

GOOD MORNING

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Today: Decreasing clouds, with west winds 10-15 mph. High, 38. Clear tonight with patchy late-night fog. Low, 23.

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Hotel moves closer



Councilman Tom Miksaell listens to a speaker during the final public hearing on an amendment to the city's Canyon Rim Overlay Zone ordinance.

Vermont grants gay rights

State stops short of allowing marriages

The Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — Creating what could be a springboard for the legalization of gay marriage, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled Monday that homosexual couples are entitled to the same benefits and protections as wedded couples of the opposite sex.

The high court stopped short of giving homosexuals the right to marry, leaving it instead to the Legislature to decide whether to legalize same-sex marriages or create some kind of "domestic partnership" status to ensure gay couples' rights.

Gay organizations hailed the decision as the most far-reaching ruling of its kind in the United States and said it represents their best chance of winning the right to marriage for the first time anywhere in this country.

"This is a glorious day," said Evan Wolfson of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund. "Vermont's highest court has ordered an end to unequal treatment of lesbian and gay families."

Until recently, Hawaii had been gay couples' best hope. Hawaii's Supreme Court started the debate nationally when it ruled in 1993 that restrictions against gay marriage violated the state constitution. But last year, Hawaii approved a constitutional amendment against gay marriage.

He held that the state is constitutionally required to extend to same-sex couples the common benefits and protections that flow from marriage, under the same law. "Vermont's high court said, 'Whether this ultimately takes the form of inclusion within the marriage laws themselves or a parallel domestic partnership system or some equivalent statutory alternative rests with the Legislature.'"

The court said the benefits that gay couples should get include access to a spouse's medical, life and disability insurance, hospital visitation and other medical decision-making privileges, spousal support, certain rights of inheritance and homestead protections.

Chief Justice Frederick Lewis said the Vermont ruling provides greater recognition of and protection for same-sex relationships than any other state's high court except Hawaii's.

Both gay rights advocates and opponents of homosexual marriage went even further, arguing that the Vermont ruling was the strongest in support of gay rights by a state appeals court in the United States.

"It really represents a slap in the face for marriage between a man and a woman," said Jay Sekulow, chief counsel for the American Center for Law and Justice, which opposes gay marriage.

Mary Bonauto, a lawyer for the three gay couples who sued the state in 1997 for not to be given marriage licenses, called the decision "a legal and cultural milestone."

Council approves ordinance amendment request

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The City Council Monday approved a Las Vegas developer's request to amend the city's Canyon Rim Overlay Zone Ordinance — a decision that could pave the way for a hotel and convention center along the canyon rim.

But before approving Craig H. Neilsen's amendment request, the council made changes of its own to the proposed amendment. The council established a citizens' committee to help the city's planning and zoning committees review a developer's building plans along the canyon rim. The council also included a definition of a hotel and convention center in the amendment.

Neilsen had asked that the

Amendment review

The City Council approved amendments to the city's Canyon Rim Overlay Ordinance Monday. The amendments include:

- Additional building height restrictions for hotels and convention centers.
- Through the planned unit development process in the Canyon Rim Overlay Zone, within 1,000 feet of state highways serving as gateway arterials, at 100 feet from the rim.
- The term "hotel-convention center" was defined as a full-service hotel and convention center designed to

accommodate a minimum of 500 convention attendees.

- A Outreach Design Committee was established to help review a project's design. Team lead: Tobi Unsworth.
- Kevin Dore and Brent Jusell will be on the committee. Mayor Dale Hinkokoff, whose term expires in Jan., said he will think about being on the committee.
- A special use permit is not necessary to build along the canyon, development would be allowed through a planned unit development process.

Ken Edmunds, a Neilsen consultant, said he was content with the changes.

"All the work is ahead of us now," Edmunds said. "The amendment will allow us to move forward."

Monday's decision was the culmination of several weeks of public hearings on Neilsen's proposed Canyon Park Project, which includes plans for a 10-story hotel and 15,000-square-foot convention center.

"I don't like not having a height limit," Twin Falls resident David Mead said. "I think there might be lawsuits."

Mead, who formed a citizens group opposed to the change in the city's canyon-rim ordinance, was asked to join the citizens committee by the council — an

amendment eliminates height restrictions for buildings along the canyon rim, but requires a 100-foot set-back.

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Smear? A lawsuit filed by a former nuclear weapons scientist alleges the government wrongly portrayed him as a spy.

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Sun Valley resort plans huge fireworks bash

By Karen Bosalak
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — Drive-in fireworks. It's Sun Valley's way of ushering in the year 2000.

From Dollar Mountain, Sun Valley will throw a New Year's Eve fireworks blast to top all blasts. Promoters are pronouncing a display that could be the largest Idaho has ever seen — packing even more pop than the fireworks display at the Boise River

Festival, and outdoing a New Year's Eve program planned for Boise.

The resort has hired Pyrotechnic of New Castle, Pa. one of the top fireworks companies in the country, to provide 23 minutes of firepower beginning at 8 p.m. so children can see it. A two-minute version will be shot off at midnight.

The resort plans to play the partying job at the Sun Valley Horsemanship Center for spectators.

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CLEANER CARS

Clinton announces pollution controls

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton, citing widespread health benefits, will announce tougher pollution controls Tuesday on new cars including highly popular sport utility vehicles, government and private sources briefed about the plan said Monday.

The new regulations are aimed at slashing overall tailpipe releases of smog-causing chemicals by nearly 90 percent during the next decade. And for the first time, popular sport utilities and light trucks would be required to meet the same emission standards as cars.

In tandem with the tougher

requirements on automakers, the Environmental Protection Agency will order refineries nationwide to reduce the amount of sulfur in gasoline by 90 percent to an average of 30 parts per million, the sources said.

White House press secretary Joe Lockhart declined to comment.

Meanwhile, the EPA also plans to pursue regulations requiring more reductions in sulfur in diesel fuel, which automakers are increasingly viewing as the fuel of choice for future large SUVs because it improves their fuel economy.

Clinton was expected to announce the environmental

initiatives at a Washington, D.C., elementary school to highlight that children — as well as adults with respiratory ailments — are most vulnerable to health problems associated with dirty air.

The EPA has estimated that the more stringent tailpipe emission requirement may add \$160 to \$200 to the cost of a vehicle. Oil industry executives have claimed that the low-sulfur rule could add as much as 6 cents to the cost of a gallon of gasoline, although environmentalists said that estimate was way too high.

It was not clear what the actual cost of the final rule would be.

Tinkering with grass may mean no more mowing

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Don't throw away the lawnmower yet, but scientists have found out a way to stunt the growth of grass and other plants and keep them greener longer by tinkering with a single gene. It could be a dream come true for suburbanites weary of the weekly mowing ritual.

The gene regulates production of a steroid hormone that causes plants to grow, much the same way similar steroids work in animals. Scientists have now succeeded in manipulating the gene to create dwarf versions of standard plant species, according to research published Tuesday in

the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

A tobacco plant that would normally grow next to be given engineered to mature at 12 inches by scientists at the Salk Institute for Biological Studies in San Diego. The same technique worked with the tobacco plant, a member of the mustard family that, like tobacco, is frequently used in genetic studies.

"It very much parallels the steroids in football players. Plants buff up on it," Joanne Chory, the Salk study's senior researcher, said of the newly manipulated plant gene. "If you do something ... so it isn't expressed, you get these little dwarfy guys."

THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High 33° Low: 8°
Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of morning flurries. Patchy fog late.

Treasure Valley

High: 43° Low: 23°
Decreasing clouds, with northeast winds about 10 mph. Clear tonight, highs around 40 on Wednesday.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 39° Low: 2°
Mostly cloudy, with a slight chance of morning snow, then partly cloudy in the morning. Winds 10-15 mph. Partly sunny on Wednesday.

Eastern Idaho

High 30° Low: 10°
Mostly cloudy, with a slight chance of light rain in the morning. Winds 10-15 mph. Partly sunny on Wednesday.

Northern Idaho

High 39° Low: 33°
Mostly cloudy with flurries or sprinkles early, then mostly sunny.

Northern Utah

High 33° Low: 13°
Light snow showers possible in the morning, becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon.

Northern Nevada

High 38° Low: 20°
Decreasing clouds, with some flurries late Dec. 22; last quarter, Dec. 29; new, Jan. 6, 2000; first quarter, Jan. 14, 2000.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast grid for Today, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday with icons and temperature ranges.

Idaho weather

AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures, and icons for various Idaho regions.

National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Tuesday, Dec. 21. Includes a map of the United States with temperature zones and a legend for weather symbols.

ACROSS THE NATION

Summary of weather conditions across different regions: Midwest, West, Northeast, and East Coast.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Table showing Twin Falls precipitation (2.15 inches) and Idaho high/low temperatures (e.g., Boise 45-28).

Idaho

Table of Idaho high/low temperatures for various cities like Boise, Pocatello, and Lewiston.

The Nation

Table of high/low temperatures for major cities across the United States.

Russian voters hand Kremlin a victory

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian voters anxious for stability handed centrist parties a major victory Monday in parliamentary elections and firmly endorsed Prime Minister Vladimir Putin and his tough handling of the war in Chechnya.

marked the onset of an important stage in the development of Russian political stabilization, according to the IAR-TASS news agency. Putin's approval ratings have soared since his appointment as prime minister four months ago, largely because of his role in managing Russia's war in Chechnya.

media also helped Unity, formed just three months ago, and all the centrists benefitted from voter weariness of the extremism that has stymied Russian politics for years. "People have voted for a firm hand," said Galina Veltichanina, 59, a retired microbiologist in Moscow.

Fireworks

Continued from A1 those ideas were shelved in favor of shooting the whole show from Dollar because the impact is much greater when all the fireworks are shot from one location.

Hotel Continued from A1 invitation he accepted. And while Nielsen's Canyon Park project dream may be inching closer to reality, the plan is still subject to approval, once again, by the city's planning and zoning commission.

Bush doubts accuracy of Texas hunger survey

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Texas Gov. George W. Bush Monday he doesn't believe a federal report that says the country's second largest state is also the second-hungriest.

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Alberta Lee, left, daughter of former nuclear weapons scientist Wen Ho Lee, accompanied by brother Chung, center, and attorney Brian Sun, right, meet reporters outside federal court Monday after filing a lawsuit against the FBI, the Justice Department and the Energy Department.

Scientist's lawsuit says leaks were part of smear campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government officials leaked false and misleading information to reporters to smear Wen Ho Lee as a spy for China, the fired nuclear weapons scientist said in a lawsuit filed Monday.

LOTTERY UPDATE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 NUMBERS. POWERBALL 2-3-15-25-43. WILD CARD 2-3-19-22-25.

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NATION

Hospitals own up to mistakes

Study: Honesty wins out in fighting malpractice claims

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Hospitals can forestall costly malpractice litigation by owning up to their mistakes and offering fair compensation before the patient or his family even realizes the error, a study suggests.

The study, published Tuesday in the *Annals of Internal Medicine* looked at a policy in

effect since 1987 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Lexington, Ky.

"The policy calls for full disclosure to patients who are injured either accidentally or through medical negligence.

"This diminishes the anger and desire for revenge that often motivate patients' litigation," wrote Dr. Steve S. Kraman, hospital chief of staff.

He said plaintiffs' attorneys become more willing to negotiate a settlement without trying to punish the institution with a big verdict.

The study, written by Kraman and the hospital's legal counsel, compared the 407-bed hospital's liability payments with those of 38 similar veterans hospitals from 1990 through 1995.

The center paid out \$1.3 million during the period, an average of \$190,113 a year, or \$15,622 per claim. Liability payments at the other hospitals ranged from less than \$1 million to \$12 million.

Only six had lower liability totals than the Lexington hospital; 28 had higher totals.

"It fits in the face of the perception of most health-care providers

who think, 'My God, if I admit my error, I'm a dead duck in the courtroom,'" said Artur Levin, director of the New York City-based Center for Medical Consumers. "I think it's a very healthy move."

The policy arose after the Lexington hospital lost two malpractice judgments totaling more than \$1.5 million.

The hospital's administrators were unsure at first what to do when they encountered a case in which family members were unaware of problems that led to a death.

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President and Mrs. Clinton, accompanied by Tiara Resheed, 5, of Washington, read "Was the Night Before Christmas," Monday, in the East Room of the White House. Fifty school children joined in the celebration.

McCain calls Clinton's forest order arrogant

BERLIN, N.H. (AP) — Sen. John McCain said Monday that, if elected president, he would overturn President Clinton's executive order putting more national forest land off limits to logging. He called the order an example of Washington's arrogance.

McCain, R-Ariz., also said he would "never lose sight of the fundamental principle" that land management decisions must be made in conjunction with the people who make their homes in the communities that would be affected.

The idea that Washington knows best and that local residents cannot be trusted to do what's right in their own back yard is the epitome of federal arrogance," said McCain, who outlined an environmental agenda in a speech to about 100 people at the edge of White Mountain National Forest.

The forest encompasses 780,000 acres in northern New Hampshire and western Maine, and many area residents work in logging, forestry and the paper and pulp mills in Berlin and neighboring Gorham.

Clinton's executive order in October made more of the forest off limits to logging and started a process that could lead to further acreage restrictions.

Study links mad cow, human brain diseases

WASHINGTON (AP) — A laboratory experiment gives powerful new evidence that an infectious protein that causes mad cow disease also causes a new type of fatal human brain disease that has killed 51 people in Europe.

The study, appearing Tuesday in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, makes clear that people in Britain who developed a new type of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease could have gotten it from eating meat from cattle infected with bovine spongiform encephalopathy, the so-called mad cow disease. The brain disease has not been found in America.

Experts said the study also suggests the infectious protein, called prion, that causes the disease can move more easily than once believed.

"These findings argue unequivocally that BSE and the new variant CJD are the same strain of prion," said Dr. Stephen DeArmon, a researcher at the University of California, San Francisco, and a senior author of the study.

An outbreak of BSE occurred in British cattle early this decade. Later, some people in Britain developed a new, more deadly type of the Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. In 1996, experts suggested mad cow disease possibly could be linked to the brain-wasting human disease.

The European Union banned import of British beef for three years until last August. France still denies import of the meat. Officials in Britain banned sale of bone-in domestic beef in 1997 and lifted the sanction last Thursday.

Amusement parks break records

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A series of accidents at American amusement parks didn't keep visitors away this year.

A record 170.5 million people visited the 50 largest theme parks in North America in 1999, a 3 percent increase over last year, according to estimates released Friday and appearing in the Dec. 27 issue of *Amusement Business*.

"In years past, the accidents have been so few and far between that people realize that this year was a fluke year," said Tim O'Brien, an editor with the trade magazine.

Six people were killed in ride accidents at Gillian's Wonderland Pier in Ocean City, N.J.; Paramount's Great America in Santa Clara, Calif.; Paramount's Kings Dominion in Doswell, Va.; Six Flags over Texas; and on Coney Island.

The larger theme parks don't release attendance figures, but the Nashville, Tenn.-based trade

publication calculates them each year based on sources within the theme parks and information provided by visitors and convention bureaus.

For the third year in a row, the Magic Kingdom at Walt Disney World in Orlando was the No. 1 attended park in North America, with an estimated 15.2 million visitors, a slight decrease from 1998. Disneyland in Anaheim, Calif. was No. 2 with 13.4 million visitors, a decrease of about 5 percent.

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NATION

Discovery closes gap on Hubble

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Discovery and its crew of seven closed in on the Hubble Space Telescope on Monday to make urgently needed repairs to NASA's premier, \$3 billion observatory.

The 370-mile-high chase will end Tuesday evening, when the astronauts seize the telescope with the shuttle robot arm and tuck it into the cargo bay for three days of spacewalking work.

The Hubble has been out of service since Nov. 13.

As of Monday afternoon, less than 24 hours into the shuttle flight, Discovery had closed the gap to 3,500 miles and was gaining 300 miles on the telescope with each passing orbit.

It was a relatively quiet day for the astronauts, all but one of them a seasoned space flier.

They tested Discovery's 50-foot arm in preparation for the rendezvous and checked the space suits and tools they will use while working on the Hubble. They have about 300 tools at their disposal.

Astronauts last visited the Hubble in February 1997. Since then, four of the Hubble's six gyroscopes have failed because of corroded wires, leaving the telescope useless until new units can be installed. The gyroscopes are needed to keep the telescope steady.

Replacing all six gyroscopes is the No. 1 priority for Discovery's spacewalkers.

The four spacewalkers also will outfit the Hubble with a new computer, data recorder, radio transmitter, fine guidance sensor, battery-voltage regulators and

thermal shields. Altogether, the new gear cost \$69 million.

NASA and astronomers everywhere are anxious to get the 25-year-old Hubble working as soon as possible. The space agency spends \$25 million to operate the telescope every month, whether it is scanning the universe or not.

Already, the Hubble has missed some 150 astronomical observations. If all goes well, the telescope should be back in action by the second week of January.

After five months without a shuttle flight because of extensive wiring damage, Mission Control was glad to be busy. Discovery's eight-day mission began Sunday night after an unprecedented nine delays because of equipment trouble and bad weather.

Judge says program violates Constitution

CLEVELAND (AP) — A federal judge threw out the state's taxpayer-funded school voucher program Monday, saying it violated the constitutional separation of church and state.

The ruling by U.S. District Judge Solomon Oliver Jr., making his earlier temporary order permanent, once again creates uncertainty for the thousands of Cleveland parents who send their children to voucher schools.

Students can remain in their current schools while the ruling is appealed.

Oliver said there has been no attempt to guarantee that state aid supports only secular educational functions of the participating schools.

He also said parents of students in the program do not have a true choice between sending their children to a sectarian or nonsectarian school.

Thus, the program has the effect of advancing religion through government-supported religious indoctrination," Oliver said.

Most of the participating 56 voucher schools are religious institutions.

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Activists demonstrate against loss of funds

BOISE (AP) — Scores of community activists demonstrated at the Statehouse and a federal office building on Monday to protest the loss of federal funding for a nonprofit nonprofit Intermountain Fair Housing Council.

Carrying placards and chanting civil rights slogans, demonstrators

marched to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's office and then to the nearby building where members of Idaho's congressional delegation have their offices.

Fair Housing Council Director Richard Mabbutt, who joined the protest, said the goal was raising public awareness of housing discrimination based on race, dis-

ability and other factors.

Mabbutt said powerful housing developers upset about his agency's complaints against them during the past two years probably led to Idaho being left off this year's U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development list of grants to 53

states.

"I'm not naive. I knew taking someone on could have consequences," Mabbutt said.

Some 220 applications were submitted to Housing and Urban Development seeking more than \$50 million, but only \$15 million was available from Congress.

Yellowstone, Grand Teton

parks open gates for winter

Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks have opened for the winter season.

Yellowstone is open to snowmobile, snowcoach and skier traffic, though a few roads may remain closed until heavy snow falls.

The roads from the south entrance to Old Faithful, Grant Village to Canyon, Canyon to Norris and the east entrance to Fishing Bridge are open. The roads from the West Entrance to Madison and Old Faithful are open to rubber-tracked over-snow vehicles only.

Park officials remind snowmobilers that all operators in the park must possess a valid Idaho vehicle operator's license. In addition, people with a learner's license can operate a snowmobile in the park only when they are supervised by a licensed operator who is 21 years or older.

The Old Faithful Snow Lodge has reopened and will be open until March 12. Visitors will also be able to stay in the Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel beginning Tuesday.

Snowmobilers can refuel their machines at service stations located throughout the park. They can warm themselves at huts at Mammoth, Old Faithful, Madison, Indian Creek, Canyon, Fishing Bridge, and West Thumb.

FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

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

Jerome County

Arraignments and appearances

Jan A. Aakhus, 47, 202 N. Kimball, Capet, Juv., driving under the influence, \$2,000 bond, sentencing Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Robert K. Gercken, 46, 452 Marlin Drive, Jerome, driving under the influence, stop at the scene of an accident, failure to purchase valid driver's license, \$200 bond, sentencing Jan. 24, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Joseph Peter Jimenez, 33, 400 W. Ave. A, Jerome, negligent, obstructing officer, jury trial Feb. 15, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Waldo Christian Nelson, 24, 1045 Duff St., Coaling, driving without privileges, \$200 bond, pretrial conference Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Michael Joseph Phillips, 35, 1341 E. 4100 S., Burley, driving under the influence, \$2,000 bond, sentencing Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Michael R. Sturgeon, 22, 345 Oregon St., Jerome, driving without privileges, no proof of insurance, pretrial conference Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Jon Antonio Vazquez, 24, 2017 E. 1500 S., Coaling, driving without privileges, no proof of insurance, failure to appear at hearing.

Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson. Hilda Lynn Verbeck, 41, 216 N. Eisenhower, Jerome, driving under the influence, \$500 bond, pretrial conference Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Sentencings

Amy E. Adley, 36, 600, Third Ave. E., Jerome, forged amended to theft; \$300 fine, \$20 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$15 public defender fee; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 180 days' jail, 180 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Truman Harry Arbaugh, 73, 300 W. Fifth, Jerome, pebble automobile, felony amended to misdemeanor, \$500 fine, suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 24 months' unsupervised probation; 90 days' jail, suspended, 180 hours' community service; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Richard C. Bullock Jr., 40, 1226 S. Lincoln, Jerome, driving without privileges, no proof of insurance, \$500 bond, pretrial conference Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

James R. Easter Jr., 19, 420 Oak St., Twin Falls, driving under the influence, over 21% minor concentration, pretrial conference Jan. 10, 2000; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

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John Todd Miller, 33, 400 W. 13th St., Burley, driving under the influence, amended to purchase valid driver's license, \$150 fine, \$150 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$15 public defender fee; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 180 days' jail, 178 suspended; 180 hours' community service; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

Ricardo Lopez Gussman, 41, 208 Meadow View Drive, Twin Falls, driving under the influence, amended to inattentive, careless driving, \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$15 public defender fee; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 90 days' jail, 88 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

James G. Gutierrez, 21, 313 7th, Twin Falls, driving under the influence, amended to inattentive, careless driving, \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$15 public defender fee; 12 months' unsupervised probation; 90 days' jail, 88 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

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Judge Thomas H. Borrenson. Beris L. Hernandez, 30, 311 E. Ave. K, Jerome, domestic battery, damaged by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrenson.

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WORLD

'You begin to feel the pain'

Situation grows more desperate in devastated Venezuela

LA GUARA, Venezuela (AP) - The paratrooper broke into tears as he pulled a thick wad of identification cards from his pocket. "They're all dead," he said, victims of the widespread floods and mudslides that have killed thousands of Venezuelans in the country's worst natural disaster this century. Official estimates of the death toll range from 5,000 to 20,000.

The paratrooper, Col. Mario Araya, a commander of an elite unit that is leading the rescue effort, gazed at the cards where the wounded were being whisked. From helicopters Monday and wept for the dead.

"When you stop in a moment of quiet, you begin to feel the pain," he said.

The smell of death was everywhere along the northern coast, the area most heavily hit Wednesday when mud, boulders and water came crashing down a mountain that separates the capital of Caracas from the Caribbean Sea.

As paratroopers and sailors rushed to evacuate survivors Monday, authorities feared an outbreak of epidemics among children suffering from diarrhea and dehydration.

For the fifth straight day, desperate and hungry survivors in the port city of La Guaira wandered in search of food and water, both in short supply. Security forces shot into the air to keep back looters.

As of Monday, 1,500 bodies had been recovered, said Foreign Minister Jose Vicente Rangel. The death toll estimates are much higher, based on the number of people reported missing and the fact that many victims were buried beneath mud and debris or swept out to sea.

Some 150,000 people were left homeless - sheltered in schools, stadiums, churches and even the presidential residence.

Donning army fatigues and his trademark red beret, President Hugo Chavez personally commanded much of the relief effort.

He promised Monday that his troops would go "house to house," force flyers and climb mountains to find people who may still be alive under rubble and mud.

Officials were too busy rescuing stranded survivors and pulling out bodies to begin assessing the economic damage to Venezuela, the world's third largest oil exporter, which is already mired in a deep recession.

But several private economists are estimating that the damage to roads, ports, electricity, telephone lines, schools, hospitals and homes could reach \$2 billion - or 2 percent of the South American country's gross domestic product.

Their desperation was evident Monday in a confrontation with the national guard at La Guaira's port, where thousands of people descended on crates that had been broken open by raging waters.

The crowd took away food and milk, and some were seen carrying away toys and cellular telephones.

Guardmen fired warning shots into the air and summoned a helicopter to fly overhead as the people dispersed.

There were shouts of "we're hungry" and "we need to eat" by enraged residents.

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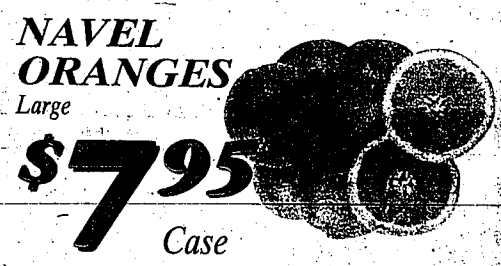
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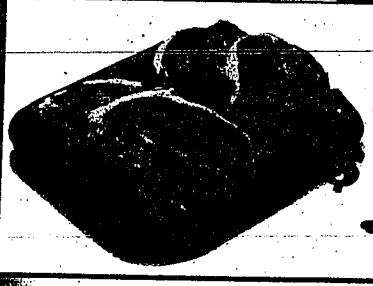
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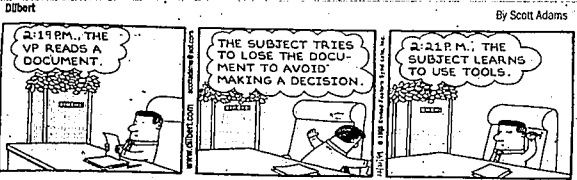
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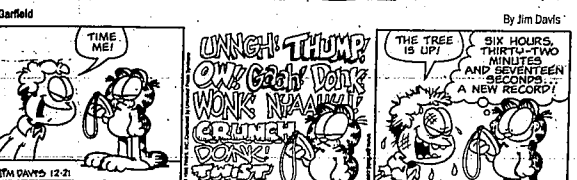
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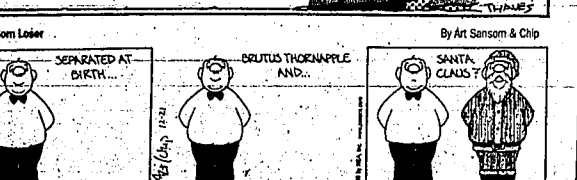
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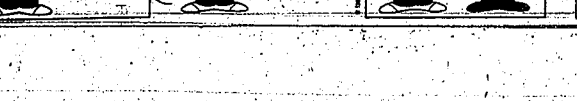
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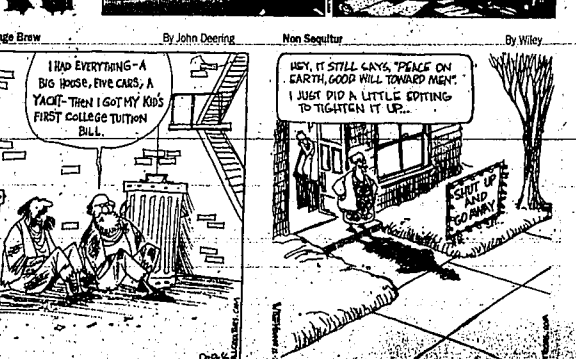
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EDITORIAL

Change law to make sure ratepayers are protected

For 53,000 families and businesses in eastern Idaho, the power company is now located in Scotland.

ScottishPower's merger with PacifiCorp could turn out to be a watershed event for a state absolutely dependent on cheap, readily available electricity. Who's to say that Idaho Power isn't next to be courted by a well-capitalized, foreign-owned utility holding company?

In and of itself, that may not sound alarming. Boiseans, after all, drink water supplied by a French company. Hundreds of Magic Valley workers and dairy operators depend on an Irish company. Avonmore, for their livelihoods. The fact that the CEO lives on the other side of the world doesn't mean that a company is less responsive to Idaho consumers, vendors and employees.

But what is clear is that the Idaho Public Utilities Commission would have been hard-pressed to reject the PacificCorp deal even had it disapproved of it.

Under state law, the PUC was required to approve the merger unless it adversely affected Idaho ratepayers.

The commissioners couldn't find any evidence that it would. It's hard, after all, to prove what might happen. But it's unsettling that the state agency responsible for protecting utility consumers has so little clout to veto a transaction that affects the livelihood of so

many Idahoans. The Legislature needs to change that, and soon. Several lawmakers from the new ScottishPower service area - basically the dozen counties of the Upper Snake River and Bear River drainages, excluding the cities of Pocatello, Idaho Falls and Blackfoot - want to rewrite the law to require that future utility buyers and takers must protect consumers or improve service.

That seems to us to be a sensible standard. As it stands, ScottishPower has temporarily frozen rates for Idaho customers and has pledged - albeit with a verbal, nonbinding promise - not to raise rates for as long as five years.

For that, ratepayers can thank state Sen. Laird Noh of Kimberly, chairman of the Resources and Environment Committee, and a few of his eastern Idaho colleagues. They had the power this time to extract a rate cap and respect for Idaho water rights from ScottishPower.

Next time, consumers might not be so lucky.

If either Idaho Power or its Panhandle counterpart, Avista, is ever involved in a merger or acquisition by a foreign company, the state's economic future could be at issue.

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Idaho has a little work to do

When Idaho became a state a little over 100 years ago, women, Mormons, American Indians and "Mongolians" were not allowed to vote. Blacks faced job and housing segregation, and some communities had sundown laws requiring blacks to be out of town by evening.

Idaho was not in the backwaters regarding human rights but reflected the thinking of the times. In fact, Idaho, unlike Oregon, never enacted laws prohibiting blacks from voting. Women in Idaho were among the first in the nation to receive the franchise. Idaho's Moses Salmon was the first Jewish governor in the United States.

We've seen a lot of progress in human rights this century. The Legislature created the Human Rights Commission in 1969 and has enacted other laws to protect residents from malicious harassment. Martin Luther King Jr. Idaho Human Rights Day is a state holiday. Numerous community, business and faith-based organizations have been formed to support human rights and respect for diversity.

The Idaho Black History Museum and the Rescue Museum have opened their doors. The Idaho Anne Frank Human

Idaho reflections

This is another in the series of essays by Idahoans reflecting on the state's past and their hopes for the future. Martin Smik is a human rights activist and former director of the Idaho Human Rights Commission.

Rights Memorial and the Hispanic Cultural Center of Idaho plan to break ground soon.

My car's bumper sticker says Idaho is too Great for Hate. I believe this. But we do have some work to do.

In the next 100 years, we must work on the prejudices we demonstrate towards others. We must get to know people who are different from ourselves to break down the fear that is often at the root of bias.

Muslim weddings, bar mitzvahs, NAACP banquets, Indian powwows and Mexican dances are part of the rich cultural diversity that is increasingly evident in Idaho. Make new friendships and explore other traditions. Be open to others and listen well.

Building a just society requires us to both care for and value individuals and groups. It is our greatest challenge in the next century.

ANN GRAEFE
Twin Falls

LETTER

Those red signs mean 'stop'
Times-News, on Dec. 8 you put in the paper (Page C-4) a holiday cut-out cookies recipe. It says it is from Valerie Grundy, a pastry chef. Well, the recipe is not right - not enough liquid. So either she's a bad chef or the Chicago Tribune doesn't know how to print the right measurements or you don't. Thanks for the wasted ingredients.

means. They're those silly red items on streets at corners. Stop does not mean pause and then go. I can make it in front of this car. I see no cars behind the light - but it is more fun to prove how big I am. And one more thing, slow down on the streets and in the malls. Please forgive this idiot.

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



Shopping on Web just isn't as fun

If the e-shoppers were waiting for me to click on and help them make their sales quotas this season, well, shame on them. I'm too tactile. I need to touch, feel, try on, and interact in person with others of my species.

I'm not much into catalog shopping, either. Perhaps it was because of that time I bought something from Victoria's Secret Like e-shopping, catalogs provide pictures that help consumers get a sense of what they are ordering and will look like.

Put it to this way: Tyra Banks looked stunning and alluring in that hot red number she wore in the catalog. I, however, looked like one of those saucers you buy from Hickory Farms. Not quite the look I was after.

Through e-commerce, you don't get the sadistic satisfaction of watching the sales clerk at the local department store try to computer-scan coupons you've clipped from the newspaper. Those things never scan right the first time. So the sales clerk, overworked and weary, has to keep at it until the computer "beeps," thus indicating the discounted price is accounted for. It's tedious work.

There's the clerk, straining a smile while Christmas music he's heard all day monotonously repeats. Meanwhile, behind you in line are people all wishing you'd shopped over the Internet.

Then, of course, there are the children. Yours and mine do what young kids do while getting into things, much of it breakable and costly. They're disappear-

RHONDA CHRIS LOKEMAN

ing under clothes racks after you've told them through gritted teeth not to leave the area.

Recently, fellow shoppers and I watched a little boy scale a tower of expensive, packaged music boxes as the woman with him headed down another aisle. Under her breath, a woman beside me said, "Timber!" Miraculously, the tower did not fall.

Unfortunately, the closer it gets to the woman with him headed down another aisle. Under her breath, a woman beside me said, "Timber!" Miraculously, the tower did not fall.

Dec. 25, the ruler and more impatient people become. Some people confuse shopping with a contact sport. Ice hockey.

I remember an exchange a few years ago while shopping for a child's toy. I finally spotted the plaything in a store's bin. I had just picked it up when a bass voice bellowed, "Drop it, Missy, I saw it first."

Time stood still. "Drop it, Missy" hung in the air, thick like a fog, nearly blurring my judgment.

Instead, I turned to this new rival and adrenaline kicked in, nearly unshing my jaw to loosen a series of expletives with practiced precision. The blue words formed in close-caption in my mind.

"There was that split second when I'd finally kicked in, nearly unshing my jaw to loosen a series of expletives with practiced precision. The blue words formed in close-caption in my mind.

It allows for pause to consider the next course of action when (A) it is confirmed that you are indeed the target, or (B) you mistakenly assumed that you were. This stalling tactic also gives a person cool-down time. Besides, there's the opportuni-

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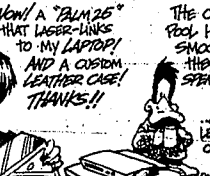
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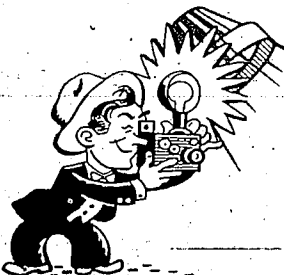
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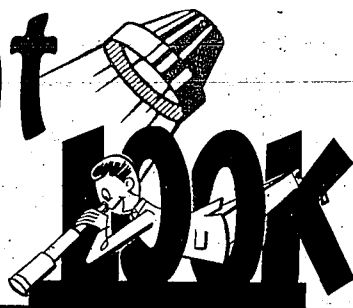
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AROUND THE VALLEY

TF police search for crash suspects

TWIN FALLS - Police continued searching Monday for two men in connection with a wild driving car that hit several cars, a pedestrian and a building Friday night.

The men fled from the car after it left an under-construction building across the street from the College of Southern Idaho. The car had jumped a curb, knocked over a fire hydrant and clipped a woman walking her dog before it hit the building.

The woman was treated at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and released, police said.

The car is suspected of hitting another vehicle earlier at the intersection of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Tully Avenue.

Baby death investigation slows pace in Burley

BURLEY - The investigation into last week's death of one-month-old Quinton Van Holland is still under way, but has slowed.

The investigation has been held up in part because three people crucial to the investigation were involved in an automobile accident, said Cassia County Lt. Alan Smith. They are the adults who lived with Quinton and a one-year-old boy. Smith could not say whether the three adults are considered suspects at this time.

The results of the autopsy did not indicate whether the injuries that Quinton suffered were intentional or accidental, said Cassia County Coroner Paul Young. The question will probably have to go to a hearing, Young said.

Quinton was brought to Cassia Regional Medical Center by his mother early in the morning of Dec. 13. He had suffered a brain laceration 10 to 14 days before his death and a fractured skull immediately before his death.

Hansen lights up town tree near market tonight

HANSEN - The community is planning a holiday celebration to light the Christmas Star Tree in front of the Hansen Market.

The festivities will begin at 5 p.m. and will include free chili and hot chocolate, music from the elementary school choir, free train rides for the kids and a visit from Santa Claus.

Ketchum lecture series highlights Western issues

KETCHUM - The Western Issues Symposium is a free lecture series at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts that examines the West - past, present and future.

The upcoming lectures include:

- Feb. 10: Vicki Ruiz, chairwoman of Chicano Studies at Arizona State University, will discuss "The Welcoming Committee," a look at settlers' ever-increasing anxiety over American Indian, Mexican, Cuban and Asian newcomers. Her lecture is titled "From Our of the Shadows: Mexican Women in 20th Century America."
- March 2: Richard White, professor of history at Stanford University and author of "It's Your Misfortune and None of My Own: A New Western History," will examine how "shades" have shaped Westerners' relationship with the land. He'll focus in particular on how contemporary Westerners strive to reconcile a resource-dependent past with the need to have less effect on the land in the future.

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County denies moratorium

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County has again rejected a request for a moratorium on livestock operations - a request that would have blocked more animal operations from entering the county for at least four months.

Bull activist Bill Chisholm of Buhl requested the moratorium last week at a public hearing.

Chisholm told county commissioners that his proposed moratorium would give them time to assemble their management tools. He said county officials lack adequate scientific knowledge and help to manage operations that may try to set up shop.

But Commissioner Bill Brockman Monday told Chisholm and a conference room full of residents and officials that the moratorium was not needed. The county needs to address many potential problems but, he said, "the commissioners will be addressing them."

Livestock by the numbers

- The Department of Agriculture has 90 permitted dairy farms in Twin Falls County, with about 20,000 dairy cows.
- In 1998, the Department of Agriculture completed 313 inspections in Twin Falls County, with 46 inspectors discovering potential problems. Ten inspectors issued 100 citations.
- In 1999, 277 inspections were completed.

Brockman and Commissioners Carla Reed and Marvin Hempleman voted unanimously to deny the moratorium request.

"We all have family here,"

Brockman said at the meeting. "We all intend to preserve the lifestyle in Twin Falls that we all enjoy now."

Brockman said the Idaho Association of Counties has been working on establishing a "siting committee" to help determine whether a livestock operation location is suitable. The committee will be made up of officials from government agencies, including the Department of Agriculture, Division of Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The 2000 Legislature could also consider bills to tighten up livestock regulation, he said.

Chisholm said he was more disappointed than surprised by the commissioners' decision.

"It was a great opportunity squandered," Chisholm said after the meeting.

Chisholm said tougher state laws and the siting committee would help reduce an operation's effects on the environment and neighbors.

But "until those things are in

place, the moratorium is needed," Chisholm said.

"They have said over and over that they don't have enough information," he said. "That was the whole point of the moratorium. To wait until we have these things in place."

Several residents, including Katie Simmons of Buhl, encouraged Chisholm to continue with his fight for a moratorium.

"People don't realize that this is such a special place and it's going to be ruined by ignorance," said Simmons, who lives near a large dairy. "It's going to be irreversible when the aquifer gets ruined."

Chisholm vowed to stay involved.

"We're going to keep pushing on some of the areas Commissioner Brockman mentioned," he said.

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Chase ends in arrests Police hold two suspects

By Brian Hayes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Two men were in jail Monday after authorities chased a speeding car for 29 miles in and around Twin Falls.

The pursuit began shortly after 10 p.m. Sunday southeast of Twin Falls when Twin Falls County sheriff's deputy Gene Sievers saw a Ford Probe pass. The Probe had been reported earlier as a stolen vehicle, Sievers said in a sworn statement filed in court.

When Sievers pulled behind the car on 3200 East, it sped away, passed a beet truck and ran the stop sign at 3700 North, the statement said.

The deputy turned on his overhead lights and gave chase as the Probe turned east on 3800 North. The car reached speeds of 85 mph and ran stop signs at 3300 East and 3500 East before turning north on 3600 East past Kimberly, the statement said.

The car ran three more stop signs before heading west on 4000 North, which becomes Falls Avenue in Twin Falls. As the car sped toward the city limits, Idaho State Police laid a spike strip at 3400 East, the statement said.

The car's tires were punctured when it ran over the spike strip, but the car continued toward the city, reaching speeds of 55 mph, the statement said.

The chase continued into Twin Falls, and the Probe ran stoplights at Eastland Drive, Blue Lakes Boulevard and Washington Street before losing its front tires and turning south on Grandview Drive, the statement said.

With only its rims remaining on the front axle, the car turned left at Filler Avenue and headed back toward the heart of the city, running stoplights at Washington Street, Blue Lakes Boulevard and Locust Street before turning south on Eastland Drive, the statement said.

The pursuit continued south as the car sped through stoplights at Addison Avenue, Elizabeth Boulevard and Kimberly Road. The chase moved south of Twin Falls on 3100 East for another five miles before the car lost control where the road curves into 3300 North, the statement said.

Philip Conrad Gleason, 22, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence and possession of marijuana. The other man, 20-year-old Travis Lee Presgraves, was arrested on unrelated drug charges.

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Tony Loya pumps a note out of his trombone during a performance for the students at J.B. Perrine Elementary School in Twin Falls on Monday. Loya and other members of the Robert Stuart Junior High School band treated the younger students to several numbers, including a medley of Christmas favorites.

Court charges husband with abandonment

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A 76-year-old man has been charged with abandoning a vulnerable adult, after allegedly leaving his wife in bed for three months while she needed medical attention.

A summons was issued for Calvin Rooker Bouma, 76, of Oakley, Monday, after he was charged with abandoning his wife, a felony, "by deliberately disregarding Mrs. Bouma's safety

and/or welfare," said an affidavit signed by Bailiff Alan Garrett. Calvin Bouma is scheduled to be arraigned Dec. 27.

Eleanor Bouma, 72, had to trick her husband into calling 911 Wednesday, the affidavit said. After three months of no help, a minimal amount of food, only ice and water to drink, no toilet to cur her 1 1/2-inch fingernails, no TV and no outside contact, Bouma said she felt "chest pains" her husband would call an ambulance, the affidavit said.

After Eleanor Bouma was taken to Minidoka Memorial Hospital by her request, Cassia County deputies investigated. They noticed a severe stench, and saw that she had large sores and white mucus on her body, a large growth on her abdomen, and her hair was matted and dirty, the affidavit said.

When detectives arrived at the Bouma home, Calvin Bouma first asked whether his wife was dead, the affidavit said. He told detectives that he knew she needed

medical care, and admitted that he hadn't sought any.

Calvin Bouma told detectives he had tried to feed her but she hardly ate at all, the affidavit said. Eleanor Bouma had told deputies at the hospital that she didn't have any teeth, according to a Cassia County Sheriff's news release.

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Minidoka schools strive for bus safety education

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Children don't always listen to adults, and they will never be able to compete for attention with talking orange school buses.

Realizing that, the Minidoka County School District is kick-starting a fund-raiser to bring Buster the Bus - a talking, remote-controlled bus - to town to teach kids the essentials of school bus safety.

Well, the bus doesn't actually talk on its own, but no need to talk to the kids that. When a two-

by-three foot bus starts calling a sly first-grader by name, things may happen.

"It takes about 10 seconds, and that child is about 180 degrees different than when they started," said Ray Merical, a transportation specialist with the Idaho State Department of Education.

The adult operating Buster hides in another room with the controls and communicates via two-way speaker to the kids.

It's difficult to statistically gauge the success in Idaho schools of the six-year-old program, Merical said. Buster hasn't

been around long enough to gauge whether students retain what they learn years down the road.

But when Merical tours the state and talks with children on buses who have met Buster, he says they don't easily forget him.

"You can talk to kids two to three years later and they remember everything it says," Merical said.

The dangers of moving around the bus, not staying seated before the bus stops are key issues that Buster broaches. The biggest danger to children is when they get on and off the

bus, and walk where the driver and other drivers can't see them.

Every district has its own approach to teaching safety, Merical said, in addition to mandatory twice-year evacuation drills. Buster isn't a response to heightened safety concerns as much as an effective way to teach bus safety at a young age. Buster works best with kindergartners through third-graders, Merical said.

"It's on a basis with kids they really remember," Merical said.

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Burley City Council tables firearms issue

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The City Council took no action on proposed firearms ordinance that would prohibit people from firing guns within the city limits.

Only employees or agents of the city or law enforcement officials "acting with the course and scope of their official duties" would be exempt from the ordinance. Firearms may also be discharged by officials at sporting or other authorized events, and as part of military salutes.

Coverage is often illusion, court says

BOISE (AP) — Its exclusions for uninsured motorists were so broad that an Idaho Court of Appeals ruled that the city of Rathdrum actually provided "only an illusion of coverage." The Idaho Supreme Court said in a 3-2 ruling issued Monday, overturned 1st

District Judge James Jud's decision that a Rathdrum reserve police officer in a city-owned patrol car who was injured in a September 1994 collision with an uninsured drunken driver, was properly excluded from coverage under the city's policy.

Jud found that while the policy was ambiguous about the existence and nature of coverage, its exclusions were clear. And the judge agreed with the Idaho Counties Risk Management Program's argument that Daniel Azevedo Martinez Jr. was excluded because he already had received partial compensation for his injuries through a worker's compensation claim.

SERVICES

Faye M. Hackman Twiss of Paul, services at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., in Burley. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary, and one hour prior to services Wednesday.

Friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

(Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Freda Ann Craythorn of Jerome, services at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., in Burley. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Heritage Retirement Center, 321 East Main St., and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the church.

Gene L. Morrison of King Hill, memorial services at 11 a.m. today at the Glenns Ferry LDS Church (Summer 19 Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel).

Floyd A. Thurber of Rupert, services at 2 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel. Friends may call one hour prior to services at the chapel.

Robert R. Ross of Perris, Calif., and formerly of Richfield, memorial services at 10 a.m. today at the Mission Baptist Church in Perris, Calif.

Ruth Marguerite Rictor TWIN FALLS — Ruth Marguerite Rictor, 74, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999, at SunBridge Care Center. No services will take place. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Max Wenstrom of Boise, graveside services at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding; no public viewing will be held (Demary's, Gooding Chapel).

Frank R. Stewart of Buhl, services at 11 a.m. today at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

James Baikman TWIN FALLS — James Baikman, 61, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999, at the

Marjorie Lemieux TWIN FALLS — Marjorie Lemieux, 91, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999, at Heritage Retirement Center in Jerome. Services are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Lorraine Jones Goringe of Oakley, services at 11 a.m. today at the Oakley LDS Snake Center.

Joshua J. Tallon of Hazelton, Kaylynn Wilcox of Burley; Gloria Fox of Heyburn; and Patricia Orozco and baby girl, of Kimberly.

William Harry Squiers, 24, 406 11th Ave. E., Gooding; driving under the influence (second offense); pleaded innocent; jury trial Jan. 13, 2000; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

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Ruth Smith Garrard
Ruth Smith Garrard, 76-year-old Burley resident, peacefully left us for her Heavenly home on Sunday, December 19, 1999.
She was born February 8, 1923 in Heyburn, the daughter of Joseph and Sarah Snafur Smith. Survived and raised six children and Decio. Ruth married Melvin H. Garrard on June 26, 1949, in Burley. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. Ruth was a member of the LDS Church, and served her father in Heaven faithfully as president of the Primary and Relief Society, and as a teacher in MIA. She also served as a Visiting Teacher and Homemaking Leader for many years. Ruth loved genealogy and served several years at the Genealogical Library in Burley. She worked for many years as a cook at Dworth's Elementary and also at Kings' Florists. She began Ruth and Rae's Catering, which they operated for about five years. Ruth was blessed with many talents. She loved to crochet, and her many alphans are prized by her children and grandchildren. She was a wonderful cook and her "famous" pies were enjoyed and appreciated by her family and friends. Ruth was an expert seamstress, sewing all of her daughters' clothes. She loved flowers, and her yard was always a showplace of beauty and color.
Ruth and Melvin loved to travel, and they were able to enjoy many wonderful trips together. She was an avid reader and especially enjoyed historical novels. Ruth loved to give her children and grandchildren the first baths were much appreciated by her daughters and daughter-in-laws. Her greatest joy was her children and grandchildren, and she will be loved and remembered always.
Survived and raised six children, Melvin Garrard of Burley, a brother,

Ted Smith of Burley; four sons, Richard and Elsie, Bill and Sandy, and Tom and Kathy, all of Burley; and Tim and Carmen of Jerome; two daughters, Elaine and Sheldon; two sons, Bruce and John; and two granddaughters, Elizabeth and Kaitlyn. She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, two brothers, a grandson, a great-granddaughter, and a great-grandson.
Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 22, 1999, at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 4050 North Ave., with Bishop Michael Allan Perrin officiating. Burial will follow in the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., in and at the church from 1 to 2 p.m., prior to the funeral on Wednesday.

JEROME
R. Glade Whiting, and Dick R. (Marlyn) Whiting, all of Burley, and (Shirley) Baker of Kimberly; 14 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Deo Pace of Scottsdale, Arizona, and Frank Pace of Alhambra, California.
She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, three brothers, three sisters, and a grandchild.
Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 23, 1999, at the Star LDS Chapel, in Burley, with Bishop G. Chad Jones officiating. Burial will be in the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., in Burley, on Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. and at the church from 1 to 10:45 a.m., prior to the funeral on Thursday.

BURLEY

Nellie Whiting
Nellie Whiting, 83-year-old Burley resident, peacefully left us for her Heavenly home on Sunday, December 19, 1999, at the Cass Regional Medical Center in Burley.
She was born on November 6, 1916, at Burley and the daughter of Frank and Nellie Clark Pace. She spent her earlier years on her father's farm, north of the city of Burley. She graduated from Burley High School in 1934.
January 8, 1936, at the Salt Lake LDS Temple. They farmed, ranched, and traded in lambs in Barr's Ferry for most of their married life. She was an active member of the LDS Church, and served in various capacities throughout her life from Primary President to Sunday School Teacher. Her hobby was of painting, and her joy in life was to spend time with her family. Her table served more people than a small cafe.
Survivors include three children,

Myrtle Irene Moore
Myrtle Irene Moore, 60, of Jerome, passed away Friday, December 17, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.
Irene was born February 22, 1939, in Shoshone, Idaho, to Dorrell Reed and Myrtle Muller Hansen. She married Max Moore on August 27, 1949, in Elko, Nevada.
She is survived by her husband, Max, of Jerome; four children, Katherine Moore of Jerome, Maxine Kay Anderson of Gooding, and David Lee Moore and Danny Edward Moore, both of Twin Falls; her mother, Myrtle Hansen of Shoshone; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two brothers, Dorrell Hansen of Gooding, and Clifford Hansen of California; and two sisters, Vivian Fernington of Shoshone, and Carlene Hollibaugh of Nevada.
At Irene's request, no services will be held. Burial will be in the White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

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Jerome mulls garbage fee hike

By Dick Thomas Reah Times-Herald correspondent

JEROME — The Jerome City Council tonight will consider a 2 percent increase in city residents' sanitation fees.
The current rate is \$5.20 per month, the increase would cost each household 10 cents per month.
PSI Waste Systems in July requested a 2 percent increase in its contract for the coming year. As recommended in the budget process, city staff included a 2 percent increase for garbage collection in the sanitation fund.
In either city business...
An ordinance, designed to allow the original developer of

an area, to regain some of the cost of installing infrastructure, will be decided tonight. The third and final reading of the ordinance will precede the council vote.
Under the ordinance a fund would be set up; developers in an area would pay a prorated fee. This would provide the original developer some reimbursement over 10 years, to install water and sewer lines.
The council will discuss and perhaps vote on an amendment to city code to require developers to have irrigation facilities and standards reviewed and approved by interested parties, including the company responsible for delivery of irrigation

water, before a preliminary plan is approved.
The Jerome Joint Agency Swimming Pool Committee — including representatives from the city, school district and the recreation district — will present ideas and recommendations to the council regarding the future of the city pool at the city park, the recreation district pool on South Lincoln Street, and the future of water recreation in the city.
During the past two summers the city has operated both pools. The committee was asked to look at the problems and opportunities of having two pools and come up with a recommendation for the council.

FOR THE RECORD

GOODING — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Arraignments and appearances
Gabriel Martinez Gomez, 29, 1600 Hansen, No. 6, Burley; driving under the influence; transportation without privileges; registration of open container; failure to appear at hearing; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Judy L. Lindsey, 39, 606 E. Fifth Ave., Wendell; driving under the influence (under 21); arraignment continued Thursday; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

offense; pleaded innocent; jury trial Jan. 13, 2000; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Ricardo C. Valdez, 37, 1320 Utah St., Gooding; vicious dogs violation; dogs at large; no dog license; pleaded innocent; arraignment continued Thursday; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Donald S. Wensink, 17, 1464 S. 1800 E., Gooding; failure to appear at hearing; transfer to

juvenile court; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Shannon P. Barry, 32, 3053-NE Division, Gresham, Ore.; driving without privileges; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

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Autopsy shows fugitive shot self

FILMORE, Utah (AP) — An autopsy showed Matthew Taylor died from a single self-inflicted gunshot wound, one of five bullets the Colorado fugitive took during a hail of gunfire with two Utah Highway Patrol troopers Friday.
Taylor was hit in the chest, head and a hand. It was a final bullet Taylor aimed at his own head with .45-caliber Glock pistol that killed him, according to Millard County Sheriff Ed Phillips.
"Two of the rounds at least would have been fatal, ultimately. He was struck in some major internal organs, the lungs, the heart and the head," though the head wound was superficial, Phillips said.
The autopsy indicated that probably the last shot fired by him putting (a bullet) through his neck and out the top of his head."

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Northwest's 'wood wars' apparently far from over

WASHINGTON (AP) — A judge approved the settlement of a lawsuit over rare species that halted enough logging to build a small city — but the larger fight is far from over.

Environmentalists say they will aggressively push the Clinton administration to protect more sensitive forests in the Pacific Northwest.

Timber industry officials, who are skeptical the settlement solves anything, say they will try to make sure the stalled sales are released sometime next year.

The Clinton administration acknowledged that timber battles will continue but said the approval Friday by U.S. District Judge William Dwyer was a victory for the Northwest Forest Plan. The 1994 administration document attempts to balance timber harvests and ecosystem protections in the Pacific Northwest.

"The Forest Plan works," Agriculture Undersecretary Jim Lyons said. "We are now back on track toward full implementation of the plan."

Dwyer's six-page ruling dismisses a lawsuit filed by 13 environmental groups last year and accepts the settlement the government and environmentalists announced last month.

The judge found that each side made "substantial concessions" in the deal.

The settlement requires the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management to conduct some 80-odd surveys for rare species as required under the Forest Plan.

But the deal allows federal agencies to drop surveys for nine species that are more common than previously thought, and to possibly quit surveys on 13 other hard-to-find species if they are not discovered after one year.

The focus now turns to a proposed 492-page amendment to the Forest Plan that details how the agencies will look for mollusks, fungi and other little life forms across 24 million acres of old-growth forests.

After a three-month comment period that began early this month, agency officials hope to finish the amendment final by next June. The settlement would remain in place should the amendment get snagged in appeals or lawsuits.

Environmentalists want to use the amendment to change parts of the Forest Plan that they say allow harvests of 1.1 million acres of old-growth forests.

"That's unacceptable to us," said Doug Helken of the Oregon Natural Resources Council, which initiated the lawsuit over the surveys.

Timber officials want to change the amendment so that it demands fewer surveys and requires them to be speeded up so the timber harvest can go forward.

The settlement should allow those sales to go forward by next fall, according to the Agriculture Department, an agency that includes the Forest Service.

But Jim Geisinger, president of the Northwest Forestry Association, doubts the sales will be released by next fall, since the federal agencies have made little progress in the past five years getting the surveys done.

Dwyer handed a major defeat to the timber industry officials, who had argued in the lawsuit and had asked the judge to reject the settlement. The judge turned back arguments that the settlement will hurt the industry and will free up any sales.

Dwyer also rejected industry officials' claims that they were locked out of settlement talks,

saying instead they were "sufficiently included."

While some seasons were held in industry officials' absence, a draft of the settlement was given to them weeks in advance, Dwyer concluded.

"It was very disappointing," Geisinger said. "It's a defeat for the Northwest Forest Plan — it's certainly a defeat for people who were counting on these timber sales."

The Forest Plan, written to settle timber wars over the threatened northern spotted owl, broadly dictates the level of logging and other activities on Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management land in western Washington, western Oregon and northern California.

The plan is supposed to ensure environmental protections in the region while allowing a minimal level of logging.

The plan also requires the agency to survey for about 80 rare species — fungi such as the giant gill cup and plants such as the round-leaved orchid — before approving "ground-disturbing activities" such as logging.

Environmentalists filed suit when the agencies failed to do the required surveys in time.

Preliminary rulings in August by Dwyer and subsequent voluntary actions by the agencies put more than 250 million board feet of federal timber sales on hold — enough to build frames for more than 19,000 homes.

Mark Rey, a GOP staffer for the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, said that despite Dwyer's approval of the settlement, the administration should try to address timber industry concerns. That may help avoid future default-of-contract lawsuits by the industry should the administration fail to complete the surveys, he said.

HOLIDAY SEASON PRACTICE



Raft River High School musicians, from left, Katie Santini, Celia Hurst, Angele Bovee and Jessica Gerritt rehearse on Monday afternoon for the Monday night production of the school's Christmas concert.

Terror plot suspects plead innocent

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Two self-styled militia members suspected of plotting to blow up a huge suburban propane storage facility pleaded innocent Monday to illegal weapons charges in U.S. District Court.

Kevin R. Patterson, 42, of Camino, and Charles Dennis Kiles, 49, of Placerville, had been charged earlier this month with four weapons charges, including attempting to make an illegal assault-style weapon.

Kiles could face up to 15 years in prison if convicted of conspiracy to violate firearms laws and for being a felon in possession of firearms.

Prosecutors also added three charges against Patterson — possession of a destructive device, attempting to manufacture methamphetamine, and possession of 1,000 tablets of ephedrine, which is used to make the drug.

Patterson now faces up to 75 years in prison if convicted of all charges.

None of the charges mention a bomb plot, but U.S. Attorney Paul Seavey says the investigation is ongoing. Federal agents

believe Patterson and Kiles plotted to blow up two huge propane storage tanks in suburban Elk Grove in an attempt to create civil unrest that would lead to the toppling of the government.

Federal agents who searched their homes uncovered more than 50 firearms, 50,000 rounds of ammunition and about 30 pounds of fertilizer that could be turned into explosives, Assistant U.S. Attorney Jodi Rafkin said.

Both men, members of the San Joaquin County Militia, are being held without bail.

Man pleads guilty in Utah child rape case

TOOELE, Utah (AP) — A Grantsville man who videotaped himself raping a 15-month-old girl pleaded guilty Monday to three first-degree felonies.

Kenneth Rodger Hardy, who turns 49 Tuesday, pleaded guilty to rape of a child, sodomy of a child and aggravated sexual abuse of a child.

In exchange for his plea, prosecutor's dropped one count of sodomy of a child and two counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child.

Third District Judge David Young said he will watch the videotape before he sentences Hardy on Feb. 7. Hardy faces up to life in prison.

Park official says Yellowstone wolves do not endanger local elk population

LIVINGSTON (AP) — An estimate that four wolf packs in Yellowstone National Park's northern range will kill 1,000 elk annually is not a cause for concern, a park official says.

The estimate is included in a new assessment of wolf packs and predictions made when the wolves were reintroduced, said Doug Smith, the park's wolf project leader.

"I think it's what people expected," Smith said. "I don't think (the wolves) pose a threat to the herd. There's never been a recorded case where a predator has driven a prey base into extinction."

The four packs were tracked while they are ground hunting using telemetry to detect movements of collared members of the each group.

Each pack has an average of 10 wolves in it, Smith said.

Smith said. About 45 percent of the elk killed by the four packs are calves, 30 to 35 percent are cows and about 15 to 20 percent of the elk are bulls, Smith said.

The surveys also found the average age of a cow elk killed was 10 years old. Cow elk usually breed between two and nine years of age, he said.

"What wolf packs are doing when they're designed to do remove the old and unproductive cow elk from the herd," said Joe Fontaine, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's assistant director of the wolf recovery project.

"They're doing what they are supposed to do."

The percentage of the herd killed by wolves matches "classic" predator and prey relationships, mirroring the rate of predation on deer by wolves in northern Minnesota, Fontaine said.

Smith said. The problem with the research is that it doesn't classify wolf kills in June when the predators are feeding on newborn elk, said Don Laubach, a board member of the group with commercial interests involving elk.

"What seems to be our biggest problem is that people are neglecting to talk about the impact on the calves. Our cow-to-calf ratios are extremely low," Laubach said. "We're not screaming they're killing all the elk. We're saying they're killing all the calves."

Smith said the population of the northern Yellowstone elk herd could continue to drop because of severe winters, historically high hunter success during late hunts in the Gardiner area and the number of natural predators.

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Guns

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Rockets would be excluded, city attorney Randy Stone said. The ordinance was drafted upon the realization that the city had no rules regarding the discharge of firearms, Stone said.

Incidents involving self-defense would be up to "prosecutorial discretion," Stone said. But Stone can't remember the last time a gun was fired in self-defense inside Burley in 25 years, he said.

The council tabled the ordinance until further discussion at a later date.

In other city business: A portion of 15th Street between Overland and Albion Avenues will be turned into a one-way street to provide more parking. The City Council agreed to close the road to two-way traffic in order to make room for diagonal parking spaces that will provide eight additional parking spots.

house becomes a problem during jury trials. The results of a survey conducted by Fifth District Judge Monte B. Carlson showed that one of jurors' biggest concerns was parking. Christensen told the council Monday night.

Closing the road is an inexpensive alternative to tearing out the curbs on either side of the street to allow for diagonal parking, an idea proposed by John Anderson Monday.

"This is going to be a soft correction," Christensen said, "but the future of the judicial building is certain. The county has wanted a new judicial building for several years."

Traffic will flow east on 15th, with the alley between an apartment building and the parking serving as the exit. Barricades will be set up at the intersection of Albion and 15th to block westbound vehicles.

The city wants to put a stop sign on a private road that carries Hilland Avenue at East 15th. City attorney Randy Stone will draw up a resolution for the next council meeting.

The city will participate in a Project Share agreement with the Salvation Army. Project Share allows city residents to make donations on their electricity bill to needy families who can't afford their utilities.

The council approved amendments to the city's fireworks ordinance, allowing vendors to sell fireworks within city limits between Dec. 26 and midnight Jan. 1.

The city approved a bid on gas by Mr. Gas in Burley to provide the city with its fuel for next year. The city spends \$60,000 to \$70,000 annually on fuel, city administrator Mark Mitton said.

The city approved a matching grant for additional boat docks on the Snake River. Of the \$65,995, \$8,485 will come from the city, \$8,485 from the county and \$50,000 from the state. Of the total, \$4,310 will go toward two handicap access ramps.

The city has also switched from banking with Zions Bank to D.L. Evans Bank, Mitton said.

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Bus

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Several school districts either own their own Buser or are looking to get one. Buser said. Three times-owned Busers are available for districts to use as well, but they bring the inconvenience of scheduling their use.

To raise the money for Buser, businesses and individuals can put money into a savings account called the "Bucky Buser" transportation supervisor with Minidoka County. First Federal Savings Bank is putting up the account and contributed the first \$100, Boren said.

Boren said Buser was a hit last summer when the district used him for the summer intersession program. Boren operated Buser while a bilingual woman talked to the kids in Spanish.

"I'd like it, they enjoy it, it's fun," Boren said.



Minidoka County School District is trying to raise \$8,500 for a Buser the bus to teach elementary school students, such as six-year-old Amelia Iales and eight-year-old Tyrus Shaw at Dvorzhak elementary, school about school bus safety.

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WORLD

Bosnian Serb general faces war crimes trial

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — The Bosnian Serb general who kept Sarajevo under siege for nearly three years, transferring the city into a symbol of suffering and ethnic intolerance, was arrested Monday by NATO troops.

The soldiers arrested Stanislav Galic under a sealed indictment issued by the international war crimes tribunal in The Hague, tribunal spokesman Paul Risley said.

At least 20 peacekeepers detained Galic and placed a hood over his head before taking him away, the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported, citing eyewitnesses. Other witnesses told The Associated Press that Galic was seized after cars blocked his vehicle on a highway.

The witnesses spoke on condition of anonymity. The arrest leaves Radovan Karadzic, the wartime leader of Bosnia's Serbs, and Ratko Mladic, his senior general, as the most important figures from the Bosnian Serb military command structure who remain at large.

Risley said Galic would stand trial for his role as commander of the Sarajevo-Romanija Corps of the Bosnian Serb army during the 1992-1995 siege of Sarajevo.

"For 44 months, the Sarajevo Romanija Corps implemented a military strategy which used shelling and sniping to kill, maim, wound and terrorize the civilian inhabitants of Sarajevo," read Galic's indictment released by the tribunal.

"People were even injured and killed inside their own homes, being hit by bullets that came through the windows," it said. "The attacks on Sarajevo civilians were often unrelated to military actions and were designed to keep the inhabitants in a constant state of terror."

Woman spy and four others will not face prosecution

LONDON — An 87-year-old woman who has publicly admitted being a Soviet agent and four other people recently identified as spies will not face prosecution, the British government said Monday.

"The reason in each instance is the same, namely that sufficient is known about the case to make it clear that any prosecution would fail," Solicitor General

World in brief

Ross Cranston said in a written statement to the House of Commons.

Melita Norwood, 87, was among those identified in "The Mitrokhin Archive," a recently published book based on KGB documents smuggled out of Russia.

Cranston said Mrs. Norwood's statements to the media, in which she readily admitted passing on details of the British nuclear bomb program, likely would be ruled inadmissible as evidence.

He also said that intelligence information would not be admissible in court, but did not elaborate.

She had worked as a secretary at the British Nonferrous Metals Research Association, a cover for the bomb program. She began spying in 1937 and continued until her retirement in 1972, according to the book.

On Monday, she called the government's decision "very good news."

Barak: Israel will have to hand territory to Syria

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Monday that Israel will have to pull out of Golan Heights territory, spelling out for the first time what he means by a "painful compromise" with Syria.

Asked if that meant a near-total withdrawal, a senior aide to Barak said there is no one in Israel who "does not understand the significance of an agreement with Syria" — an apparent allusion to the Damascus government's bottom line: the return of all the Golan.

As Barak took further steps toward preparing public opinion

for a land-for-peace deal with Syria, the parliamentary opposition rallied support for a referendum bill that would all but scotch Barak's chances to get such a treaty approved.

In a veiled warning to Syria, meanwhile, Barak said that as peace talks progress, he expected restraint from Shiite Muslim Hezbollah guerrillas who clash almost daily with Israeli forces and allied militia in southern Lebanon. Israel has accused Syria of tolerating and sometimes encouraging the Hezbollah attacks.

Syria is the main power broker in Lebanon, where it has 30,000 troops. It wields enormous influence over the government and the guerrillas.

Chechen rebels hold ground against Russian attack

SOUTHERN CHECHNYA, Russia — Russian troops trying to edge their way into Chechnya's devastated capital on Monday met fierce resistance from rebels entrenched in the blackened ruins left by waves after wave of Russian jet and artillery attack.

The Russian military headquarters said federal troops were probing rebel positions in Grozny with small reconnaissance teams, drawing enemy fire to better locate the rebels' defenses, the Interfax news agency said.

The ground maneuvers came as Russian jets screamed overhead and artillery whistled through the air in a daily bombardment that has reduced much of the capital and neighboring villages to rubble.

Federal jets and helicopter gunships targeted a television tower in Grozny and the towers of Shatoi and Vedeno, located in the southern mountains where the rebels have some of their

Rabbi sees positives in pope's visit

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's chief rabbi said Monday he hoped the pope's visit to the Holy Land in March will improve historically difficult relations between the Roman Catholic Church and Jews.

"This can be a new page in the relations between the peoples and the religions," Rabbi Israel

Meir Lau said on Israel Radio. Israel announced Sunday that Pope John Paul II is to visit Israel and the Palestinian area March 21-26.

The pope has been widely praised for his efforts to reconcile with Jews, establishing diplomatic relations between the Vatican and Israel.

President Fidel Castro calls for mass demonstration

HAVANA (AP) — President Fidel Castro called Cuban citizens back to the streets outside the U.S. diplomatic mission Monday to demand the return of 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez, a Cuban boy who is the focus of an international custody dispute.

In a declaration issued early today, Castro announced that citizens would assemble for a mass demonstration in the evening outside the U.S. Interests Section along Havana's seaside boulevard.

"The destiny of Elian is uncertain," Castro said. "What begins today is the second stage of the battle of the masses" that began with a round of massive demonstrations earlier this month.

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Section C

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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It's no secret that I want to be in Philadelphia. I don't want to go anywhere.

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—Philadelphia 76ers point guard Allen Iverson, who made amends with the club and head coach Larry Brown on Monday, after demanding to be traded over the weekend

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Men's college basketball**
ISU at Iowa State (Iowa State Cyclone Classic)
- Girls' basketball**
Bliss at Shoshone
Middleton at Buhl
Borewick at Jerome
Twin Falls at Pocatello
Dodo at Filer
Castelford at Camas County
Sho-Ban at Dietrich
Hagaman at Butte River
Melvin at Glenns Ferry
Burley at Minico
Kimberly at American Falls
Middleton at Buhl
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Bliss at Shoshone
Kimberly at Valley
Wendell at Gooding
Castelford at Camas County
Middleton at Buhl
Richfield at Murrogh

IN BRIEF

Steelheads close out 1999 on road

BOISE — After playing its final home game of the year on Wednesday against Colorado, the Idaho Steelheads (12-13-1) close out the millennium with four games on the road, traveling to Tacoma on Sunday and to Colorado (12-13-1), for three games Dec. 27-30.

Idaho and Colorado are the West Coast Hockey League's Northern Division with 25 points, 12 points back of front-runner Tacoma (19-5-1).
Wednesday's faceoff is set for 7 p.m. All fans attending the contest will be able to bring their skates to skate following the game until 11 p.m.

Bengals basketball competes in Iowa State

AMES, Iowa — The Idaho State men's basketball team will try to win their second road game tonight when the Bengals (3-2) take on host Iowa State at the two-day Iowa State Holiday Tribune Classic.
On Wednesday, ISU will face either Stanford or Texas A&M-Corpus Christi at the tourney before playing West Coast Conference opponent the University of San Diego Dec. 28 at the Utah State University tournament in Logan, Utah.

Women's Challenge readies for Olympics

BOISE — The HP LaserJet Women's Challenge is ready for the Olympics.
The annual road cycling race, considered the toughest in North America, offers women riders a chance to size up their competition heading into the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. This year's race, which runs June 8-9, will wind its way through the Magic Valley June 10-14.

NASCAR VP resigns, will serve as consultant

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing has announced on Monday that Dennis Huth, former vice president of touring operations and international development, has resigned to pursue other interests.
Huth will continue to work with NASCAR on a consulting basis. In the interim, racing officials Tom Deery will oversee NASCAR Touring and Tim Triplett will take over NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series.
*Compiled from staff and wire reports

There is no good time to hit a referee

COMMENTARY
Jim Litke

For more on Brown see Sports In brief - C2

There is no such thing as a good time to flatten the referee. But the worst time of all is probably now, when one guy in your league is facing a murder rap, a second is charged with climbing through other people's bedroom windows, and the commissioner is just itching for a test case to make him look tough. Somehow, none of that stopped Orlando Brown.

The Cleveland offensive tackle lost it Sunday, soon after a penalty flag thrown by referee Jeff

explained why the 6-foot-7, 350-pound lineman sagged to one knee in obvious pain, then got up a short while later and staggered toward the bench.

But apparently Triplett's apologies weren't enough because Brown turned back to the field and headed straight for the official. His teammates seemed he wanted to talk to Triplett, even though Brown's body language was saying something else.

"I could tell by his walk," run-

ning back Karim Abdul-Jabbar said. "I was too late."

Brown was gesturing toward his swollen eye. Then he showed the official in the chest using both hands. Triplett, a slender 6-footer, went down pretty much the way any company treasurer would — having just learned his company was about to be audited. Brown stood over him for a few worst seconds more, when even his teammates must have wondered what might happen next.

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Lakers brush off Boston

Los Angeles wins seventh straight

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Shaquille O'Neal had 34 points and 20 rebounds and Kobe Bryant scored 27 as the Los Angeles Lakers won their seventh consecutive game, beating Boston 99-90 on Monday night.

O'Neal was 13-for-20 from the floor and 8-for-17 from the line to help the Lakers improve their NBA best record to 22-5.

Antoine Walker had 24 points for the Celtics, who have lost six straight. Kenny Anderson added 21 points and 10 rebounds.

The Celtics had just their second sellout of the season as fans came to see the long-time rivals, who didn't play last season because of the NBA lockout.

76ers 122, Pistons 121, OT

PHILADELPHIA — Eric Snow hit a 16-foot jumper at the buzzer as Philadelphia beat Detroit.

Allen Iverson had 32 points on a day when he made up with 76ers coach Larry Brown and apologized for asking to be traded.

Tyrone Hill added 22 points, Aaron McKie had 21 and Larry Brown gave up an 18.0 run in the fourth quarter, but then overcame a 10-point deficit in the final four minutes and survived two misses by the Knicks at the end of regulation.

Patrick Ewing grabbed a season-high 18 rebounds and scored 10 points. Larry Johnson scored 17 and Klayton Thomas and added 10 apiece. Eddie Jones led Charlotte with 23 points.

Knicks 112, Hornets 109, OT

NEW YORK — Allan Houston scored 31 points and Latrell Sprewell had 30 in New York as a starting backcourt tandem as New York ended Charlotte's eight-game winning streak.

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T'wolves 100, Cavaliers 94

CLEVELAND — Terrell Brandon, playing in Gund Arena for the first time since being traded by Cleveland, made a jumper and six free throws in the fourth quarter to lead the Cavaliers.

Brandon, involved in the three-way trade that brought Shawn Kemp to the Cavs, had 17 points, 11 assists and four steals as the

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NO FAVORS TO FAVRE



Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre, right, tumbles as he is hit by the Minnesota Vikings' Jimmy Hitchcock in the second quarter Monday in Minneapolis.

Who's the Moss? Vikes fend off Favre, Packers

The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Chris Carter kept his starting streak alive, but his services weren't needed. Randy Moss was all over the field Monday night.

Moss caught five passes for 131 yards and two touchdowns as the Minnesota Vikings outlasted the Green Bay Packers 24-20 at the Metrodome.

Moss also atoned for his fumbled punt that led to a Green Bay touchdown by hauling in a 36-yard pass from Jeff George that set up Leroy Hoard's 17-yard run for the winning score with nine minutes left.

The Vikings (8-6) snapped a two-game skid and moved within a game of NFC Central leader Tampa Bay. The Packers fell to 7-7, tied with the New York Giants, Dallas and Carolina in the wild-card lottery.

The Packers had one last chance, driving to the Minnesota 27, before Brett Favre was intercepted by Robert Griffith in the end zone on the final play.

George's two touchdown tosses to Moss and the longest scramble of his 10-year career staked the Vikings to a 17-13 lead after three quarters.

But rookie Bish Mitchell, who forced two fumbles that led to 10

points, jarred the ball loose from Moss on a punt return and Tod McBride recovered for Green Bay at the Vikings' 37.

The Vikings appeared to stop the Packers at the 9, and Ryan Longwell came in for his third chip-shot field goal. But holder Matt Hasselbeck, Favre's backup, threw a touchdown strike to tight end Jeff Thomson for a 20-17 lead with 12:31 remaining.

Carter extended his starting streak to 111 games despite a severely sprained right ankle that had him in a cast all week. But he was no factor, playing just a few snaps in the first quarter and not getting any balls thrown his way.

The Packers led 13-10 at half-time on the strength of Dorsey Levens' 1-yard run and two Longwell field goals. Levens returned to the lineup after missing two games with a cracked rib and gained 99 yards on 26 carries.

But the Vikings converted three third downs on their way to the go-ahead touchdown in the third quarter, including a 17-yard scramble by George to the Green Bay 42. George's longest run ever: "After Levens bulled in from the 1 for a 7-3 Packers lead, Robert Tate fumbled the ensuing kickoff and rookie De'Mond Parker recovered for Green Bay at the Minnesota 23.

Penn State takes national crown

Knight Rider News Service

HONOLULU — Only two teams east of California had ever won the NCAA women's volleyball championship before Saturday night.

Then Stanford did what it could to help out the East Coast.

Playing what Cardinal Coach Don Shaw called as a "nightmare" match, No. 2 Stanford was wiped out, 15-2, 15-10, 15-7, No. 1 by Penn State for the Nitany Lions' first title in five final four appearances.

"It was great for volleyball across the country," said Penn State Coach Russ Rose, whose team joined Nebraska (1995) and Texas (1998) on the list of teams east of California with one of the 19 national championships.

"But I was not playing for the East Coast. I got paid by Penn State."

Nevertheless, the home base of his team, which had lost to Stanford and Long Beach State, respectively, in the previous two championship matches, was the biggest reason most volleyball fans across the country considered the Nitany Lions, who had run off 35 straight victories since



Penn State's Amanda Rome, left, celebrates with teammates Lellani Schlotfeldt (15) and Carrie Schmevel, right, after beating Stanford in the NCAA Division I Championship volleyball match in Honolulu Saturday.

losing their season-opener to Florida, an underdog to Stanford (31-3), which had won four titles in five final four appearances in the 1990s.

Last season, when the final four included Penn State, Florida and Nebraska, the sole West Coast entry emerged victorious. With three California

Stanford ascends to No. 1; Lady Vols come back strong

The Associated Press

Stanford, off to an 8-0 start despite not having Mark Madsen the last seven games, was No. 1 in the AP college basketball poll Monday for the first time, while Tennessee remained a solid No. 2 behind Connecticut on Monday in the Associated Press women's basketball poll after two impressive victories on the road.

The Cardinal's highest previous ranking was last week's No. 2. They moved up when Cincinnati, which had been No. 1 the last five weeks, lost 66-64 to Xavier on Saturday night.

Stanford coach Mike Montgomery downplayed the importance of taking over the top spot.

"I think it's very arbitrary. There are 20 teams that, depending on their schedule, could be in that spot," Montgomery said. Rankings to me, in December and perhaps January, are the

Men's college basketball Top 25		
Rank	Team	Points
1	Stanford (80)	890-17
2	Connecticut (7)	1,635-3
3	Arizona (2)	811-606-4
4	Cincinnati (14)	822-639-2
5	Michigan State	821-478-5
6	North Carolina	821-1,328-7
7	Alabama	714-2,322-6
8	Florida	714-1,200-9
9	Syracuse	80-1,458-10
10	Duke	72-1,074-11
11	Tennessee	62-824-12
12	Kansas	82-999-8
13	Oklahoma State	90-851-14
14	Texas	62-712-15
15	Florida State	62-604-20
16	Ohio State	52-690-12
17	Marquette	82-571-16
18	UCLA	41-581-18
19	Temple	42-502-17
20	Indiana	71-452-21
21	Oklahoma	90-441-23
22	Georgia Tech	339-22
23	Wake Forest	71-232-25
24	DePaul	7-301-219
25	N.C. State	70-111

result of good scheduling," Madsen, who injured a ham-

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Maple Leafs roar back, beat Panthers 6-4 Poll

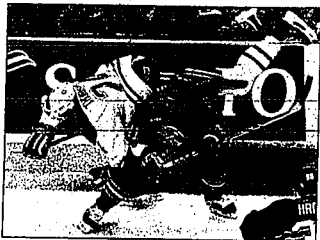
SUNRISE, Fla. (AP) — Nik Antropov had his first career hat trick Monday night as the Toronto Maple Leafs rallied to a 6-4 victory over the Florida Panthers.

The Maple Leafs, who trailed 2-2, scored four unanswered goals in the third period.

Antropov's second of the night, and third of the year, with 10:03 left, put Toronto ahead 5-4. It was the Maple Leafs' third goal in just under five minutes.

The third goal by Antropov came with 6:23 left after he one-timed a shot on a 2-on-1 break with Dmitri Khristich.

The loss ended Florida's four-game winning streak and was only the Panthers' third defeat at home. Toronto won its third straight.



Scott Thornton of the Montreal Canadiens hits the ice as he is checked by the Pittsburgh Penguins' Darius Kasparaitis during the first period Monday.

Carolina Hurricanes 4-2 Monday night.

Colorado won for only the third time in 14 games when trailing after two periods and snapped a three-game winless streak. Peter Forsberg iced it with an unassisted breakaway goal with 1:34 left.

The Hurricanes fell to 0-6-2 in their last eight games against Colorado, last beating them Feb.

6, 1996.

Carolina took a 2-1 lead into the third period before Olofinshin scored with 12:43 left to tie it and Rolston netted his eighth of the season after Arturs Irbe had stopped a close-shut by Adam Deadmarsh.

Olofinshin, the NHL's top-scoring defenseman with 28 points, scored his eighth and ninth goals from the slot, both times joining

the rush and beating Irbe up high.

Canadiens 5, Penguins 1
MONTREAL — Karl Dykhuizen had a goal and two assists as the Montreal Canadiens downed the Pittsburgh Penguins 5-1 Monday night.

Montreal scored more than four goals for only the third time this season. The Canadiens, who scored only five times in their six games, ended a two-game losing streak.

The Penguins lost their second straight following a four-game winning streak after the hiring of coach Herb Brooks on Dec. 9.

Benoit Brunet, Patrick Poulin and Scott Thornton put Montreal up 3-0 in the first period against shaky Pittsburgh goaltender Steve Schaefer Aubin.

Dykhuizen and Darius Kasparaitis' first of the season for the Penguins in the second period.

Jeff Hackett was solid in the Montreal net as the Penguins had a 28-22 shot advantage.

string line in the season-opening over Duke, said he expects to return for Stanford's holiday tournament next week. But the Canadian found a way to beat Iowa, Auburn and Georgia Tech, all on the road — without their star forward, the only returning starter from last season.

Stanford received 60 first-place votes and 1,729 points from the national media panel. It became the fourth team from the Pac-10 to lead the rankings, joining Washington, Oregon State and UCLA.

Stanford is the 47th school to be ranked No. 1 in an AP poll, which began in the 1948-49 season.

Connecticut (7-1), the preseason No. 1 and defending national champion, and Arizona (9-1) each moved up one spot to second and third. Connecticut, which beat Arizona in the Great Eight, had eight in 11 votes and 1,625 points. That's 39 more than the Wildcats, who had one first-place vote.

Cincinnati (8-1) received one No. 1 vote and was fourth with 1,536 points. The Bearcats were

followed by Michigan State, North Carolina, Auburn, Florida, Syracuse and Duke.

Tennessee moved up two places to No. 11 and was followed by Kansas, Oklahoma State, Texas, Illinois, Ohio State, Maryland, UCLA, Temple and Indiana.

Oklahoma, Gonzaga, Wake Forest, DePaul and North Carolina State rounded out the Top 25.

The Lady Vols overwhelmed DePaul 100-66 in Chicago, then won their Philadelphia site of this season's Final Four — and beat St. Joseph's 82-59.

After losing to Louisiana Tech in its opener, coach Pat Summitt's team has won eight straight and appears to be rounding into shape. Tennessee has averaged 91 points in those eight wins. In the last four games, its victory margin has not been below 20.

Connecticut, which has been No. 1 all season, stayed there without breaking a sweat. Idle during the past week, Connecticut received 40 of 43 first-place votes and 1,072 points from the media panel — 47 more than Tennessee.

SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore

BASKETBALL

NBA standings

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L.A. 99 (42-43) Def. BOS 90 (39-45) ... Lakers scored 24 points in the second half...

THUNDER 100, CAVALIERS 94

OKC 100 (40-42) Def. CLE 94 (38-44) ... Thunder's offense was on fire in the second half...

PISTONS 97, BULLS 84

DET 97 (41-41) Def. CHI 84 (39-43) ... Pistons dominated the game from start to finish...

ROCKETS 85, SPURS 84

HOU 85 (40-42) Def. SA 84 (39-43) ... Rockets' defense was the key to the win...

HEAT 82, MAVERICKS 83

MIA 82 (39-43) Def. DAL 83 (38-44) ... Heat's defense held Mavericks to a season-low...

WARRIORS 88, HORNETS 80

GSW 88 (41-41) Def. ORL 80 (38-44) ... Warriors' offense was unstoppable in the second half...

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NBA Top 25 College Basketball Poll

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Men's AP Top 25 College Football Poll

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COMMUNITY

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Serving the Magic Valley

Sweet signs Students make holiday music come alive with signs

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - Just moments before show time, MaryAnn Baton and Rose Trimmer busily tended to last minute details - costume alterations, checking the sound system, rearranging stage decorations.

But when the lights dimmed and the performers took to the stage, The Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind's Christmas program ended the 1999 school year and the millennium on a high note.

"It has been a lot of work and a lot of fun," Trimmer, director of the elementary school deaf choir, says. "I enjoy the final result and children enjoy performing."

Friday's program included a short play by the preschool and kindergarten classes, vocal performances by the visually-impaired choir and soloist Jessica Evans.

A group of ISDB high school thespians performed "The Book of Christmas," which was accompanied by the elementary deaf choir members, who with poetic grace, signed to traditional holiday carols.

Baton and Trimmer started planning the program more than a month ago with

a volunteer cast and crew.

"Like typical children, at first they didn't pay attention," Trimmer recalls as she watches the choir prepare. "But, after a while they started learning the songs and everything came together. I'm really proud of all of them."

"This helps put everyone into the holiday spirit," Baton, director of the play, adds. "These kids have worked hard and they've done pretty dog-gone good. I'm really pleased."



Above, the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind elementary school choir sign a holiday song as part of the school's Christmas program Dec. 17 in Gooding. Left, Sara Lasley, an Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind high school student, signs her part as 'Babouska' in a holiday play, 'Book of Christmas', for the annual holiday program.

Lessons of the East: Gooding teacher travels to Japan for program

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - Jeff LaCroix believes experience makes a good teacher even better.

So, it was no surprise when LaCroix, a Gooding Middle School social studies, geography and American history teacher, jumped at the chance to take part in a cultural study exchange between the United States and Japan.

In October, LaCroix spent three weeks studying Japanese culture, history and government as a participant in the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program.

The program took LaCroix to the cities of Tokyo and Chiba where he toured schools and factories, met with government and school officials, visited museums and theaters and spent a day here and there with Japanese families.

"This is what I teach," LaCroix says. "When I teach about an area in my geography class, it's so much easier if I've been there. This will help a lot when I teach about Japan and Asian countries."

LaCroix was one of 197 candidates chosen from the United States - one of two from Idaho - to take part in the program.

The Fulbright Fund goal is to give American teachers a hands-on opportunity to learn more about Japan and bring that knowledge home and pass it on to the students. The program also helps to strengthen cultural ties between the two countries, LaCroix adds.

Educators interested in the program sent in an application along with a two statement of purposes, which outlined reasons for wanting to participate, teaching experience and how this new found knowledge would be used in the classroom. A panel screened all candidates and chose the educators who showed the most interest and potential.



Jeff LaCroix is back at work at Gooding Middle School after an educational trip to Japan.

"You will learn more about the culture by living it."

- Jeff LaCroix

LaCroix says he decided to apply after his wife, Barbara, a Wendell Elementary school teacher, was chosen last year.

"Barbara's going last year really peaked my interest. I think we're the only husband and wife that have both been chosen to participate in the program thus far," LaCroix adds.

LaCroix says he plans on using his

experience to help produce a school cultural fair in the spring. The fair will include bits about Japanese history and government, art, stories and music. LaCroix is also working with teachers from New York, Illinois, Colorado, Idaho and Japan to track weather local patterns and pass the information around on the Internet.

LaCroix highly recommends the program to other teachers and administrators, saying it's a once in a lifetime experience.

"This was a great educational experience," he says. "You will learn more about the culture by living it - by being completely immersed in it. Nothing else can compare."



Mary Dan, left and Bula Davis serve hot chocolate at the recent lighting of the Hansen wishing star tree. Roger and Lea Shanahan helped dish out chili on the cold night.

Hansen area residents light community wishing star tree

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent

HANSEN - Despite cold windy weather, area residents turned out Dec. 7 to celebrate the lighting of the Hansen wishing star tree and greet the fire truck bringing Santa Claus into town.

The tree is a community project to add a little Christmas color to the highway going through Hansen and has been under the guidance of Martene Dixon from the South Hills Saloon, organizers say. The tree also is decorated with stars bearing the names of people who have purchased a star with the proceeds going to the East End Providers, a group which assists needy area families throughout the year. This Christmas, the Providers group says it must also prepare boxes with food and toys for needy families in the Kimberly-Hansen-Murtaugh area.

At the tree lighting, \$127 was donated by residents who gathered to enjoy chili, which was furnished by the tree lighting committee consisting of Dixon, Linda Morrill, Theresa Marindale, Carol Sherman and Mary Ann Souder. Kenny and Bula Davd donated hot chocolate for the event.

The tree was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Talbot of Hansen, Dixon says.

Children were given rides on Don's Christmas train and the elementary school band furnished musical entertainment.

People wishing to buy a wishing star for the tree may purchase them at the Hansen Market, Town House, South Hills Saloon in Hansen. Kimberly merchants selling stars are Eddie's Lounge, Kimberly Kut and Kurl, Endless Summer and Consider the Lily floral shop.

Rupert Lionesses change club name to Syringa Lions

By Coren Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - Rupert Lionesses members have made a big change.

They became the Syringa Lions. The change is a part of a national movement among Lions Clubs since Lionesses were in the minority of the organization.

Burley's Lionesses became the Sage Lions a few years ago.

Neil Baskett, district governor from Payette, presented the charter to the new club at a recent meeting.

"Without further nonsense and ado," he said and praised the values of Lion membership because it is "a giving life as well as a social life."

Baskett said he had been a Lion since 1954. He took the opportunity during the presentation of pins to extend a hug to all the new Lions, which set off a round of laughter, since hugging has not been a part of Lion welcome until women started becoming Lions.

Burrell Hatfield, who describes himself as a kind of go-between to help clubs communicate with Lion leadership, out-

About the Lions

Lions are a service and social organization. They fund community causes, seeing eye dogs, vision screening for people from elementary age through adults. They also sponsor young international exchange students, among many other projects. If you are interested in learning more about the Lions, call Jan Hatfield, membership chairman, at 659-2787 or resident Carma Maxey at 436-9862. They are always looking for new members.

lined several of this coming year's projects. He said a new van is being outfitted which will offer free glaucoma screening to attendees at Idaho fairs. The van will also have four stations for vision screening and a hearing screening station.

He said an insurance company will fund the project, up to as high as possibly \$75,000, although the final figures have not yet been settled.

Cathy Ingealls and Brad Cotton won the door prizes at the meeting. There was a potluck dinner and a gift exchange.



Lions District Governor Neil Baskett, center, presents the new Syringa Lions charter to president Carma Maxey of Rupert. The new club is the former Rupert Lionesses and has 20 members.

POOR C

TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

SENIOR CALENDAR

SANTA AND MAN'S BEST FRIEND

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center
616 Eastland Drive
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors...

Exercises from 7 to 8 a.m. and at 10 a.m.
Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.
Carder Senior Haven
222 Main St., Filer
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday...

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.
310 Main N., Kimberly
Wednesday Spaghetti, green beans, coleslaw, garlic butter, rice cream with pineapple topping, coffee, milk.



Magia Valley Old Scouts say that Santa's Furry Friends, where people paid to have their pet's picture taken with Santa, was a success. The recent service project benefited the People for Pets Humane Society...

West End Senior Citizens, Inc.
1010 Main St., Burkh
Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1

FFA, 4-H youngsters take home fair ribbons

Twin Falls - The Twin Falls County Extension Services announces the following 4-H and FFA winners from the Twin Falls County Fair...

Ribbon Winners: Nicole Adams, David Bary, Megan Blighman, Willie Bower, Danielle Harbison, Tovey Harbison, Kenny Keele, J.J. Hewson, Kelly Pullin, Jason Sipe, Andrew Strickland...

Class 7, Blue Ribbon Winner, Jennifer Matranga. Class 11, Senior Champ, Blue Ribbon Winner, Amanda Hoffman. Jennifer Matranga, and Lacey Utey...

Danielle Breeding, PK, novice, blue ribbon winner. Class 11, Senior Champ, Blue Ribbon Winner, Amanda Hoffman. Jennifer Matranga, and Lacey Utey...

Jaycees sponsor 13th annual Freeze-on-Skis

TWIN FALLS - The 13th annual Freeze-On-Skis, sponsored by The Magic Valley Jaycees, will be at noon on Jan. 1, 2000, at Shoshone Falls in Twin Falls.

Want more info?
For more information or to participate, please contact the woman-People Ash at 736-1929 or Leticia Coronado at 734-2543 or 733-0391, Ex. 207.

Class 4, Blue Ribbon Winner, Leah Anderson. Taylor Day, Melissa Dell, Rorie Hall, Sue Jenkins, and Adam Russell.
Class 5, Blue Ribbon Winner, Leah Anderson. Taylor Day, Melissa Dell, Rorie Hall, Sue Jenkins, and Adam Russell.

Class 1, Blue Ribbon Winner, Leah Anderson. Taylor Day, Melissa Dell, Rorie Hall, Sue Jenkins, and Adam Russell.
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Class 6, Blue Ribbon Winner, Leah Anderson. Taylor Day, Melissa Dell, Rorie Hall, Sue Jenkins, and Adam Russell.

Service News

Cpl. Fish reports duty in Okinawa, Japan

Marine Lt. Cpl. Donald T. Fish, son of Keith D. and Susan E. Fish of Elkton, has reported for duty with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 26, Marine Air Group 36, Fleet Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, Japan.

Marr completes Marine Corps basic training

Marine Pfc. Carl R. Marr, son of Vici L. and Carl R. Marr Sr. of Jackpot, Nev., has completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, in San Diego, Calif. Marr is a 1999 graduate of Jackpot Combined School.

Twin Falls schools announce break schedule, concert

TWIN FALLS - Students in the Twin Falls School District will be on holiday break from Thursday until Jan. 2.
Students will attend a half-day of school on Thursday.

Con Paulos in Jerome hosts benefit Christmas village display

JEROME - Dianna Dickinson, of Jerome, is displaying her miniature Christmas village collection, until Dec. 31, in the showroom at Con Paulos at 901 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Stuart student choirs perform in Christmas concert today

TWIN FALLS - The Robert Stuart High School Choir, under the direction of Karen Cochrill, will hold its annual Christmas Concert at the Roper Auditorium at 7 p.m. today.

Buhl Middle School cheerleaders sponsor New Year's party

BUHL - The Buhl Middle School cheerleaders are sponsoring a non-alcohol New Year's Party and Dance from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., at Popplewell Elementary School, 210 Sixth Ave. N., in Buhl.

Magic Valley Fellowship Hall hosts Christmas potluck

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Fellowship Hall will host a Christmas potluck at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Fellowship Hall at 801 Second Ave. N., in Twin Falls.

Community page deadlines change for holidays

TWIN FALLS - Because of the holidays and early production, the deadlines for the community page will change. Noon today will be the deadline for submissions for the Sunday community page.

We want your news

If it's news to you, we want to hear it.
We want your news.
For the Tuesday page: noon Friday
For the Wednesday page: noon Friday
For the Thursday page: noon Friday
For the Saturday page: noon Thursday
For the Sunday page: noon Wednesday

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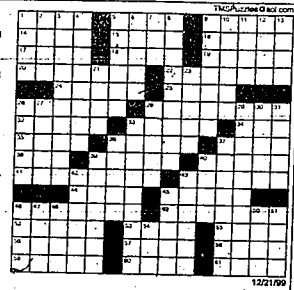
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The Times-News would like to profile your organization. Send your information along with a photo and your phone number to Pat Marcantoni, Community Editor, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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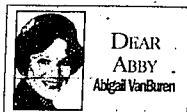
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'Sniffing' death should be clear warning

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Concerned Counselor in Virginia Beach," who wrote about the problem he was having with teen-aged girls who saw no harm in "huffing" (sniffing glue from a spray can) to get high, I had to write. He asked you for names of celebrities who had died from drug overdoses, which you provided for him in abundance because, sadly, some celebrities, like some people, think nothing will ever happen to them.

I'm telling you a story about a REGULAR person who happened to be my 16-year-old brother. Twenty-nine years ago (yes, I still keep count) my brother, unbeknownst to me, was experimenting with ways to get high. He tried huffing. I was in college at the time. On March 16, four days before my 20th birthday, I got a phone call at 3 a.m. telling me that my only brother had



DEAR ABBY:
 Abigail VanBuren

died. I was devastated. It was the worst time in my life. I still think about it every March 16.

I grew up real quick that week. Not only did I help my dad arrange the funeral because Mom was totally unable, but a few weeks later, I came home for spring break. I opened the door of his bedroom where he had died to find that it had not been cleaned since his death. It was not a pretty sight. I called my dearest friend, who lived five hours away at the time, and told her. She was there the next morning. We dealt with cleaning up

the blood he had coughed up while his lungs were hemorrhaging and no one could do anything to help. To this day, she is my dearest friend, even though we have not lived in the same city for 31 years.

I deeply regret that my brother never got to grow up, live his life, get married and have children of his own to love. I have always regretted that my children never had the chance to meet and know their wonderful Uncle Mark.

If today's teen-agers feel the need to get high, please let them know this is not the way to do it. Huffing killed.

—DEBBY BENSON, WILMETTE, ILL.

death will serve as a warning to teens who mistakenly believe that "huffing" is a harmless pastime. Thank you for writing.

DEAR ABBY: I had to giggle when I read the letter from the reader complaining about the Christmas gifts they had received in years past. I reminded me of a feminist joke. If you like it, feel free to print it.

—BURLESON, TEXAS, READER

DEAR READER: It's cute, and I'm sure many people will enjoy it. Read on:

The First Christmas
 If on the first Christmas, the three wise men had been women, they would have asked for directions, arrived on time, cleaned the stable, helped deliver the baby, made a casserole and brought practical gifts.

Think far, Aquarius; Taurus is sexy today

IF DECEMBER 21 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are versatile, intelligent, have unusual sense of humor, possess intellectual curiosity. Gemini, Sagittarius person you meet, may be to your life. You can have these letters, initials in names: C, I, U. Throughout your life you have experienced disappointments, at times have been victim of self-deception. September your most powerful, creative month of the year 2000.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do not underestimate your own power. Have fun, but do not permit familiarity to breed contempt. Capricorn, Cancer natives play significant role.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Finish what you start. Give expression to desire for romance. You emit personal magnetism, sensuality and aura of sex appeal. Libra is romantic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Shake off precariously intentions, imprint style, attention, your weight could become a problem. Scenario features humor, travel, flirtation. Sagittarius plays role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make this a "make-over" day. That means do and arrange things differently. Focus on challenges, variety, course of convictions. Taurus, Scorpio persons play fantastic roles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Favorable lunar aspect coincides with travel, spiritual values, ability to sense what the future holds. Some people insist you should develop your talent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Emphasis on family, home, love relationship, money as result of creative endeavor. Taurus individual says, "I don't trust you

HOROSCOPE

Sydney Omarr

Individual you are attracted to feels the same way about you. Make the first move, unless you're Cancer, in which case you're invited.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Refuse to be beyond the immediate. Refuse to be ejected into thinking and acting the same

as everybody else. You have rare opportunity to travel to distant lands.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): People are surprised because you came up with original material. Don't take the safe way; stress originality during pioneering spirit. Your person loves you.

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Many mammals tend to be very batty indeed

What sort of food are you most likely to have in your refrigerator at any given time? Milk? Cheese? Or tomatoes? Or cheese? Researchers contend the most common refrigerated consumable nationwide is iceberg lettuce.

If you've got big ears, you're "macrotores."

Before electric lighting, almost every growup on earth knew that the moon rises about 50 minutes later every night that the night before, but hardly anybody remembers that anymore.

The Paradox frog of the Amazon starts out as a 3-inch tadpole and ends up as a 9-inch frog. That's life.

What's the difference between "desire" and "love"? A. No difference, if you buy the line by Thomas Hobbes: "Desire and Love are the same things; save that by desire we always signify the absence of the object; by love, most commonly the presence of it."

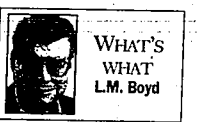
If you accept the findings of a certain Chicago research team, you may want to schedule your dental appointments for mornings, not afternoons. Conclusion is your ability to take pain is probably better before noon.

The Russian, Grigori Rasputin, brought a special perfume for his beard.

What makes walking the best exercise is its steadiness. In all games, you start and stop. But in walking, you continually redense tension, even as you continually exercise. That's what the experts say.

Some Indonesians long believed they could produce rain by pouring water over a cat. Interesting. But it does not work. I assure you. All you're going to get is a damp cat. Just give up on it, trust me. You have to know how to do it, I guess.

Aspirin works so mysteriously, it's said, that if it were presented to the Food and Drug Administration today, it wouldn't



WHAT'S L.M. Boyd

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be licensed.

A mile a minute is typical speed for a racing pigeon.

Might be stretching it to say the boomerang was invented in Poland, but it's true the first known boomerang, carved from a mammoth's tusk about 23,000 years ago, turned up in what's now Poland.

Every fifth mammal is a bat.

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Straight Story (PG) 2:00 • 4:30 • 7:00 • 9:30
Tom Hanks - The Green Mile (R) 1:30 • 4:00 • 6:30 • 9:00
The World Is Not Enough (PG-13) 12:15 • 3:45 • 6:15 • 8:45
The Sixth Sense (PG-13) 9:00
Chicago (R) 12:30 • 2:30 • 4:30 • 6:30 • 8:30
Stuart Little (G) 12:30 • 12:30 • 2:30 • 4:30 • 6:30 • 8:30 • 10:30
Anna and the King (PG) 12:15 • 3:30 • 6:45 • 9:45
Bicentennial Man (G) 2:00 • 4:30 • 7:00 • 9:30

Opheum Theatre
 100 S. Main, Twin Falls, 733-2709
 End of Days (R) 7:00 A.M. • 9:00 P.M.

Jerome Cinema 4
 925 Main St., Jerome, 324-2375

Tom Hanks - Green Mile (R) 7:45
World War II - Ensign (G) 7:00-9:30
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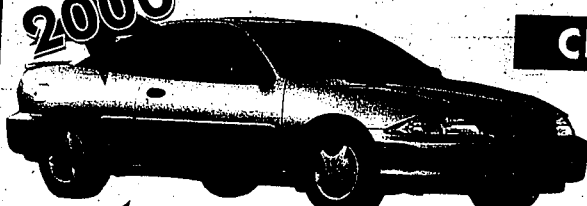
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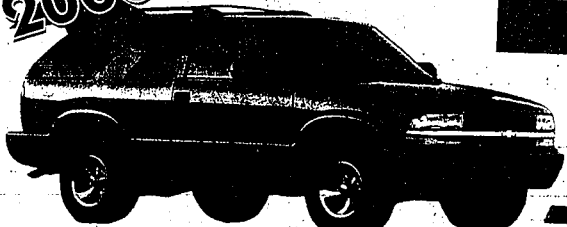


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Five employers join drug-free workplace effort

Drug testing gains popularity among local business

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Magic Valley effort to rid workplaces of substance abuse - and publicly recognize businesses that do - has bolstered its ranks by five Twin Falls employers.

Don Anderson Construction, Dad's Telephone Sales and Service Co., First Federal Savings Bank, Farmer Brothers Coffee Co. and Superior Chain Inc. recently

About the Magic Valley Drug-Free Workplace Project

- An ongoing, valleywide effort to recognize businesses that have drug-free workplaces meeting U.S. Department of Labor criteria.
- Started in July 1997.
- For more information, call Lisa Budeckie at 733-1300.
- Provide training for supervisors.
- Educate employees about the program.
- Provide employee assistance.
- Have a drug testing program that includes pre-employment, post-accident and reasonable-cause tests.
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joined 33 other businesses and local governments in Magic Valley Drug-Free Workplace Project membership. "It was real painless," said Mark

Swenson, general manager of Dad's, which joined in November. He was impressed by how easy membership was and by training the organization offered, he added.

"And it was less money than I thought," Swenson said. The pre-employment drug test for a recent new employee cost Dad's \$35, he said, and the seven-worker business paid no setup fee to join the Magic Valley effort.

"Now if us have been called in for random (drug testing) yet - yet," he said. "Basically since we're all clean, we have no problem doing it."

Drug testing is a workplace issue that has gained attention this winter as the College of Southern Idaho's board considers a possible employee drug-testing policy.

CSU President Jerry Meyerheffer told board members in November he has resisted pre-employment and random drug screening. He favors a policy that would call for testing only after a problem has

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Downtown drawing goes to Eden man

TWIN FALLS - One Eden family must be celebrating this season.

Ronald Metcalf of Eden was the lucky winner of \$3,000 in cash from a group of Twin Falls downtown merchants in last week's drawing, the final of three promotional giveaways downtown.

Eden schoolteacher Carolyn Lee - Metcalf's daughter - took home \$2,000 after winning the second of the drawings a week earlier.

"It's amazing. I don't know what the odds are," said Randy Bombardier, the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District's executive director.

Metcalf, retired from feed yards west of Eden, said he didn't know about the drawings until his daughter won. Then he asked Banner Furniture for tickets for the extra-wide kitchen stove he had ordered.

Shoppers earned one chance to win for each \$10 they spent at participating downtown stores. At the final drawing, Metcalf got a look at other hopefuls as they waited for the announcement of the winner.

"I know a lot of people had more tickets than I did," he said.

Cavanaugh's Hospitality to buy Seattle-based rival

SEATTLE - Cavanaugh's Hospitality plans to buy its rival, Seattle-based WestCoast Hotel.

The acquisition brings Spokane, Wash.-based Cavanaugh's Holdings to 46 hotels with 8,766 rooms in 14 Western states. The Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel in Twin Falls is on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

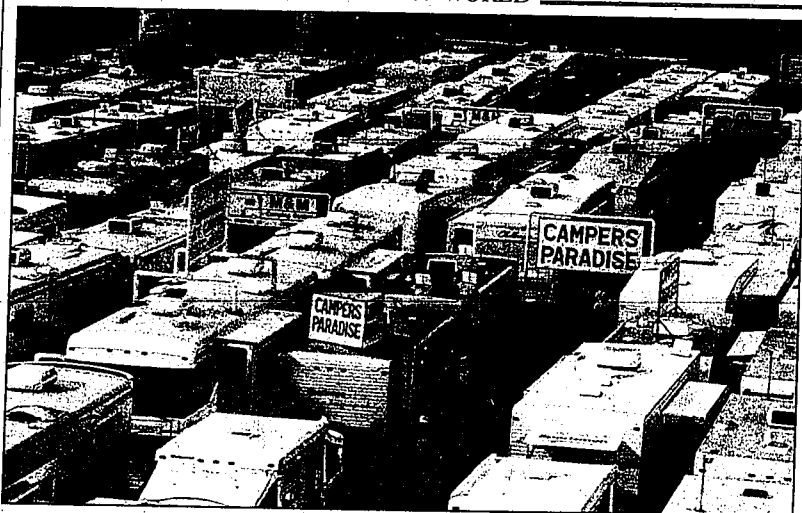
Cavanaugh's will create a new chain called WestCoast Grand Hotels and gather its premier properties in the Northwest under that name. The Grove Hotel in Boise will become part of the new chain.

Terms were not released.

The acquisition of WestCoast is expected to boost Cavanaugh's revenue by 25 percent in 2000. But merger-related debt will hurt earnings until 2001, company officials said.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

IT'S AN RV WORLD



Visitors to the Silverdome Camper, Travel and Recreational Vehicle exhibit walk among the more than 400 recreational vehicles at the show Jan. 31 at the Silverdome in Pontiac, Mich. Once thought to be a retiree-driven market, sales of recreational vehicles among baby boomers is soaring. Industry sales are at a 21-year high.

RVer: 'We're hot, we're hip, the wind's at our back'

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - It's not just Grandpa driving RVs these days.

In what was once thought to be a retiree-driven market, sales of recreational vehicles - RVs - are soaring among baby boomers.

In fact, the sales are at a 21-year high. And with amenities such as large-screen, Internet-equipped TVs, global positioning systems, walk-in closets and even designer Ralph Lauren upholstery, RVs can be downright chic.

"We're hot, we're hip, the wind's at our back," says David Humphreys, president of the Recreational Vehicle Industry

Association. "I don't see how it could get much better."

According to RVIA, a record 252,700 new RVs were sold last year, and sales this year are on pace to surpass ever that number. That's not counting used RV sales, which comprise a large portion of the market.

A University of Michigan study shows almost half of RV owners today are between 35 and 54 years old, compared with 40 percent age 55 and older.

Mark Hutchinson, a 37-year-old computer programmer for United Parcel Service, bought his first RV this March. A father of three children under age 7, Hutchinson says he bought the 27-foot motor home because it was a way to spend quality time

with his family.

"It was something I always wanted to do," he says.

On the weekends, Hutchinson and his wife, Barbara, pack up the kids, the toys - even an inflatable pool - and head to a state park. The couple has even managed to turn a nightmarish 7.5-hour car ride to visit family in Michigan into an enjoyable two-day trip.

"The kids love it," he says. Hutchinson is even looking to upgrade to a larger model soon.

After a gas and credit crunch during the 1970s, the industry declined. It picked back up again in the 1990s, after a spate of marketing and successful television shows featuring motor homes. After an eight-year run,

The Nashville Network's "Wish You Were Here" program ended in 1993. In 1995, MTV's "Road Rules" picked up the theme, with its cast of Generation Xers that tour the country in a motor home.

One out of every 10 vehicle-owning households in the United States owns an RV, according to the Michigan study, which also found that Americans' changing travel habits are a big reason for the RV industry growth. Shorter vacations with less planning make an RV a logical choice, the study found. The popularity of sport-utility vehicles has also spurred growth, as families now have better towing capabilities.

Recreational vehicles sell any. Please see RVs, Page D2

Company hits jackpot with blanks

Northern Idaho mint thrives with silver rounds

The Associated Press

COEUR D'ALENE - Employees at Sunshine Minting check silver rounds for impurities, polishing them and stacking them like casino tokens.

The one-ounce rounds will be shipped to the U.S. Mint in West Point, N.Y., where they will be made into American Silver Eagles.

Sunshine Minting has been the government's primary supplier of the silver rounds since 1998 - a coup that has spurred the company's rapid growth.

The mint turns out 200,000 of the rounds, or "blanks," for American Silver Eagles each week. In addition, the Coeur d'Alene company has a five-year contract to make blanks for quarters, half dollars and dimes.

"It's not the blanks for the coins in your pocket," general manager Randy Hardy said. These are made of base metals - copper, tin and zinc.

Sunshine Minting makes blanks that are 90 percent silver, or 99.9 percent in the American Silver Eagles' case. The U.S. Mint uses the blanks for coins that are sold in collectors' sets.

Demand has been especially strong recently. Collectors want coins stamped "1999" and "2000." The new quarters featuring the 50 states also have been popular. The U.S. Mint plans to introduce five new quarters each year for the next 10 years.

To keep pace with demand, Sunshine Minting has added 76 workers in the past two years.

The company employs 115 at its plant, where the hammer of a "blinking press" echoes day and night. Furnaces run seven days a week, melting 72-pound

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Does Your Business Have Commercial Fleet Needs?

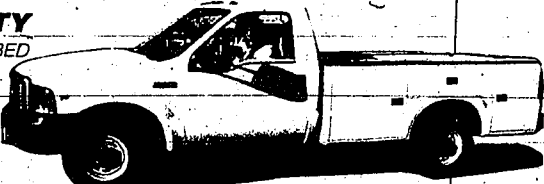
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MONEY

Court rejects ban on ATM surcharges

Connecticut's attorney general laments decision

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - The Connecticut Supreme Court rejected the state's attempts to prohibit banks from charging non-customers for using their automated teller machines.

The court ruled 5-2 Monday the 24-year-old law on which Banking Commissioner John Burke based the ban was not drafted with ATMs in mind.

Attorney General Richard Blumenthal called the decision "a defeat for consumers" and said he would continue efforts to ban the charges.

The fees, typically ranging from \$1 to \$2, are levied on customers who use ATMs belonging to another bank.

The decision does not affect the fees a customer's own bank may charge for using another bank's ATM. The legality of those fees was never in question.

Connecticut was one of only two states where the fees had been banned. Iowa's ban remains in effect. Two surcharge bans recently approved in California cities are on hold while banks challenge the votes in court.

In banning the fees, Burke had relied on a 24-year-old law that prohibited banks from charging non-customers any fee.

But that law did not take ATMs into account, and the banks argued that the ATM fee ban was a violation of their rights.

Fleet, based in Boston and the Legislature, could have foreseen at that time what the economic and competitive effects of ATMs would be," the justices wrote.

In October 1998, A.U. District Court judge ruled in April that only the federal government could issue such a ban. But in June, the U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court decision stating that

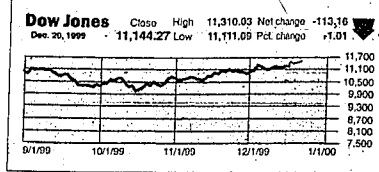
the issue was up to the states.

In June, the banks agreed not to impose the fees until the issue was resolved by the state Supreme Court.

Fleet officials had no immediate response to the decision. A message was left seeking comment from First Union.

In California, the bans are on hold in San Francisco and Santa Monica while the courts consider the issue. In the meantime, fees collected must be placed in an escrow account.

In response to Santa Monica's bank, Wells Fargo and Bank of America closed their ATMs in that city to non-customers. The San Francisco bank was stayed by the courts before it had gone into effect.



Nasdaq rises again, but most stocks finish down

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks closed mostly lower Monday as bond yields soared to the highest level in more than two years on the fear that the Federal Reserve will suggest on Tuesday that future interest rate increases may be needed to cool the nation's economic growth.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 113.16 to close at 11,144.27. At one point, the Dow had been up more than 50 points and was closing in an all-time high.

The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 2.96 to 1,418.09. Stock prices fell amid worries about the Federal Reserve's last policy-making meeting of the year, set for Tuesday. Most analysts expect central bankers to leave short-term interest rates unchanged, but many are wary of a change to a "lightening" bias, which would mean the Fed is inclined to raise rates on any future signs of inflation.

"The bond market is saying, 'You can pay now or you can pay later,'" said Alan Sklar, chief market strategist at Edward Jones in St. Louis. "The Fed is not likely to raise rates now, but they are fairly likely to do so in February."

The Fed has raised short-term interest rates three times in 1999 in a bid to cool the nation's economic growth to a sustainable pace. While recent indicators have presented some mixed signals on whether the economy's growth continues, many analysts see no reason for another rate increase.

"While the economy continues to move ahead at a solid pace, there continues to be significant inflationary pressures are mounting," said John H. Shughnessy, chief investment strategist at Advest Inc.

RVs

Continued from D1 where from \$2,900 for a pop-up travel model to a whopping \$1.3 million motor home.

This is not camping. It's a condominium on wheels," Humphreys says.

At a trade convention in Louisville in November, the latest RVs were on display. There's something for just about every budget, from the small tow-alongs which crank to expand, to fifth-wheel tow-ins with space for jet-skis or motorcycles, to the large motor homes.

While most motor homes fall in the \$64,000 range, amenities can be customized, and plenty of top-scale models are being sold.

Kelli Harris, a sales representative for Winnebago Industries from Fort Collins, Colo., pointed out luxuries on a model that sells for \$250,000.

"It's a 40-foot RV with features that would rival many homes. Slides that

extend out at the push of a button, leather seating, a washer-dryer combination and a dishwasher are available. There are brass fixtures, top-of-the-line counter tops and double sinks.

With model names such as "Bed and Breakfast" and "The Suite," which sell for \$76,000, some have a walking-in-board skylight, satellite dishes, imported tile floors and a full-size refrigerator. Power brakes and steering are the norm.

"For those a little squeamish about plunking down a large chunk of change, RVs can be rented through dealers and rental chain outlets. Some campgrounds offer onsite rentals.

There's no mystery to an RV's appeal, Humphreys explains.

"There are no hassles, no lost luggage, no wasted time," he says, and the weather's not an issue. "You just drive 100 miles and you're clear."

Silver

Continued from D1 silver bars at temperatures of up to 1,700 degrees.

The mint plans to quadruple its production space with a 40,000-square-foot building on a five-acre parcel near the Cour d'Alene Airport next summer.

In the meantime, operations manager Tom Pover is eyeing the plant's small front office and reception area for additional production space.

"If we had everything done this, we would have been in that 40,000-square-foot building two years ago," Pover said. The 20-year-old building has worked several years to align itself with the U.S. Mint. In 1996, the company became a backup supplier of silver blanks. Since then, it has gradually increased its contract.

"Our name is very well known in the industry," Pover said.

About 50 percent of Sunshine Minting's production is for the government. The company also produces silver bullion and makes commemorative medallions and tokens for restaurants, casinos and other companies. Medallions for anniversaries or milestones are particularly popular.

The company also is working to increase its customer base in Europe and Asia. The mint recently sent a shipment of one-ounce gold coins to Tonga.

Geographically, the South Pacific island nation will be among the first to greet the new millennium. To celebrate the event, dignitaries will receive coins minted in northern Idaho.

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EMPLOYERS' USE OF DRUG SCREENS

More local employers use drug testing than the national average, says a survey by occupational health educator RYAN Associates.

Workplace

Continued from D1. Being tested is gaining popularity among local employers who were often wary of the practice.

About 600 employers of all sizes use drug-testing facilities at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

After the past couple of years, the hospital's drug-screening client total has grown to 70 percent per year, Evans said.

Idaho lawmakers this year passed a measure authorizing insurance companies to offer discounts to employers who use drug-testing programs.

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MONEY

Court rejects ban on ATM surcharges

Connecticut's attorney general laments decision

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - The Connecticut Supreme Court rejected the state's attempts to prohibit banks from charging non-customers for using their automated teller machines.

The court ruled 5-2 Monday the 24-year-old law which Banking Commissioner John Burke based the ban was not drafted with ATMs in mind.

Attorney General Richard Blumenthal called the latest Supreme Court decision "a defeat for consumers" and said he would continue efforts to ban the charges.

The fees, typically ranging from \$1 to \$2, are levied on customers who use ATMs belonging to another bank.

The decision does not affect fees a customer's own bank may also charge for using another bank's ATM. The legality of those fees was never in question.

Connecticut was one of only two states where the fees had been banned. Iowa's ban remains in effect. Two surcharge bans recently approved in California cities are held void while banks challenge the votes in court.

In banning the fees, Burke had relied on a 24-year-old law that prohibited banks from charging non-customers access fees.

But that law did not take ATMs

into account, and the banks argued that the ATM fee ban was a violation of their rights.

"No one, including our Legislature, could have foreseen at that time what the economic and competitive effects of ATMs would be," the justices wrote.

Fleet, based in Boston, and First Union, based in Charlotte, N.C., had challenged the Connecticut law. The banks argued that the fees were necessary to support the costs of installing and maintaining the network of ATMs.

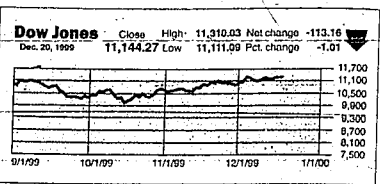
Burke had first ordered the ban in October 1998. A U.S. District Court judge ruled in April that only the federal government could issue such a ban. But in June, the U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court decision stating that

the issue was up to the states. In June, the banks agreed not to use the fees until the issue was resolved by the state Supreme Court.

Fleet officials had no immediate response to the decision. A message was left seeking comment from First Union spokeswoman.

In California, the bans are on hold in San Francisco and Santa Monica while the courts consider the issue. In the meantime, fees collected must be placed in an escrow account.

In response to Santa Monica's ban, Wells Fargo and Bank of America closed their ATMs in that city to non-customers. The San Francisco ban was stayed by the courts before it had gone into effect.



Nasdaq rises again, but most stocks finish down

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks closed mostly lower Monday, as bond yields soared to the highest level in more than two years on the fear that the Federal Reserve will suggest on Tuesday that future interest rate increases may be needed to cool the nation's economic growth.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 13.16 to close at 11,144.27. At one point, the Dow had been up more than 50 points and was closing in on an all-time high.

Broader stock indicators were mixed. The Nasdaq composite index lost some of its early momentum but still finished with a gain of 30.81, closing at 3,783.87.

The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 2.96 to 4,148.09. Stocks gave up early gains as the bond market faltered in mid-afternoon. The yield on the 30-year Treasury bond rose to 6.44 percent late afternoon.

The last time bonds closed with a higher yield was Sept. 1997. The long-term bond yielded 6.37 percent late Friday.

Bond prices felt amid worries about the Federal Reserve's last

policy-making meeting of the year, set for Tuesday. Most analysts expect central bankers to leave short-term interest rates unchanged, but many are wary of a change to a "tightening" bias, which would mean the Fed is inclined to raise rates on any future signs of inflation.

"The bond market is saying, 'you can pay now or you can pay later,'" said Alan Czerwik, chief market strategist at Edward Jones in St. Louis. "The Fed is not likely to raise rates now, but they are fairly likely to do so in February."

The Fed has raised short-term interest rates three times in 1999 in a bid to cool the nation's economic growth, many analysts see no reason for another rate increase.

"While the economy continues to move ahead at a solid pace, there continues to be no signs that inflationary pressures are mounting," said John H. Straughness, chief investment strategist at Advest Inc.

RVs

Continued from D1 where from \$2,900 for a pop-up towable model to a whopping \$1.3 million motor home.

"This is not camping. It's a condominium on wheels," Humphreys says. At a trade convention in Louisville in November, the latest RVs were on display. There's something for just about every budget, from the small tow-alongs which crank to expand, to fifth-wheel towables with space for jet-skis or motorcycles, to the large motor homes.

The \$54,000 range, amenities can be customized, and plenty of top-scale models are being sold.

Kelli Harms, a sales representative for Winnebago Industries from Forest City, Iowa, pointed out luxury on a model that sells for \$250,000.

"It's a 40-foot RV with features that would rival many homes. Sides that

extend out at the push of a button, leather seating, a washer-dryer combination and a dishwasher are available. There are brass fixtures, top-of-the-line counter tops and double sinks.

With model names such as "Bed and Breakfast" and "The Suite," which sells for \$76,000, some have a raking dashboard, skylights, satellite dishes, imported tile floors, a full-size refrigerator. Power brakes and steering are the norm.

For those a little squeamish about plunking down a large chunk of change, RVs can be rented through dealers and rental chain outlets. Some campgrounds offer onsite rental.

There's no mystery to an RV's appeal, Humphreys explains. "There are no hassles, no lost luggage, no wasted time," he says, and the weather's not an issue. "You just drive 100 miles and you're clear."

Silver

Continued from D1 silver bars at temperatures of up to 1,700 degrees.

The mint plans to quadruple its production space with a 40,000-square-foot building on a five-acre site near the Coeur d'Alene Airport next summer.

In the meantime, operations manager Tom Poyer is eyeing the plant's small front office and reception area for additional production space.

"If we'd envisioned this, we would have been in the 40,000-square-foot building two years ago," Poyer said. The 20-year-old company has worked several years to align itself with the U.S. Mint. In 1996, the company became a back-up supplier of silver blanks. Since then, it has gradually increased its contract.

"Our name is very well known in the industry," Poyer said.

About 50 percent of Sunshine Mining's production is for the government. The company also produces silver bullion and makes commemorative medallions and tokens for restaurants, casinos and other companies. Medallions for anniversaries or milestones are particularly popular.

The company also is working to increase its customer base in Europe and Asia. The mint recently sent a shipment of one-ounce gold coins to Tonga.

Geographically, the South Pacific island nation will be among the first to greet the new millennium. To celebrate the event, dignitaries will receive coins minted in Idaho.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, %Chg, Volume, Bid, Ask, etc. Lists various stocks and their performance.

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Advertisement for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, highlighting its commitment to patient care and community service.

Workplace

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Main table of stock market data, including various stock prices, market indices, and company-specific information.

Getting the masses online

Kmart, Yahoo team up to turn the technically challenged on to the web

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Though it seems everybody's getting on the Web these days, two-thirds of Americans have yet to do so because of the expense or because of a lack of easy access. That might be about to change. A campaign led by Wal-Mart and Kmart is under way to bridge the digital gap and bring Internet service to the poor and people living in rural towns. Until now, they've been largely ignored by Internet businesses. Kmart and Yahoo said last week they would launch a new Internet service, offering links to Kmart's online store and Yahoo's

news, entertainment, financial and other services. Wal-Mart, in a deal with America Online, plans to offer discounted Internet access by next spring to people who may not have affordable hookups.

Wal-Mart says 840 towns in which it has stores are without a local Internet service provider, forcing anyone who wants to hook up to pay hefty long-distance charges.

"This will help accelerate what was an existing trend of rural households coming online," said Dylan Brooks, an analyst with Jupiter Communications, an Internet research firm in New York.

A Commerce Department report in July found that house-

holds earning \$75,000 or more in urban areas are more than 20 times as likely to have Internet access as rural households at the lowest income levels. Black and Hispanic households are two-fifths as likely to have Internet access as white households.

In interviews last week, more than a dozen shoppers outside a Wal-Mart store indicated a reluctance to get wired, citing costs or worries about Web content. Kathy Ledford of Johnson City, Tenn., said she bought a computer two years ago but refuses to go online for fear of exposing her children to pornography, profanity and violence.

"I have three children, and I

just feel like I can't supervise them at all times," she said.

Wicky Cobb of Clever, Mo., also worries that some Internet content isn't appropriate for her teenager.

"All of our relatives are connected, but we just haven't decided yet whether it's a good or a bad thing," she said. Andy Hogenmilles, a 25-year-old farmer in the small southwest Missouri town of Republic, shuns the Web, saying he doesn't need a computer to run his dairy farm. Hogenmilles, standing outside a Wal-Mart, said he might be interested in free or discounted Internet service if a free computer were offered along with it.

A new way to appreciate the power of paper clips

By Jim Coates
Chicago Tribune

When I installed a program from a CD-ROM, the CD-ROM drive froze up. The installed disk is still in the drive and the drive tray will not open or respond. The system says the drive is inaccessible. The problem persists upon reboot. The system is searching the CD-ROM drive upon start-up and if the button controlling the tray is pressed then, a message on the screen results. How do I get the CD-ROM drive to function again?

—Tom Harris

A>You need to find a paper clip and bend it into a straight wire. Mr. H. Then look for the little hole in the front of your CD-ROM drive. When you stick the wire in there, it will trigger a spring and release your CD. Ideally, the drive will work in the future, because it sounds like some kind of software glitch is causing the problem to crash each time it tries to access that CD.

Try another CD. If the same lockup happens, you have a mechanical problem and will need to repair or, more likely, replace the CD-ROM drive.

My toolbar has two lines of icons. How do I make them all appear on one line?

—Al Marzilli

A.It's easier to do what you need to do than to write about it. Mr. M. The toolbar on Windows 98 can be expanded and contracted by moving the cursor arrow to the very edge and waiting for a set of downward arrows to appear. Then click and drag.

A similar technique is used to move the toolbar to the top, here or sides of the screen. Here you click on the toolbar and then sweep the mouse cursor to the left or the right, causing the bar to move around the screen.

I like to move the bar to the

Latest Mac OS gets faster

By Craig Crossman
Knight Ridder News Service

Apple Computer recently released its latest operating system (OS) for the Macintosh. Dubbed Mac OS 9, this latest release offers many improvements over its predecessor, Mac OS 8.6, plus several new features. First and foremost is its new Instant Update feature. An OS is comprised of numerous software components. As an OS matures, its developer (in this case Apple) is constantly improving those elements. Improvements include: bug fixes and expanding compatibility with a wider range of hardware and software, be it Apple's or third-party products. But how does one know when an update has been released, let alone keep track of all those little software parts?

Fortunately, Instant Update has just one big software button. Press it and your computer logs on to Apple's Web site, checks to see if something new has been released, compares it to what you already have. If Apple has something newer, it downloads it and saves it to your hard drive. This assures you have the latest OS revisions. And if pressing that one big button is too much for you, Instant Update can be

Computer Q&A

top of the screen instead of the bottom from time to time because that way the various menus pop down, Macintosh-style, rather than pop up, Windows-style.

Q.My question relates to a task I used to be able to perform with DOS and now am wondering if Windows has that ability. In past years in order to print a label for a disk, I could call up the directory and print using something like Adir/GP. However, I have not found in Explorer or other Windows options that ability. I now have a Zip drive with lots of files and have to go to Explorer to read the list and would prefer to just look at a label for that info. Can you offer any help besides an outside vendor?

—David Hopaley, Coarsesgold, N.C.

A.Why don't you just continue using that DOS command line technique to print out lists? You can open an Edit window by looking under the Windows Program menu for the MS-DOS icon.

Another approach is to use the Windows "Find Files/Folders" feature to call up a list of files. This module is part of Windows 98 but it allows advanced users to order searches by typing in traditional DOS commands such as A+*.bmp.

Just as in DOS, this command in Find will fill a window with all the specified files so that you can click on Edit then Select All and Copy. Then open the Windows program and hit Control + V to paste the list into a document. Now all you need to do is pick a nice small font and print out that label you want.

The Find Files/Folder module that accepts these DOS prompts can be accessed by clicking on the Start button.

configured to perform a check automatically according to a schedule you set up.

Keychain is a nifty ability to keep track of all your Internet names and passwords. Normally one has to either remember all those passwords or write them down somewhere for prying eyes. Keychain encrypts all of your passwords and is smart enough to know how to issue the proper password to the corresponding Web site to which you log on. All you need to remember is just one password, the one for the Keychain.

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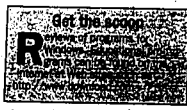
By Noah Matthews
Knight Ridder News Service

OK, students and teachers, today we are going to get very serious about the kind of high school math courses you need if you are going to attend The College of Your Choice Analytic Geometry, Trigonometry and Pre-Calculus. Never mind that yours truly wouldn't know a cosine from a cosigner, these courses weren't even invented when I went to high school, in the primordial years before Euclid & Co.

Each of these three CDs has the equivalent of a high school course in the subject. In some areas, you may even be able to study the CDs and take a test for credit. Even if that isn't the route you're thinking of, these courses would be excellent for review, preview, home-schooling and tutoring.

All have in common a six-step process for learning the subject: practice problems, solutions, detailed help about each concept, more examples that help students solve problems, videos of teachers explaining concepts and reviews at the end of each chapter. Students can return to each topic as needed and as often as they wish.

Analytic Geometry covers Cartesian plane, vectors, lines in the plane, polygons, curves in the plane, transformation of equa-



tions and geometry of space. The Trigonometry CD covers relationships between circular and trigonometric representations of functions, how parameters in equations affect a trigonometric function's graph (drop quiz on this one!), using generalizations to sketch trigonometric functions, investigating properties of inverse functions and relations, solving triangles, solving problems that mirror real-world problems, derivations and application of Law Sines and Cosines; using vectors to solve real-world problems, the connection between circular/trigonometric functions and polar coordinates.

Shifting right along, the Pre-Calculus CD deals with real numbers, functions and their graphs, polynomial and rational functions, exponential and logarithmic functions and applications, properties of circular functions and applications, trigonometric functions, their properties and applications, vectors and applications, complex numbers, sequences and series and second degree relations.

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CardScan is worth checking out

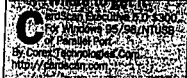
By Jim Coates
Chicago Tribune

Holiday shoppers have all kinds of reasons to consider the latest rendition of CardScan, a business-card scanner, and some very slick software that makes a relative cakewalk out of entering stacks of business cards into one's computer databases.

Thanks to a new USB connector, Version 5 is much easier to set up and use for Windows 98-compliant machines, but those with lesser machines can still connect the device to the printer (parallel port). The USB connection makes for faster scans. It also makes it far easier to plug the device in to scan a new batch of business cards and then unplug it when the scanner is no longer needed.

You feed a single card or a stack into the machine and Core's special business-card-reading software does much better than other character-recognition programs in figuring out the small type and graphics that make scanning cards a real chore.

Software spotlight



The card software does a nice job of figuring out which data is a name, which is an address, phone number, etc. This customized business-card-reading ability makes the product far more accurate than other scanners. The new software synchronizes with most contact software (ACT!, Microsoft Outlook, Lotus Organizer, etc.) and also can be set to move scanned-card data into Palm and Windows CE devices.

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