemotherapy at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital since the cancer was discovered Nov. 16. It was found while he was undergoing emergency surgery to remove a blockage in his abdominal aorta.

"It looks like Sparky will be going home midweek sometime," said Edna Poehner, his secretary and family friend, using Schulz's nickname.

Poehner said Schulz, who

turned 77 Friday, has been "doing a fair amount of walking" at the hospital.

The cartoonist, whose artistry has brought him and the cast of "Peanuts" worldwide fame, has received a "mind-boggling amount" of cards and letters wishing him well, Poehner said.

Schulz has lived in Santa Rosa, about 60 miles north of San Francisco, for 40 years and has been active in the community.

His release from the hospital will come just a few days before the opening of the city's annual holiday ice show, which he normally oversees from rehearsals to performances.

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Clinton signs huge spending bill but says it falls short



President Clinton celebrates Monday after signing the Consolidated Appropriations Act.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, after a year of quarreling with Congress, got the last word on the budget Monday as he signed a mammoth \$390 billion spending plan. He said it represents progress but "leaves some challenges unmet."

Sitting at a wooden table in the Rose Garden, the president was surrounded by police officers and teachers as he used 20 pens to write his name. It was a chilly day and he wore a sweater vest under his suit. Clinton passed out 11

pens to members of Congress at the ceremony.

The measure earmarked \$1.3 billion for a seven-year plan to hire 100,000 teachers to reduce class size in early grades. It also included \$595 million for the first installment of a program to hire 50,000 community police by 2005. Further, it provided \$926 million for unpaid U.N. dues and \$1.8 billion to implement the Middle East peace accord reached at Wye River, Md.

But the year-ended with a long list of disappointments for

Clinton. He failed to win any increase in the minimum wage, was denied an increase in cigarette taxes and lost battles for tougher gun controls and stronger rights for patients in managed care programs. Congress also rejected his proposals to extend the solvency of Social Security or Medicare programs or to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare.

"As we celebrate what we've accomplished," Clinton said, "I ask us all to be humble and mindful of what we still have to accomplish." However,

prospects for cooperation between Republicans and Democrats likely will diminish next year amid partisan campaigns for the White House and control of Congress.

There were pointed reminders of the bruising battles of the past year. Clinton boasted that the budget "avoids risky tax cuts that would have spent hundreds of billions of dollars from the Social Security surplus and drained our ability to advance education and other important public initiatives."

Killer stalks victim through Internet

BOSTON (AP) — Ever since junior high, Liam Youens had been obsessed with Amy Boyer. He kept Web pages where he wrote of perceived snubs and his desire to kill her, and used the Internet to find out all about her.

Last month, Youens, armed with a gun and the location of the dentist's office where Ms. Boyer worked, shot her to death, then killed himself.

The shootings took place Oct. 15 in Nashua, N.H., where Youens, 21, and his 20-year-old victim had gone to school together.

Youens' thoughts and plans are detailed in a police report drawn partly from the Web sites where he debated with himself whether to kill Ms. Boyer, kill another former classmate, or storm into Nashua High School and kill as many people as he could. The Boston Globe reported Monday.

Youens paid hundreds of dollars to online research services to determine Ms. Boyer's birth date, Social Security number, address and the location of the dentist's office.

"It's actually obscene (sic) what you can find out about people on the Internet," he wrote.

Ms. Boyer's stepfather, Tim Remsburg, said he is considering a lawsuit against Geocities and Tripod, the two online companies where Youens maintained his Web sites.

Though both graduated from Nashua High in 1997, friends and family say Ms. Boyer wasn't aware of Youens or his obsession with her.

Youens' online journal chronicles the one-way relationship, recounting a humiliating day when she brushed past him in the school lunchroom, and a

Valentine's Day when he realized she had received a rose from a boyfriend.

He also recalled realizing in the 10th grade that he was in love with her, and deciding shortly thereafter to kill her and himself, the Globe said.

"That was the basic plan for the next half decade," he wrote.

But Youens, who dropped out of college after a year and was living at his parents' home, found it difficult to stalk Ms. Boyer, in part because she often was surrounded by family. So he turned to online research services to track her.

Remsburg said he is angry that Geocities and Tripod didn't monitor their content and that Youens was able to use Internet companies including Doctsearch and Infoseekers to hunt down Ms. Boyer's personal information.

Hot housing market shows signs of cooling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Higher mortgage rates drove down sales of existing homes to the lowest level in almost two years in October, a sign that the red-hot housing market is cooling, economists said.

Sales of existing single-family homes plummeted a bigger-than-expected 6.6 percent, the fourth straight monthly decline, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.79 million units, the National Association of Realtors said Monday.

That was the lowest level since January 1998, when 4.59 million units were sold.

"There is now a clear slowdown under way," said First Union's chief economist David Orr.

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Court will review hate-crime sentencing

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court will referee a dispute over how to punish hate crimes, setting the stage for a ruling that will affect anti-bias laws in most states.

The court said Monday it will decide whether state judges can impose longer prison terms based on their own determinations that crimes were sparked by prejudice. A decision is expected by late June.

An issue in a New Jersey case is whether a jury — not a judge — should decide if racial hatred prompted a man to fire shots into a black family's home.

Nearly all the states enacted hate-crime laws in the 1980s. They provide extra punishment when crime victims were selected because of their race or religion, or in some instances sexual orientation.

Charles C. Apprendi Jr. of Vineland, N.J., was arrested in 1994 after shots were fired into the home of a black family living in his otherwise all-white neighborhood. No one was injured in the shooting.

Exam shows euthanized panda had enlarged heart

WASHINGTON — A post-mortem examination of Hsing-Hsing, the giant panda the National Zoo euthanized Sunday, found not only advanced kidney disease but also an enlarged heart and a potentially cancerous mass in his stomach, the zoo's chief pathologist said Monday.

"He really had an incredible amount of things going on," said Richard J. Montali.

Hsing-Hsing had been at the National Zoo since 1972, when he and his mate, Ling-Ling, arrived from China as a gift from the government following President

Nation In brief

Richard M. Nixon's historic visit there. Ling-Ling died of heart failure in 1992.

Zoo officials said Hsing-Hsing's kidney disease, diagnosed in May, was causing him so much suffering that it was more humane to put him to death. The panda also had arthritis, failing sight and nosebleeds. At 28, he was quite elderly for a giant panda.

Anti-smoking effort gains eye of high court

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court this week will begin deciding on the government's most formidable effort ever to stop smoking, as public pressure against the tobacco industry increases.

In 1996, the Food and Drug Administration broke with tradition and proposed regulating nicotine in cigarettes as a drug. It was a decisive moment for the government in the national controversy over a product that medical experts consider the primary cause of preventable disease and death. But after a lawsuit by tobacco companies, a federal appeals court ruled that the FDA lacked the authority to regulate tobacco.

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The case has arrived at the Supreme Court, where it will be argued on Wednesday. An eventual decision by the justices will test a comprehensive federal endeavor to restrain a once-energetic industry that is now under constant governmental, legal and societal assault.

Astronomers find six new planets outside solar system

WASHINGTON — Astronomers have found evidence of six new planets orbiting distant stars, bringing to 28 the planets known to exist outside of the solar system.

An international team of astronomers announced Monday that all the newly discovered planets are about the size of Jupiter or larger.

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Stay mild when cleaning keyboards

By Jim Coates
Chicago Tribune

Q I ran to the Jewel grocery store yesterday to find a cleaner for my dirty keypads. I asked the cashiers what they used, and two responded, "Alcohol." A man standing in line agreed. Said he once repaired typewriters and used it. All said to dampen cotton swabs in alcohol (don't soak them). Nothing should leak down. It was worked. Cost: 81 cents. What do you say to that?

-Helen Lynn

A. Why Ask Jim Why? Why one can Ask Jewel Why? Beats me, but I disagree with the advice you got at the cash register.

Because keyboards are made of plastic - and oftentimes pretty cheesy plastic at that - most experts warn against using alcohol, because it tends to pit the surface of keys and may eventually remove the letters for those who tend to get fainical about cleanliness.

And, as the technical support/cash register folks at the Jewel note, drip-down is dangerous. The boilerplate advice is to use a solution of water, soapy water and a damp sponge to do the cleaning while holding the disconnected keyboard upside down and to dry the job with a paper towel while still inverted.

Apple Computer Inc. advises the further precaution of leaving the keyboard upside down overnight for its products.

One should add that when it comes time to clean the little rubber ball inside a computer mouse, alcohol is just the ticket because the because rubber rather than plastic.

Q I am a new gray-haired computer user and I need some tips to learn. Your columns (many of which are cut out for reference) are a great help. You explain

things so that even oldersters can understand.

While fiddling with my digital photography software (which is like no man's land) I hit the button that said "use photo as wallpaper?" What I thought it meant was to use it as a screen saver.

Question is - can I retrieve the old wallpaper, which is a photo of my cat, Boxer, or is it gone forever? I have looked for it in Settings and skimmed through a lot of other files but can't find it anywhere. Unfortunately, I hadn't saved it in the digital photo software.

-Lea Augustine

A. Take a look at that photo at the top of this column and you will see that I am an oldster myself. Hopefully Boxer's .bmp file remains on your computer lurking in the Windows directory, where most software that creates wallpaper puts the raw file for whatever image currently is used.

You may have to open many icons before you spot Boxer, but I've got a strong feeling you'll find your feline behind one icon or another, because every program you save its wallpaper as a .bmp file. If you save a picture with the Windows Paint Program, it saves wallpaper in a distinct file. If you make a picture window for Internet Explorer, it is saved in a different file; Netscape saves files in yet another place, etc.

So, I teach that Windows directory where all these files get stored you need to right-click on the Start button and then scroll up or down until you find the Windows folder.

When you click on it the first time, you will get a warning that messing further might cause problems. But when you click again, you'll be able to hunt for Boxer by opening each picture file in turn.

Brace for flood of new technology

Engineers wonder if people can keep up

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON - For those who still haven't bought a cell phone, programmed their VCR or reset their car's clock at standard time, there's more trouble ahead.

Another wave of engineering innovations is coming, and even engineers are concerned about our ability to cope with, for example, wearable computers, personal radar and the family airplane. Their excitement over the technological dreams of the 21st century is tempered by a realization that as the world moves faster, more and more people aren't able to keep up.

"The overwhelming amount of information we are expected to absorb is constantly doubling," said Robert Lucky, vice president of Telecordia Technologies, a New Jersey telecommunications research firm.

"I have two VCRs around the house blinking 12, and I'm an engineer," Lucky said. "I have five other engineering innovators who just completed a book titled 'Engineering Tomorrow,'" commissioned by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, that assesses the future of engineering and its possible effects on society.

They foresee personal radar capable of looking through walls like Superman, a very smart family computer, cheap easy-to-fly personal airplanes and a Dick

Tracy-style wrist Internet link that could be used to chat with friends as far away as Mars.

Beyond the gadgets and gizmos, the experts also predict major shifts in the way we use energy, from fossil fuels such as gasoline to new forms of portable, pollution-free personal power and even a revival of nuclear power to generate electricity.

"Nuclear energy will become a more acceptable source of energy, because the emissions are essentially zero," said John Kassakian, a professor of electrical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He argues that nuclear wastes are less dangerous and easier to manage than air pollution.

Kassakian also theorized that

cars will be able to store enough electricity to quit running on gasoline.

Just because most people won't understand how these toys work doesn't mean they won't use them, said Alan I. Marcus, professor of the history of technology at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

"If people see a use for it, they'll use it," Marcus said. "You don't need to master how things work."

For example, he said, few people can forget their VCR clocks because they don't use VCRs for recording programs off the television, only for playing videotapes.

"We don't understand anything we do, but we do it anyway. How many people understand how we breathe?" Marcus said.

Rebates can complicate PC buying

Knight Ridder News Service

Computer shoppers need to brush up their arithmetic skills - and not just to calculate how much processor speed or memory their machines need. Rebates have become part of the retail landscape, and though they can lead to great deals, they can also be cumbersome and restrictive.

There are simple rebates for \$40 or \$50 off a computer peripheral such as a scanner. Buying a computer, printer and monitor from the same manufacturer can yield as much as \$200 in rebates.

These days, some of the hottest rebates on a PC purchase are associated with Internet service. One program offers \$400 cash back if the shopper also commits to Internet service at a fixed price for an extended period.

On personal computers priced as low as \$399, that can mean a free PC.

Rebates have stimulated PC sales - and not just for the least expensive models. Laurie Butler, a spokeswoman for the Best Buy

Retailers like rebates because they draw potential buyers through their doors or to their Web sites.

consumer electronics chain, says customers are using rebates for a wide range of computers, including notebooks.

Rebates have also been a boon for new Internet subscriptions. Over the summer, America Online's new CompuServe 2000 service signed up 378,000 subscribers, largely through a rebate program.

Rebates are hardly new in the technology marketplace. In particular, software companies have used rebates for years to attract buyers, then entice them to complete registration cards with information that can be used for marketing additional products or services.

At Dallas-based COMPUISA Inc., the nation's largest computer chain, spokeswoman

Suzanne Shelton says "consumers have grown to expect" them. But as rebates have become more common, many buyers wonder whether the process has become unnecessarily complicated.

"What's the whole deal with rebates anyway?" asks Scott Raymer, a chemical engineer from Tulsa, Okla., who has grown weary of collecting and sending in forms and receipts. "Why can't they just mark it down at the register?"

Manufacturers and retailers have several motives for favoring rebates over discounts. For one thing, rebates provide more flexibility in pricing. Rebates give manufacturers the option of lowering a price, then effectively raising it later when the cash-back offer expires.

Retailers like rebates because they draw potential buyers through their doors or to their Web sites. Rebate specials typically are displayed prominently in ads, with the post- rebate price fixed, bold type.

Virus hoaxes prove disruptive as real thing

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON - The warning arrived in Wayne Ribble's electronic mail on Oct. 25. A new computer virus capable of erasing a user's entire hard drive was on the loose, it said, riding in e-mail with the subject line "It Takes Guts to Say Jesus."

Ribble quickly passed the word to dozens of colleagues, friends and family members, who, in turn, sent it to hordes of other e-mail buddies, who rocketed it on to thousands of cyber-space correspondents. By week's end, millions around the world had seen the warning, which is still circulating.

There was only one problem. The e-mail to Ribble was a hoax. "I figured, better safe than sorry," Ribble ruefully recalled, noting that two earlier warnings this year had been accurate.

But that's not always true. A rising tide of warnings about nonexistent computer threats is proving nearly as disruptive as the actual viruses. The hoaxes have become a kind of virus themselves, passed along with good intentions but sometimes swamping computer networks. The e-mail hoaxes create unwarranted fear, waste time and chew up network resources. It's not that computer viruses aren't a real problem. They CAN be delivered by e-mail, and they CAN alter or destroy data. In some cases, such as the recent Melissa outbreak, the virus attempts to mail copies of itself to anyone in a user's e-mail address book.

Researchers identify about a dozen new viruses each day, most of them simple variants developed by vandals with limited skills who are modifying code developed by more sophisticated saboteurs, who develop viruses to gain prestige among their peers, as a general attack against society or just for laughs.

Typically, virus trouble arrives as an "attachment" to e-mail, such as a document that can be read only with a word processor such as Microsoft Word. By clicking on the attachment the user infects the machine with the virus that is lurking inside the attachment.

Viruses can come disguised as useful or amusing programs. Users should think twice before clicking on an e-mail attachment that is supposed to be a nice fireworks display; there is a chance that opening it will cause a virus infection. Users who must open an attachment should at least scan it with an up-to-date anti-virus program beforehand.

The key thing to remember is that opening the message itself is unlikely to do anything dangerous. The trouble usually comes in the attachment.

TrueSynch helps Internet browsers get more personal

By James Coates
Chicago Tribune

High in the pantheon of Information Age curses is the need to keep one's personal computer data safe and during the daily rounds of life.

Now StarFish, maker of both the SideKick Personal Information Manager software and the TrueSynch programs are looking to help Internet users handle devices as Palm's and Windows CE portables, has developed a product that, in essence, makes the World Wide Web your mobile personal database.

Available at the Excite and Yahoo! Web portals, TrueSynch makes quick work of downloading all the data in just about any major PIM and storing it in a secure file on the Internet that can be called up on any Web browser.

TrueSynch for Excite/Yahoo! FreeWare

http://www.excite.com or http://www.yahoo.com

The browser displays a screen that looks like the display of your PIM (Microsoft Outlook, Act!, Lotus Organizer, etc.) only with your own data included after the first TrueSynch session.

Users first must download the TrueSynch software from either portal and install it on their desktop. Then, by clicking on an icon, the software calls up a display showing the Web site on the left and the PIM on the desktop on the right with the TrueSynch icon of circular arrows in the center. A click there and the data on the PC is synchronized with the PIM display on the Web and thus ready for access remotely.

Town residents get preview of Y2K

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (AP) - As the end of the year looms, residents in one township are getting a sneak preview of the Y2K computer problem in the form of a - or nonexistent - water bills.

Authorities in Cambria County blame a September computer malfunction similar to the Y2K glitch - the township computer system was thwarted by the 9-9-99 date of Sept. 9, 1999.

For years, computer programmers used the code "9999" to indicate that a program had finished its operations and should shut down.

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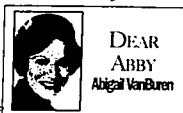
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Spread holiday cheer thin for dieters

DEAR ABBY: Along with millions of other Americans, I am overweight. This time of year is particularly difficult for me because of the well-intentioned but misguided actions of friends and family. With the holidays upon us, I have the following suggestions for anyone who knows someone who is fighting the battle of the bulge... (and who doesn't?):



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

1. Avoid giving gifts of food. This means ALL food — even your special sugar-free coconut cream pie. Giving chocolates or other fattening treats is, at the least, insensitive and borders on downright cruelty.

2. Do not "push" food on another person. If you're hosting a meal or a party, make a variety of healthy foods available along with any special treats you've prepared. Allow your guests to choose for themselves without comment. It is especially unfair to use guilt ("I made these just for you") to force food upon someone.

3. Do not comment on how much (or how little) someone is eating. Such comments draw unwanted attention to attempts to maintain control of holiday eating.

4. Have some compassion. We don't want to be fat. Losing weight and keeping it off is extraordinarily difficult for some of us. Don't think that you know what our problem is, because you don't. Obesity is a complicated issue with behavioral, emotional and spiritual elements. A single formula that works for everyone has yet to be discovered.

5. Be supportive. If someone you love is trying to lose

weight, be available to listen. Do not judge.
—CHIBBY IN PITTSBURGH

DEAR CHIBBY: Your suggestions are terrific and well worth space in this column. Obesity has reached epidemic proportions in this country, and those who are trying to do something about the problem deserve all the help and support they can get. Dieting is difficult any time of year. But during the holidays with temptation all around it, it's especially difficult to make it through the minefield.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for 38 years. During the past 10 of them, we have taken up dancing, and folks think we're pretty good. My problem is, the place where we go has women who have no dancing partner, and they all want to dance with my husband, which leaves me sitting part of the night. There is one woman in particular

who is younger than I am and who wants to do all the dancing that I like to do with him. She had a dancing partner until just a few months ago. Actually, her husband is there, too, but he doesn't dance. My husband told me he's too tired to dance to anything fast, and then she will ask him and he jumps up. He always says I should go ask other men to dance, but there is really no one there who can dance the way I like. Am I wrong to let this bother me?

—CONFUSED IN WHITE PINE, TENN.

DEAR CONFUSED: It all depends upon how many dances you're sitting out. Your husband is probably flattered by the attention he's getting from all of these part-nerless ladies. If one of them asks your husband for a dance that's one of your favorites, speak up and tell her that it's already spoken for — and she should try again later. It's better than sitting and fuming.

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You'll be happy around family members, Sagittarius

IF NOVEMBER 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have delightful sense of humor, are versatile, possess intellectual curiosity. Gemini, Sagittarius persons with dramatic roles in our life, could have these letters, initials in names: C, L, U. During this past year you made major domestic adjustment that included views concerning marriage. You changed residence, beautified surroundings. In December, you will no longer carry obligation not really your own.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Reflect upon actions as failure. Do not regard effort as failure — give it time. Dream, properly interpreted, could be guidepost to future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Focus on production, promotion, priorities. On personal level, you could be mady in love. Strive to maintain emotional equilibrium. Capricorn plays role.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Real estate or property transaction can be successfully completed. What you agreed to could affect future. Know it, act accordingly. Aries figures prominently. **CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Imprint style, accept leadership role, put forth original ideas. Sibling rivalry could be thing of

HOROSCOPE

Sydney Omarr

past — Leo gesture of friendship — Leo plays dramatic role. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Study Cancer message for added wisdom. Attention revolves around unique agreements, cooperative efforts, marital status. What was lost will be recovered — celebrate. **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Popularity is on the rise. Emphasize versatility, humor, be willing to laugh at your own foibles. Sagittarian makes gesture of friendship, romance. Be careful. **LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Remember that hard writing

makes easy reading. Review material, bring it up to date, contribute only your best work. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons figure in scenarios.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Breakthrough! What you have been pushing for will be practically handed you on proverbial silver platter. Friends say, "What what comes by keeping the faith."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Reunion with family member provides emotional joy. Be diplomatic, remember that winning is not everything. Taurus, Libra persons will play leading roles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let others know what you think but be diplomatic about it. Define terms, streamline procedure. You come out on top in real estate transactions. Pisces represented.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can make this your power year. Review list of accounting procedures, realize some people can play games with numbers. Project self, refuse to be full guy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): What has been holding you back will no longer exist. A day when dreams can come true, if you so permit. Aries, Libra persons will figure in dramatic scenarios.

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Q. When was the first e-mail sent?
A. In 1972. Same year Federal Express started. And the political demolition of Watergate. Last time there was a February 30 was in 11 B.C.

Camera studies show the tongue of the marine toad about one of its mouth at a speed of nine feet per second. Do marine toads kiss?

Curious how people hang onto mistaken notions. You take it for granted the moon revolves around the earth? So do I. But that's not quite right. The moon and earth revolve around each other.

Another posting by Anonymous: "A kindergarten teacher is someone who loves children and hates zippers."

Q. Bartenders and waitresses are the best lovers. That's what your Love and War man said. What gives two such occupational groups better scores than others?

A. Those were the results of a poll taken on a New Jersey beach. Why bartenders and waitresses registered so high in this survey remains a matter of conjecture. But in sports and music, as our L. and W. man has said, credit usually goes to natural talent plus practice, practice, practice.

Eight feet is a typical arm.



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd.

spread for a grown gorilla.
Q. What's this bunk about a stearcase banister not being a handrail?

A. Technically, the banister is not the handrail but the uprights that support the handrail, so nobody ever really slid down a banister. Our Language man advises: Ignore it, common usage makes it... And so on.

An ancient Polish proverb ranks the intensity of love that others feel for you in this descending order: No. 1. Mother's. No. 2. Dog's. No. 3. Sweetheart's.

The hearts of Andean Indians — they live at 17,000 feet — are 20 percent bigger than the hearts of the lowland dwellers.
What's the animal with the longest tail? Hardly anybody gets this right, so I'll just tell you. The mink.

You know how plastic wrap tangles so easily by clinging to itself? It won't, if you keep it in the refrigerator.

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EDITORIAL

Noise ordinances are unwieldy, but they defend a worthy ideal

No government can force its citizens to be good neighbors, but the city of Kimberly is on the right track with an ordinance enacted earlier this month. It bans noises that create public disturbances, including the sounds from loud cars, loud car stereos, loud parties, loud bands and "frequent ... barking or howling of dogs."

Any ordinance that seeks to legislate common courtesy is bound to be unwieldy. Kimberly's is no exception. For instance, the owner of a loud car might not agree that it is "unreasonably disturbs the peace."

The same holds true for the hosts of loud parties, and owners of dogs that bay at the moon.

Too often in today's world, the civil liberties of people who are rude and loud come at the expense of people who crave a little peace and quiet.

In addition to being tough to enforce, laws against disturbing the peace infringe on one of the most fundamental benefits of living in Idaho: the right to do as you please.

Exercising that right isn't an issue when the activity is benign. But when the activity could be considered loud and offensive, the right to do as you please is best exercised in rural areas where there's no one around to disturb.

Thus, the closer you get to town, the more consideration you should give to your neighbors. When you live in

town, next door to and across the street from others, you should always be concerned about disturbing the peace.

Does Kimberly's new ordinance, which bans "frequent, repetitive or continuous sounds" from any "internal combustion engine within a residential district," bar people from mowing their lawns? It might stop them from firing up the Snapper at 6 a.m. on a Sunday, but it shouldn't stop them from mowing during the middle of the day.

It's a sad fact that many people in today's world don't give a damn whether they're disturbing their neighbors or not. They think nothing of tuning up their monster trucks at 2 a.m., or turning up their monster stereos at 3 a.m. They exemplify the "me-first" selfishness that is coarsening America.

It is these people at whom the city of Kimberly's new noise ordinance is aimed. The city of Buhl is drafting a similar ordinance, and other cities are studying them as well. They are pursuing a worthy goal, and we wish them well.

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Don't rule out power of political smarts

DAVID S. BRODER

Quits shows are back in fashion, so the heat is on Hillary Rodham Clinton and George W. Bush.

The Texas governor and Republican presidential hopeful was asked by a Boston television interviewer to name the leaders of four countries—and could come up with only one. That was no big deal in itself, but it raised an interesting question: *But Bush: Is he smart enough to be president?*

Everywhere the first lady and Senate aspirant goes, she is grilled on her possible policy disagreements with her husband, the president. But the truly important question about Mrs. Clinton is: Is she shrewd enough to survive the rigors of a New York political race? Note the difference. No one questions the Yale Law School alumna's brainpower. She is President Clinton's equal when it comes to mastering even the arcane details of federal programs. By the time she had finished her "listening tour" of upstate counties, she could recite as many facts about their populations, products and history as the presidents of the local chambers of commerce.

But there have been lots of doubts expressed about Hillary Clinton's political instincts—so many, in fact, that last week she was forced to deny the rumors that she would make the race, an affirmation that would not have been necessary had her own awkward performance not raised so many questions about her capacity to wage an effective campaign.

With Bush, it's just the opposite. He's shown in two successful Texas races that he is a helluva campaigner—and nothing in the presidential contest so

far has dimmed his reputation as a fellow who seems perfectly at ease working a crowd or looking into the lens of a TV camera.

But there are good reasons to question his intellectual prowess. By his own account, he went through two prestigious colleges (Yale and Harvard Business School) without ever aspiring to academic distinction. Friends from his adult years are unanimous in saying that the only avid reader in the Bush household is his wife, Laura.

So what? It once thought that the smarter a politician is, the better equipped for high office. But voters wisely weigh talents on a different scale. If the presidential candidates in 1980 had been presented with a set of policy documents and a blank sheet of paper on which to summarize the options and recommend a course of action, nuclear engineer Jimmy Carter easily would have outscored former actor Ronald Reagan.

But Reagan was a political natural and a gifted leader—one who had clear goals, strong principles and a great gift for translating abstract issues into compelling narratives conveying lessons anyone could grasp.

Bush seems to be blessed with some of that same talent. True, he has yet to be tested in tough competition within his own party; that may come Thursday in his first debate. But he defeated two smart Democrats in his Texas races, and so far, he has met every challenge he's encountered in the presidential contest without breaking a sweat. He flunked the local TV interviewer's pop

quiz on foreign leaders, but in his first national Sunday morning workout with Tim Russert on "Meet the Press," he emerged unscathed.

For Hillary Clinton, the preliminaries have been a much more daunting experience. Ever since she began her exploratory trips, she has been accident-prone, and every couple weeks she stumbles into some new predicament, sometimes with the Puerto Ricans, sometimes with the Jews, and sometimes with voters who wore Yankee caps for years before she thought to don one.

The first lady is dazzlingly smart—and she may be a better speaker than her husband, who is no slouch. But, as I learned from watching her during the health care fight, she sometimes has a tin ear. Where both the president and Governor Bush are skilled at sining up an audience and finding ways to fulfill its expectations, Mrs. Clinton can be oblivious to the effect she is having on the people in the room.

In the retrospective reporting Haynes Johnson and I did four weeks ago on the health care fight, we found many occasions when Mrs. Clinton either did not hear—or chose not to heed—what the people with whom she was negotiating were really saying to her. Instances she cited of people going back on their word or breaking their commitments often turned out instead to be examples of negotiations that failed because the first lady turned out what she was being told.

I do not know that Bush will win or Hillary Clinton lose; much will depend on the quality of their opponents. But his political smarts arm him for battle. I think, more than her intellectual gifts,

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LETTERS

Dog poisoning was cowardly act

This is far the coward who poisoned my daughter's dog on Nov. 19 by throwing a sponge filled with poison and meat over the fence. This is a cruel and inhumane way to die. It's horrible to watch.

I want you to know that my 2-year-old granddaughter plays in that yard. And you know how quick and curious they are about things.

My prayers are with you, and I hope it's not your daughter or granddaughter or someone else's child next time you poison a pet.

Do you realize the heartache you've caused?
CAROL BOWLES
Hansen

It's not the new millennium

I am puzzled by the number of Americans who cannot seem to add. The Weather Channel recently announced we were nearing the last month of weather for this century, as 1999 B.C., 100 B.C., we count down to B.C. The following year was on and down to 1 B.C. The following year was 1 A.D. when we began to count up to the present 1999. There was no year zero (0). Thus the first decade was 1 A.D. through 10 A.D., the first century 1 through 100 A.D., and the first millennium was 1 through 1,000 A.D. The 20th century began with the year 1901 and

runs through to the end of 2000, hence the "20th century" name. The second millennium began with the year 1001 and likewise will end at the end of the year 2000, hence the name "second" millennium.

All decades, centuries and millenniums end with a zero (0). At midnight Dec. 31, 1999, this decade will be exactly 9 years old, this century 99 years old, and this second millennium will be 999 years old. Computers may fail, but please, let's give it another 365 days before we jump into the third millennium. I am way too old to skip a year; a year in which I, and I am sure many others, hope to accomplish something!

STEVE ALMQUIST
Retired Aerospace Bean Counter
Hailey

Keep up the good work

So often in one's hectic life, do they take time out to give a person that pat on the back that they so deserve? Our society is faced with so much negativity and not enough open-mindedness.

I want to commend Robin Hazen of Twin Falls Mortgage Source and Bobby Kelley of Irwin Realty. They made my real estate purchase so smooth and headache free. Their follow-up and business tactics were so professional and organizational skills is what made the whole transaction headache free. They kept their word from the very beginning. Their honesty and the way they cut right to the chase is what impressed me the most. They held my hand and led me through the whole thing, and I was amazed when they phoned me to meet them in a matter of a couple hours at the title company to sign my closing papers. It's no wonder why you two ladies are so successful in the business world. Keep up the good work, Robin and Bobby; I look forward to doing business with you in the near future!

PAULA WOODY
Filer

What are you tired of hearing?

Mr. Bartlett, in your Nov. 19 letter to the editor, "Teachers know how to complain," I failed to follow your hophoch criticism—"one-hole outsource... taxes... 20 bucks a month... (back) to taxes... homework... taxes (and) absentee ballots." Are you tired of taxes? Or are you tired of teachers?

If you are tired of the tax system, you're not alone. It's a rotten country that allows all of its citizens to vote for issues concerning its youth. You stated, "I... think... since we carry the tax burden that only homeowners should be allowed to vote on school bond issues." And rightfully so! We wouldn't want the peasants of America to have a shot at home ownership by voting for schools equipped to teach the technology of the 21st century, thereby allowing kids everywhere—regardless of socioeconomic status—to become productive members of society through education. After all, we've lost our tenants, wouldn't we, homeowners?

It's teachers you're tired of hearing,

what you're tired of hearing? Can't you get the rent?
CORY WILLIAMSON
Burley

Will hotel come tumbling down?

Regarding Neilson's proposed hotel on the rim of the Snake River Canyon, I care not whether it is built or not since I will not stay in it or enter it for any reason. I would, however, speak to the proposal as well as several years of geological training and many years of practical applied field geology. If the people in planning and zoning will take a few minutes to look up and down the canyon, they will see a number of large slump blocks that have split off from the rim and presently reside a significant distance from the rim. Any structure that is placed in proximity to the rim has the potential to end up in the canyon much like those extant slump blocks. It matters not whether it be a residence or a hotel, the same

potential exists. The only difference is

the taller and heavier the structure, then the greater the load on the rim and the greater the potential for a slide to occur. The compressive strength of the rocks is not an issue, since we are only addressing the potential for a crack to develop, not crushing the underlying rock.

Has Mr. Neilson done any geophysical surveys of the proposed area? I have not heard of them if they have been done. Many different forces can cause a block to split off from the rim, but it is not uncommon to have water penetrate a zone of weakness, lubricate that zone and gravity will do the rest. It has been demonstrated that massive blocks can slide on as little as a 4-degree plane if conditions are right (Hart Mountain in northern Wyoming).

So let the building begin; neither I nor my relatives will occupy such a risky structure. Some risks are not worth taking.

TED LINDGREEN
Twin Falls

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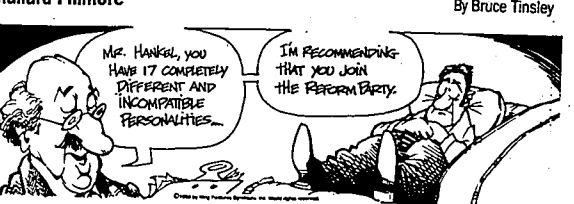
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By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Reading the tea leaves of China in the WTO

We should not mistake the latest trade agreement with China — allowing it to enter the World Trade Organization — for only a trade agreement. It is much more: a calculated effort by both the United States and China to fashion the world order of the next century. We may not know for years or 10 decades whether either nation achieves its aims, because their real intentions are both ambitious and ambiguous. But this agreement complicates poor Cold War geopolitics, where economic arrangements often supersede military alliances.

The Cold War had at least one virtue: simplicity. We traded with our friends, not with our enemies. In the post-Cold War world, the distinction between allies and adversaries has blurred (especially what is China?). So have our aims. Once we tried to "contain communism." Now we pursue neither that aim nor the goal of preserving peace, promoting global prosperity and nurturing democracy.

In this sense, the new trade agreement's larger meaning overshadows its actual text. For China, WTO membership would accelerate economic modernization and allow an advanced China to realize its destiny as a truly great world power. For the United States, the overriding aim is to ensure that a resurgent China shares with us — through prosperity, trade and a growing middle class — an interest in a stable world order and, gradually, democracy.

The obvious (and unanswerable) question is whether these national agendas are competing or complementary. Although both countries are pushing, China's risk is larger because the agreement provides it with few new trade concessions. The reason is that China already enjoys "most favored nation" (MFN) status in the United States. This MFN treatment — though Congress must renew it annually — means that China's exports face few tariffs. In 1998, China had a \$35 billion trade surplus with the United States, estimates Daniel Rosen of ChinaOnline, an information service. (This figure covers trade with both China and Hong Kong.)

To enter the WTO, China would have to lower protectionist barriers. Tariffs on industrial goods would drop from an average of 24.6 percent in 1997 to 9.4 percent in 2005. Rules to invest in China's banking, insurance and telecommunications industries — including the Internet — would be liberalized. Restrictions on farm imports would be relaxed. China now imports about 2 million tons of wheat a year; the agreement immediately permits 7 million tons with almost no tariff. By Rosen's reckoning, the initial increase in U.S. exports would be modest — \$3 billion a year. But these could increase rapidly if greater foreign investment in China requires more overseas goods for, say, telecommunications networks. Why is China giving so much for so little?

The answer is that Prime Minister Zhu Rongji — architect of China's economic modernization — "sees the WTO as a way of cementing his policies," says Charlene Barshefsky, the U.S. trade representative.

Superficially, there's a convergence of interests. Aside from more trade, Americans assert that the process will liberalize China. Foreign companies will improve Chinese labor standards, joining a "rules-based" international organization, with clear standards and dispute-settlement procedures, will promote the rule of law. Economics is pragmatic. It sounds inspiring — and may be America's best chance to influence China. But so much could go wrong in Russia, the United States also hopes (nervously, so far) that free-market policies would work wonders.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

For China, the economy itself is one problem. "They have excess capacity in industry after industry," says economist Nicholas Lardy of the Brookings Institution. Since early 1997, over-supply has led to falling consumer prices. State-owned companies are suffering vast losses. Worried about jobs, consumers won't spend. Greater competition from imports and foreign firms in China might worsen unemployment. Lardy cites one study estimating that 11 million jobs might be lost.

Here are the ingredients of a backlash — against economic "reform" and America as a symbol of reform. Barshefsky brags that the trade agreement contains many means of enforcement. In a weak economy, disputes could trigger nationalistic charges of interference. If China devalues its currency to spur its economy, Americans could feel betrayed. Bargaining gains could be lost (a 20 percent devaluation would make China's imports 20 percent more costly).

"If you can't deal with contradictions, don't deal with China," says James Lilley, former ambassador to Beijing. He cites a Chinese saying — "rich country, strong soldiers" — as evidence that the country's leaders link economic and military modernization. Still, he "absolutely"

believes Congress should support the trade agreement, because it emphasizes mutual interests. But there should be no illusions. Just because this is America's best bet doesn't mean it will work.

Robert J. Samuelson is a Newsweek columnist.

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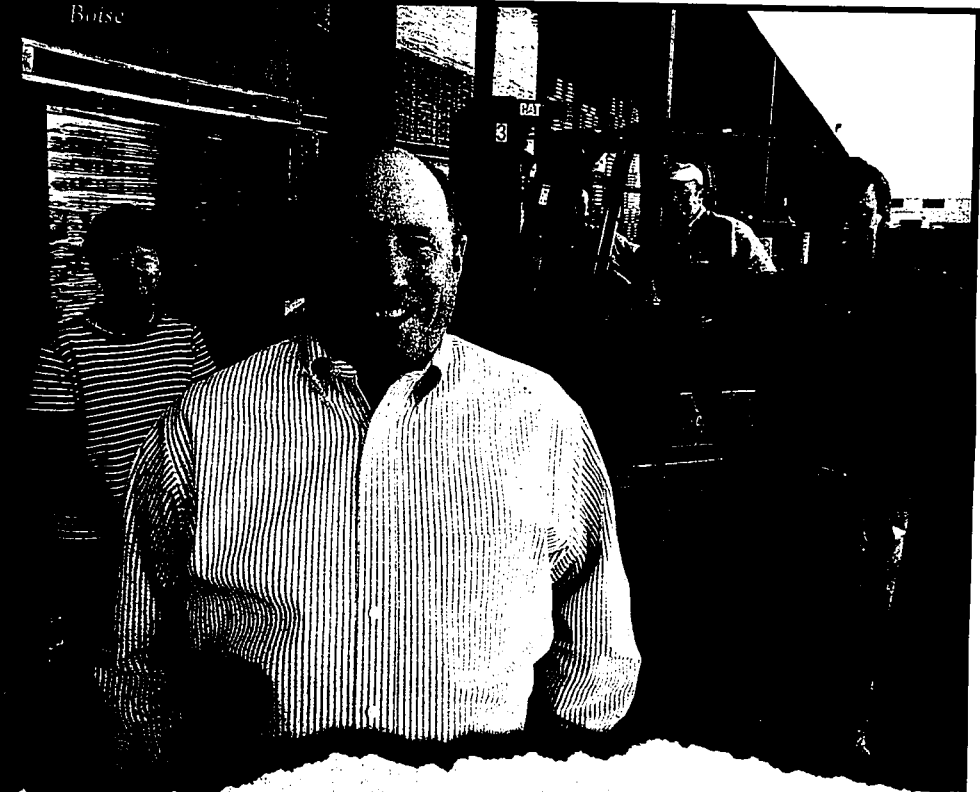
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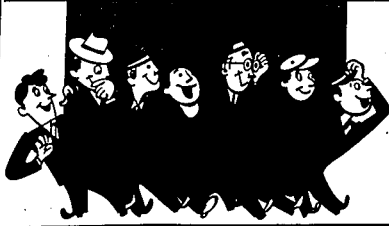
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Hearings scheduled for new highway work

BUHL - People working on the Buhl to Wendell Corridor Study have identified possible alternative routes for the proposed extension of Idaho Highway 46.

The proposed routes will be presented at public meetings Monday at Buhl Middle School and Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the Wendell High School auditorium. Both meetings will begin at 7 p.m.

Public input has been a big part of the planning process, and motorists will have the opportunity to comment on the alternatives for a link between Buhl and Wendell.

The consulting team of Reideisel Engineering will evaluate the information about the alternative routes to identify a preferred route.

The primary goals of the road are preservation of farmland and operations; providing a safe and efficient improved roadway from Buhl to Wendell for all uses; protecting environmental and cultural sites; minimizing negative impact on residences and utilities, and coming up with a cost-effective plan.

The project is sponsored by Idaho Transportation Department, the Buhl and Wendell highway districts and the city of Buhl.

Blaine commissioners to discuss Glimet project

HAILEY - Blaine County commissioners will hold a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Old County Courthouse to consider a conditional use permit application affecting property in the Glimet subdivision.

In-Nay Investment Trust wants to expand and convert an existing barn at 122 Bear Run to an accessory dwelling unit.

Weekend scuffle leads to arrests, hospitalization

BURLEY - A fight Saturday night in a crowd of youths resulted in the arrest of three people and a trip to the hospital for one. A Cassia County deputy responded to a fight at Century 21 on Overland Avenue in Burley, where an estimated 40 to 50 young people were gathered in groups of four or five, with some yelling and pushing going on within each group, a police report said.

Jason Clyde Radabaugh, 19, of Heyburn, Wayne Lynn Page, 23, of Clearfield, Utah, and Douglas James Robbins, 40, of Burley were charged with disturbing the peace after deputies alleged they saw them hit one another, the report said.

The fight appeared to be a continuation of one just minutes earlier at Y-Dell bowling alley in North Burley, the report said.

Stacy Terry suffered injuries and was taken to Cassia Regional Medical Center. Terry was released Sunday, hospital officials said.

Additional charges are pending, said Cassia County sheriff's Capt. Jim Higgins.

Minidoka bridge to be completed soon

RUPERT - Bridge construction on Idaho Highway 25 by the Minidoka County Fairground is scheduled to be completed by mid-December, said Lupe Gonzales, project inspector for the Rupert Division of Highways.

Delays were because of bad weather last winter. The contractor got behind and was not able to finish the project before water came into the canal in the spring, Gonzales said. The contractor had to wait until there was no water in the canal to resume work on the project.

Girl infected with E. coli ready to come home

BURLEY - Lucy Hyde, hospitalized since the first week of October with an E. coli infection, is scheduled to come home in about a week.

The 10-year-old Burley girl, daughter of Julie Hyde of Burley and Richard Hyde of Pocatello, was first listed in serious but stable condition at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. Her condition later worsened and she was put on a ventilator to help her breathe, as well as 24-hour dialysis and a heart monitor.

Health district officials will probably never know how Hyde came in contact with E. coli, said Cheryl Becker, epidemiologist for South Central District Health Department.

Compiled from staff reports

Warm weather keeps roads safer

By Brian Haynes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Unusually warm and dry weather during the Thanksgiving weekend kept crowded Magic Valley roads relatively safe, police said.

The region's highways and interstates still saw a normal smattering of crashes, most of which involved only minor injuries, Idaho State Police Lt. Rob Storm said.

One crash east of Rupert killed 86-year-old Lydia Wilkske of American Falls Saturday. That accident was blamed on inattentive driving, Storm said.

Wilkske died en route to Cassia Regional Medical Center after the pickup truck driven by her daughter rolled off Interstate 86 about eight miles east of the Interstate 84 junction. Her husband, William Wilkske, was in stable condition at Cassia Regional, and her daughter, 44-year-old Paulette Bronov, was upgraded to stable condition Monday after being moved from the intensive care unit.

While traffic during the four-day weekend kept state troopers busy, it seemed like an average holiday weekend, Storm said.

In Twin Falls, damp roads and eager holiday shoppers probably led to a few more fender benders than usual, Twin Falls police Sgt. Don Hall said.

Friday saw five crashes around town. Three of those happened between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. near the Magic Valley Mall or Blue Lakes Boulevard. All six crashes that were reported Saturday happened in the afternoon or evening, and four of those were along the city's commercial corridor.

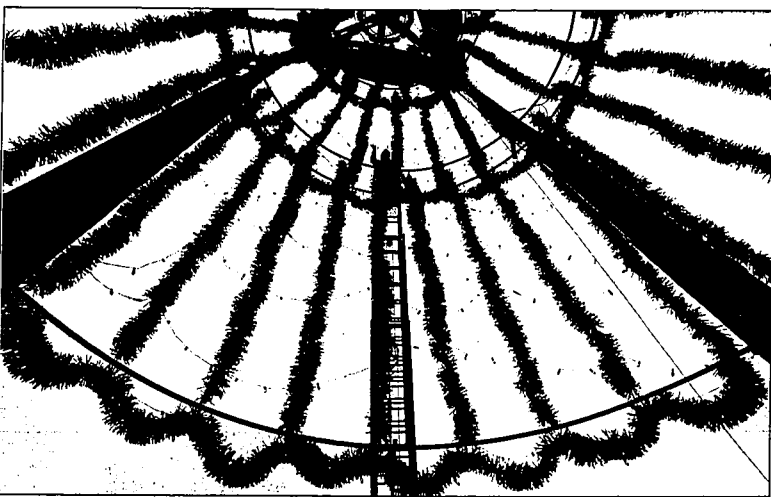
Police often see more motorists during the holidays because of the shopping season, and since many of those

motorists are thinking of other things, their minds aren't focused on driving, he said.

"They're trying to get from point A to point B in a hurry because there's a sale," Hall said. The problem is they do that at the expense of safe, defensive driving, he said.

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HOLIDAY CLIMB



Larry Moss, a worker with Lyle Signs, installs Christmas lights on the Wilson Bates clock near the intersection of Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Poeline Road Monday afternoon.

Feds pump money into sewer work

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

PAUL - Sewer projects here and around Idaho will get a boost, thanks to a grant program Sen. Mike Crapo set up through the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Dietrich will get \$110,000 for its sewer project. The money comes on the heels of another \$200,000 windfall Rep. Mike Simpson pushed through Congress for the project. Oakley will get \$78,500, Paul \$25,000 and Stanley \$315,000, by far the most allotted in the state.

Crapo, R-Idaho, called the grants "Project SEARCH," for Special Assistance for Regulations of Communities and Habitat. The money, \$1.3 million, will help small towns and rural communities pay to comply with federal regulations.

Paul city supervisor Rich Rau said he hopes to use the city's \$25,000 for a study of the wastewater system. Rau wants to evaluate and find solutions to problems in the collection system, treatment facility and land application.

Dietrich has worked for years on its project, but digging a large wastewater lagoon on what turned out to be rocky land has proved too much for volunteers with farm equipment.

The large sum heading to



Paul City Supervisor Richard Rau opens a transfer between two of three 10-acre treatment ponds for the City of Paul. Recently received grant money will be used on a feasibility study of expanding the city's waste treatment capacity.

Stanley is a small part of a \$1.6 million project to expand a wastewater treatment facility there and end a moratorium on new hookups, which has been in effect for more than three years.

The Stanley Sewer

Association, which had run a treatment facility on U.S. Forest Service land on a 30-year permit, will operate a newly expanded facility at a Sawtooth National Forest ranger station, said Forest Service spokesman

Ed Waldrop.

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Lathams look to expand with Pole Line business

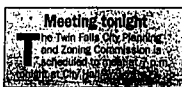
By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A family that owns a Twin Falls automobile dealership and car rental agency is looking to expand.

Bob Latham Sr. and his son, Bob Latham Jr., have proposed setting up another car rental and sales operation in Twin Falls.

The Lathams own and operate Latham Motors Inc. in Twin Falls.

They have requested a zoning change from a residential to commercial designation on



9.6 acres on the south side of the 600 block of Pole Line Road.

The Lathams want to operate a Hertz car rental franchise at the location and sell used automobiles there.

Their request will be heard by the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission tonight.

"We are planning on building a beautiful building with all the required landscaping and aesthetics," the Lathams' proposal says. "Russ Lively is our architect and we have requested him to design us the finest-looking car dealership in the Twin Falls area."

The land will also have a mechanic's shop and car-wash stalls.

The mechanic's shop will be designed for minor repairs, including tuneups and oil changes. Major repairs will be done at Latham Motors Inc.'s

automobile repair shop. The Lathams own the Hertz car rental franchise at the Joslin Field Magic Valley Regional Airport. That airport location would remain in operation, the Lathams' request says.

A city planning and zoning commission report lists some concerns with the proposal, though, including lighting at the business, approaches into the dealership and water drainage.

Those concerns will be discussed at tonight's meeting.

Two other items will be discussed tonight:

• James and Joanna Kingston are seeking a special-use permit to reestablish a second-hand store at 304 Blue Lakes Blvd.

• K.J. Med Inc. wants a special-use permit to establish a drive-through window at a pharmacy at 643 Elder Ave.

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Gooding bids TB hospital goodbye

By Sharon Metcalf
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - It's been a long time coming, and the job of tearing down Gooding's old state tuberculosis hospital is finally under way.

The demolition job, beginning this week, is expected to take about four months.

It's a project locals will watch with interest, and with mixed emotions.

"It's been an eyesore for so long that it's about time it came down," said Ida Clifford, an 89-year-old Gooding resident.

Clifford worked at the hospital in the late 1940s, preparing meals for patients. She had hoped the county

historical society might be able to use the building, but since that isn't possible, she said it's time for the old building to come down.

That might be easier said than done. The hospital, built in 1938 but largely vacant since 1970, was built to stand.

Some years ago, an access way attaching the building was demolished, and a photographer showed up to record the moment. But the old hospital

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Y2K bug won't bite Mini-Cassia too hard

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Unless a severe winter storm or other emergency happens to hit, the Mini-Cassia area has nothing to fear from Y2K.

The Mini-Cassia area can expect business as usual on Jan. 1, utility companies, bankers, emergency services and other area officials said at the Mini-Cassia Y2K and Emergency Preparedness Town Meeting Monday.

"Weather-related problems, a train wreck or something like Goose Creek threatening to flood are all kinds of things that could be emergency situations," said Doug Maughan, College of Southern Idaho pub-

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Census Bureau will soon test for recruits to do 2000 count

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Next spring's Census 2000 requires employees to help count residents. And testing is being held this week in Jerome to recruit the workers, who will go door-to-door to count residents who fail to fill out paperwork mailed to them by the U.S. Census Bureau. Every household will receive a form by mail during the last week of March. Close to two-thirds of the households return the questionnaire without reminder. But during the first part of April, census workers will go door-to-door to households that

didn't return the survey, and count the residents. Census numbers help determine how many seats states have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and how much federal funding cities receive. Business owners use the numbers to help determine where to locate factories, shopping centers, restaurants, theaters, banks and other services. Communities and cities use the information to help develop services and infrastructure. Testing is being conducted in Jerome to find workers to help with the census in Jerome County. Wages for local census jobs is expected to run \$8 to \$10 per hour. Employment should begin

late February or early March 2000, said Marjorie Schmidt, a Jerome City Council member. Dates, times and locations for the Jerome testing are as follows: * Today: 7 p.m., Sawtooth Inn, 3057 South Lincoln St. * Wednesday: 10 a.m., Sawtooth Inn, and Church of Christ, 5613 S. Buchanan. * Thursday: 7 p.m., Jerome County Courthouse, downstairs community meeting room. * Friday: 10 a.m., emergency medical services building, 240 E. Main. Anyone with questions can call local Census 2000 recruiter Terry Mortenson at 324-7353.

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas Reale can be reached in Jerome at 324-3670.

Salt Lake mayor hitches up with businessman

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Outgoing Salt Lake City Mayor Kermit Conradi has a new wife, a South Carolina businesswoman, John Huebner. Conradi, who leaves office in little more than a month after two scandal-plagued terms, got married Saturday at the Holiday United Church of Christ where his late father, Rev. Dr. Horace McMillen, was a pastor. "We are as happy as can be," said Conradi, posing for photographers in a crimson suit dress, a hue darker than the mayor's

trademark red business suit. "It was a beautiful wedding with 70 guests. It was a wonderful day." The ceremony was performed by France Davis, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, with music from the Utah Opera. Guests included Utah Jazz owner Larry Miller, former Utah Sen. Jake Garn, former congressman Wayne Owens, former Democratic Gov. Cecil Rampton, Salt Lake Police Chief Ruben Ortega, John W. Gallivan, publisher emeritus of The Salt Lake Tribune, and Conradi's

mother and two children. It was the mayor's third marriage. Her second to Salt Lake attorney Yan Ross ended in the wake of the so-called Giftgate scandal in which Conradi solicited \$231,000 from Utah business leaders to help pay a personal settlement in the bankruptcy of Bonneville Pacific Corp. Conradi, a company officer, sold his house and paid \$300,000 to avoid being named by a bankruptcy trustee in a lawsuit over the squandering of company assets.

SERVICES

Martha Meyer, of Paul, services at 11 a.m. today at the Paul Congregational Church (Hansen Mortuary Chapel).

Angelika "Angie" McAvoy, of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Dee Eugene 'Gene' Miller

BLISS - Dee Eugene "Gene" Miller, 77, of Bliss, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1999, at the Magic Valley Funeral Home. Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999, at Demary's Gooding Chapel with Pastor Bob Larsen officiating. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Family members and friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. on Friday at the Chapel. A complete obituary will appear on a later date.

Leola E. Corpron

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah - Leola Evelyn Seeds Corpron, 85, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and formerly of Burley, died Monday, Nov. 29, 1999, at the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1999, at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the Payne Mortuary 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

John Cortlett

BOISE - John Cortlett, 90, of Boise, died Sunday, Nov. 28,

1999, at a local care center. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, 1999, at St. Michael's Episcopal Cathedral in Boise. Cremation is under the direction of Alden Waggoner Funeral Chapel of Boise.

W. Duane Gerzuan

GREEN VALLEY, Ariz. - W. Duane Gerzuan, 77, of Green Valley, Ariz., died Saturday, Nov. 27, 1999, in Green Valley, Arizona. Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Dr. Leslie Fillmore

BURLEY - Dr. Leslie Fillmore, 84, of Burley, died Monday, Nov. 29, 1999, at the Payson View Care and Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements are pending under the direction of Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Helen Foreman

BURLEY - Helen Foreman, 69, of Burley, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1999, at the Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements are pending and are under the direction of Payne Mortuary in Burley.

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Della Quarstrom
Della Quarstrom, 85-year-old Burley resident, formerly of Declo, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1999, at Sunrise Care Center in Twin Falls. She was born June 1, 1914, in Hyrum, Utah, the daughter of Gustave and Marelida Quarstrom. Her family moved to a dry farm in the Salt River area in the early '20s. After a few difficult years there, they moved to Rupert, where Della attended school. When she was 15, her father died of consumption in the mine. Marelida married Gustave's good friend and employer, Ed Berlin, Della's brother, and they moved to Declo. Della cared for Ed and her mother until Marelida died in 1962. Della lived with her sister Lenna in Burley. While living in Burley, Della hoped care for her neighbors, Elsie. She also enjoyed working in the yard and garden. Della loved animals, and usually kept several vases.

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Walter C. Povlsen
Walter C. Povlsen, 73-year-old lifelong Burley resident, died Sunday, November 28, 1999, at his home in Burley. He was born February 19, 1926, at the Joseph Fremsted Hospital, which is now the Burley Care Center, in Burley, the fifth of seven children born to Robert and Mary Schroy Povlsen. Walter was raised on the family farm east of Burley. He attended grade school at Miller Elementary, and graduated from Burley High School in 1945. He was one of the seniors who was drafted mid-term into the U.S. Army. He took basic training at Fort Worth, Texas, and later served in the Philippines and Korea, where he was part of the occupation army. Discharged in November of 1946, Walt returned to Burley and farming. Walt married Shirley Lorenz on November 23, 1947. They married until 1958, at which time he was employed as a

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scaper the new high school before its opening, and were in the first graduating class in 1956. After graduation, he was employed at Saw-Mor Drive Store. In 1958, he married Sheila Dopsen. In 1959, the couple moved to Boise, where Ken took over the management of the Idaho Camera on Vista Avenue. He managed the store for the next 30 years, retiring on July 30, 1999. During those years, employees and customers became friends. The Reddy family offers Ken's many friends thanks for their support, and heartfelt condolences.

Ken is survived by his wife, Sheila Dopsen Reddy, a daughter, Michele Reddy Johnson, two sons, Richard "Rick" John Reddy, and daughter, Paris Hummer, and grandson, Jason Reddy, a sister, Lora Reddy Pimm, and two brothers, Robert Reddy and Donald Reddy. He was preceded in death by his parents, Margaret and John Reddy. Services will be held at Royal Funeral Chapel, 318 N. Latah, Boise, Idaho, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 1, graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Dec. 2, at Twin Falls Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Kuna City Library, Kuna, Idaho 83634.

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fieldman for the PCA. He owned and operated the Gulligan Soft Water Service from 1960 to 1963, and then returned to the PCA until 1969. Walt joined Cassia National Bank, which later became the Bank of Idaho. His banking career led him to Idaho Bank and Trust in 1975, where he managed the Overland branch. He retired from City Bank in 1990. Walt was a member of the Burley Lions Club and served as their president in 1977. He was also a member of the BPOC.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley of Burley, two daughters, Mrs. Bill (Catherine) Harwood of Portland, Oregon, and Mrs. Diane (Dorothy) of Boise, three sons, Rob (Debbie) Povlsen of Burley, John (Cindy) Povlsen of Heyburn, and Eric (Beth) Povlsen of Mendon; four sisters, Martha Babcock of Moses Lake, Washington, Paula Haycock of Dublin, Ohio, Lillian Gotsell of Denver, Colorado, and Mrs. Rob (Dorothy) Bank of Monterey, California, 13 grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and one brother, Frank Povlsen. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 1, 1999, at the Burley Second, Fourth and Tenth Ward Church, 515 E. 16th St., with Bishop Timothy Harris officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, on Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m., and at the church from 1 to 1:45 p.m. prior to the funeral on Wednesday.

The family suggests memorials given to the American Heart Association, 270 S. Orchard #B, Boise, ID 83705.

FAIRFIELD

Lola E. Brooks

Lola E. Brooks, 87, of Fairfield, Idaho, passed away on Saturday, November 27, 1999, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital. Lola was born Oct. 3, 1912, at Soldier, Idaho, and spent her entire life on the Camas Prairie. She attended Lincoln County School until the third grade, she then moved to Fairfield, and graduated from high school in 1930. She married Newell Brooks of Fairfield on June 10, 1933, in Gooding. In 1940 they moved to their home place, on which she resided until the time of her death. Survivors include one son, Duane Brooks of Fairfield, a grand son, Rovy, a great-granddaughter, Twilla, a sister, Letha Cox of Corneille, Ore., and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brother, sister, and granddaughter. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1999, at 2:30 p.m. at Demary's Gooding Chapel. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Friends may call on Wednesday from 9 a.m. until the time of the service.

JEROME

Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Arraignments and appearances

Cristian G. Capilla, 15, 455 Bob Barton, Jerome, resisting, obstructing officer; continued pretrial conference Dec. 15; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Donald Allen Grundvig, 38, 112 Eighth Ave., Jerome, possession of controlled substance; \$15,000 bond; pretrial hearing Wednesday; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Justin D. Suh, 18, P. O. Box 309, Hazelton, grand theft, malicious injury to property; \$5,000 bond; preliminary hearing Dec. 23; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Sentencings

Saul Garcia, 16, 225 S. 400 W., Jerome, malicious injury to property; 20 hours' community service; Magistrate Judge John F. Varin.

Dismissals

Joanna Sophia Acosta, 41, 1165 Main, Bellevue, transportation of open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Johnny Ray Andoe, 34, 678 North Road, Jerome, transportation of open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

James Frank Bueno, 36, 2521 Irving St., Denver, possession of controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Senate Dale Eskridge, 19, 325 Madison, Twin Falls, transportation of open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Melvin Phenoxy Foster, 29, 240 Carol Drive, No. 2, Blackfoot; transportation of open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Gundulpe Ortiz-Riofrio, 37, P. O. Box 1061, Bellevue, transportation of open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

Pedro Guzman-Vargas, 24, 218 W. Ave. I, Jerome, transportation of open container; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; no proof of insurance; no safety restraint (child under four); no safety restraint; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

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chase/invalid driver's license; no proof of insurance; no safety restraint (child under four); no safety restraint; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge John M. Melanson.

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KUNA

John Kenneth 'Ken' Reddy

John Kenneth "Ken" Reddy, 62, of Kuna, died at home on Nov. 27, 1999, after a long fight with cancer. Ken was born on Aug. 5, 1937, in Pocatello, Idaho. In 1942, the family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where Ken attended Lincoln Grade School. Twin Falls Junior High School, and Twin Falls Junior High School. He and his cousin, Eugene "Sonny" Conner Jr., helped land-

Judge sentences banker to jail

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A former assistant manager at West One Bank's Burley branch, later renamed The Bank, was sentenced in U.S. District Court Monday for arranging a \$47,000 loan for another person, and then using the funds himself. Gummerson was sentenced to one month in jail, and five years on supervised release, with the first five months on home detention. In addition, Gummerson will serve 150 hours of community service, and he must pay \$315,000 in restitution, as well as a \$100 special assessment.

Gummerson had faced five charges of misapplication of funds and five charges of making false statements on loan applications with several customers. In September all charges were dropped but one in exchange for a guilty plea to a remaining

count of misapplication. Before a plea agreement had been reached, Gummerson faced a maximum of 30 years in prison for each count, five years of supervised release and a \$1 million fine.

Bank officials became suspicious of Gummerson in the spring of 1997, according to a federal court document filed by Gummerson's defense attorney Fredlynn Sison. After an investigation, officials confronted Gummerson, and he confessed to obtaining at least \$325,000 through fraud, and making false information on loan documents, according to court records.

More than \$600,000 in misapplied funds have been recovered since then, according to court documents.

Gummerson filed a civil suit in 1997 in Cassia County against the U.S. Bank, on allegations stemming from the criminal charges. The lawsuit alleges that the bank exhibited "deviation from reasonable standards of

conduct," according to court documents.

Gummerson is seeking reimbursement after the bank seized the contents of his safety deposit box, his checking account funds and belongings from his desk, and only partially compensated him for his financial losses and benefits. The lawsuit also seeks damages for defamation.

The bank contends that Gummerson is responsible for warranting such actions, since he breached his contract with the bank in committing fraud, and confessed to the allegations brought before him upon questioning, according to court documents.

A recent hearing in the civil case has been canceled, and a new date has yet to be set at the convenience of the court and council.

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CHRISTMASTIME FOREST



Calvin Anderson inspects the Christmas trees at the family's lot on Overland Ave. in Burley. The Andersons' have been selling Christmas trees for 10 years.

Attorney's illegal elk shooting case is on hold more than a year later

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — More than a year after wildlife agents accused a prominent Salt Lake attorney of illegally shooting elk, the case has yet to be prosecuted.

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources says it has solid evidence against Reed L. Martineau, 67, a senior partner with the Salt Lake City law firm Snow, Christensen & Larson and former president of the Utah Bar Association.

On Nov. 14, 1998, conservation officers found an elk shot to death on or near Martineau's sprawling ranch in a lush Sanpete County valley. Investigators interviewed Martineau but said he did not produce the required permits to shoot moose game.

In the year since the shootings, Sanpete County officials twice contacted with Martineau's firm for county legal work, setting up a conflict of interest that left the county unwilling to prosecute.

Neighboring Sevier County, which has an agreement to take on Sanpete cases that present conflicts, also has taken no action.

So the case is languishing, frustrated wildlife officials told The Salt Lake Tribune in a story published Sunday.

The paper said Martineau professed ignorance of the incident and refused to answer a list of questions faxed to his office.

"I don't know anything about it," he said.

Wildlife officials say the shooting marks the second time in two years the agency has investigated an elk slaughter allegedly involving Martineau.

In November 1997, Price-based game officers discovered three cow elk and a bull illegally killed on land owned or controlled by Martineau in Carbon County.

But insufficient evidence was gathered to charge any suspects, said DWR Lt. Mike Milburn.

State officials question

Martineau's initial explanation for the deaths of the Sanpete County elk, said Robert Elsworth, chief of law enforcement for the Division of Wildlife Resources.

Martineau "had a story that someone shot the elk and he ran them off, then shot one and he ran it. We found that hard to believe. All the bullets came from the same gun," Elsworth said.

DWR officials filed a report with Sanpete County prosecutors requesting charges for wildlife violation. But Sanpete County had hired Martineau's firm to defend an employment-related lawsuit, setting up the conflict of interest, said Mike Jorgensen, an assistant county attorney.

Jorgensen said he intended to file charges against Martineau once the first civil matter was settled, but by then, another employment dispute arose and the county again hired the Martineau firm.

Vandals apparently out to ruin hybrid trees in university lab

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — For the second time in a week, Washington State University's research center in Pullman has been vandalized, school officials said Sunday.

Vandals who apparently intended to destroy hybrid poplar trees instead destroyed some raspberry bushes, school officials said.

Last weekend, a radical animal rights group claimed responsibility for vandalizing a poultry lab at the Pullman Research and Education Center, causing tens of thousands of dollars in damage.

"It's a public research facility and we are out in the open," said James Zaitches, dean of the WSU College of Agriculture.

The Pierce County sheriff's office is investigating. No arrests have been made, Zaitches said.

Zaitches could not put a financial estimate on the latest attack, but said the primary damage is in lost research.

The attack occurred late Saturday or early Sunday, and a group calling itself the Washington Tree Improvement Association claimed responsibility in an e-mail obtained by WSU

officials Sunday.

The message said that WSU's groves of genetically modified poplar trees, also called cottonwoods, threatened native forests.

But, in what appears to be case of mistaken identity, the vandals cut into a screen house and destroyed raspberry bushes, school officials said.

Plant pathologist Peter Brinow said about 180 of 200 raspberry plants he was studying were dumped on the floor and stomped. The plants were being grown for experiments this summer to battle red raspberry cane diseases. Washington produces most of the nation's red raspberries.

Bristow said the vandalism could cost a year's research.

University officials said WSU has done research on hybrid poplars, and the fast-growing trees are grown on 50,000 acres of plantations throughout the state. They are used as sources of fiber to make paper and some specialty woods.

The technology is some 50 years old, and does not involve genetic manipulation of the

trees, WSU officials said.

Zaitches said the tree plantations are an alternative to logging trees where endangered species may live.

There is no "transgenic" research being performed at the Pullman center, said director Dean Glawe.

"Obviously, if someone cannot tell the difference between a raspberry bush and a poplar tree, they're not doing too well environmentally," Glawe said in a news release.

In the earlier attack on the poultry disease diagnostic lab, the North American Animal Liberation Front said it was attacking animal research. But Glawe said the poultry lab conducts no research on animals, focusing instead on food safety for consumers.

The vandals "destroyed research equipment, poured chlorine throughout the building and spray-painted slogans on walls, including the letters 'ALF.'"

Most of the damage was in the Arvin Hensh Laboratory, where researchers perform tests on eggs, egg products and chickens to ensure they're safe for consumption.

Salt Lake hops with Olympic building

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The warm salt in Utah's weeks has been a boon for Olympic venue construction which remains on schedule for a full season, despite earlier delays.

"The longer construction operates helped our progress," said Jerry Anderson, Salt Lake Organizing Committee managing director of venue development.

"We went through some of the normal construction ups and downs this year. In some phases of our projects we fell a week or two behind. But the better weather helped us maintain our schedule."

Construction projects include development of ski jumps at the Utah Winter Sports Park and the beginning of major site work for an enclosed speed skating oval at Kearns and the Soldier Hollow cross-country and biathlon courses at Wasatch Mountain State Park in the Heber Valley.

Sevenhatch and Deer Valley ski resorts made significant progress

preparing for alpine-skiing events.

"It really made a difference for us to have that extra six weeks of not working so doggy mountains on the mountain," said Chuck English, Deer Valley mountain operations manager.

Here is a venue-by-venue update on the construction season yielded:

- Utah Winter Sports Park: Crews are molding the surface for the 90- and 120-meter jumps. Crews also have laid foundations and erected the steel superstructure for the "inrun" ramps that jumpers descend to take the start. A chairlift that will move jumpers to the hilltop was installed, construction began on buildings at the new ski jump and a massive grading job was completed. The base, where temporary stadiums will be set up for an estimated 20,000 Olympic spectators.
- Utah Olympic Village: That of Transportation also wrapped up

most of the preparatory work for a new, more direct access road from 5 State Road 240. The road should be completed next year, when SLOC intends to finish building the jumps and a judge's tower.

- Kearns speed skating oval: The foundation has been laid for the new facility and an adjacent administration building. The enclosed oval should start taking shape next spring when steel beams are erected for the cable-suspension jumps. Crews will hold up the 300-foot-by-650-foot building. Interior work will proceed through next summer.
- Soldier Hollow: Grading was completed and snowmaking lines installed for 18 miles of trails, bridges and underpasses. The base area, where a two-story administration building and a temporary stadium will be built, also were graded in anticipation of construction next summer. The biathlon shooting range is being set up.

Construction keeps gravel pits hopping

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — The construction of a new house takes about 120 tons of sand, gravel and concrete, keeping gravel pits busy in Utah.

But gravel operations are scraping alluvial deposits from the knees of the same mountain ranges where people are making their new homes.

And unhappy residents are forming citizens' committees, filing lawsuits and lobbying for stricter controls on gravel pits.

"These people treat me like I am some kind of pornographer or a dope pusher," said Kent Brinow of Towers, Sand & Gravel in Pleasant View. "I have never had to work so hard to make a living in my life."

Pleasant View faces two lawsuits over the operation of gravel pits in a suit filed Oct. 12. Citizens for Improved Quality of Life asserts the city is not enforcing ordinances

at Butters' pit.

The Greater Wasatch area will have to provide housing for an additional 363,000 households over the next 20 years, according to the planning group Envirogen Utah.

But as gravel operators dig in, residents are increasingly complaining about the dust, rock crushing and heavy, thundering trucks.

"People don't like gravel pits but love patriotism," said Rich Thorn, executive vice president of the Associated General Contractors.

A state "dust patrol" regularly inspects Wasatch Front gravel pits and is keeping a close eye on limestone pits in the mountains, where heavy trucks keep the dust down.

Other dust-minimizing tricks include driving trucks slowly, wetting trucks down before the loads leave the site and planting vegetation to hold the ground down.

Local governments will have a hand in the state-funded demotion.

The city of Gooding is providing a dump site near the airport and backfill for the project. The county will provide \$5,000 toward purchase of a Caterpillar for the site.

Gooding County officials accepted a state offer to retain deed of the boiler room in back of the building, because garbage attached could be used for storage.

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lic information officer, who moderated the meeting.

If a severe winter storm or other emergency occurs off the power for an extended period, not many public shelters in the area could run without electricity, said Terry Bingham, emergency services coordinator for Cassia County.

"People are pretty much on their own," Bingham said.

He recommended people have a 72-hour kit prepared ahead of time. The kit should include a three-day supply of food and small candles to heat a can of food, Bingham said.

"A hot meal does a lot for the morale," he said.

He warned against using a propane or charcoal barbecue as other heat source that would replace oxygen with carbon monoxide indoors.

If the emergency lasts longer than three days, people should be prepared to move to a shelter with a sleeping bag and a backpack with a change of clothes and personal items, Bingham said.

Actual power shortages or out-

ages brought on by the YZK bug are unlikely. Idaho Power Co., United Electric Co-op and other utilities are prepared.

"We've been actively preparing to make sure we have a contingency plan and we feel comfortable that we are prepared," said Curtis Peterson of United Electric.

A team of 20 full-time employees will be on site in 1998 to make sure Idaho Power is ready for YZK, company spokesman Dan Olmstead said.

The team identified and tested 13 critical systems in the western power grid and sent regulatory compliance letters to the government, Olmstead said. The power system will have 300 employees working Dec. 31 and all line crews will be on call in case a winter storm comes through.

"We don't anticipate western grid problems nor problems from any other grids around the country," he said.

During system testing, equipment at major "tie-points" that may have caused problems was replaced, he said.

Electric buys power from the Bonneville

Power Administration.

"On April 9 they performed a test and passed with flying colors," Peterson said.

Power at Cassia Regional Medical Center will also not be a problem, said Brian Hickenlooper, financial director of the hospital. In case of a loss of power the hospital has backup generators with a fuel supply that should last up to two weeks, he said. The generators are tested every other week.

Project Mutual Telephone also has a number of backup generators to operate the phone system, PMT's Pat Campbell said.

"If everyone at the stroke of midnight picks up their phone, the network can't handle that kind of capacity," he said. "Wait a couple hours to make calls."

Banks are ready for YZK, said Brenda Sanford of DL Evans bank.

"The safest place for your money is in the bank, where it is insured," Sanford said.

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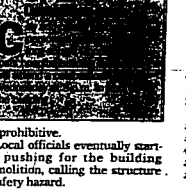
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wouldn't keep its date with the working ball, which simply bounced off the structure.

The building itself was not quite so resilient.

The last of many attempts to save the hospital building came in 1998, as Joe Herring of Region IV Development Corp. discussed using the building as a business incubator. Herring identified funding sources for renovating but found the day-to-day operating costs for the huge building to



be prohibitive.

Local officials eventually started pushing for the building demolition, calling the structure a safety hazard.

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Feds halt shipments to WIPP

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — The federal government has suspended shipments of nuclear waste from Idaho and other states to its New Mexico dump until the temporary storage sites can prove what is in the barrels.

A state permit for the waste, challenged both by environmentalists and the Department of Energy, is now in effect. The Energy Department expected to use it to begin shipping plutonium-contaminated waste also tainted with other hazardous substances to the underground Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad.

Without the document, only radioactive waste unaccompanied by other materials has been shipped to the \$2 billion facility from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and other sites.

But because of the restrictions the state has slapped on shipment of the so-called mixed waste, which accounts for the bulk of the low-level-but-long-lasting radioactive material stored around the nation, nothing more is moving.

It will take several weeks for the Energy Department to audit each site that generates waste and report to new Mexico Environment Department. The state must then review those reports to ensure each site complies with the permit's waste disposal requirements, state spokesman Nathan Wade said.

A federal spokesman said the government hoped to resume shipments in January, but Wade called that "highly unlikely."

According to a federal official, Rocky Flats in Colorado, Hanford in Washington and INEL should all be ready to ship sometime this winter.

But if the certification process is drawn out to six or seven months, each site could be significant delays in the government's ability to clean up the radioactive mess left from nuclear weapons production, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.



Colorado Lt. Gov. Joe Rogers, fourth from the left, is flanked by leaders and elders of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe as he listens to speakers at a ceremony for the 135th anniversary of the Sand Creek Massacre Monday on the steps of the state Capitol in Denver. Speakers at the ceremony urged Congress to buy the land where the massacre took place and make it a national memorial.

Indians ask for reparations

Group marks anniversary of 1864 massacre that killed nearly 200

DENVER (AP) — Lt. Gov. Joe Rogers and relatives of Sand Creek massacre victims asked federal officials on Monday to honor the government's treaty with the Southern Cheyenne and pay reparations for the 1864 attack on one of their villages.

Dozens of Northern Cheyenne, Southern Arapaho and other descendants of the Southern Cheyenne tribe marked the 135th anniversary of the attack in a healing ceremony on the steps of the state Capitol. They also urged Congress to buy the massacre site and designate it a national memorial.

On Nov. 9, 1864, Colorado Militia members surrounded an encampment of Cheyenne and Arapaho Indians and killed nearly 200, mostly women and children. The attack later was condemned by Congress and military tri-

bunals as a national disgrace.

"It's been a long time coming, this healing we want to do," said Lee Lone Bear, whose ancestor, White Antelope, was among the first killed at Sand Creek.

Rogers said the attack is symbolic of injustices that continue today. "The massacre at Sand Creek we have not repaid... yet that is what we should do," he said.

Don Shoulderblade, a spokesman for the Northern Cheyenne in Lame Deer, Mont., praised more than a dozen members of remnants of the tribe who participated in a Spiritual Healing Run from the site of the attack about 140 miles southeast of Denver to the Capitol.

"It's a spiritual healing for our people that suffered losses," he told about 200 people. "We prayed as we ran so we could start new."

Karen Wilde Rogers, Colorado commissioner for Indian Affairs, said the march and ceremony were sponsored by the Northern Cheyenne because descendants of the Southern Cheyenne were scattered among a half dozen tribes after the attack.

Lone Bear said the remaining tribal members are struggling with problems including alcohol and drugs. He said the tribes are upset that the government never paid promised reparations for the attack.

Steven Brady, president of the Northern Cheyenne Sand Creek Descendants, said 20 percent of the tribe was wiped out, "the ultimate act of genocide." He said the Indian nations are still sovereign and said the U.S. government "will deal with us government to government whether they like it or not."

Bridge builders face wetlands fine

BOISE (AP) — Federal regulators on Monday proposed slapping the Ada County Highway District and a contractor with a \$25,000 fine for damaging sensitive wetlands during construction of a bridge across the Boise River.

"We were sort of anticipating it coming," Interim Highway District Director Jim Thompson said. "We do look forward to a speedy conclusion."

The Environmental Protection Agency notified the district four weeks ago that it and contractor

Concrete Paving Co. Inc. had violated the Clean Water Act by dredging and discharging materials into the river and failing to put a barrier around a sensitive, albeit small, wetlands area.

"A highway district ought to know better, especially since the district had adequate funding, a professional and capable staff and very specific permit directions regarding where it could and could not place fill in the Boise River," EPA Regional Administration Chuck Clarke said in a statement.

Clarke pointed out that the violations occurred after two meetings with the Army Corps of Engineers on terms of the federal construction permit for the \$8.3 million project on the city's east side.

The district has 30 days to request a formal hearing on the complaint and proposed fine. Thompson said local officials will discuss their options later this week in what he called "some miscommunication among us all, a totally unintended miscommunication."

Tribe gains control of water releases to save fish

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Tribal leaders entered the first agreement of its kind with the U.S. government on Monday, assuming significant control of water resources off their reservation in an effort to save endangered fish.

"It is a big deal," said Norm Harry, chairman of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe based in Nixon, Nev.

"It will enable us to meet the needs of the 21st century while restoring this historic, but fragile environment," he said.

Harry signed the agreement along the banks of the Truckee River with representatives of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Reclamation and Bureau of

Indian Affairs.

It gives the tribe the lead role in scheduling releases of water from two Truckee River reservoirs to benefit the endangered cut-throat (pronounced "koo-wee") and threatened Lahontan cutthroat trout.

"From my view, it is precedent setting," said Betsy Niekke, area manager for the Bureau of Reclamation and former assistant U.S. Interior secretary.

It's the first time the government has voluntarily turned over the scheduling of water releases for fish to a tribe when the lake is located outside the reservation boundaries, she said.

"The Fish and Wildlife Service is turning over a piece of its

Endangered Species Act responsibilities to the tribe," she said.

The tribe has fished the high desert lake about 30 miles northeast of Reno for thousands of years.

Located within the reservation, the lake is one of the last remnants of the prehistoric inland sea, Lake Lahontan, that once covered most of the Great Basin stretching from Nevada to Oregon, Idaho and Utah.

Panel suspects but can't prove collusion

BOISE (AP) — The attorney general's special task force on gasoline prices suspects industry collusion could be keeping Idaho pump prices among the nation's highest, but the nine-member panel cannot prove it.

"It's not impossible that there may be some collusion," former Attorney General Jim Jones said after the advisory committee discussed the initial draft of its report behind closed doors on Monday.

"The prices move largely in tandem," said Jones, who threatened and jumbled the oil industry into lowering prices twice while he was attorney general in the 1980s.

"I don't think we will have any information that will allow us to conclude that there's any collusion," the committee chairman said. "We haven't had the ability to look at whether there's been collusion or not. But I think we feel there is some grounds for not ruling it out."

Idaho pump prices for regular unleaded gas jumped from less than a dollar a gallon in January to \$1.49 in September to become the highest in the nation.

The industry has blamed high Idaho prices on geography, local economics and competitive circumstances, and Jones said the report, to be submitted to Attorney General Al Lance in mid-December, essentially agreed. He said the report will reflect in large part the findings

of a similar probe this summer and fall in California.

There, Attorney General Bill Lockyer found motorists paid \$1.3 billion more for fuel this year than had they lived in more competitive states. But Lockyer said he could find no evidence of criminal or civil violations in a system where supplies are manipulated to produce the highest price.

"That is business," he concluded. "That is the American way." The industry tried to quell skepticism among the Idaho committee members about its inability to say what it costs to make a gallon of gasoline by comparing it to a butcher shop that buys beef for a price and then sells the various cuts from hamburger to prime rib for widely divergent prices.

"There's no way to determine what it costs to make each of those cuts," spokesman Jim Cannon said. "It's the market that determines."

And Jones agreed that the retail scheme in Idaho is "more a function of what people will pay, what the traffic will bear."

But he raised new questions about why the total of refining costs and margin — the difference between the wholesale price and the combination of fluctuating crude oil and stable pipeline costs — nearly tripled from 13 cents a gallon to 38 cents a gallon from January to August when crude oil prices only doubled.

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Visions of sugar plums Burley girl dances as Clara in 'The Nutcracker' ballet

BURLEY - "The Nutcracker" ballet is a story of holiday dreams and fantasy. For one Burley youngster, the ballet probably is a dream come true as she takes on a large part in the production.

Whitney Liz Goodrich of Burley is Clara in the annual Christmas ballet, "The Nutcracker," set Dec. 11 and Dec. 13 at the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Farke Ave. The ballet is presented by students of Centre Stage Studios of Dance and Performing Arts and directed by Jennifer Sager.

Tickets

The Nutcracker will be performed on Dec. 11 and 13 at the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Farke Ave. Tickets are \$9 for general seating and \$25 for two patron of the arts tickets. Patrons will be listed in the program. Reservations can be made by calling 436-6484.

Twelve-year-old Goodrich auditioned for the leading role in September. She has been attending rehearsals in Utah with professional performers Polly Greer of Spanish Fork, Utah, who will dance the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy, and Nathan Cottom of New Jersey as the Cavalier. Whitney Liz is the daughter of Clyde and Jill Goodrich of Burley.

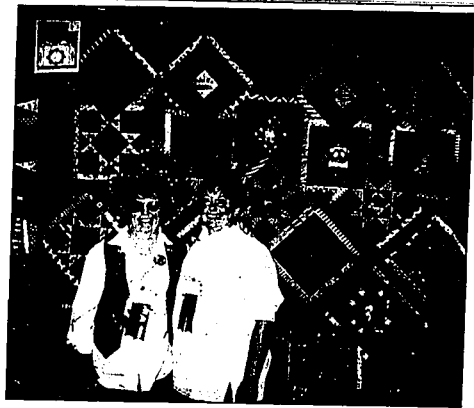
Other local performers include Mattie Washburn as Fritze, Jeanette Baker as Mother Ginger, Richard Call as Herr Drosselmeyer and Annette and Doug Hansen as Clara's parents.

Centre Stage students in leading roles are Kimiko Noriyuki as the Snow Queen, Jessica Beck and Amanda Moyes as ballerina dolls, Laia Anderson and Andrea Moyes as soldier dolls, Elizabeth Belliston and Amy Thomas as the little Jester and Hilary Parish and Sara Barclay as the Dew Drop soloists.

The ballet is making a debut performance at the King Fine Arts Center with new scenery and a new look, organizers say.



Whitney Liz Goodrich of Burley debuts as Clara in the traditional Christmas ballet 'The Nutcracker' next month. Photo courtesy of Jennifer Sager.



Jolene Norman, left, of Twin Falls and Claire Fenton of Louisiana won a first-place award at an International quilt competition this fall in Houston, Texas. Photo courtesy of Jolene Norman.

Area woman wins honors at international quilt show

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls woman sewed up a first place in an international quilting competition.

Jolene Norman, of Twin Falls, with quilting partner, Claire Fenton, of Houma, La., won first place in the two-person division at the 1999 "Quilts: A World of Beauty," annual judged show of the International Quilt Association, held this October in Houston, Texas.

Norman and Fenton's quilt, titled, "Every Picture Tells a Story," took top honors in the two-person division, sponsored by Quilter's Rule International.

The two women became friends after Fenton received a colorful square on her birthday from Norman, who began quilting 26 years ago.

The two women mail quilt pieces back and forth, visit a couple of times a year and attend classes and quilting conferences together.

"Every Picture Tells a Story," is an illustration of the Norman and Fenton's lives, including squares depicting their spouses' interests. A fish represents Norman's husband's passion for angling, and a running man depicts Fenton's husband.

Norman and Fenton say they began entering regional and local quilt shows about a year ago and the International Quilt Association Show is their first large-scale quilting contest.

There were more than 350 finalists in the competition that attracted hundreds of entries from around the world, the association says. Their quilt was displayed with other entries at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston.

THE SHOW GOES ON



Young thespians from the Wendell Middle School drama club rehearse for the comedy 'Dirtta Control.' The students are Brooks Hendix, Veronica Phillips, Jenna Ryan, Lynze Tolle, Andrew Coleman, Alexia Davis, Jesse Koozman, Shantel Harrel, Tyler Anderson, Ryan Wakefield, David Gorzales, Maddie Jackson, Cynthia Rivera and Rachel Locher. The production was about a teenage girl and her friends who learn a valuable lesson about responsibility. The one-time performance on Nov. 17 by the seventh- and eighth-graders was directed by drama teacher Leah Scott at Wendell High school. Photo courtesy of Leah Scott.

NEW HOME

Kimberly Mayor Jim Sorensen and Rock Creek Fire District board chairman Jack Claborn cut the ribbon to open the new fire station Nov. 11 while Kimberly City Council and fire district members watch. The new station, located on Highway 30 on the north side of Kimberly, houses eight fire trucks, one van and a hazardous materials trailer. The jointly-owned fire station also has space for an office, a conference room and two storage rooms and better street access than the two locations the departments were working out of in the past, they say. The fire fighters from the city and district are mostly volunteers.



Stan Standall brought his son's 4-H guide dog to a Veterans Day program at Bliss Elementary to get the dog used to crowds. Photo courtesy of Stan Standall.

Youngsters train guide pups

By Daro Jensen
Times-News correspondent

BLISS - An extra visitor showed up at the recent Veterans Day program at Bliss Elementary School.

Stan Standall brought his son's 4-H guide dog to the event as part of the dog's training. That is, so the pup can get used to crowds, Standall says.

Marshall Standall, a member of Tomorrow's Leaders 4-H Club, has one of eight guide dog pups being trained in Jerome, Twin Falls and Gooding counties this year. The pups are placed in private homes, usually for 12 to 15 months, to help train them in the art of house manners. To vary the training, the club also has developed a scavenger hunt.

The dogs' handlers have three weeks to complete a number of tasks with the animals. One of those tasks is to attend an event where at least 50 people are in the crowd.

Guide Dogs for the Blind of San Rafael, Calif. is the organization furnish-

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For additional information about the 4-H Guide Dog program, call Laurie Day at 324-8283.

ing the pups. The group says it places about 900 puppies a year. About 40 to 50 percent of the dogs complete the program and go on to become guide dogs for the visually impaired.

There strict requirements related to the dog's health and disposition. Last year, Marshall's guide dog in training was dropped from the program because it had too much energy.

After completing the house instruction, the pup returns to California or Oregon for five months of professional training. Every effort is made to match the trained dog with the recipient, organizers say. An additional two to four weeks training is required before the dog is sent home with the visually-impaired new owner.

TWIN FALLS COMMUNITY HONOR STUDENTS



Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Public Schools

O'Leary Junior High School named its October Students of the Month. The students were selected by their teachers in one of the following categories: technology, fine arts, athletics or community. The students were honored at a recent celebration. They are, from left to right, back row: Anna Blackwood, Jason Hobbs, Hans Helling, Jeff Crandall, Bethany Krumm, Carissa Mayhew, Jamie Edwards, Stephanie Wilkins, Jessica Thors, Ethan Apter, Jason Pasy, Zachary Fahn, Randi May, Ole Walsh, Colby Puffer, Eric Kerndson, Chris Speirs, Bachlan Phan. Seated: Whitney Schaal, Justin Ellis, Robble Hanehey, Caitlin Stanley, Lindsay Treanor and Kampton Cox.

County fair lists more winners

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls County Extension Service announced results from the Twin Falls County Fair.

Sheep Market
Class 7 - Brian Cowger, Red Ribbon; Rhon Hanning, Red Ribbon; Eric Kohler, Red Ribbon; Kresley Robinson, Red Ribbon; Jesus Rosas, Red Ribbon; Cassie J. Jessica Alexander, Blue Ribbon; Brandon Houn, Blue Ribbon; Sadie Champion, Blue Ribbon; Janet Hurley, Red Ribbon; Lauren Kline, Blue Ribbon; Michael Sharp, Blue Ribbon; Ashley Stevens, Blue Ribbon; Tara Winkie, Blue Ribbon; Amber Anderson, Red Ribbon; Gene Griffith, Red Ribbon; Klarna Hawkins, Red Ribbon; Alex Hines, Red Ribbon; Jordan Singer, Red Ribbon; Michael Papp, Red Ribbon; Kelly Lynn, Red Ribbon; Justin Sagar, Red Ribbon; Cheryl Griffith, Blue Ribbon; Cody Hurley, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Daniel Lopez, Blue Ribbon; Stephanie Odozer, Blue Ribbon; Christy Sailor, Blue Ribbon; Joe Thompson, Blue Ribbon; Joe Hurley, Red Ribbon; Michael Kinnip, Red Ribbon; Whitney Odozer, Red Ribbon; Megan Ostersberg, Red Ribbon; Megan Papp, Red Ribbon; Danielle Pinther, Red Ribbon; Danie Robinson, Red Ribbon; Kelly Stout, Red Ribbon; Class 10 - Megan Alexander, Blue Ribbon; Jennifer Dantonio, Blue Ribbon; Erin Ferlic, Blue Ribbon; Amanda Fleming, Blue Ribbon; Melia Kimball, Blue Ribbon; Zack Kline, Blue Ribbon; Allison Koopman, Blue Ribbon; Kelly Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Justin Meacham, Blue Ribbon; Larry Moore, Blue Ribbon; Blue Ribbon; Kanyan, Blue Ribbon; Kay West, Blue Ribbon; Janie Asker, Red Ribbon; Megan Berka, Red Ribbon; Ryan Black, Red Ribbon; Brian Cowger, Red Ribbon; Becky Dantonio, Red Ribbon; Kerly Herringer, Red Ribbon; Joe Hurley, Red Ribbon; Danielle Pinther, Red Ribbon; Kelly Stout, Red Ribbon.

Sheep Breeding
Suffolk Ram - Allison Koopman, Blue Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Cheryl Griffith, Red Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Saffron Feurly, Red Ribbon; Danielle Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Brandon

Loun, Blue Ribbon; Kelsey Cone, Blue Ribbon; Erin Ferlic, Blue Ribbon; Cheryl Griffith, Blue Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Erin Ferlic, Red Ribbon; Allison Koopman, Red Ribbon; Ewe Lamb - Kati Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Logan Chopyack, Blue Ribbon; Kelsey Cone, Blue Ribbon; Cheryl Griffith, Blue Ribbon; Joe Hurley, Blue Ribbon; Joe Hurley, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Katie Sailor, Blue Ribbon; Janie Asker, Red Ribbon; Kati Berriochio, Red Ribbon; Kirtie Berriochio, Red Ribbon; Lauren Jeter, Red Ribbon; Allison Koopman, Red Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Red Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Red Ribbon; Suffolk Pair, Ewe - Allison Koopman, Blue Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Kati Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Kirtie Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Suffolk Single, Ewe - Allison Koopman, Blue Ribbon; Kelli Lynn, Blue Ribbon; Melissa McCoy, Blue Ribbon; Horn Performance
Wester - Pleasure, 15-19 - Heaven Canoy, Blue Ribbon; Tay Dennis, Blue Ribbon; Amber Dewitt, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Blue Ribbon; Sarah Eckstein, 8-10 - Blue Ribbon; Sarah Eckstein, 8-10 - Blue Ribbon; Amanda Hanchey, Blue Ribbon; Austin Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Sarah Eckstein, 13-14 - Echo Fry, Blue Ribbon; Alexis Turner, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Jolene Wayne, Blue Ribbon; Amber Dewitt, Blue Ribbon; Stephanie Martin, Red Ribbon; Kirtie Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; English Education, 8-12 - Ely Slifer, Red Ribbon; English Education, 13-19 - Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Kirtie Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; English Pleasure - Jennifer Dennis, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Ely Slifer, Red Ribbon; Reining, 6-12 - Lindsey Brown, Blue Ribbon; Echo Fry, Blue Ribbon; Austin Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Teresa Jones, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Siac Vogt, Blue Ribbon;

Andrea Fritz, Red Ribbon; Ashley Medina, Red Ribbon; Chelsea Demarco, White Ribbon; Amanda Hanchey, White Ribbon; Reining, 14-18 - Jayne Bahman, Blue Ribbon; Jackelyn Bruhn, Blue Ribbon; Kati Berriochio, Blue Ribbon; Melissa Wely, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Reining, 15-19 - Tay Dennis, Blue Ribbon; Amber Dewitt, Blue Ribbon; Dina Dudley, Blue Ribbon; Kinsey Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Will Varin, Blue Ribbon; Mathew Freeman, Red Ribbon; Western Riding, 8-12 - Echo Fry, Blue Ribbon; Amanda Hanchey, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Alexis Turner, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Greg Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Andrea Fritz, White Ribbon; Teresa Jones, White Ribbon; Ashley Medina, White Ribbon; Western Riding, 13-14 - Jackelyn Bruhn, Blue Ribbon; Hannah Goley, Blue Ribbon; Sarah Matranga, Blue Ribbon; Jolene Wayne, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Western Riding, 15-19 - Tay Dennis, Blue Ribbon; Amber Dewitt, Blue Ribbon; Kinsey Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Trail Walk, Trot - Amy Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Mat Jones, Blue Ribbon; Brianna Waddell, Blue Ribbon; Trail, 8-9 - Andrea Fritz, Blue Ribbon; Amanda Hanchey, Blue Ribbon; Trail, 10-11 - Lindsey Brown, Blue Ribbon; Ben Carter, Blue Ribbon; Cheryl Eckstein, Blue Ribbon; Danielle Everly, Blue Ribbon; Echo Fry, Blue Ribbon; Austin Hollingshead, Blue Ribbon; Heidi Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Joseph Slifer, Blue Ribbon; Jolene Wayne, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Trail, 12 - Teresa Jones, Blue Ribbon; Alexis Turner, Blue Ribbon; Tori Turner, Blue Ribbon; Jenna Martin, Red Ribbon; Trail, 13-14 - Jayne Bahman, Blue Ribbon; Ashley Carter, Blue Ribbon; Chelsea Demarco, Blue Ribbon; Hannah Goley, Blue Ribbon; Stephanie Martin, Blue Ribbon; John Slifer, Blue Ribbon; Chelsea Demarco, Red Ribbon; Sarah Matranga, Red Ribbon; Amber Anderson, Red Ribbon; Jolene Wayne, Red Ribbon; Dina Dudley, Blue Ribbon; Mathew Freeman, Blue Ribbon; Kinsey Huddleston, Blue Ribbon; Hilary Johnson, Blue Ribbon;

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.
Tuesday: Chef's salad.
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, fried, californian mix veggies, beet salad, fruit with cookie.
Thursday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, broccoli with cheese, Jell-O fruit salad, corn bread, apple sauce.
Friday: Meat loaf, potatoes and gravy, corn, tossed salad, bread, cookie with fruit.
Monday: Chicken cordon bleu, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, coleslaw, muffin, pie.

Activities
Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday
Blood pressure check 10 a.m. to noon.
Friday
Quitting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pinocle club.
Thursday
Pinocle at 1 p.m.
No blood pressure check. Lunch Bingo, 15 cents.
Quitting, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Quitting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Foot clinic, make appointment.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl
No meeting scheduled Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Evening meals

served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Suggested donations for meals is weekdays \$2.50, Sundays \$3.50, non-seniors \$4.25 and children under 12-years-old \$2.50. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 543-4577 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride.
Tuesday: Chicken noodle, broccoli, salad, biscuits, cake.
Wednesday: Ham and beans, carrots, green salad, corn bread, fruit cocktail cake, V-8 juice.
Thursday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, salad, rolls, cake; 5:30 p.m. smorgasbord.
Friday: Pepper steak, rice pilaf, mandarin salad, bread, fruit.
Monday: Ham quiche, potatoes, green salad, fruit, banana bread; 5:30 p.m. smorgasbord.

Activities

Thrift shop open every day.
Tuesday
Quitting 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Wednesday
Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Thursday
Exercises 7-8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Friday
Exercises 7-8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Quilt show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday
Quilt show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday
All-you-can-eat buffet at 1 p.m. pork roast.
Monday
Exercises from 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Evening meal at 5:30 p.m. Cards at 6 p.m.

Filter Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.
Tuesday: Hamburgers.
Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich.
Friday: Salisbury steak.
Activities
Tuesday
Exercise at 10:30 a.m.
Thursday
Exercise at 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main N., Kimberly
Wednesday: Chicken chowder, tossed salad, crackers, mixed fruit, coffee, milk.
Friday: Meat loaf, potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, relish dish, chocolate cake, coffee, milk.
Monday: Cheesy tuna wrap, lima beans, coleslaw, bread and butter, pears, cookie, coffee, milk.
Wednesday
Blood pressure check.
Thursday
Crafts, 1 p.m.
Friday
Bingo, 11:55 a.m.
Saturday
Sunday dinner, 12-2 p.m., \$5 adults, \$2.50 children under 12. Baron of beef. The public is invited to attend.

Buhl Community Ed offers classes

BUHL - A variety of class are being offered by Buhl Community Education during December.
The classes include:
Wooden Christmas Mouse - The holiday mouse is made of slabs of tree bark. A completed mouse can be seen at Concepts N Motion, 125 S. Broadway in Buhl. Class will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Buhl High School Art Room. Class fees are \$5, plus \$4 for all supplies. Class instructors are Dorothy Juker and Holly Vandenberg.
Clay Pot Christmas Tree - Paint and stock pots and then decorate them with buttons and bows for a one-of-a-kind Christmas tree. Supplies needed

for the class include clay pots; clay pot saucer; acrylic paints in ivory, true green, deep green and red; and buttons, 40-45, your choice.
All other items will be supplied. See a completed tree at Concepts N Motion, 125 S. Broadway in Buhl. Class is from 7-9 p.m. Dec. 7 in the Buhl High School Art Room. Class fee is \$5. Class instructor is Connie Odozer.
Decorate For Christmas with Antiques - See how you can dig out your old treasures and antiques to decorate your house for the holidays. Class is from 6:30-7:30 p.m., Dec. 10 at 1679 E. 3800 N., in Buhl. Fee for the class is \$4, and class instructor will be Connie Glander at 543-6553.

Sandra Robinson, owner of Every Blooming Thing in Twin Falls.
Children's Christmas Ornaments - Choose from a variety of patterns and make four foam ornaments to decorate your tree or stockings. Class is from 4 p.m. Dec. 11 at Popplewood Elementary Library, with instructor Brenda Barnes. Class fees are \$5 for a material fee.
Scrapbooking - Make album pages for a special event as a Christmas gift. Class is from 7-9 p.m. Dec. 13, in the Buhl High School Art Room, with instructor Linda Drexler. Class fees are \$5, plus \$2 for supplies.
For more information, call Connie Glander at 543-6553.

New books on shelves at Buhl Public Library

BUHL - The Buhl Public Library has added a large number of new books and videos.
Jack Challoner, "Rocks and Minerals"; Graham Meadows, "Horses," "Pigs," "Dogs" and "Cats For Christmas"; Eric Ethan, "Cobras," Eric Ethan, "Firebirds," Eric Ethan, "Corvettes," Eric Ethan, "GTOS," Eric Ethan, "Mustangs"

Anne Corkett, "Norman Bethune: Doctor for the People"; Robert Krasko, "Harry Houdini, the Magic"; Ken Blackburn, "Kid's Fun Airplane Book"; John Haywood, "World Atlas of the Past Volumes 1-5"; John Hakim, "A History of US Book 11."
For more information, call the library at 543-6553.

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For more information, call the library at 543-6553.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Juniper Street Farmhouse arts and crafts available

TWIN FALLS - Arts and crafts will be available at the Juniper Street Farmhouse from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.
The location is three-fourth of a mile north of the Oasis Stop N' Go on Clear Lakes Road in Buhl, then one-fourth of a mile east on Juniper Street. Cookies, coffee and hot cider will be available.
For more information, call Lynn Busmann at 543-6436 or 543-4829.

Twin Falls Centennial Committee holds meeting

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Centennial Committee will meet from 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce.
This will be the last meeting of 1999.

Turkey Fun Shoot benefits Kids Christmas program

TWIN FALLS - The KMYT Christmas for Kids program Turkey Fun Shoot sponsored by the Twin Falls Gun Club will be held from 10 a.m. to sundown Sunday at the gun club, located north of Twin Falls.
Shots are \$3 each, with drawings every hour for turkeys, hams, bacon, steaks and mer-

chandise certificates from local merchants. Proceeds will benefit the KMYT Christmas for Kids project.
For more information, call 734-0639, or KMYT at 733-1100, Ext. 3032.

Hospital auxiliary seeks donations for thrift shop

GOODING - The Gooding Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is seeking volunteers and donations of clothes, small house wares dishes, linens, blankets and other used, operative items.
Shop hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, at 113 Third Ave. in Gooding. The shop is nonprofit, with all proceeds going to the hospital and the local community.
With each purchase, shoppers are invited to enter a drawing for a decorative Christmas tree in the shop window, to be held at 11 a.m. Dec. 17 at the thrift shop. Entrants need not be present to win. The tree was donated by the Gooding Hospital Auxiliary.
For more information, call 934-4766.

Homeowners group welcomes quart

TWIN FALLS - The Give and Take barbershop quart will entertain at the Lazy Homeowners Association dinner

at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Lary J Ranch at 450 Pole Lane Road in Twin Falls.
Pizza will be furnished, and association members are asked to bring a salad or dessert, and table service.

Shoshone Senior Center hosts Holiday Bazaar

SHOSHONE - The Shoshone Senior Center is hosting a Holiday Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 218 N. Rail St. West in Shoshone.
Christmas crafts and baked goods will be for sale and lunch will be at noon, featuring taco soup or chili, homemade bread, homemade cinnamon rolls, cream puffs and spud nuts.

Gooding Hospital Foundation holds festival

GOODING - The Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation will host the Festival of Trees Thursday through Sunday at the round building at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind at 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding.
A holiday celebration and auction will be held from 7-10 p.m. Thursday.
A luncheon will be held from 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday. Tickets are \$10, must be purchased in advance and are available at Gooding County

Memorial Hospital or First Security Bank in Gooding.
Memory trees will be at Bank of America, First Security Bank and Zion's Bank in Gooding; Farmer's Bank and U.S. Bank in Wendell; and U.S. Bancorp in Hagerman.
The Festival of Trees opens to the public from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and from 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday. The event is free and the public is invited to attend.
The event is sponsored by the Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation.

Magic Valley Mobile Homes Estate plans craft show

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Mobile Homes Estates is hosting a Craft Show from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at its recreation hall at 1277 Twin Villa Loop in Twin Falls.
For sale are one-of-a-kind items, needlepoint and quilted items, golfers, teachers and others. There is no admission, and vendors will accept cash only.
For more information, call Diane Mausteller at 733-8828.

Popose Club holds Holiday Arts and Craft Bazaar

KETCHUM - The Popose Club will hold its ninth annual Holiday Arts & Craft Bazaar from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at

Hemingsway Elementary School at 111 Eighth St. W., in Ketchum.
More than 50 vendors from throughout the West will be selling holiday arts and crafts, clothing, fine jewelry and more. Raffle items will also be available. Proceeds will benefit the Popose Club, which works to promote and facilitate cultural, social, educational and athletic activities for the children of the Wood River Valley, coordinators say.

Nazarene church presents 'A Star Is Born' production

TWIN FALLS - First Nazarene Church of Twin Falls will present a children's Christmas drama and musical, "A Star Is Born," at 9:10 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Sunday at 1231 Washington St. N., in Twin Falls.
The story is about Sophia, who is hired to play Mary in a production of the Christmas story, but she is unaware of who the real "star" of the story is going to be. Admission is free, and child care will be provided. For more information, call the church office at 733-6610.

Arts and Crafts Fair is set for this weekend

TWIN FALLS - An Arts and Crafts Fair will be held Saturday and Sunday at 1828 Bridgeview Blvd., in Twin Falls.

Several vendors will have arts and crafts and hand and refreshments on door prizes will be available.
For more information, call Dee Cunningham at 736-3933.

Jerome Chamber plans Holiday Home Tour

HERMONT - The Jerome Chamber of Commerce will host its second annual traditional Holiday Home Tour from 1-5 p.m. Saturday.
Six homes will be featured. There also will be live entertainment, refreshments and drawings at the Jerome Public Library from 1-6 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Jerome Chamber community event projects.
Tour tickets are \$6 per person and are available in Jerome at First American Title, Prescott and Craig's Real Estate, Washington Federal Bank, Cent Pauls, U.S. Bank, D.L. Evans Bank, Farmers National Bank, First Security Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Mountain West Insurance, Land Title and Escrow, Rosebud's Florist and Canyonville Realty or at the tour Chamber at the Jerome Public Library on Saturday.
Tickets can be purchased in Twin Falls at Little Red Hen, Kurts Pharmacy and Cent Pauls Volkswagen-Mazda.
For more information, call the Jerome chamber at 324-2711.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Kimberly chamber seeks a new leader

KIMBERLY - The Wednesday meeting of the Kimberly Chamber of Commerce may be the organization's last meeting if no one comes forward to take over leadership of the group.

The 7 p.m. meeting in the community building will be the last meeting for President Sheri Vanek, Vice President Julie Reeves and Secretary Barbara Barnes, who have resigned from their positions with the chamber.

Vanek is asking anyone who is interested in taking over chamber leadership to attend the meeting. The organization has dropped in membership in recent years due to the closure of many Kimberly businesses. City businesses formed the organization nearly 50 years ago.

Vanek said she hopes someone will be willing to organize a Good Neighbor Days celebration such as the chamber has sponsored for many years. She said she would be willing to help but wouldn't be able to organize the festivities as she has in the past two years.

A group of volunteers has pledged to sponsor the Miss Kimberly pageant in the spring.

D.L. Evans Bank to open Jerome office Wednesday

JEROME - D.L. Evans Bank will hold a grand opening celebration this week for its Jerome office.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony begins at 10 a.m. Wednesday at 900 S. Lincoln St. in Jerome.

Tax tips can help out as year's end approaches

DALLAS - Here are some tax-planning tips for the end of the year.

- If you expect to be in the same or a higher tax bracket this year than in 2000, defer income until 2000 and shift expenses to 1999 to reduce taxes this year.
- In contrast, if you expect to be in a lower tax bracket this year than in 2000, accelerate income into this year and defer payment of expenses to 2000.

• If you're planning a marriage and you and your future spouse have substantial incomes this year, put off the wedding until 2000 to avoid the marriage penalty.

• Bunch expenses such as medical expenses and miscellaneous deductions so that the amount paid in a tax year is above the limit on deducting those expenses.

• If you have more than one source of income, such as both as an employee and as a self-employed person, and you haven't paid sufficient estimated taxes, have more money withheld from your paycheck in the last two months of this year to avoid the penalty for underpayment of estimated taxes.

• If you plan to do so, make gifts of up to \$10,000 for each recipient before the end of the year to take advantage of the annual gift tax exclusion. You may give up to \$10,000 each year to any number of individuals as you want without incurring any gift tax.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Businesswoman seeks permit for venture in ag zone

Former TF shop owner envisions Victorian tea house

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A former Twin Falls shop owner's dream of pastry parties, linens and dainty teacups could transform a historic farmhouse into a tea-and-coffee gathering place - if county planners approve the commercial venture in an agricultural area.

Two years after closing her Victorian Gift Shop on Addison Avenue, Karen Tribulla recently returned from a tour of the South's plantation homes, tea-rooms and inns.

"And I've always wanted something like that for the Twin Falls area," she said. "I wanted to bring back more of the Victorian era" - ladies gathering to chat with friends over tea and pastries, served in flowery, antique-decorated rooms.

So she'll ask the Twin Falls

What's next?

The Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission meets at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at 246 Third Ave. E. A public hearing on the Tribulla's request for a conditional-use permit is among items on the agenda.

County Planning and Zoning Commission next week for a conditional-use permit to operate a tea house in an old home at 3197 E. 3300 N. - about six miles

south of Twin Falls.

But a specialty business isn't necessarily compatible with the area's farming activity, said Bill Crafton, Twin Falls County's planning and zoning director.

"I see a chance for maybe some potential conflicts," he said. But zoning staff won't make a recommendation on Tribulla's application, and neighbors' comments at next week's public hearing could be a big part of the commission's decision.

If nobody protests, Crafton said, the plan might fly - as a

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SAFETY CHECK

Lamb Weston presents plan for risk management

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The Lamb Weston Inc. potato-processing plant has minimal chance of a chemical leak, representatives said at a public meeting designed to share measures taken in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency's regulations on hazardous chemicals.

The south Twin Falls plant - one of the Magic Valley's largest employers - uses anhydrous ammonia as a refrigerant, which the EPA has deemed hazardous.

Because the plant has more than 10,000 pounds of ammonia at any time, it was required to develop a risk management plan, which focuses on possible weaknesses in the plant's operation that could lead to a leak and ways to prevent any leak.

"One of our primary goals is to provide a safe atmosphere," Twin Falls Lamb Weston's health, safety and employee relations manager Steven Kemp said at Monday's presentation. "We've been in this community for quite a while. What we're doing is trying to share with you the safety elements of our plant. The (risk management plan) is designed for safety inside the plant and the community around it."

The plan's cost for the plant is considerable, but it is hard to pinpoint how much money has been spent, Operations Manager Ed White said. The plan includes things such as employee training and awareness, analysis of operating procedures and emergency planning and response.

Though the risk management plan is relatively new to Lamb Weston, measures to prevent leaks are not.

"This isn't particularly new to us," Kemp said.

Lamb Weston has always endeavored to be safe and make sure employees dealing with the ammonia are highly qualified and certified, White said.

"What these standards have done for companies is make it (procedures) more exact," White said.

"You raise their (employees) awareness of accidental release," added Darrel Sunday, an independent environmental adviser working with Lamb Weston. "There are more safety-conscious people running the system."

And although there has never been an ammonia-release employee accident, Kemp said, the program assures Lamb Weston employees take every precaution to prevent a release.

"General awareness is what it's all about," Kemp said, "knowing what's around them."

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denny can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.

WTO STARTS OFF WITH A SECURITY SWEEP



Roger Alboe of the Massachusetts-based Cooperative Development Institute, right foreground, and Yasuaki Yamasa of the Japan Consumers Union, left, both delegates to the Non-Governmental Organizations symposium, wait outside the Washington State Convention Center in downtown Seattle Monday while a security sweep of the building was conducted. Authorities were forced to delay for several hours the start of World Trade Organization activities after an apparent attempted break-in at the convention center overnight.

Market forces

U.S. agricultural interests say they want parity

SEATTLE (AP) - Breaking down barriers to U.S. farm exports is among the top issues on the American agenda at this week's World Trade Organization meeting, where global agricultural trade talks are expected to be some of the most contentious.

Desmond O'Rourke, an agricultural economist at Washington State University, said the importance of the talks cannot be overstated.

"You export or die," he said. "It's as simple as that."

Tariffs, trade imbalances and foreign subsidies are key issues for trade-dependent Northwest farmers.

"We want parity," said Laura Johnson, a trade representative for the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

"The average tariff on agricultural products coming into the U.S. is less than 5 percent, yet the average duty amongst our trading partners is over 40 percent."

- U.S. farmers could pick up another \$3 billion to \$5 billion a year with liberalized trade

"We know this is going to turn into a first-class circus."

- Tom Mick, Washington Wheat Commission Director

agreements.

"We have countries bringing apples in (to the United States) from all over the world. They basically come in duty-free," said Steve Lutz, president of the Washington Apple Commission.

"No matter where we go, we pay duties, and hefty ones at that."

Washington wheat growers have hired Mickey Kantor, farmer U.S. secretary of agriculture and U.S. trade ambassador, to

represent their interests at the closed sessions.

"We know this is going to turn into a first-class circus" into a first-class circus," said Washington Wheat Commission Director Tom Mick said. "All the meetings are closed, so we are letting our hired guns represent us and we are going to stay out of the way."

U.S. agribusiness is looking for reduced subsidies that foreign governments give to growers in their countries, which can drive down world markets and make competition difficult for farmers in countries without substantial government payouts.

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SEARS UPGRADES SITE



Arthur C. Martinez, chairman and chief executive officer of Sears, Roebuck and Co., displays the company's expanded web site that includes the new 'Tool Territory' at the company headquarters in Hoffman Estates, Ill. On Monday, Sears, which has stores in the Magic Valley, announced the expansion to include 5,000 tools and more than 210 brands in every major category. Sears only offered Craftsman tools when it set up its online site in 1997.

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI — If you were employed the day after Thanksgiving, that was a very good sign.

The odds are excellent that you won't lose your job between now and the end of the year.

Companies are made up of real, feeling human beings who generally hate to fire people during the holidays.

That's not an ironclad rule, but a pretty reliable one. The Chicago executive search firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas noted that last year, announcements of job cuts were 71 percent greater in the week before Thanksgiving than in the week after.

The numbers tend to go like that every year. It doesn't mean there will be no job cuts, but there are fewer than at other times.

Jobs should not be the last thing you're thinking about this time of year, in fact. They should

be first, whether you are interested in holding on to the one you have or finding a better one.

This is absolutely the best time of year for a job search.

Contrary to what you may think, people really are working during the coming month. Often it's not at the pace of the rest of the year. But while people gear down, they're still closing out accounts before the new year.

While they may be taking longer at lunch, often it's because they are socializing with their best customers.

Certainly, plenty of people go on vacation this time of year. But it is the ones who remain who could be far more important to job-seekers.

They may be managers trying to figure out where they're going to jump-start the new year. Or department heads who have been itching to get to the next year's budget, which includes a few new positions.

These people are ready now to

talk or to make decisions. Because the office is not busy, they may even have more time than usual to get to know a candidate.

And, with fewer people searching because they think there's less hiring going on, it is often easier to come into the hiring manager's view.

"The notion that everyone's gone and people are preoccupied, that they're not making any decisions because they're in the holiday mode, that's really not accurate," said Steven Sadaka, president of Steven Douglas Associates, an executive search firm. December is often his best month.

"Everybody is trying to find a way to cut the time down that it takes to hire and to find good people," said John Challenger, head of the Chicago firm. "If you come in now to meet someone, you may be shortening that process. You may be doing just what many employers are hoping for."

Sadaka says he gears up for the

holidays by encouraging his staff to book all the interviews that can in November, because "those deals will close in the month of December."

The hiring picture changes considerably in early January. Employers then are often busy launching new initiatives. They may see hiring as just something that takes time away from getting their new plan in motion.

Just as there are seasons that are better than others for job hunting, there are also places.

As for office parties, think of them as places to explore the possibilities rather than where you'll find what you're looking for.

"You can meet a lot of great people that way," Challenger said.

He advised that you not burrito hole someone so that you can go on and about your fabulous qualifications. Skip the detail and just say you're coming to the party, he advised. The call them later.

Liberty Group Publishing to buy Nevada daily newspaper

NORTHBROOK, Ill. (AP) — Liberty Group Publishing Inc. has agreed to purchase the Elko (Nevada) Daily Free Press, a company official said Monday.

Liberty Group is expected to close the acquisition shortly after Jan. 1, said Kevin O'Shea, senior vice president and chief financial officer of the Northbrook-based company.

"We've purchased a lot of newspapers over the last year and a half, and we're pleased to have this quality newspaper," O'Shea said.

He would not disclose the purchase price, and a spokesman for the Daily Free Press in Elko had no immediate comment.

The Daily Free Press is a 7,000-circulation, six-day-a-week newspaper that serves northeastern Nevada. The Stentor family has owned the newspaper, established in 1883, since 1915.

Liberty group owns more than 300 community newspapers in 16 states. Its parent company is Leonard Green & Partners, a Los Angeles-based private merchant banking firm with more than \$1.7 billion in private equity capital under management.

Stocks fall along with bonds; dollar falls against yen

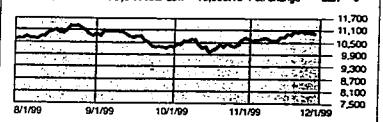
NEW YORK (AP) — Rising bond yields sent most stocks falling Monday, exacerbating nervousness in a market already rattled by the dollar's latest slump against the Japanese yen.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 40.93 to close at 10,947.92. Early in the session, the Dow had dropped as much as 102 points.

Broader market indicators also closed lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 7.7 to 1,407.83. The Nasdaq composite index dropped 28.44 to 3,421.37.

Stocks fell along with bonds after the dollar proved immune

Dow Jones Close 10,947.92 High 10,985.73 Net change -40.93 Nov. 29, 1999 Low 10,886.15 Pct. change -0.37



to a Japanese effort to boost the U.S. currency.

In an effort to contain the yen's recent surge and maintain

than a modest lift. In late New York trading the dollar bought 102.35 Japanese yen, up from 101.64 on Friday. Last Wednesday, the dollar bought 104 yen.

A weaker dollar makes imports in this country more expensive, potentially opening the door to rising inflation.

"We just concern that money could be flowing out of our market, if the yen strengthens at the expense of the dollar," said John Shughart, chief investment strategist at Advest Inc. But Shughart believes that the dollar's drop against the yen will soon be halted.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, including columns for Name, Last, Chg, and %Chg. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and DIARY.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes columns for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and DIARY. Also includes an INDEXES section with columns for High, Low, Net, % Chg, VTD, and SP-500.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table listing various stocks on the NASDAQ National Market, including columns for Name, Last, Chg, and %Chg. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and DIARY.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing stocks of local interest, including columns for Name, Last, Chg, and %Chg.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

There are 200 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market, and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Stocks in bold changed 5 percent or more in price.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks on the American Stock Exchange, including columns for Name, Last, Chg, and %Chg.

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including oil, grain, and metals. Columns include contract name, high, low, and change.

MARKETS

Table of market data for various commodities such as soybeans, corn, and wheat. Includes contract names and price changes.

Tea

Continued from C3... similar to what it did recently... A Salt Lake City couple last month got the county OK to create a vineyard, winery, tasting den, gift shop and outdoor wedding area...

Russ and Claudia Snyder received a conditional-use permit from the county to expand the business on land near the city of Buhi. Nobility appealed that permit, Court said.

Only one other house is next to Tribula's prospective business, Tribula said, and she plans no other activities. Private parties generally won't be larger than 25 people per room.

In other Idaho cities and elsewhere, teamsters are taking the place of happy-hour alcohol, Tribula said.

"It kind of was a dying thing, and it's coming back," she said. Her business gets approval to open... Tribula said she wants to be able to plan her baking and shopping.

She'll depend on friends' want to help rather than employees... Tribula said she's remodeling and decorating waiting for approval.

"My husband and his farm friends already have reservations for the mornings," she said. "Yes, they are going to pay for my services... Tribula said she wants to be able to plan her baking and shopping.

After a January shopping spree to outfit the teamroom in special decor... Tribula said she wants to be able to plan her baking and shopping.

"And I have a perfect little place for it," Tribula said. It's almost a 1/2 mile out of town on almost a dead-end road...

Last year Tribula and her husband, David, inherited from a family member a historical home dating from the old Twin Falls Heights plantation townsite.

Her husband's grandfather built the two-story house in about 1905, Tribula said. It was designed to copy the home where Klaine's

more easily won agreements... "It's a chess game being played for a while by the... Tribula said she wants to be able to plan her baking and shopping.

While this country is fairly clean on the issue of food tariffs, it has some other non-tariff barriers... Tribula said she wants to be able to plan her baking and shopping.

European countries and others have raised issues with American objections to foreign farm subsidies. They note that while the 1995 farm bill was support programs, commodity markets forced Congress to provide financial aid to farmers.

Some agricultural interests here also fear the "early harvest" strategy at the talks, which could postpone decisions on the most difficult negotiations in favor of

BEANS

Table of closing futures prices for various bean contracts.

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Table of closing futures prices for fossil fuels contracts.

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Table of closing futures prices for mining and platinum contracts.

COMMODITIES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodity contracts.

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Table of closing futures prices for metals and currency contracts.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table of mutual fund performance data, including fund names, assets, and returns.

WORLD

Adversaries form joint government

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) - On a day many thought would never come, Protestant and Catholic adversaries on Monday formed an extraordinary Northern Ireland government that attempts to bring together every branch of opinion within this bitterly divided society.

The unprecedented four-party administration - due to receive powers Thursday from the British government - includes Catholics who long vowed never to accept Northern Ireland's right to exist, and Protestants just as unwilling to accept Catholics as political equals.

Triggering an exercise envisioned in the Good Friday peace accord but delayed for more than a year, the four biggest parties within Northern Ireland's legislature took turns unveiling their choices for a 12-member cabinet, an exercise akin to a pro sports draft pick.

Picking first were the province's major British Protestant party, the Ulster Unionists, and major Irish Catholic party, the Social Democratic and Labor Party or SDLP. They both got four posts.

But Protestant legislators gathered at Stormont Parliamentary Building in Belfast passed when Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams announced his first pick - his party's chief negotiator, Martin McGuinness, as education minister.

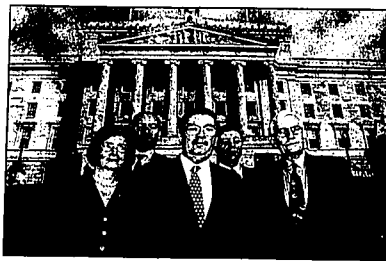
McGuinness - who rose to the top of the Irish Republican Army's command in the 1970s - will now oversee the predominantly Protestant state schools as well as the separate Catholic system.

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Members of the Social Democratic Labor Party pose for photographers Monday as they arrive at Stormont Parliamentary Building in Northern Ireland.

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Pneumonia besets ailing Russian leader

MOSCOW - Boris Yeltsin was hospitalized Monday with what doctors suspect is pneumonia, the latest sickness to beset the often ailing 68-year-old Russian president.

Yeltsin had fallen ill with what aides described as bronchitis last Thursday and was convalescing at his country residence outside Moscow. After examining the president at home Monday his doctors suspected he had pneumonia and decided to hospitalize him, the Kremlin said.

Spokesman Dmitry Yakushkin told the Echo Moscow radio station that Yeltsin would continue working while in the hospital, maintaining a "partial workload." The president will be hospitalized for about a week, and still plans to meet with Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma on Dec. 6, Yakushkin said.

High prices, millennium fears keep tourism down

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica - It is late November and many of Jamaica's largest and most popular resorts, usually booked solid by now, are running full-page ads hawking rooms for New Year's 2000.

It's the same across the Caribbean, where hotels, airlines and cruises jacked up prices in anticipation of a windfall that is to be confounded by consumer frugality and jitters over the Y2K computer bug.

Testimony implicates Mandela's ex-wife in murder

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa - A convicted murderer testified Monday that Winnie Madikizela-Mandela ordered at least two killings in 1988, opening the possibility that she could face criminal charges.

World in brief

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Madikizela-Mandela, the ex-wife of former President Nelson Mandela, was shown on television shaking her head as she listened to her former chief bodyguard, Jerry Richardson, during a hearing of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. She has previously denied involvement in any killings.

The testimony could leave Madikizela-Mandela open to prosecution.

Iranian president rallies behind key dissident

TEHRAN, Iran - President Mohammad Khatami has rallied behind a key reformist ally who was sentenced to five years in prison by hard-line clerics opposed to the moderate social policies of both men.

The clerical court convicted former Interior Minister Abdolkhal Nouri on Saturday of charges including religious dissent, and took the unusual step of denying him the right of appeal. His appeal, which was daily banned as part of the sentence.

It seems that we have been deprived of an experienced and competent colleague," Khatami said Sunday in a meeting with pro-reform legislators.

- Compiled from wire reports

Russians drop bombs, leaflets on besieged Grozny

GROZNY, Russia (AP) - Russian officials on Monday urged civilians hiding in basements beneath ruined homes in Grozny to flee the Chechen capital - a risky endeavor with Russian rockets screaming relentlessly into the city.

Federal forces showed no signs of ending up raids on the breakaway republic of Chechnya even as a top international mediator held talks in Moscow to arrange a visit to the republic. The Kremlin

has dismissed international criticism of its campaign in Chechnya as meddling in Russia's internal affairs.

The Russians have intensified their bombardment of Grozny in the past week, leaving hundreds dead or wounded and destroying scores of buildings and homes. Russian officials estimate 50,000 civilians remain in the city, many of whom are old, infirm or lack transportation to leave. In brief intervals between the

strikes Monday, civilians crawled out of basement shelters to fetch water and try to find food.

"It's like an endless lottery, with death being the only stake. Every day brings new death," said Marzhan Khakimova, a 72-year-old woman living in a Grozny basement.

Monday's raids hit one of Grozny's main thoroughfares, Avtarkhmov Avenue, near residential neighborhoods and a car market. Witnesses said there

were casualties, but no figures were immediately available.

In Moscow, Deputy Prime Minister Nikolai Koshkin, Russia's representative to Chechnya, said Moscow would rebuild Grozny when the war was over, but now was the time for civilians to flee.

"There is nothing to do in Grozny now, it is necessary to close it down and take the entire peaceful population away," Koshkin said.

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Vehicle #1
APPLICABLE DESCRIPTION: Gray 1976 Ford Pickup, VIN: P15MPA15443
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$0.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Bruce's Towing, 917 South Dr., Jerome, Idaho 83338
REGISTERED OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER: Coy Stewart, 434 4th Ave. W. #3, Twin Falls, ID 83301
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: White 1984 Ford 4 door, VIN: 1FABP223BKE117330
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$665.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Rob's Towing, 300 West Main, Jerome, Idaho 83338
REGISTERED OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER: Kenneth P. Lange, 2600 Washington Street N., Ketchikan, Alaska 99901
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Maroon 1992 Hyundai 2 door, VIN: KMVH0125NUG6842
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$495.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Twin Falls Towing, 1974 Keweenaw, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301
REGISTERED OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER: Frank Wilson, 63891 Jolietson, Boise, Idaho 83712
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Tan 1982 Toyota Pickup, VIN: 4T1N144D0C008050
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$725.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Rogers Body Shop, 318 Idaho Street, Gooding, ID 83330
REGISTERED OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER: Timothy Seltzer, 507 East Main, Burley, Idaho 83318
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Black 1980 Mercury 2 door, VIN: 10V132528491
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$700.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Canyonside Auto Body, 361 Golf Course Road, Jerome, ID 83338
Vehicle #2
APPLICABLE DESCRIPTION: White 1977 Toyota Pickup, VIN: RN2A100952
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$0.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Hazleton Repair, 55 Main, Hazleton, Idaho 83335
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Tan 1984 Ford Wagon, VIN: 1FAB449F8E123248
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$665.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Rob's Towing, 300 West Main, Jerome, Idaho 83338
REGISTERED OWNER AND/OR LIEN HOLDER: Dennis J. McArthur, 14 Heitlan, 48 NE 20th 1, Great Ben, Kansas 67530
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Blue 1992 Chevy 4 door, VIN: 1G1CSTWY1924
LIEN AMOUNT: AT TIME OF SALE LIEN WILL BE \$0.00
VEHICLE STORED AT: Snake River Towing, 1840 Hwy 30, Heyburn, Idaho 83336
Subject bids must be received at the IDAHO STATE POLICE District Office located at 626 Eastland Drive South, Suite B, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. Telephone number 208-736-3072, no later than Wednesday, December 8, 1999. Amount of Bid does not have to equal or surpass the lien amount. The highest bidder will be notified on the first working day following the sale. Bid slips may be picked up at the Idaho State Police at the above address and/or phone number.
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LEGAL NOTICE
The Housing Authority of the City of Jerome has developed its Agency Plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. It is available for review at the Authority's Management Office located at 200 Quail Hill Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. The Authority's hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM in addition a public hearing will be held on January 11, 2000 at the Center located at 100 N. Adams, Jerome, Idaho. Fiscal emisions factors and/or emisions estimation invited. Methods that reduce emisions estimates that correspond to actual percentages of geologic material attributable to road dust found at local PM10 hot monitors. Methods must be applicable to a full range of local road types, ranging from unpaved roads to Interstate highways. IDEG will not respond to requests for review of the Authority's Community Plan or for review of the Authority's technical aspects of this RFP. However, written, facsimile or 5:00 PM. In addition, a public hearing will be held on January 11, 2000 at the Authority's office at 12:00 noon. Everyone is invited.
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Tuesday, November 30, 1999

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Section D

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“It could be worse, they all could be watching local news — speaking of a waste of time.”

—ESPN college football commentator *Bevo Cook*, during an Internet chat, when asked how it feels to be a thorn in the side of business, with about 750 people glued to their computers instead of being productive

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Girls' basketball**
- Shoshone at Bliss
 - American Falls at Burd
 - Camas County at Ketchum, 6pm
 - Dierich JV at ISDB, 7:30pm
 - Kimberly at Gooding, JV at 4:30pm
 - Cary at Richfield
 - Glenris Ferry at Ramoth
 - Debs at Wood River
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IN BRIEF

Steelheads play next three at home

BOISE—The Idaho Steelheads remain home this week hosting Tacoma on Wednesday and Colorado on Friday and Saturday. Idaho (0-7) is in second place in the West Coast Hockey League's Northern Division, six points behind Tacoma (12-4-1) in the standings.

Idaho went 2-2-0 last week, beating Anchorage 5-4 on Friday and 7-4 on Saturday while losing to the Sabercats 5-1 on Wednesday and 4-2 at Tacoma on Sunday.

Stallions team up with Humane Society

BOISE—“Stallions for Animals” is the new name of a program announced on Monday by the Idaho Stallions football team and the Humane Society.

Beginning in January, the program is aimed at adoption to help provide more homes for cats and dogs. Stallion players and staff will be on hand to assist the IHS at their various public adoption fairs as well as sponsoring promotions during each game.

For more information, call (208) 344-5539.

Winter Sports Park to host Olympic events

PARK CITY, Utah—A trio of Olympic sports — bobsled, luge and skeleton — will jointly hold their 2000 national championships at the first-ever U.S. Sliding Championships on the Utah Winter Sports Park Olympic track Jan. 7-8.

Competition will take place in eight events, tentatively slated to begin at 3 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 7, with athletes training for the events Jan. 4-6.

Admission is \$5 per person at the gate.

For more information, call the UWSP at (435) 658-4200.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Hokies set for national title shot in Sugar Bowl

The Associated Press

Book it: No. 1 Florida State vs. No. 2 Virginia Tech in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 4. In what will be a perfect ending to a perfect regular season, Virginia Tech is certain to hold off Nebraska in the final Bowl Championship Series standings, set to wrap up a No. 1 vs. No. 2 game for the national title in New Orleans.

The Hokies (11-0) increased their sec-

ond-place lead over the Huskers from 63 points to 154 points in the latest BCS standings released Monday. The final BCS standings, which determines the teams that will play in its title game, will be released Dec. 5.

The advantage, according to one computer expert, is all but impossible to overcome — even if Nebraska routs Texas in Saturday's Big 12 Conference title game in San Antonio.

“There's no suspense,” Chicago-based computer expert Jerry Palm said. “If Nebraska wins 500, I'm not sure that could overtake Virginia Tech.”

From the start of the Hokies-Huskers points battle, Virginia Tech coach Frank Beamer has been confident the top teams would end up in the national title game. But until the final results are in, he's not taking anything for granted.

“There's too much invested in the BCS

so that the two best teams will play,” Beamer said. “I personally think one of the teams has to be Virginia Tech.”

“With all the hard work by our coaches and the hard work by our players, I would be devastated if we did not make it.”

The BCS standings are based on a formula that considers the Associated Press media poll and the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, eight computer rankings.

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Resurgent Pack rolls past Niners

Knight-Ridder News Service

SAN FRANCISCO—The last time the San Francisco 49ers failed to post a winning record in a non-strike year, the head coach was just three years out of college. Jerry Rice was a senior in high school. Their starting quarterback last night had just turned nine.

But coach Steve Mariucci, Rice and quarterback Steve Benson went all positives to history last night as the 49ers, for the first time in 19 years, assured themselves of no better than a .500 record. It may have been an inevitable conclusion for more than a month, but it wasn't official until they lost to the Green Bay Packers, 20-3, at soggy 3-Com Park.

For the once-proud 49ers (3-8), it was their seventh straight loss. They needed to win every game the rest of the way just to finish 8-8.

But the way they're going right now, there's no chance of that. The offense, still smarting from the possible career-ending concussion to quarterback Steve Young, has scored just one touchdown in its last 55 possessions, spanning six games and dating back to Oct. 17.

Not that the Packers (6-5) are doing much better. Behind a banged-up Brett Favre, they sputtered against a San Francisco defense that has held just one opponent under 20 points this season.

But the Packers got a little help along the way.

In the first half, before Favre got going, two huge pass interference penalties set up a Favre touchdown pass to Corey Bradford and a 23-yard field goal by Ryan Longwell. That allowed Green Bay to take a 10-3 lead at the half.

The second half wasn't much better, though the Packers were finally able to sustain a drive on their second possession. Favre



Green Bay Packers tight end Tyrone Davis scores against the San Francisco 49ers in the third quarter in San Francisco Monday. Green Bay defeated San Francisco 20-3.

Marched them 53 yards in 11 plays and, with the 49ers trying to call timeout, threw a quick-strike, 10-yard touchdown pass to his uncovered tight end, Tyrone Davis, with 3:42 left in the third.

That made it 17-3 Packers,

which was more than enough against a 49ers team that used to be able to make that deficit up in minutes. Nowadays they might need weeks.

So when another Longwell field goal made it 20-3 Packers with 11:36 left, this sad rematch

of last season's dramatic NFC wild-card game — won by the Niners on a Terrell Owens touchdown catch with three seconds to go — was done. And so are the Niners, who for the first time since 1980 are resigned to playing out the string.

Mailman hits milestone; Jazz win

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY—Karl Malone set the scoring milestone out of the way early, then used the rest of the night to show he's a team player.

Malone scored 27 points, passing Michael Jordan for third place on the NBA career scoring list as the Utah Jazz beat the Golden State Warriors 115-99 Monday night.

With Malone making his first six shots, there was no suspense about whether he could reach the mark. He came in needing six points to pass Jordan, and he did it on an 18-foot jumper with 9:24 left in the first quarter.

When I finish playing, I'll look back on it as a night I'll mean a lot to me in," Malone said. "Being from Louisiana, I wasn't supposed to play at this level."

More NBA — D3

When it's all over, I'll look back and say I was pretty decent."

There was no suspense about who would win the game, either. Utah held a 16-0 lead and was ahead 41-19 at the end of the first period.

Malone made 12 of 14 field-goal attempts and narrowly missed a triple double with 10 assists and eight rebounds. He now has 29,299 points, trailing only Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (38,387) and Wilt Chamberlain (31,419). Jordan finished his career with 29,277 points.

Although Malone kept putting up shots that went in, he also had 10 of Utah's 37 assists. Afterward, he pointed out the assists to support his argument that he's more

than a scorer.

"I've never been badful about shooting the basketball, but I don't want to be known only as a guy who scored all the time," Malone said. "It's also to be known for my defense and for being a team player."

Padgett scored a career-high 16 points for Utah. Jeff Hornacek had 16, Bryon Russell 14 and Vaughn 10.

Damon Jones led the Warriors with 17 points, hitting all five of his 3-point shots. Antawn Jamison and Tony Farmer each scored 15 and Tim Legler had 14 for Golden State.

"It was great for Karl to get his first 27," Farmer said. "He deserves it all the way and you've got to congratulate the guy. But for us to play the way we did, we're not happy about that part of it."



Utah Jazz forward Karl Malone scores two against the Golden State Warriors in the first quarter Monday in Salt Lake City.

Advertisers wrestle with hot ratings, racy WWF

The Associated Press

ATLANTA—The World Wrestling Federation is too raw for Coca-Cola, which has stopped advertising on the increasingly raunchy WWF telecasts despite their sizzling popularity.

Coke ended its two-year advertising relationship with the WWF last month, citing objectionable language and content on broadcasts such as the Monday night cable program "RAW is WAR," which draws about 6 million viewers each week.

The world's biggest soft drink company still advertises with WWF's main rival, World Championship Wrestling, a subsidiary of Time Warner's Turner Broadcasting System. The WCW has been accused of making its story lines more racy to compete with the WWF.

But Coke says the WWF has gone too far. Stone Cold Steve Austin swills beer,

spouts profanity and salutes other wrestlers with obscene gestures. The Godfather enters the ring dressed like a pimp and accompanied by scantily clad women. Female wrestlers pull each other's hair and bickers as they stumble around in high heels.

Nothing is off limits — there are even cracks about masturbation.

"It crossed the line in terms of content, particularly in terms of language and story lines," Coke spokesman Bob Bertini said Monday. "It's not about one episode or one particular character. It's what we observed over a period of time."

Coke's decision comes as the Parents Television Council, a Los Angeles-based conservative group, is pressuring advertisers to drop WWF's weekly Saturday Smackdown, which is the top-rated program on the fledgling UPN.

The Air Force and Army have already

suspended WWF ads, and several companies are considering it, said L. Brent Bossell III, the founder of the Parents Television Council.

"We're telling these companies you can no longer distinguish the values of the sponsor from the values of the show they sponsor," Bossell said.

WWF chairman Vince McMahon blasted Coke's decision as "discriminatory, hypocritical, and an affront to free speech" and labeled Bossell "a right-wing zealot."

Coke's decision won't hurt WWF revenue. It has a firm grapple hold on a young male audience that is increasingly hard for advertisers to reach.

Bad to the bone

Advertisements by Coca-Cola will no longer be shown during the World Wrestling Federation's telecasts. The company cites the WWF's raw language and story lines. The most recent telecast, "RAW is WAR," drew 6 million viewers in the 1990s and early 1990s compared to today's WWF telecasts.

Trick Hoger
Favorite saying: "Would he like young love, called 'Hulkamania,' to eat their vitamins and say their prayers. The most recognizable and popular wrestler in the world with World Championship Wrestling (WCW) in 1994 after being with the WWF. He is considered the most colorful and positive force to be having and adding fans."

"Stone Cold" Steve Austin
Favorite saying: "And that's the bottom line, 'Cause Stone Cold' Steve Austin is here." The WWF's top attraction, the beer-swilling, gun-toting, and ring-wrecking superstar. He is the most popular and profitable wrestler in the world, having won the WWF title for the longest time.

Wrestlers' behavior
Here are some results of an Indiana University study:
1,428 times the wrestlers grabbed or pointed to their crotch.
187 instances of flipping the bird.
128 incidents of simulated sexual activity.
47 incidents of simulated beating activity.
42 incidents of simulated choking activity.
*WWF programming was recorded by 100 hours.

Source: Compiled by AP news service, World Wrestling Federation, World Championship Wrestling. AP is the service.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Idaho State upends Lewis-Clark St. 73-67

POCATELLO - Ammer Johnson scored 18 points to lead Idaho State to a 73-67 victory over Lewis-Clark State College Monday night.

Johnson scored 14 points in the first half as ISU (1-1) took a 31-26 lead at the half.

In the second half, Jason Franklin helped the Warriors (3-3) of the NAIA take a 53-52 lead with 6:40 to play on a 3-pointer. Franklin finished the night with 24 points including a run of 10 consecutive Warrior points.

The Bengals won down the stretch as Stephen Brown had five points in the last 1.5 minutes. He hit a Stephen Brown, who finished with 16 points, hit a jumper shot to give the Bengals 65-63 lead with 4:03 left, another jumper made it 67-63 and he finished it with two free throws in the last few seconds.

Johnston wins easily after cutting opponent

WEMBLEY, England - American Stevie Johnston retained his WBC lightweight title on a unanimous decision after battering Billy Schuler for 12 rounds Monday.

The left-handed champion from Denver scored freely against the determined but easily-hit Brit at Wembley Arena, cutting him around both eyes and across the bridge of the nose. All three judges scored it 118-110, 10 rounds to two. The 27-year-old American is now 29-1.

Johnston opened up a cut by Schuler's left eye with a short right jab early in the third round, and began working on it. A four-punch combination opened up a cut to the bridge of Schuler's nose, and another under the right eye in the fifth round.

Maple Leafs silence Washington 3-1

TORONTO - Curtis Joseph made 20 saves to get his league-leading 12th victory as the Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the Washington Capitals 3-1 Monday night.

Adam Mair scored his first regular-season NHL goal for the Maple Leafs. The other Toronto goals were scored by Yanic Perron and Steve Thomas, who got an empty-netter with 19.8 seconds left.

Defenseman Tomas Kaberle had two assists for the Leafs.

Reports: Michigan State's Saban to go to LSU

EAST LANSING, Mich. - Michigan State football coach Nick Saban will replace fired Gerry DiNardo at LSU, two Louisiana television stations reported Monday.

Saban was not at his office Monday evening and could not be reached for comment. Spartans offensive coordinator Morris Watts and player Adam Campbell said Saban planned to talk with his family Monday night to try to make a decision.

WAB television in Baton Rouge and WVL television in New Orleans cited unidentified sources in their reports. Saban is an Air Force lieutenant colonel who coached at Michigan State from 1996 to 1998. Saban was in Baton Rouge Monday evening, WAB reported.

Prosecutors drop case against Wom, Electra

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. - Battery charges filed against Dennis Rodman and actress Carmen Electra after a night of partying in South Beach clubs ended in a fight at a hotel, have been dropped.

Attorney Roy Black said Monday that the fight was a disagreement "typical of what happens between a married couple." "This simply wasn't a crime ... but because of their celebrity, everyone took notice," he said.

Rodman and Electra were charged with simple battery, a misdemeanor, after the fight Nov. 5 in which both received minor injuries.

Rodman and Electra were arrested and later released on \$2,500 bail each after several hours in custody. In addition to prosecutors dismissing the charges, the judge vacated an order for Rodman and Electra to stay away from each other, Black said.

Rose launches Web site petition, may sue

NEW YORK - Pete Rose is launching an Internet petition and may sue baseball to end his lifetime ban from the sport. He applied for reinstatement in September 1997 and while commissioner Bud Selig has said several times that he has seen no evidence that would make him change the ban, he hasn't formally responded to Rose.

"If you find in your heart you didn't want to give me reinstatement, just write back and say, 'No,'" Rose said. "I know he has stationary. I know the mail is delivered in Milwaukee."

Rose was in New York for today's launch of sportscout.com, which through Jan. 15 will contain a fan petition calling for Rose's admission to the Hall of Fame. As long as he's banned from baseball for life, Rose is ineligible for the Hall.

Compiled from wire reports.

Flyers shock Kentucky; UConn rolls

CINCINNATI (AP) - Tony Stankley scored 23 points and hit a pair of clutch 3-pointers down the stretch as unbeaten Dayton rallied from a 10-point deficit to a 68-66 victory Monday over No. 13 Kentucky.

The Wildcats (3-2) blew the double-digit lead with turnovers and then lost it because of their inability to hit a 3-pointer. Tayschaun Pringle's 3-point attempt at the buzzer went off the rim.

The Flyers improved to 4-0 for the first time in 17 years and snapped their streak of 23 consecutive losses in games played in Cincinnati since the 1981-82 season.

No. 5 Connecticut 89, Coppin State 44

HARTFORD, Conn. - Khalid El-Amin scored 18 points and Souleymane Wane had 10 rebounds and three blocks as the Huskies overpowered the Eagles.

Connecticut's size in the post - 6-foot-11 Wane, Jake Voskuhl and 6-10 A'Jou Deng - kept the smaller Eagles off the boards and forced several turnovers inside. The trio combined for 19 boards and four blocks.

Kofi Pointer led the Eagles with 17 points.

No. 10 Temple 69, Florida St 58

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Lynn Greer scored 20 points and the Owls' inside defense smothered the visiting Seminoles.

Sophomore Kevin Lyde recorded eight of Temple's 13 blocked shots as the Owls forced Florida State to the outside and limited the Seminoles to just 29.9 percent shooting.

The Owls (2-1), who led 28-26 at the half, used an 8-0 run to



Kentucky center Jamaal Magloire, right, tries to shoot over Dayton defender Mark Aashman in the first half Monday in Cincinnati.

start the second half to take command of the game. Ron Hale led Florida State (2-2) with 21 points and Damous Anderson added 13.

No. 11 Florida 131, New Hampshire 72

GAINESVILLE, Fla. - After a difficult trip to paradise, No. 11

Florida came home in need of an ego boost. Enter New Hampshire, a struggling program that had the bad fortune of landing on the Gators' schedule this season.

The result was a 131-72 victory for Florida (4-1) on Monday night. Led by Mike Miller's 19 points, the Gators had six players in double figures and set a school record for points.

No. 22 Utah storms Stony Brook

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah coach Rick Majerus told the No. 20 Utes that their opponent Monday wasn't Stony Brook but the Utes themselves and Majerus said that.

"The best thing about a game like this is that we were able to play lots of guys and work on our own stuff. We were really competing against ourselves," Majerus said after Alex Jensen and Nate Althoff each scored 13 points to lead Utah to an easy 74-45 win over Stony Brook.

Jensen scored all of his points in the first half and played just 17 minutes.

The Utes (2-1) led by as many as 35 points and allowed their reserves and walk-ons to play the last 10 minutes of the game.

"We set out to just execute as well as we can," Jensen said. "We are really concentrating on playing our best not just the opponent."

The 6-foot-11 Althoff, who has missed more than half of the fall practices with a strained back, was dominating against the smaller Sewnolwes, scoring his points within five feet of the basket and

No. 14 Syracuse 83, Colgate 49

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Jason Hart scored 18 points and Evan Thomas blocked six shots to set the Orangemen career record in the win over the Red Raiders.

Colgate (2-2), fresh from a 76-59 upset of Canisius, reverted to familiar form against Syracuse (4-0), losing to the Orangemen for the 35th straight time.

Jordan Harris had 12 points and eight rebounds to lead Colgate.

No. 15 Ohio St. 74, Vermont 61

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Vermont found itself trailing No. 15 Ohio State by just four with 15 minutes remaining Monday night.

Then Michael Redd finally started making some shots. With Redd scoring nine of his 19 points in a 17-2 second-half run, the Buckeyes (1-1) rolled to a 74-61 victory.

"In the second half when we got close, Redd really took over the game," Vermont coach Tom Brennan said. "At that point, they remembered they were Ohio State. And we remembered we were Vermont."

No. 18 Tennessee 102, South Florida 90

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - Tony Harris scored a career-high 29 points, including five 3-pointers, to lead the Volunteers past the Bulls.

After South Florida (0-2) pulled within six points midway through the second half, Tennessee (4-0) only allowed South Florida to hit six more field goals the rest of the game to seal the victory.

Idaho loses to EWU, falls to 1-3

CHENEY, Wash. (AP) - Jamal Jones scored 13 points and Aaron Olson added 11 to lead the Eastern Washington Eagles to a 66-53 victory over the Idaho Vandals Monday night.

Eastern's first victory of the season improved its record to 1-3. Idaho also is 1-3.

The victory snapped Eastern's 22-game losing streak to Idaho. The Eagles' last victory over the Vandals was on Jan. 15, 1986.

The Eagles never trailed as they jumped to a 9-0 lead in the first four and a half minutes. They used that early run to take a 33-20 lead at halftime. Idaho converted on only seven of 23 field goal attempts (30.4 percent) in the first half.

The Vandals could get no closer than 11 points in the second half.

Idaho's Devon Ford led all scorers with 18 points.

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SPORTS

Bowl Championship Series rankings

Table with columns: Rank, Team, AP, USA Today, ESPN, Points, Margin, Durable, Key stats, etc. Lists top 25 teams.

The year's Best Championship Series rankings include eight computer ranking points. Here is a look at the rankings through Nov. 27.

Pool Average Average of the Associated Press, USA Today/ESPN coaches poll. *New participant to the year's poll.

Schedule rank Rank of schedule strength compared to other Division I teams played, averaged by averaging the seven highest computer rankings. The lowest computer ranking is disregarded. The ranking designated in parentheses.

Losses One point for each loss during the season.

BCS

Continued on D1 strength of schedule and losses. Florida State and Virginia Tech are 1-2 in the AP poll and the coaches poll.

age, 1 for computer rank average, 0.24 for strength of schedule and zero for losses. Virginia Tech has 6.16 points - 2 for poll average, 2 for computer rank average, 2.16 for strength of schedule, and zero for losses.

Knicks get back to .500 with easy win over Mavs; Heat scorch Kings

NEW YORK (AP) - Charlie Ward made seven 3-pointers, tying the most in the NBA this season and tied a career-high 25 points as the New York Knicks enjoyed a rare laughter Monday night by beating the Dallas Mavericks 107-102.

NBA career high of 19 set in March, 1988, against Portland. 20 points, matching his high since joining the Knicks, in his first game against the Mavericks since leaving them as a free agent prior to the start of last season.

without their starting point guard and their top two rebounders went to the bench early in the third quarter with four fouls. The Heat still managed to snap Sacramento's eight-game winning streak Monday night, Jamal Mashburn scored 22 points on his 27th birthday, and P.J. Brown added 13 as Miami beat Sacramento 98-88.

"Our defense shut them down tonight," Mashburn said. Alfonso Mourning added 16 points and 11 rebounds for the Heat. Chris Webber led Sacramento with 18 points and 10 rebounds, Jason Williams added 17 rebounds for the Kings.

Portland Trail Blazers 93-91 Monday night. Scottie Pippen had a chance to tie in the frantic final seconds, but his jumper went off the back of the rim with about 8 seconds left. The Blazers had one more chance, but an inbound pass was knocked away and picked up by Indiana's Reggie Miller.

SCORES AND STATISTICS

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB, Home, Road, Conf., Div. Includes Eastern Conference and Western Conference.

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SKI Report LEMMON, N.H. (UPI) - Skiing conditions are added to SnowCrest Mountain. Conditions are expected to change to wetter, warmer, and other factors. A snow forecast is being issued.

NBA Leaders

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TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Christian Academy got 21 points from Tyler Jordan and 17 from Mike Walker en route to win 71-41. It's first game of the season.

The Warriors used a strong defense that head coach Brent

Flyers shock Kentucky; UConn rolls

CINCINNATI (AP) - Tony Stanley scored 23 points and hit a pair of clutch 3-pointers down the stretch as unbeaten Dayton rallied from a 10-point deficit to a 68-66 victory Monday over No. 13 Kentucky.

The Wildcats (3-2) blew the Oregon State lead with 10 turnovers and then lost it because of their inability to hit a 3-pointer.

College Basketball

The Flyers improved to 4-0 for the first time in 17 years and snapped their streak of 25 consecutive losses in play in Cincinnati since the 1981-82 season.



Kentucky center Jamal Maguire, right, tries to shoot over Dayton defender Mark Adams in the first half Monday in Cincinnati.

start the second half to take control of the game. Ron Hale led Florida State (2-2) with 21 points and Damous Anderson added 13.

No. 11 Florida 131, New Hampshire 72

GAINESVILLE, Fla. - After a difficult trip to paradise, No. 11

Florida came home in need of an ego boost. Enter New Hampshire, a struggling program that had the bad fortune of landing on the Gators' schedule this season.

The result was a 131-72 victory for Florida (4-1) on Monday night. Led by Mike Miller's 19 points, the Gators had six players in double figures and set a school record for points.

No. 14 Syracuse 83, Colgate 49

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Jason Hart scored 18 points and Etan Thomas blocked six shots to set the Orangemen career record in the win over the Red Raiders.

Colgate (2-2), fresh from a 76-59 upset of Canisius, reverted to familiar form against Syracuse (4-0), losing to the Orangemen for the 35th straight time.

Jordan Harris had 12 points and eight rebounds to lead Colgate.

No. 15 Ohio St. 74, Vermont 51

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Vermont found itself trailing No. 15 Ohio State by just four with 15 minutes remaining Monday night.

Then Michael Reed finally started making some shots. With Reed scoring nine of his 19 points in a 17-2 second-half run, the Backeyes (1-1) rolled to a 74-51 victory.

"In the second half when we got close, Reed really took over the game," Vermont coach Tom Brennan said. "At that point, they remembered they were Ohio State. And we remembered we were Vermont."

No. 18 Tennessee 102, South Florida 90

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - Tony Harris scored a career-high 29 points, including five 3-pointers, to lead the Volunteers past the Bulls.

After South Florida (0-2) pulled within six points, Harris' 19 points through the second half, Tennessee (4-0) only allowed South Florida to hit six more field goals the rest of the game to seal the victory.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Idaho State upends Lewis-Clark St. 73-67

POCATELLO - Ammer Johnson scored 18 points to lead Idaho State to a 73-67 victory over Lewis-Clark State College Monday night.

Johnson scored 14 points in the first half as ISU (1-1) took a 31-26 lead at the half.

In the second half, Jason Franklin helped the Warriors (3-3) of the NAIA take a 53-52 lead with 6:40 to play on a 3-pointer.

Franklin finished the night with 24 points including a run of 10 consecutive Warriors points.

The Bengals won down the stretch as Stephen Brown had five points in the last 15 minutes. He hit a

Stephen Brown, who finished with 16 points, hit a jump shot to give the Bengals 65-63 lead with 1:03 left, another jumper made it 67-63 and he finished it with two free throws in the last few seconds.

Johnston wins easily after cutting opponent

WEMBLEY, England - American Stevie Johnston retained his WBC lightweight title on a unanimous decision after battering Billy Scherer for 12 rounds Monday.

The left-handed champion from Denver scored freely against the determined but easily hit Brit at Wembley Arena, cutting him and Adam Muir scored his first regular-season NHL goal for the

Maple Leafs. The other Toronto goals were scored by Yanic Perreault and Steve Thomas, who got an empty-netter with 19.8 seconds left.

Defenseman Tomas Kaberle had two assists for the Leafs.

Maple Leafs silence Washington 3-1

TORONTO - Curtis Joseph made 20 saves to get his league-leading 12th victory as the Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the Washington Capitals 3-1 Monday night.

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Reports: Michigan State's Saban to go to LSU

EAST LANSING, Mich. - Michigan State football coach Nick Saban will replace Gerry DiNardo at LSU, two Louisiana television stations reported Monday.

Saban was not at his office Monday evening and could not be reached for comment. Spartans offensive coordinator Morris Watts and player Amp Campbell said Saban planned to talk with his family Monday night to try to make a decision.

WAFB television in Baton Rouge and WWL television in New Orleans cited unidentified sources in their reports. LSU sent an airplane Michigan to Saban to bring him to Louisiana Monday evening, WAFB reported.

Prosecutors drop case against Worm, Electra

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. - Battery charges filed against Dennis Rodman and actress Carmen Electra after a night of partying in South Beach clubs ended in a fight at a hotel, have been dropped.

Attorney Roy Black said Monday that the fight was a disagreement "typical of what happens between a married couple."

"This simply wasn't a crime ... but because of their celebrity, everyone took notice," he said.

Rodman and Electra were charged with simple battery, a misdemeanor, after the fight Nov. 5 in which both received minor injuries.

Rodman and Electra were arrested and later released on \$2,500 bail each after several hours in custody.

In addition to prosecutors dismissing the charges, the judge vacated an order for Rodman and Electra to stay away from each other, Black said.

Rose launches Web site petition, may sue

NEW YORK - Pete Rose is launching an Internet petition and may sue baseball to end his lifetime ban.

"You can't keep a guy from making a living," he said Monday in an interview with The Associated Press. "It's not the American way."

Following an investigation of his gambling, baseball's career his leader agreed in August 1989 to a lifetime ban from the sport. He applied for reinstatement in September 1997 and while commissioner Bud Selig has said several times that he has seen no evidence that would make him change the ban, he hasn't formally responded to Rose.

"If you find in your heart you didn't want to give me reinstatement, just write back to me and say, 'No,'" Rose said. "I know he has statistics. I know the mail is delivered in Milwaukee."

Rose was in New York for today's launch of sportscrow.com, which through Jan. 15 will contain a fan petition calling for Rose's admission to the Hall of Fame. As long as he's banned from baseball for life, Rose is ineligible for the Hall.

Compiled from wire reports.

Idaho loses to EWU, falls to 1-3

CHENEY, Wash. (AP) - Jamal Jones scored 13 points and Aaron Olson added 11 to lead the Eastern Washington Eagles to a 66-53 victory over the Idaho Vandals Monday night.

Eastern's first victory of the season improved its record to 1-3. Idaho also is 1-3.

The victory snapped Eastern's 22-game losing streak to Idaho. The Eagles' last victory over the Vandals was on Jan. 15, 1986.

The Eagles never trailed as they jumped to a 9-0 lead in the first four and a half minutes. They used that early run to take a 33-20 lead at halftime. Idaho converted on only seven of 23 field goal attempts (30.4 percent) in the first half.

The Vandals could get no closer than 11 points in the second half.

Idaho's Devon Ford led all scorers with 18 points.

No. 22 Utah storms Stony Brook

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah coach Rick Majerus used the No. 20 Utes that their opponent Monday wasn't Stony Brook but the Utes themselves.

"The best thing about a game like this is that we were able to play lots of guys and work on our own stuff. We were really competing against ourselves," Majerus said after Alex Jensen and Nate Abner each scored 12 points to lead Utah to an easy 74-45 win over Stony Brook.

Jensen scored all of his points in the first half and played just 17 minutes.

The Utes (2-1) led by as many as 35 points and allowed their reserves and walk-ons to play the last 10 minutes of the game.

"We set out to just execute as well as we can," Jensen said. "We are really concentrating on playing our best not just the opponent."

The 6-foot-11 Altkhoff, who has missed more than half of the fall practices with a strained back, was dominating against the smaller Stony Brookers, scoring all his points within five feet of the basket and

blocking three shots.

"Nate really needed a game like this to work himself back into shape. He should dominate against a team like this," Majerus said.

Utah's Jeremy Killian added 11 points, including three 3-pointers, and Tony Harvey handed out eight assists.

"Coach Majerus was kind to us to substitute so freely," Stony Brook coach Nick Macarichuk said. "Utah is one of the best teams in the country and they gave us a lesson like what a well-coached team looks like."

Josh Little scored a game-high 14 points and Francois Oloa had 11 for Stony Brook (0-5), which is playing its first year at the Division I level.

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SPORTS

Bowl Championship Series rankings

Table with columns: Rank, Team, AP, USA Today, Poll, etc. Lists top 25 teams including Florida State, Nebraska, and Michigan State.

BCS

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Poll Average: Average of The Associated Press media poll and USA Today ESPV coaches poll.

Computer Average: The computer component is determined by averaging the seven highest computer rankings.

Knicks get back to .500 with easy win over Mavs; Heat scorch Kings

NEW YORK (AP) — Charlie Ward made seven 3-pointers, tying the most in the NBA this season, and scored a career-high 25 points as the New York Knicks enjoyed a rare laugher Monday night by beating the Dallas Mavericks 107-82.

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without their starting point guard and their top two rebounders went to the bench early in the third quarter with four fouls.

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NBA Standings table showing Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Central, Southeast) and Western Conference (Northwest, Pacific, Southwest) records.

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Portland Trail Blazers 93-91 Monday night. Scottie Pippen had a chance to tie the frantic final seconds, but his jumper went off the back of the rim with about 8 seconds left.

SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



"This isn't athlete's foot cream. You've been using Rogaine."

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

Table listing television schedules for various sports events, including NFL, NBA, and college basketball.

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Late NFL box score table showing game results and statistics.

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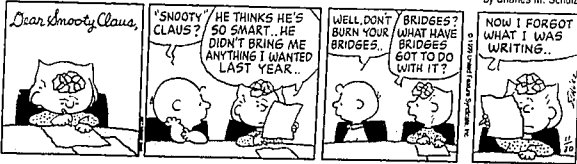
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VOLLEYBALL table listing volleyball tournament information.

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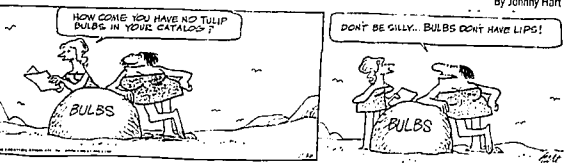
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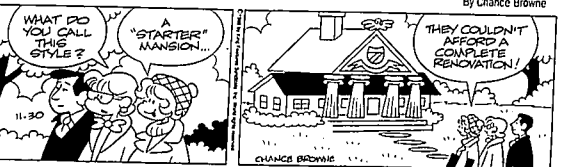
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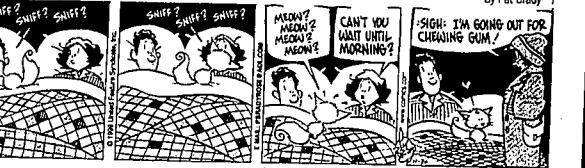


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