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Democrats' dilemma



Going into this year's election, Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, and her Democratic colleagues felt they could at least hold on to the party's current few seats, and maybe, with some luck, pick up one or two more. Jaquet was re-elected, but not only were the Democrats unable to pick up any seats, they lost four.

What does minority need to compete with majority?

By Michael Journeé Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Nov. 7 left Wendy Jaquet dejected, and nursing a headache. And she'd been re-elected.

After months of recruiting, teaching and investing scarce money in "good candidates" for the Legislature, Jaquet and her Democratic colleagues felt they could at least hold on to the party's current few seats, and maybe, with some luck, pick up one or two more.

"I tried to be realistic and just count on holding our own," said Jaquet, minority leader in the Idaho House.

With no opposition in her bid to recapture her District 21 House seat this year, Jaquet took the lead in rounding up Democratic candidates and helping their campaigns against Republican incumbents.

She was optimistic about the payoff.

But as news from around the state filtered in on election night, the truth set in. And so did the headache.

Not only were the Democrats

unable to pick up any legislative seats, they lost four.

Three House incumbents — including Rep. Jerry Stoicheff, D-Sandpoint, the widow of longtime lawmaker Jim Stoicheff — lost their seats to upstart Republicans. One Senate seat was lost to the GOP after popular Sen. Margaret McLaughlin, D-Oronoflo, retired.

That leaves the embattled Democrats with just nine members in the House and three in the Senate — probably not even enough for Democrats to have representation on each legislative committee, especially in the Senate.

"It's a disappointment," said Senate Majority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum. "I feel like we put up good candidates. We worked hard. We raised a good amount of money. We made people confident. If they went to the classes, if they wanted to be good candidates, we made sure they were supported. It's disappointing."

But the poor showing is more than just disappointing, it's dangerous, Democrats say.

To overcome the shortfall, Democrats will have to rely on volunteer college students to sit in on committee meetings to keep an eye on things when office holders can't, said Idaho Democratic Party spokeswoman Patty Nuñez.

But there's an even larger problem.

Democratic leaders have long said many issues do not get the open debate they deserve because of the GOP's dominance. This year's elections put even more emphasis on how much of the state's business will be conducted behind the Republicans' locked caucus room door.

"It's a danger," Stennett said. "I thought it was when there were four of us. I thought it was when there were five of us or eight of us. It is dangerous for democracy."

And while most Democratic leaders agree with top Republicans

that it's not up to Republicans to ensure the Democratic Party's viability, the current imbalance must be overcome.

"How can that be good?" Stennett asked. "One party isn't good whether you're a Democrat, Republican or a Communist."

An identity crisis

For generations, the Democratic Party's power base in Idaho were the "lunch buckets" — the timber, railroad, and mining workers associated with those industries' labor movements.

But nationwide, the Democratic Party has moved away from that base in favor of a more environmental message, leaving much of the timber, mining and agriculture industry alienated.

"The party had left (Idaho Democrats) and they had no home except for the Republican Party, which was in the business of keeping their employers in business," said Idaho House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Barley, himself a former Democrat. "They just basically decided we could import food."

Decision brings changes

Southern Utah weighs the impact of Escalante designation

By N.S. Nøkkethved Times-News writer

MURPHY — Critics say a proposal to establish a 2.7 million-acre national monument in Owyhee County would end recreation in the area.

Conservation and hunters' groups have asked the Clinton administration to designate the Owyhee-Bruneau canyonslands as a national monument. And President Clinton recently added 661,000 acres to the 55,000-acre Craters of the Moon National Monument.

"I expect to see the same massive federal lockdown of access and recreation use as has occurred in southern Utah where the Grand Staircase-Escalante monument was designated," Owyhee County sheriff Gary Aman said.

But there has been little change in recreation, for better or worse, southern Utah residents say.

The 1.9 million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, designated in 1996 by Clinton, is the first national monument to be managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

"I don't think that access has been denied," said Liz Thomas, representative of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance in Cedar City, Utah, west of the monument.

Tourists are not locked out and off-road vehicles are allowed on designated roads.

The management plan for the new monument was only completed earlier this year and changes are not visible on the ground yet — except for a few signs. The plan allows grazing to continue but limits cross-country vehicle travel. All-terrain vehicles are restricted to 500 miles of designated roads, a total of 900 miles of roads within the monument, Thomas said.

Bush camp attacks recount

Supporters allege mishandled ballots

The Associated Press

George W. Bush's campaign fiercely attacked the hand-recounting of votes in Florida's overtime presidential election Saturday, depicting a process riddled with human error and Democratic bias.

Al Gore's lawyers defended the effort in papers filed with the state Supreme Court.

"I think when the American people learn about these things, they're going to ask themselves, 'What in the name of God is



U.S. Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, concerned over the vote recount, shows members of the media a newspaper headline that reads, 'Felons found in vote review,' at the Broward County Emergency Operations Center in Plantation, Fla.

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Airlines' labor woes could cause rocky holiday travel

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The lines and delays associated with holiday flying in the past could turn out to be relatively fond memories for airline passengers compared to this Thanksgiving week, the heaviest travel period of the year.

All the biggest U.S. airlines are in the midst of contract problems with at least one group of employees and that, combined with an expected record number of passengers and more planes crowding already busy airports, means increased potential for flight disruptions between now and the end of the holiday crunch on Nov. 28.

"Travelers, be wary," says Brent Bowen, director of the

University of Nebraska-Omaha's Aviation Institute.

The Air Transport Association says U.S. airlines will fly 20.5 million passengers during the period Nov. 17-28, up from a record 19.8 million during the same 12-day period last year.

The group, which represents major airlines, estimates that the Sunday after Thanksgiving will be the busiest day in U.S. airline history, with 2.24 million passengers.

The most visible turmoil again is at United Airlines, the nation's largest, which alienated millions of passengers during a summer of cancellations and delays and recently acknowledged the resumption of "serious operational problems" during a contract standoff with its 15,000 mechanics.

Clinton urges Vietnam to allow freedoms

The Associated Press

HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam — Concluding a historic visit, President Clinton urged this communist nation early today to allow greater individual freedoms, and said he hoped more Americans would become "involved with the Vietnam of the future and not the Vietnam of the past."

Clinton plunged into crowds in a narrow shopping street, shaking hands and stopping at open-front markets to buy last-minute gifts. To a generation of American GIs, this bustling city of 5 million people was known as Saigon before its surrender to communist forces in

America's most humiliating military defeat.

On a sweltering day, the president sat in a courtyard of the city's fine arts museum to discuss Vietnam's future with young people in business, academia, the arts and the media. He extolled the virtues of freedom and opportunity and the challenges of the global economy.

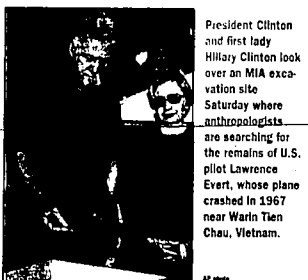
"One of the great debates every society must have is how to balance individual freedom with the need for a cohesion of families, communities and nation," the president said.

Despite Clinton's pleas, Vietnam's powerful Communist Party chief said

his country would go its own way. "We respect other nations' choices of lifestyle and political systems," Le Kha Phieu was quoted as telling Clinton. "We also demand other nations respect our country's political system and choices."

Clinton, after two days in Hanoi, arrived near midnight Saturday. Despite the hour, thousands lined the route for his 15-minute drive from the airport, many waving, some cheering, as his motorcade swept by.

On the final day of his groundbreaking Vietnam visit, Clinton also was to



President Clinton and first lady Hillary Clinton look over an MIA excavation site Saturday where anthropologists are searching for the remains of U.S. pilot Lawrence Evert, whose plane crashed in 1967 near Warin Tien Chau, Vietnam.

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday
Temperature 32°/10°
Normal high/low 46°/20°
High/low last year 47°/26°
Record high/low 107°/17°
Record low 10° in 2000

Precipitation 24 hours ending 6 p.m. year 0.00"
Month to date 0.16"
Normal month to date 0.02"
Year to date 7.31"
Normal year to date 8.87"

Humidity Yesterday at noon 60%
Barometric Pressure Yesterday at 8 p.m. 30.36 in.

Pollut. yesterday in Twin Falls
Grass Absent Weeds Absent
Trees Absent Mold Absent
Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Shows today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Patchy fog and clouds, then mostly sunny. ▲ 38°	Partly cloudy with areas of fog late. ▼ 18°	Patchy fog early; partly sunny. ▲ 40° ▼ 20°	Clouds and times of sunshine. ▲ 42° ▼ 22°	Mostly cloudy. ▲ 45° ▼ 25°	Cloudy with some rain possible late. ▲ 45° ▼ 27°

CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
Calgary	41°/18°	39°/18°
Edmonton	31°/10°	30°/10°
Regina	24°/3°	22°/3°
Saskatoon	21°/9°	20°/9°
Victoria	49°/41°	48°/41°
Vancouver	48°/41°	48°/41°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Low clouds and areas of fog across most of the valleys this morning, but sunshine will win out in most spots today. It will remain cold. Partly cloudy and cold tonight; areas of fog will form.

Boise: Low clouds and fog to start this morning, then still cold this afternoon despite sunshine most of the time. Partly cloudy and cold tonight with areas of fog late.

Northern Nevada: Patchy fog early this morning; otherwise, mostly sunny today. It will turn a little milder than recent days. Clear to partly cloudy and cold tonight. A mixture of sunshine and clouds tomorrow.

Northern Utah: Low clouds and patchy fog in some of the valleys this morning; otherwise, mostly sunny today. Clear to partly cloudy and cold tonight with fog possible in the valleys.

Northern Idaho: Low clouds and fog across a large part of the region this morning, but most spots will have some sunshine this afternoon. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight with areas of fog forming.

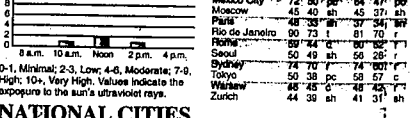
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Moonset today 12:52 AM
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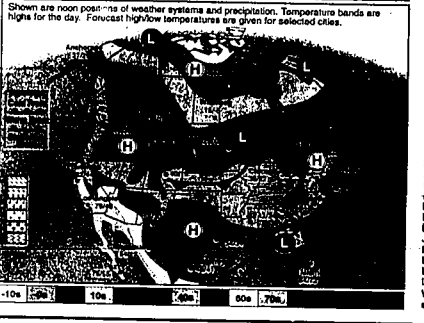
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
Atlanta	48°/28°	47°/29°
Baltimore	42°/32°	40°/32°
Birmingham	46°/30°	44°/31°
Boston	40°/32°	40°/33°
Chicago, Ill.	38°/28°	38°/24°
Charlotte, N.C.	45°/33°	42°/25°
Cleveland	38°/22°	34°/22°
Dallas	40°/15°	40°/15°
Denver	30°/18°	30°/11°
Detroit	30°/18°	30°/11°
Houston	58°/30°	67°/26°
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City	Today	Mon.
Boise	38°/22°	42°/26°
Butte	36°/20°	40°/23°
Coeur d'Alene	36°/24°	38°/29°
Elko	41°/9°	44°/11°
Idaho Falls	38°/18°	40°/20°
Kelso, MT	28°/4°	30°/4°
Lewiston	38°/28°	40°/30°
Malad	34°/14°	36°/14°
Matta	29°/12°	31°/16°

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Recount

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going on here?" said Montan-Gov. Marc Racicot, brought to Austin, Texas, by the Bush campaign to lead the GOP assault. He alleged ballots had been dropped, misfiled and mishandled by exhausted or pro-Gore officials.

Eleven days after America voted, the final tally of overseas absentee ballots showed Bush lengthening his lead from an almost invisible 300 votes to a still-invisible 930 out of 6 million votes cast.

As a court-challenged recounts passed for the night in two counties, Gore had a net gain of 75 votes, which if they are counted would cut Bush's lead to 855.

There was conflict in the overseas count, too, as the GOP charged Democrats with systematically challenging votes cast by

NATIONAL WEATHER

High 88° in Opa Locks, FL Low 22° in Fraser, CO

"We will all be here until Christmas if this continues," said Charles Burton, a member of the Palm Beach County canvassing board deep into the hand recount of 462,350 ballots.

Passions rose later in the day when Republicans accused officials in Miami-Dade County of planning to take some ballots that can't be counted by machine, determine the voter's intent, then mark new ballots accordingly - pink-colored for identification - that the machines would accept.

"They've gone from counting votes, to looking for votes, to now they're going to manufacturing votes," charged Rep. John Sweeney, R-N.Y., who arrived in Florida during the day.

Mayco Villafana, spokesman for county, said if ballots are contested by either side, "the canvassing board can take that card, replace it with a pink duplicate and anyone can tell that it is a duplicate card and that there is an original."

Up the coast in Palm Beach County, Burton said the recounts were unprecedented.

"I don't think there is anyone in this room who has done this before."

Or anywhere else, for that matter, in a contest that left Bush and Gore dangling and the nation without a president-elect 11 days after the votes were cast.

Neither man emerged from Election Day with enough Electoral College votes to claim victory.

And that made Florida, where Bush's core is governor and where Gore and running mate Joseph Lieberman campaigned energetically, the decisive state.

'Adoption Saturday' expedites process

NEW YORK (AP) - Thousands of children who have endured abuse and neglect were legally and quickly - given living homes on the first national "Adoption Saturday."

The not-for-profit Alliance for Children's Rights organized the nationwide campaign to expedite about 200 adoptions of children from foster care to permanent families.

"The time spent shuttling between foster homes or in limbo waiting to be adopted by a caring family can seem like an eternity to a young child," said New York state's chief judge, Judith Kaye.

New York's Family Court heard 209 adoptions of children ages 2 to 13 Saturday, a record for a court that normally hears about 3,000 foster-care cases and 300 private adoptions a week.

Seventeen judicial officials donated their time to preside over the cases. Court staff, attorneys and the Administration for Children's Services also donated their time.

Other cities that participated in the single-day adoption blitz were Los Angeles; Chicago; Omaha, Neb.; Columbus, Ohio; and Dallas, El Paso and Fort Worth, Texas.

Escalantes

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Nor has business slowed at Escalante Outfitters Inc. in Escalante, Utah, which has been open about 10 years.

"We're still getting the visitation," co-owner Celeste Bernard said. "Most of the people who have been coming to that part of southern Utah are hikers coming for the primitive, solitude experience."

The BLM reports 1.4 million visitor days during 1999 and 650,000 visitor days during 2000 at the monument. Visitor days is the number of visitors multiplied by the number of days - or fractions of days - they spend in the monument.

The designation has had a lot of effect, some positive, some

Vietnam

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meet John Baptist Pham Minh Han, archbishop of Ho Chi Minh City, thereby demonstrating support for the right to religious worship. White House officials said.

Ahead of Clinton's appearances, police broke up a sit-in by more than 150 peasants who had camped out beneath protest banners for several months near a government office.

The communist government's decision to allow the protest over land to go on for so long suggested a gradual loosening of official controls. But the peaceful overnight protest revealed the limits of what the regime will tolerate, as well as its sensitivity to international scrutiny during the U.S. presidential visit.

Leaving Hanoi, Clinton stood at attention on a floodlit tarmac as a U.S. military honor guard took possession of the remains of three missing Americans and sent them to Hawaii for identification.

Much of Saturday was devoted to American MIAs and Vietnamese children maimed

Lottery Update

Saturday, November 18 numbers

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Saturday, November 18 numbers

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College marks bonfire collapse anniversary

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — More than 25,000 people weathered driving rain Saturday to observe the one-year anniversary of the collapse of a log bonfire that killed 12 Texas A&M students.

"It was a healthy night for our university," said student Ricky Wood. "For some it brought closure."

Students and others huddled under umbrellas on the muddy campus polo fields for a memorial ceremony at 2:42 a.m. — the exact place and time A&M's 59-foot-high log stack collapsed Nov. 18, 1999.

The log stack, weighing more than two jumbo jets, toppled while it was being assembled for the school's annual pep rally on the eve of its football game against archrival Texas. In addition to those killed, 27 were injured.

Gang founder gets Nobel Peace Prize nomination

SAN FRANCISCO — From his tiny San Quentin cell, Stanley Williams spends his days on death row writing gritty children's books about his experiences as a founder and leader of the street gang the Crips.

He also coordinates an international nonviolence effort for at-risk youth that led to his nomination for the 2001 Nobel Peace Prize by a member of the Swiss Parliament.

Williams was convicted of killing four people in 1981 and was sentenced to death.

He published the first of eight children's books in 1996. His latest, "Life in Prison," tells of feeling homesick and humiliated by his experience.

Williams also created the Internet Project for Street Peace, which allows at-risk youths in California and South Africa to share their experiences through e-mail and chat rooms from community centers.

Los Alamos scientist agrees to more questioning

ALBUQUERQUE — Former Los Alamos scientist Wen Ho Lee, who was jailed for nine months after being accused of downloading nuclear secrets, has agreed to further FBI questioning under a modified plea agreement.

Lee will undergo almost 13 additional hours of questioning over two days.

He had agreed to 10 days of questioning as part of a plea agreement, in which he pleaded guilty in September to one count of mishandling nuclear secrets and was sentenced to time served.

He had been charged with 59 counts.

The detentions are aimed at locating seven missing computer tapes, which Lee has said he destroyed. In court, Lee said he never intended to give the tapes or their contents to "any unauthorized third party."

Families of brain disease victims sue researchers

CHICAGO — The families of children who died of a rare degenerative brain disease are suing researchers who used their blood and tissue to identify and patent the gene responsible for the disorder.

The families contend the patent hinders research of Canavan disease, which most commonly afflicts children of Ashkenazi Jewish families whose ancestors lived in eastern and central Europe.

Their lawsuit in federal court alleges that the researchers are trying to profit from their children's illness and are hindering access to the test for other families.

This case is the ultimate nightmare of how a gene patent can be used against the very families who made possible the discovery of the gene," said Judith Tsipis, a professor of biology at Brandeis University.

Nation in brief

were not in such an area, said Jorge Prellero, NTSB regional director.

Jury misconduct claim threatens police verdicts

LOS ANGELES — The foreman of the jury that convicted the first three officers to go to trial in the city's police corruption scandal denied an alternate juror's allegations that he and others prejudged the defendants' guilt.

"No, I did not say that, that wouldn't be something I'd even utter, because the law says they're innocent until proven guilty," Victor Flores told KNBC-TV after a Superior Court judge scheduled a hearing next week to get to the bottom of the matter. A second juror also told The Associated Press on Friday that jurors acted without bias.

Defense attorneys said if the alternate juror's allegations are true then Wednesday's convictions should be thrown out.

The jury of seven women and five men convicted Sgt. Brian Liddy, Sgt. Edward Ortiz and Officer Michael Buchanan of conspiracy and other crimes involving the framing of gang members four years ago. Officer Paul Harper was acquitted of all charges.

Police abandon search for Los Lobos musician's wife

LOS ANGELES — Sheriff's Investigators Saturday abandoned a search for the wife of the wife of Los Lobos musician Cesar Rosas at a Los Angeles area park after concluding that her convicted murderer lied about where he buried her remains.

Sheriff's homicide detectives had searched Schabarum Regional Park about 20 miles east of downtown Los Angeles for Sandra Rosas' body for the last three days after Gabriel Gomez, her convicted killer, led authorities there.

"There was no indication there was a corpse in the park," said Sheriff's Deputy Cruz Solis. (Detectives) do not believe Gabriel Gomez was a truthful and remorseful when he said he would lead detective to the burial site."

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A November to remember

Seven days after Americans voted, the presidential election continues in Florida. The state's 25 electoral votes are determined as either Republican George W. Bush or Democrat Al Gore will win the White House.

TUESDAY Election day 7 At about 3 p.m. EST, Gore and Bush lead in a hand recount of precincts representing 1 percent of the total vote in that county. Officials decide to conduct a court-mandated recount of more than 425,000 ballots. The court officials, not the recounting machine, had 100 more votes for Bush and seven for Gore. Maine County officials begin a manual recount of all 184,018 ballots, despite Bush's request to skip it. The Bush team asks supporters to donate up to \$1,000 apiece to help finance the recount campaign. Democrats are trying to raise \$2 million for Gore's challenge. Some precincts are held late several shifts until later.	WEDNESDAY The election. After getting word that Bush had led in Florida, Gore calls Bush again to take back the concession. Florida's Supreme Court orders a manual recount of all 184,018 ballots, despite Bush's request to skip it. The Bush team asks supporters to donate up to \$1,000 apiece to help finance the recount campaign. Democrats are trying to raise \$2 million for Gore's challenge. Some precincts are held late several shifts until later.	THURSDAY Gore's statewide mechanical recount begins. "Having already led by a margin of 400 votes in the state, Gore's lead in the recount is four counties in four counties are requested by the Gore campaign. Florida's Supreme Court orders a manual recount of all 184,018 ballots, despite Bush's request to skip it. The Bush team asks supporters to donate up to \$1,000 apiece to help finance the recount campaign. Democrats are trying to raise \$2 million for Gore's challenge. Some precincts are held late several shifts until later.	FRIDAY Gore's lawyers ask Katherine Harris, the state's Republican secretary of state, to declare certification of the results and manual recounts are complete. Bush leaves the federal court in Denver to hear the state's Republican secretary of state, to declare certification of the results and manual recounts are complete. In Duval County, which had been won by Bush, election officials say about 245,000 ballots were disqualified because they were marked for more than one presidential candidate by more than one hand recount in three precincts and, at Bush's request, so a third mechanical recount.	SATURDAY Election officials say about 245,000 ballots were disqualified because they were marked for more than one presidential candidate by more than one hand recount in three precincts and, at Bush's request, so a third mechanical recount. In Duval County, which had been won by Bush, election officials say about 245,000 ballots were disqualified because they were marked for more than one presidential candidate by more than one hand recount in three precincts and, at Bush's request, so a third mechanical recount.
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Schwarzkopf criticizes military vote rejection

TALLHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — George W. Bush's margin among voters who sent ballots from overseas should have been even larger, say Bush backers including retired Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf.

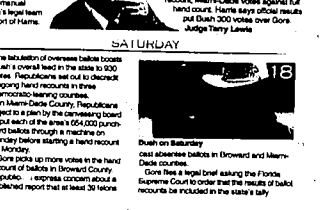
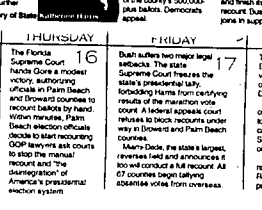
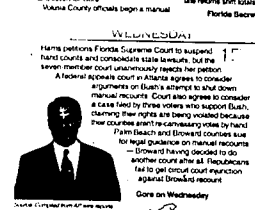
While gaining 1,380 votes to Al Gore's 750 from the overseas absenteees, the Bush campaign complained about the large numbers of ballots that were thrown out, often for a lack of an overseas postmark.

Schwarzkopf, the Desert Storm commander who lives in Florida, said Saturday, "These armed forces ballots should be allowed to be tallied." And Sen. John Warner, R-Va., a veteran and former Secretary of the Navy, also criticized the rejection of some 1,400 ballots during county-by-county tallies.

"It is a very sad day in our country when the men and women of the armed forces are serving abroad and facing danger on a daily basis ... yet because of some technicality out of their control, they are denied the right to vote for the president of the United States who will be their commander in chief," Schwarzkopf said in a statement released by the Bush campaign.

The final absentee totals were handed out without comment, just after 1 p.m., by a state aide. That was in contrast to a ceremony planned Saturday afternoon in the Florida Cabinet meeting room in which Secretary of State Katherine Harris would have officially certified the victor in the battle for Florida's 25 electoral votes. The Florida Supreme Court on Friday blocked Harris from certifying the results and scheduled oral arguments for Monday.

Bush's Florida lead grew to 930 votes with the gain of 630 from the overseas results.



L.A. Times: Hand recount would benefit both sides

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Al Gore is all for a manual recount: He portrays it as fair and impartial — and he hopes it would deliver the Florida votes that stand between him and the presidency.

George W. Bush is dead set against it: If the vote as of Saturday is certified, he will sleep in the White House Jan. 20.

A manual recount of Florida's ballots might or might not vault Gore over Bush, who held a 930-vote lead Saturday after overseas absentee ballots were tallied.

But a county-by-county examination by the Los Angeles Times of the Nov. 7 balloting leaves little doubt that a recount would give additional votes to both candidates.

People mark, punch or otherwise cast their ballots in idiosyncratic ways that machines cannot interpret but election officials sometimes can.

Ballots that registered a presidential choice when read by machine are not likely to be read differently by election officials, according to election supervisors. But of the nearly 6 million ballots cast in Florida, about 180,000 were disqualified because the voting machine read them as showing either multiple choices for president — or no choice at all.

It is among those ballots that Gore has his best chance of finding additional votes in a hand recount.

The Florida Supreme Court will

hear arguments Monday on whether the secretary of state, a Republican, may certify Bush's 930-vote lead as the final election result. Gore's side has asked that the recount include the ballots under way or about to begin in three populous — and largely Democratic — southern Florida counties, where it hopes to find the votes it needs.

If the justices — a majority of whom are Democrats — order that the final result include the recounts, Bush could demand a recount for the entire state. It would be difficult for Gore, who proposed such a course last week, to stand in the way.

The Times' survey of 59 of Florida's 67 counties found 91,244 disqualified ballots in counties that favored Gore and 83,314 in counties that favored Bush. However, that does not necessarily mean that more of the disqualified ballots were cast by Gore supporters than Bush supporters.

In the state-ordered automated recount that was done three days after the election, Gore picked up more than twice as many votes as Bush — 1,571 votes to Bush's 664. In Republican-leaning Duval County, for instance, Gore picked up 184 votes to Bush's 16 votes.

The results of this recount are included in Florida's current vote totals.

In the Times' survey of Florida counties, several patterns emerged:

- A recount probably would yield more changes in the 27 counties with punch-card systems than in the other counties.
- Most of the additional votes in punch-card counties would come from "undervoted" ballots — those in which machines were unable to read any choice for president.
- "Overvoted" ballots are more common than undervoted ballots in counties whose ballots asked voters to shade an oval next to their presidential selection or draw a line between the word "president" and the name of the candidate.
- In systems such as Florida's Brevard County, optical scanners often can detect overvoted ballots before voters leave the booth. They are programmed to spit out such ballots immediately and flash a message that voters have cast two votes for the same office and should get new ballots and try again.
- However, fill-in-the-oval systems have problems of their own. The optical scanners can miss ballots in which the oval was circled or marked with a check or an X.

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Gore campaign seeks more recount time

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON - Vice President Al Gore's campaign, in a move involving some risk, sought Saturday to persuade the Florida Supreme Court to go beyond a few legal issues and bring the election fight to an end in a way that most favors Gore.

Gore's campaign outlined in a 62-page brief its position in three cases the state court will hear Monday afternoon. At noon Sunday, Texas Gov. George W. Bush and state election officials are to file their replies.

Gore's legal team Saturday asked not only for more time for manual recounts, but also for a decision that the results must be included in the state's final count. Such a decision would go beyond the question of the state court appears to have understood it, was to decide: Are any manual recounts legal under state law, and did state election officials have the authority to stop all those recounts as of 5 p.m. last Tuesday?

Answers would not necessarily bring an end to the legal wrangling in Florida. Another round of legal proceedings might then be needed to move the dispute toward an end.

If the court rules on those narrower issues as Gore's side requested, that might clear the way for the counting by hand to continue over the next week or longer.



Palm Beach County canvassing board chairman Judge Charles Burton, left, show a ballot to Republican lawyer John Bolton, right, as Democratic lawyer Dennis Newman looks on as the hand counting of ballots continues in West Palm Beach, Fla., Saturday.

But the ultimate question would remain: What is the fate of the recounted votes once the manual process is over? Up to Saturday, neither Gore nor the counties still doing manual recounts had asked the state court to take its coming ruling that far.

The Gore campaign's brief raised the issue at the opening of its legal argument. The question before the court, it said, is whether or not state election officials "must await the conclusion of manual recounts now under way

and include the results of those recounts in the official results" when they declare a winner of the statewide vote for president.

The brief pressed that issue because, according to one Gore legal adviser who asked not to be identified by name, "it would be worthless just to have a decision that the secretary of state must receive those votes" and not be required to include them in the result. "The idea is to put this to rest," that adviser said.

Another member of the Gore

team said, the campaign has made no decisions about whether or not to file a challenge later if the state officials do declare Bush the winner. The campaign, he said, "hopes to get this matter resolved" in the state Supreme Court, and to do so now.

The Gore brief went further toward achieving an outcome than two other briefs that also were filed Saturday.

Two of those advanced arguments that might delay the process of recounting in Florida. Florida State Attorney General Robert A. Butterworth's brief asked the state Supreme Court to provide new standards to guide county canvassing boards on how to conduct recounts, and then to order the secretary of state to accept recount totals done under those standards. That approach might require some recounting of recounted votes.

Broward County, one of the three still conducting manual recounts, also asked the court not only to rule that manual recounting is legal, but also to uphold the specific guideline that county's canvassing board has been following - one not necessarily followed in the other two counties.

Palm Beach County, which has had the most difficulty with its recounting process, simply asked the court to decide whether the state attorney general or the secretary of state has the authority to decide whether manual recounts are legal.

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Campaign manager gets back into politics

The Washington Post

On the morning after Election Day, James A. Baker III was in his car headed from Houston's Hobby Airport to his Rice University office for a meeting with a state official, when the cell phone rang. He had been up late, watching returns in Austin with his old buddy, Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney, and now he was hoping to hear that the Florida vote had been settled so he could go ahead with preparations for a hunting trip to Britain with former president George Bush.

Instead, it was Don Evans, the campaign chairman in Texas. George W. Bush, asking if Baker could clear his schedule to fly to Florida to take charge of the vote recount that would settle whether Bush or Vice President Al Gore would be the next president.

Take charge he did, and for the past 11 days the 70-year-old lawyer, a former treasury secretary and secretary of state, has been Bush's primary agent in the final stage of the battle for the White House. Officials in both Austin and Tallahassee said Friday that beyond his role as the campaign spokesman on recount issues Baker "has been calling the signals and shaping the strategy," one source put it, to fend off Gore's effort to overturn Bush's official Florida lead.

An unexpected return to the political arena in a high-stakes election for Baker, if Bush prevails in the fight for the 25 electoral votes that will determine the next president, Baker stands to receive much of the credit from Republicans eager to recapture the White House. But if he fails, second-guessers will have a field day.

For Baker, the phone call from Evans was a familiar kind of summons. In the summer of 1976, when he was a junior political appointee at the Commerce Department, President Gerald Ford had pulled him into the campaign to take charge of the delicate roundup and stove off the threat of Ronald Reagan capturing the Republican presidential nomination.

Four years later, after managing George Bush's bid for the nomination and persuading Bush to drop out when the odds turned against him, it was Reagan who recruited Baker from the opposition camp to be his White House chief of staff.

As a member of the Reagan administration, Baker played an important behind-the-scenes role in the 1984 and 1988 campaigns of Reagan and the elder Bush, who rewarded him with prestigious Cabinet posts at Treasury and State. And in 1992, with Bush's reelection campaign in trouble, Baker reluctantly left the State Department and came back to the White House to oversee the effort turned out to be a losing effort against Bill Clinton.

Numbers show Gore faces tough fight

The Dallas Morning News

PLANTATION, Fla. - As workers slogged through a hand count of thousands of presidential ballots Saturday in two Democratic strongholds, the numbers weren't going Al Gore's way.

Even if the vice president persuades the Florida Supreme Court to force the revised totals on a reluctant secretary of state, Gore has gained so little ground in the recount that statisticians and other experts doubt he can overcome Gov. George W. Bush's lead, narrow though it may be.

"It's certainly a steeper hill to climb than it was two days ago," said political scientist Susan MacManus of the University of South Florida in Tampa.

Two counties, Palm Beach and Broward, are recounting ballots by hand. And Miami-Dade plans to join them Monday morning. Combined, these counties logged 1.7 million votes on Election Day. Bush's unofficial lead statewide is 930 votes, based on overseas absentee ballots added Saturday.

But since Broward County began its hand count Wednesday afternoon, Gore has gained 59 votes, with about two-thirds of

the 588,000 ballots remaining to be recounted. Palm Beach County has not released full results, but canvassing board chairman Charles Burton said he doesn't see much difference in the numbers so far.

"Bush is getting a couple here. Gore is getting a couple there. I haven't seen anything major," he said.

Political scientist David Niven of Florida Atlantic University, a Democrat who ran unsuccessfully this year for a state House seat, said Gore backers should be worried.

"They're not changing enough votes to get to a 300-plus vote change," he said. "There will be pressure to abandon it midway if they don't start to see bigger differences."

Other Democrats disagreed. "We're optimistic about piling up more than enough votes in the hand counts," Gore spokesman Douglas Hattaway said.

Assuming that the additional votes turned up in the recount stem from random error - that is, there isn't some reason the vote-counting machines were more likely to reject Gore ballots than Bush ballots - the odds are strong that recounts would add new

votes to each side in proportion to votes already counted, statisticians say.

"Hanging chad should affect both sides equally," said mathematician David Rusin, referring to ballots with partially punched holes that now are being counted for the candidates.

Because of that, statisticians indicate that "the chances of Gore turning that around are essentially nil," Rusin said. "These numbers are not going to help Gore in his quest."

Rusin, director of undergraduate studies at Northern Illinois University who has been analyzing the Florida election, cautioned that statistics - like vote-counting, as it turns out - isn't an exact science.

Democrats are holding out hope that the early totals aren't random, that some of the most heavily Democratic precincts have yet to be counted and that the manual recount will uncover thousands of new votes among the three counties' 28,000 ballots that vote-counting machines initially ignored as no-votes.

"The media, of all people, should be cautious," said Jenny Backus, a Democratic National Committee spokeswoman.

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we could import timber and precious metals from other countries and live off the information technology economy. So the resource-based economies have been basically disenfranchised.

And while couching it differently, most Democrats and political pundits agree with Newcomb's point.

In an attempt to distance themselves from the Democrats' national agenda, local Democrats often compare themselves to Republicans, to the detriment of their own identity.

As the Democratic Party in Idaho brought out a large number of Republican voters for Texas Gov. George W. Bush. Coupled with easy wins for Idaho's two Republican congressional candidates, the coattails made it tough for Democrats lower on the ballot.

"My sense is the Democrats had some good candidates this year," said Gary Moncrief, a political science professor at Boise State University. "What happened was they just got no help. When the top of the ticket, the presidential and congressional races, were 60 to 70 percent Republican... that's just not going to help. It's really just bad luck."

A long run of bad luck.

Just 10 years ago, the Idaho Senate was split 21-21 between Republicans and Democrats. The party had 28 of the 84 seats in the Idaho House — and Democrat Gov. Cecil Andrus. The Democrats were hardly the marginalized party they are today.

Many Democrats point to these now-distant days as proof they could rise again.

But Moncrief sees 1990 a little differently.

"Let's go beyond 10 years ago — that was just a blip," Moncrief said. "If you go back 20 years they were a distinct minority then as well."

During two elections in the late 1980s and early 1990s, the Democrats were able to make hay with the issues of education and abortion.

And you had Cecil Andrus, who was able to flame a lot of those issues and was able to put the Republican-controlled Legislature in a corner in some years," Moncrief said. "They made some inroads, but then it just disappeared on them."

Such short-lived success will not help Democrats the foundation they need to seriously challenge Republicans, Moncrief said.

Idaho Democratic Chairman Carolyn Boyce agrees. But engaging a demoralized Democratic electorate could take years.

And as Democrats struggle to strand the gap between the national party and local constituents,

Idaho's demographics are changing. The state is really becoming more conservative," Moncrief said. "People who have come into the state are actually more conservative than we thought."

As California becomes more diverse and liberal, its conservatives are moving to neighboring states — mainly Arizona and Oregon, which are growing more conservative, Moncrief said.

But I think you could throw Idaho in there as well," he said.

Nance agrees.

"I kind of tongue-in-cheek say we're getting the Orange County (Calif.) Republicans and the families that are fleeing Utah because it's too liberal," Nance said.

Recovering from Nov. 7

Despite the outcome on Nov. 7, Democrats say they regained their fighting spirit.

"There's a certain feeling that we've had enough," said Boyce. "It's about to pull together and make this work."

But that will be time-consuming and slow — if it can be done at all.

Newcomb thinks the Republicans will have to self-destruct before Idaho Democrats will be able to overcome their obstacles.

"We'll have to eat our own young," he said.

But Newcomb said that might not be too far-fetched. The 2000 session's fight over tax cuts and the state budget surplus is evidence of that.

Despite the losses Nov. 7, the Democrats might have already found the right formula for success. Jaquet's efforts to restore the party's grass roots — something even Idaho Republican Chairman Trent Clark and former Republican Gov. Phil Batt have identified as the Democrats' most pressing problem — is the only way to regain a foothold.

"I don't think you can fault the job (Jaquet) did at all," Moncrief said.

The plan — recruiting up-and-coming Democratic candidates on the local level as a "farm team" that can be groomed to run for state office — is similar to the GOP's efforts in the South 10 or 17 years ago, Moncrief said.

"They kept targeting races and kept finding good candidates and they schooled them."

Today, the South is a Republican stronghold.

"I'm firmly convinced you've got to do this from the ground up," Moncrief said. "I think the danger is they will just give up. It can't get worse. And I think there are two or three things on the horizon they might be able to help them."

For example, the 2002 off-year elections will give the Democrats a chance to run without the crushing support a presidential candidate brings local GOP candidates. This is especially true if Bush wins the presidency, Moncrief said. The president's party almost always loses seats in

Congress and state legislatures in off-year elections.

Another factor will be the reapportionment of legislative districts in 2002.

"I don't see how the districts as they are drawn now can be any more less receptive to Democrats," Moncrief said.

And third, term limits go into effect in 2004, taking many entrenched incumbents out of the picture.

"I think they would be unwise to give up at this point," Moncrief said.

Democrats say they are going to take it another step by being more aggressive. For too long, the Republicans have been allowed to define Democrats.

"When you have that void and we aren't filling it, the Republicans are glad to tell people what Democrats stand for," Boyce said.

The tax-and-spend liberal, wild-eyed tree-hugger portrait does not fit Idaho Democrats, Boyce and Nance said.

"We lost those seats in the north because of the logging issue," Nance said. "Their candidates just stood up and said, 'The Democrats did this to you. You are not in the forest cutting trees because the Democrats did this to you, because they're all a bunch of screaming environmentalists.' We should have been up there fighting that message six years ago. We weren't."

Democrats are also need their own identity — separate from the national party's identity — to be taken seriously by the Idaho electorate.

"If we say we're not really that much different from the Republicans, then why would't Republicans vote for Republicans?" Boyce said. "If we don't point out what our differences are, then people aren't going to vote for us. We can't say, 'We're just like them, so vote for us.' That doesn't make any sense."

'We've been too nice for too long'

And politics, Boyce and Nance say, is too often getting mixed up in personal friendships, to the detriment of the Democrats.

They point to Stoicheff's north Idaho race.

When Jerry Stoicheff took over her late husband's House seat, the Democrats say Newcomb promised the Republicans would not actively seek a candidate to run for the seat for at least one election cycle. It was the least they could do, given her husband's long public service career. And they said Newcomb promised the GOP would not aggressively campaign for any Republican candidate that opposed Jerry Stoicheff in 2000.

The Democrats say they were lulled into an unreal sense of security. Boyce has said Newcomb lied outright.

Newcomb, a pallbearer at Jim Stoicheff's funeral, denies making any such promise.

"I can't make those kinds of guarantees," Newcomb said. "You do have mixed feelings in these kinds of cases, because these people are personal friends. But at the same time the strategy of politics is that the opposition targets the other party. So you have to protect those they target and be aggressive."

Democrats need to learn that kind of aggressiveness, Boyce said.

"We've been too nice for too long," Boyce said.

Some observers — including Democratic State Controller J.D. Williams and even Batt — have floated the idea of Andrus coming out of retirement to run again. But without such a standard bearer, the resurgence will have to come from the bottom up.

"You've got to do this in the long haul," Moncrief said. "You just can't expect to pull a party up in two years or four years."

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Study shows people lose mental skills in their 20s

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON - We've all heard folks lament as they age, "I'm not as sharp as I used to be... I can't think as fast... I don't remember things as well."

Now, in a series of striking experiments, scientists have demonstrated that certain of our mental powers decline in almost a straight line from our 20s to our 70s. The slowdown doesn't wait till we reach senior status.

"Across their life span, people get slower," said Denise Park, an expert on the psychological problems of the elderly at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. "The decline from 20 to 30 is the same as from 60 to 70. There's nothing magical about turning 60 - you don't suddenly fall off a cliff."

Experiments in laboratories around the world show a steady deterioration in two key mental tools, the speed with which people process information and their ability to remember things in the short run.

The decline happens to everybody - rich or poor, male or female, college graduate or not - according to German psychologist Paul Baltes, director of the Center for Lifespan Psychology in Berlin.

"Being highly educated, affluent or of high cognitive ability does not protect an individual from age-related decline," Baltes reported after completing a study of aging Berliners.

A similar study by Richard Nisbett, a University of Michigan social psychologist, found that

Chinese lose their mental agility at the same pace as Americans.

That's the bad news about growing old. The good news, researchers say, is that people build up a store of knowledge and practical wisdom that partially compensates for the loss of memory and mental quickness.

"Older adults have a rich base of information and a wealth of experience that may provide a buffer against the effects of processing declines," Park said.

"With age come growth and experience, which can be useful in solving complex moral and social problems," said Baltes.

Consequently, the researchers say, people are at their peak capacity in their 40s and 50s, before the relentless slowdown in brainpower overcomes the benefits of maturity.

"In middle age, you're a little slower, but you know more," Park observed. "But at some point, you really don't have enough" mental capacity to function effectively, such as remembering to take your medicines.

Although human brainpower diminishes at a steady pace, the loss seems greater in later years because so much of the pool of mental resources is depleted.

Park used the analogy of a person who starts out with \$1,000 in the bank, earning no interest. Each decade, starting at age 20, she withdraws \$100. At age 30, she has lost 10 percent of her resources. By age 70, she has \$500 left, and a \$100 withdrawal reduces her now meager account by 20 percent.

Controversial book creates stir with anthropologists

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - "Darkness in El Dorado" earned investigative journalist Patrick Tierney a National Book Award nomination - and bitter criticism from some scientists.

The book alleges that revered geneticist James V. Neel committed acts of ethical misconduct, including starting a deadly epidemic among South America's Yanomami Indians in 1968 by inoculating villagers with a dangerous measles vaccine.

On Thursday, Tierney's appearance at the American Anthropological Association's annual meeting drew hundreds of anthropologists. Many clutched copies of "Darkness in El Dorado."

"I understand the anger, and I do understand the grief people have," Tierney told the crowd. "They feel I have destroyed the reputations of great scientists."

Epidemiologists, a Venezuelan Indian and colleagues of Neel and other men Tierney has criticized were on hand to challenge his research.

"Tierney says he spent 11 years researching his book, and it took a matter of days to prove some of his

claims were not true," said William Irons, an anthropologist who represented famed Yanomami ethnographer Napoleon Chagnon, whom Tierney also accuses of misconduct.

Susan Lindee, who wrote a study of Neel's field research with atomic bomb survivors, said, "If you know anything about epidemiology, you know these things are hard to track."

Neel, a University of Michigan professor who died in February, was not "warm and fuzzy," Lindee said. "But he had integrity, and he was a fair person."

Yvonne Maldonado, who has worked as an epidemiologist with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said no proof exists that the vaccine Neel used could sicken anyone.

While Tierney isn't the first to accuse those anthropologists of misconduct in their research and relationships with the Yanomami, Tierney's work was given credibility when it was published by respected publishing house W.W. Norton and landed a finalist slot in the nonfiction category for a National Book Award, Irons said.

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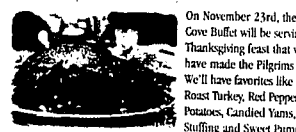
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NATION

Heston accuses British of 'cultural cowardice'

By Ray Moseley
Chicago Tribune

LONDON — What a nation of wimps the British are.

Most of them, would you believe it, would be deemed of having a gun in their houses. They refuse to sanction the nation that their police should routinely be armed. And three years ago, they meekly allowed — nay, encouraged — their Parliament to ban handguns.

This week, Charlton Heston decided to come here and tell these tea-sipping Brits just what a

craven lot they are.

The National Rifle Association's most famous pundit, stung at students at Oxford University that Britain's tight gun-control laws reflect "cultural cowardice and a subtle form of surrender to the criminals."

He was evidently too polite to point out that every other nation in Western Europe also falls the Heston test of courage abysmally.

The NRA president famously remarked a few months ago that his gun could be taken away from him only if pried from his "dead



Charlton Heston

hands." Actually, British law pried his gun from his live hands as a condition of entering the country, and this state of defenselessness clearly unnerved him. He said he would be "safer stepping off the plane in Los Angeles... than walking the streets of London."

"If Tony Blair can have his

bodyguards and the police are all allowed to defend themselves, then so should the people," he said.

Heston deplored the fact Britain banned handguns in 1997, following the tragedy in Dunblane, Scotland, when a crazed gunman shot dead 16 first-grade pupils and their teacher and wounded 17 others. Crime in Britain, he noted, has increased since then.

Nobody can argue with that. But has crime gone up because citizens have been stripped of their arsenals and can no longer

blast away at criminals?

Critics of America's less stringent gun control laws say that is not the case. Even before 1997, a mere 1.5 percent of population owned guns, and most of them were farmers who kept shotguns to control foxes, rabbits and other pests. Self-protection is not considered a legitimate reason for owning a gun under British law, and few gun owners shoot it out with intruders.

One who did is serving a life sentence after killing a young man who broke into his farm home.

University of Miami gets new president

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala announced Saturday that she will become president of the University of Miami after eight years in President Clinton's Cabinet.

"I welcome the opportunity to get out of government and get back to higher education," said Shalala, the longest-serving HHS secretary.

She replaces Edward T. "Ted" Foote II — who is retiring after 19 years — June 1, 2001.

Search committee member Charles Cobb, ambassador to Iceland under former President George Bush, said he first contacted Shalala about the job about 45 days ago. Negotiations ended Friday, but details of the contract were not released.

Shalala, 59, has led HHS since Clinton took office in 1993. The first Cabinet member to announce post-administration plans, she will remain until the president's term ends on Jan. 20.

"She is a talented manager and an energetic leader who will bring great experience to the task of leading the university, its students, its faculty and its alumni," Clinton said in a written statement from Vietnam, where he is wrapping up a three-day trip.

Shalala, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, was chancellor of the University of Wisconsin from 1987 until she joined Clinton's Cabinet. Before that, she was president of Hunter College in New York.

The University of Miami is a private school with 13,963 students and four campuses.

Shalala said she accepted the university's offer "because they have the best and most energetic students in the country."

"I now understand why the University of Miami is so good at football," she said. "They know how to recruit."

As HHS secretary, Shalala has implemented sweeping welfare reform legislation that set strict new time limits and work requirements and a new program to provide health insurance to children in working poor families.

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'Dick Clark's Rockin' Eve' extends time

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) - Dick Clark's got something new planned for New Year's.

For a 29th consecutive year, Clark will be in New York's Times Square hosting "Dick Clark's Rockin' Eve." But this time, ABC has added two hours to the countdown-to-midnight broadcast.

Instead of the usual 90 minutes, the show will run 3.5 hours and creep into prime time.

"It gives us the opportunity to present many more musical performances and to bring some elements to the show that we have never featured," Clark said Thursday. Clark is the show's executive producer.

During the special's prime-time hour, Clark will be at his usual Times Square post, but for the first time will be joined by correspondents covering activities on the streets of New York. There will also be performances from Walt Disney World.

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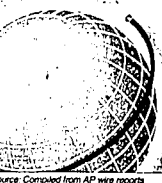
The Washington Post

The newly authorized batch of Web addresses ending in .info, .biz and five other suffixes won't be available until spring at the earliest. But news that they will be put up for rent is already igniting the same sort of name-grabbing madness that a year ago drove the price of some .com addresses into the millions of dollars.

Less than 24 hours after the Internet Corp. for Assigned Names and Numbers voted to add the first major set of names in more than a decade, everyone from business executives to schoolchildren rushed to a computer to try to pre-register a popular name he might be able to capitalize on. At the same time, panicked corporate officials placed calls to their attorneys to strategize about how to protect their trademarks from so-called cyber-

Internet adds new dots

Because of the vast number of domain names already in use, the International Corp. for Assigned Names and Numbers, an Internet oversight board, approved seven new domain name suffixes for use on the World Wide Web. The new suffixes may be enacted in the middle of next year.



Source: Compiled from AP wire reports

NEW SUFFIX	USAGE
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.biz	businesses
.name	individuals
.pro	professionals
.museum	museums
.aero	aviation industry
.coop	business cooperatives

squatters in an ever-expanding online world that will include .pro, .name, .coop, .museum and .aero. "I can't believe Microsoft is even going to let microsoft.museum go," suggested Business.com

editor in chief Peter Gumbel, who says he's been involved in his own series of discussions over domain names. Business.com made headlines last year when it purchased its monitor for a record \$7.5 mil-

lion. Joseph Kibur, chief executive of domain-name registrar NetNation Communications Inc., which is part of a consortium of 19 companies awarded the rights to names ending in .info, said much of Friday's activity was due to confusion about how names would be doled out.

That's because detailed plans have not yet been made. "We're just catching our breath from this week and we haven't mapped out where we're going next," said Andrew McLaughlin, chief policy officer for ICANN.

One issue to resolve is price. People can now register names for about \$35 a year, but some believe the new domain names could be significantly more expensive, especially if the registration companies must assess the suitability of some applicants. For instance, sites seeking the museum suffix are supposed to be related to museums, and .aero is intended to suggest sites for the aviation industry.

Heavy security frustrates trade meeting protesters

CINCINNATI (AP) - Police barricaded the downtown central plaza Saturday and searched people protesting an international trade conference as activists chanted. "This is what a police state looks like."

At least a dozen people were arrested, taking the arrest total to 35 since Thursday, as the Transatlantic Business Dialogue wrapped up on Saturday. The two-day conference involved about 90 corporate executives from Europe and the United States and about 100 international trade officials.

The business group is putting together recommendations aimed at easing barriers to international trade. Protesters contend the business leaders want to water down rules protecting workers and the environment.

As part of Saturday's rally, demonstrators carrying life-size papier-mache pigs above their heads marched past the headquarters of Chiquita Brands

International and other corporations and the conference hotel.

Police used a chemical spray to disperse stragglers after a confrontation over one man's refusal to put away a flag. The man was among those arrested.

More than 80 helmeted officers and a dozen on horseback used metal barricades to keep the demonstrators away from the headquarters of Kroger Co., the nation's largest grocery chain.

Sister Alice Gerdman of the Coalition for a Humane Economy, which organized the rally, said the police searches were intimidation that could lead to more trouble. Her group staged mostly peaceful demonstrations Thursday and Friday involving crowds of 300 to 400 people. She said those arrested were acting on their own.

"My concern is that when we have this show of force it frustrates these people more," she said.

Blast at school kills two men

PLANKINTON, S.D. (AP) - A gas explosion tore apart a school and ignited a fire, killing two men and injuring a third. One of the men died after being trapped for hours under the debris.

"At this point in time, everything is indicating accidental in nature and we're investigating it under those circumstances," said state Fire Marshal Dan Carlson.

He said the explosion was caused by a propane gas leak that was somehow ignited. The blast and fire gutted the original brick school building.

School officials had smelled the gas at about 5:30 p.m. Friday and evacuated wrestlers from the gym, Carlson said. The explosion happened about two hours later, when only the three men were inside.

"You can see that the entire roof and assembly above the area is gone. We don't know where it is, and there were at least two layers of concrete between where they (the men) were and that roof assembly and it's all gone," Carlson said.

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Russians find stranded seaman in the Arctic

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW - A Russian merchant seaman adrift for more than two weeks in Arctic ice floes and still but given up for dead was rescued Saturday after the crew of an oil tanker spotted his rudderless barge in the far northern wilderness of frozen water.

The barge Meridien, which operated from the port of Murmansk, was in the remote Chukchi Peninsula, and broken from its mooring in the

port of Enurmino during a fierce storm Oct. 29.

Its single crewman, Ivan Shchur, had radioed regional rescue services with daily updates on his dire, unless journey in snow and wind, and on Thursday he warned that he was fast running out of fuel to heat the cabin on the 82-foot barge and keep open the life-saving channel of communication.

Force winds and the daylight hours shortened by the approach of the Arctic winter undermined

efforts by the Chukotka Civil Defense and Emergency Situations Department to locate the drifting barge and pluck Shchur from what many people feared would become his Arctic tomb. The seemingly hopeless situation threatened to serve as another reminder to Russians of the abysmal state of their rescue facilities.

In August, the Kursk submarine sank after an explosion and condemned the survivors among its

118 crewmen to a slow death from oxygen starvation as they sat trapped in the wrecked vessel on the sea floor.

But for Shchur, fate intervened where helicopters and radios failed. The Venetsia tanker of the Rimsko shipping company of Vladivostok spotted the vessel in distress early Saturday and immediately sought to coordinate ship-to-shore actions to rescue the 34-year-old sailor, the Itar-Tass news agency reported.

U.S. energy chief urges big rise in oil production

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said Saturday that producing countries should consider boosting output to moderate prices, but Iran's oil minister suggested that Washington's sanctions against some exporters were to blame for market instability.

World economies need stable oil prices of between \$20 and \$25 a barrel, Richardson told reporters at the seventh International Energy Forum in the Saudi capital, Riyadh. He said current prices of more than \$30 a barrel - heights unseen in a decade - were "excessively high."

He acknowledged that demand has been high, but he said: "There is a supply problem. Crude stocks are much too low."

Richardson said he hopes the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will not lead to cut production at their January meeting, saying "our position is that OPEC countries consider an increase in production."

But in a clear reference to U.S. economic sanctions against his country, Iranian Oil Minister Bijan Namdar Zangeneh said "unilateral economic restrictions" were to blame for market instability and high prices.

"Political pressure on oil-producing countries has led to the imbalance and inconsistency of investments in energy supply systems, to the effect that we now witness imbalance and unstable price-of-oil in recent months," Zangeneh said.

Iran has said that all OPEC nations, except Saudi Arabia, are producing as much oil as they can, and that new supplies are not possible without investment and technologies that are banned by U.S. sanctions on Iran, Iraq and Libya, which possess large petroleum reserves.

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Groups criticize environmental damage caused by world's dams

LONDON (AP) - Tens of millions of people displaced. Livelihoods wrecked. Fragile ecosystems destroyed. Animal species made extinct.

Large dams have brought much-needed power and water to the world, but their toll on the environment has been unacceptable, according to a report released last week by the World Commission on Dams. The report proposed strict new guidelines for future projects.

dam, thus slowing human development," he said.

The 12-member commission was set up in 1978 by the World Bank and World Conservation Union.

The body, which includes representatives from industry, dam owners, governments and environmentalists, called for dam projects to sustain rivers and livelihoods and for greater efficiency and accountability.

After two years of research focused mainly on nine major dams - including Grand Coulee in Washington state - the commission said previous evaluations of the possible damaging side effects of dams were "few in number, narrow in scope ... and inadequately linked to decisions on operations."

Among its findings: 40-80 million people displaced worldwide and rarely compensated by governments; an irreversible loss of fish and aquatic species; and huge losses of forests and wetlands.

It also said alternative methods should be studied, that more effort was needed to gain public approval, and that in-depth environmental impact studies should be mandatory.

It proposed reviews of all existing large dams.

In a speech to environmentalists in London to mark the report's release, Former South African President Nelson Mandela said Thursday that he wished the findings had been available when he sanctioned the construction of some of his country's 539 dams.

"There is a part of me that resented having to choose the lesser of two evils - relocate some so that all may have water, or forgo a

James Wolfensohn, president of the World Bank, which in recent years has markedly scaled back its financing of dams, said he would present the findings to the bank's 180 member nations. A decision on whether to implement the guidelines when financing future projects is expected in February.

"This report gives us a basis upon which we can move toward trying to deal with the healing of the wounds," Wolfensohn said.

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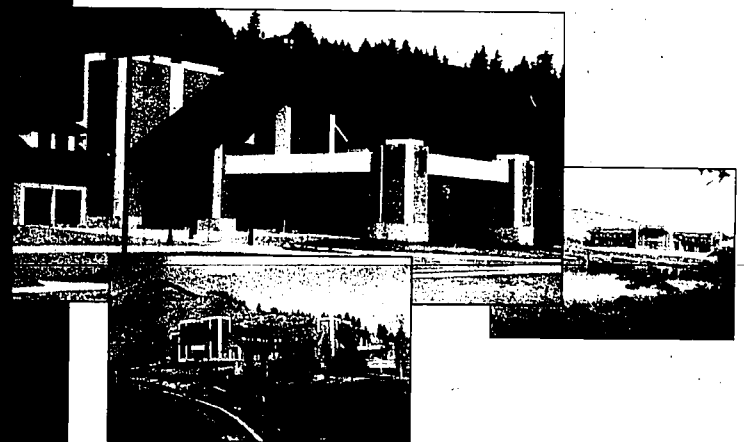
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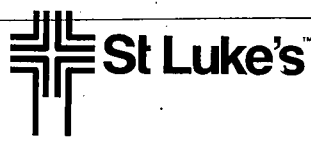
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WORLD

European Union builds defense force

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - The European Union begins building its own defense force Monday, a 60,000-man rapid reaction corps some say strengthens European security and others believe could be the first step in wrecking NATO.

Just a year after the 15 EU leaders decided at their summit in Helsinki, Finland, to launch the process, EU nations will begin pledging troops and equipment for the new force, which is essentially to be used for humanitarian, peacekeeping and peace-making duties.

The Europeans say they need this force to act in crises where NATO as a whole - and the United States in particular - does not want to get involved. Some in the United States and Europe, however, view the push for a European force as part of a French-led effort to dilute Washington's influence on the continent.

Javier Solana, the EU's chief of foreign and security policy, says the Americans have no reason to worry.

"By pulling its full weight, the European Union will contribute to trans-Atlantic relations by better sharing the burden of security," Solana said. "We are doing what they have urged us to do for decades."

The United States says it supports the EU's foray into military affairs, known as the European Security and Defense Policy, as long as it's done right.

28 die after insurgents clash with soldiers

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) - Colombia's insurgents killed unarmed townspeople and clashed with soldiers Saturday in widespread violence that reportedly left at least 28 people dead.

The bloodshed came four days after the nation's largest rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, froze peace talks with the government aimed at ending the 35-year conflict that claims some 3,000 lives a year.

On Saturday morning in the eastern state of Antioquia, 50 FARC fighters searching for an escaped kidnap victim killed four people in the town of Florida after they refused to reveal the location of the fleeing hostage, said army Maj. Sergio Perez. The fate of the escaped kidnap victim, who was not identified, was not clear.

The army also alleges that FARC combatants were responsible for killing between 10 and 15 people inside a farmhouse Saturday morning in the Antioquian town of Frontino, 215 miles from Bogota. Army Maj. Oscar Anzola said the rebels apparently believed the victims were collaborators of a rival right-wing paramilitary group.

Some 50 paramilitary fighters, meanwhile, killed five people in the northern state of Cesar after accusing them of siding with rebels, national radio reported. The army and local police could not immediately confirm the attack, which allegedly occurred in the town of La Loma, 335 miles from the capital Bogota.

Farm protesters block access to petrochemical plant

LA VENTA, Mexico (AP) - Mexico's state-run oil company said Saturday it had asked a court to order the removal of hundreds of farmers blocking access to four oil fields and a petrochemical plant to demand compensation for damaged coconut crops.

The farmers from a dozen coastal communities in the Gulf coast state of Tabasco, who began their protest on Friday, said they would not move until Pemex agreed to compensate them for oil contamination, they claim. It has been damaging coconut crops since 1997.

"They aren't going to intimidate us. We are going to continue the blockages and only if they accept our claims will we back off," said protest leader Miguel Rodriguez. The company said it had requested court permission to have the protesters removed on the basis that the demonstrations were holding up important maintenance and production, thereby increasing the danger of an explosion.

London pays homage to Oscar Wilde on 100th anniversary of his death

LONDON - "There is only one thing in the world worse than being talked about," Oscar Wilde wrote more than a century ago, "and that is not being talked about."

Wilde would be pleased to know what a topic of conversation he is today in the city that simultaneously celebrated his genius and committed him to ruin. There are a rash of exhibitions in London paying homage to Wilde on the 100th anniversary of his death at the age of 46, as well as a tribute to him at the former Reading Gaol, where he was condemned to

two years hard labor for homosexual "gross indecency."

Wilde was a Victorian poet, dramatist, aesthete and fancy dresser, as famous for what he said and did as for what he wrote, and the centenary shows seem to affirm one of his aphorisms: "It is personalities, not principles, that move the age."

The centerpiece exhibition, the British Library's "Oscar Wilde: A Life in Six Acts," looks at the man and his development as a literary figure. Its theatrical opening, with a red velvet stage curtain leading to an elegant hearth, suggests that

Wilde may have been the original performance artist. A champion of the aesthetic movement, he believed in art for art's sake and his controversial life was itself a work of art.

But does such a grand opening into the life of a man once so reviled by Britain hint at a collective sense of guilt?

"People do feel strongly now that he was very badly treated by society," said curator Sally Brown. "But I don't think it is just guilt. He was an extraordinary writer - an extraordinary figure worth celebrating."



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Dutch Environment Minister Jan Pronk, chairman of the U.N. Climate Conference, adds sandbags to a dike built by protesters in The Hague, Netherlands, Saturday.

Protesters rally at climate conference

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Thousands of demonstrators beat bongo drums and built a mock dike Saturday to symbolize threatened flooding from global warming, demanding real action at an international meeting on greenhouse gas emissions.

"Stop Climate Change!" "Stop the Oil Giants!" "Not Everybody Can Swim," read banners draped over a 400-yard-long barrier across the street from the U.N. Climate Conference.

The crowd of protesters from around the world roared when conference chairman Jan Pronk, the Dutch environment minister, added a few sandbags to the shoulder-high barrier.

"We cannot build a dike with words alone," Pronk told the demonstrators after sealing 15 feet of scaffolding to reach the stage.

"We need to build it with action that is based on words which are agreed upon," he added, referring to the accord expected at the conclusion of the two-week conference, which began Monday.

The protest was largely nonviolent, though noisy, with music blaring from outdoor concert speakers. However, police spokesman

Rob Kouwenhoven said nine demonstrators were arrested for allegedly throwing paint bombs against the Municipal Museum next door.

Inside the conference hall, delegates from some 180 countries were haggling over draft texts of emissions ceilings, pollution trading schemes and other inventive proposals aimed at meeting the compulsory targets set in the 1997 Kyoto Protocol.

Under the protocol, worldwide emissions of carbon-based gases must drop to 5.2 percent below the 1990 levels. Europe must cut 8 percent, Japan 6 percent, the United States 7 percent.

The mock dike highlighted the vulnerability of low-lying nations to rising sea levels that scientists predict could result from thawing polar ice caps if the Earth's average temperature rises. Nearly half of the Netherlands is below sea level, protected by dikes and sand dunes erected over the centuries by Dutch farmers.

"Climate change is already happening. The water is rising," said Jana Rizmanova, a college student from Slovakia, as she passed sandbags down a line of activists.

Palestinian officer kills Israeli soldier

Chicago Tribune

JERUSALEM — A day after Palestinian President Yasser Arafat publicly ordered a halt to shooting, a Palestinian police officer sneaked into an Israeli outpost in the Gaza Strip early Saturday, shot dead an Israeli soldier and wounded two others before being gunned down himself.

The assailant was an officer of the Palestinian Preventive

Security service in Gaza, which is run by Mohammed Dahlan, a top Arafat aide and peace negotiator. But the gunman also had been a member of the "Fatah Hawks" militia that played a high-profile role in the first intifada a decade ago.

The shooting raised doubts about the credibility of Arafat's order and will strain the little trust remaining between Israelis and Palestinians as each side

claims to be looking for a way to curb seven weeks of violence and resume Mideast peace talks. More than 220 people have now died in the fighting.

Israeli officials vowed to retaliate for the shooting, although Palestinian officials appealed to them for restraint while the incident is investigated. A few hours after the incident, an explosion at the headquarters of a Palestinian police unit elsewhere in the Gaza

Strip wounded four officers. But the Israeli denied Palestinian assertions that they had attacked the post.

Yom-Tov Samia, chief of the Israeli army's, said he doubted the police officer had planned the shooting without his commanders "expediting or launching or encouraging the carrying out of the attack" and threatened that those commanders could be targets of Israeli reprisals.

Report speculates leaking lubricant caused cable-car fire

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Leaking lubricant, set ablaze by flames or intense heat, caused the cable-car fire that killed 155 people in an Alpine tunnel, a newsmagazine reported Saturday.

But investigators, who the day before had suggested that a study of lubricant found at the site had been inconclusive, called the report speculation, saying causes of the fire remain unknown.

Germany's Focus newsmagazine said it learned that more than 13 gallons of the flammable liquid had flowed from

one of the two driver's compartments at each end of the funicular train, likely released from leaking pipes. The suspected causes for the leaks were a defective wheel or blocked brakes, the magazine said, and then likely heat or sparks on the tracks ignited the oil.

Officials declined Saturday to comment directly on the Focus report.

"We can't say anything at all," said Harald Holmann, spokesman for the gendarmerie in Salzburg province, the site of the tragedy. "Everything else is speculation."

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EDITORIAL

North Idaho imports benefit MV economy

It's the old law of supply and demand. With unemployment low and workers in demand, southern Idaho businesses have gone a-wooting in North Idaho - where the labor supply is high due to layoffs in the wood products industry.

Hmmm. Skilled workers in North Idaho are looking for jobs. Labor-starved Magic Valley firms need more workers. Savy local employers are bringing the state into equilibrium by recruiting at North Idaho job fairs. As a result, the employment train is beginning to roll.

Lamb Weston Inc., a Twin Falls French fry manufacturer, has already added 19 North Idahoans to its payroll, and a handful of other hires are in the works. That's two dozen new workers, which is quite a coup in today's tight labor market. These new arrivals aren't taking jobs away from anybody. Instead, they are filling positions that have been empty - thereby strengthening local businesses. These workers are helping themselves, but they also are boosting the southern Idaho economy. For that, they deserve a warm welcome. Others will undoubtedly follow.

Lamb Weston is looking for 10 more workers. And Gianbia Foods Inc., a Twin Falls-based cheese manufacturer, also is hunting for talent in the North Idaho woods.

Of course, southern Idaho can be an intimidating place for displaced northerners. But it's not as bad as the old saying, "North Idaho - A state of mind; Southern Idaho - A mindless state."

With that in mind, we offer the following tongue-in-cheek observations to the northern immigrants:

• Our congressman is Mike Simpson, a Republican. He is neither Helen Chenoweth nor Cecil Andrus.

Enough said.

• Those scrubby little bushes are known as sagebrush. They will not grow into mighty trees. They cannot be logged.

• That golden orb in the sky is known as the sun. It is often present during the day in southern Idaho. If you get an opportunity to trade your rain gear for sunscreen, take it.

In a more serious vein, it's worth remembering that labor cycles are cyclical. Someday, the regional roles of supply and demand may be reversed.



Political moderates now hold the power

ROBERT B. REICH

So who will be in charge of the most powerful nation on Earth come January? Neither George W. Bush nor Al Gore. The new center of power in Washington will lie with the moderates in both parties - liberal-leaning Republicans and conservative-leaning Democrats who together will be the only ones capable of setting Washington's agenda. A president will occupy the Oval Office, but he will be dependent on the approval of congressional moderates for almost anything he'd like to accomplish.

Forget George W.'s proposal to use much of the government's projected budget surplus for a large tax cut.

The congressional moderates will whittle it down. Gore's proposals for an expensive new prescription-drug scheme for retirees and for a new government-subsidized savings plan on top of Social Security will be similarly downsized. In fact, you can safely forget most of what the presidential candidates proposed during their interminable campaigns. None of it matters any longer.

In the end, the moderates probably will cut the budget surplus into three approximately equal slices - one intended for a modest tax cut, the second dedicated to small spending increases for prescription drugs and health care and the third to pay down the nation's debt. This isn't the result that Bush or Gore campaigned for, but it's a balance that most Americans will be content with.

Foreign policy will be guided by the same moderate coalition in Congress. This means that the United States will continue to use its military muscle with great reluctance but feel no qualms about using its economic muscle unilaterally when the nation's economic interests are at stake. The White House and Congress will continue to back free trade while imposing duties on specific

imports that undercut the prices of domestic producers. The Treasury, carefully overseen by Congress, will continue to tell the International Monetary Fund what to do. There will be scant support for foreign aid or debt relief for poor nations. Meanwhile, economic policy will shift entirely to the Federal Reserve Board. Years ago, the economy's speed was regulated by two levers - one fiscal, run largely by the White House, and the other monetary, run by the Federal Reserve.

But fiscal policy all but vanished when the Clinton administration resolved to reduce the nation's deficit. The government that takes control next January won't even remember where the fiscal lever can be found. Thus will Alan Greenspan, the Fed's powerful chairman, be in complete charge of the nation's economy and, indirectly, of the global economy.

Power to resolve any particularly controversial public issue will shift to the federal courts. The weakened political branches will be neither willing nor able to deal with touchy questions involving privacy, abortion, affirmative action or the rights of employees or people with disabilities. It's worth noting, by the way, that any new nominee to the bench will need to be acceptable to the congressional moderates, who will block potential judges espousing extreme views about the Constitution.

Most important, no large-scale initiative will emanate from the White House or Congress. No large vision will be advanced calling upon the American people to alter

the way they conduct their lives or understand the world. The president will not be able to summon the public's resolve for such things, and the congressional moderates will lack the authority to do so.

Hence, the looming financial problems of giant U.S. retirement programs, Social Security and Medicare will remain unaddressed. Global warming and related environmental hazards will receive scant attention. The national disgrace of child poverty, homelessness and hunger will endure.

For good or ill, this is the government that most Americans now want. Despite the petulance of this unusual election, there is no great ideological divide. Whoever emerges as president will be part of a government that reflects the values of the great majority of American voters. In effect, they sought a third Clinton term, minus Bill Clinton, and that's what they will get. The steward of American democracy is how well it works.

But is this the government that the nation most needs? It is of course possible that the economy will successfully extend the current expansion for several years and that no international crisis will intrude directly into the lives of most Americans.

Yet a steady state cannot be guaranteed. And if this most fortunate era of relative prosperity and relative peace should come to an abrupt end, the country may not be prepared to cope. On Nov. 7, this nation chose the status quo. But it may come to discover that it does not really have that option.

Former Secretary of Labor Robert B. Reich is a professor at Brandeis University. His next book, "The Future of Success" will be published in January. He writes this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.

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LETTERS

Article takes freedom for granted

Yes, Valerie, we do have a duty to the world! After reading the papers and viewing programs over TV about our brave men and women from our great country, especially of Idaho. The many who are still around and the many that gave their lives fighting for the very principals that you called "Ethics of Freedom." When you run down our country and the great state of Idaho and its fine leaders, I would ask: "Do you really know what freedom is?" When you lose a child in a war that is being fought for the very reasons you speak of, this is the greatest sacrifice that any person will ever have to make for the price of freedom. If you will read again the last part of your article, then in your prayers you might ask for understanding of what makes America really great. My God bless you. MARY ROSE Shoshone

The outright disdain for the law is evidenced by comments from Gore spokesmen Mark Fabiani and Chris Lehane toward Florida's Secretary of State Katherine Harris. She said Florida law would be honored. They said "She's a crony of the Bush Brothers - acting in the finest tradition of a Soviet commissar." To them, adhering to the law is somehow patently unfair. This kind of hateful bitterness is not what our military men and women served for, fought for and died to defend. Rather, I think that all of them, clear back to the Revolutionary War, if they could see the depths to which this great nation has sunk, would hang their heads in shame. Of course, they'd be the only ones because as your sense of honor as eroded, so too has our sense of shame. WILLIAM LOCKER Filer

Curmudgeons write editorials

Frequently, I am disturbed by the tone of your editorials. I am outraged by the denigration of our good schools and excellent, dedicated teachers. I am incredulous at the partisan political views you express. Yet you equivocate and declare that your editorials are written not by an individual editor but by an editorial board. Since we letter writers must sign our names and take responsibility for our opinions, it seems only fair that the "board" should take equal responsibility and attribute individual names to an editorial. Although I believe that not all of you are curmudgeons, if you insist that the opinions expressed are those of the board, then each of you must accept the designation of "curmudgeon." Sometimes a bit of relief is evident when I detect Steve Curm's particular tone of whimsy in an editorial. Usually, however, I read the attitudes of troglodytes.

In your curmudgeonly thinking, you no longer print the articles by progressive females such as Ellen Goodman or Molly Ivins. Rarely do you print syndicated column by a woman at all! Recently, you defended the electoral college and twice referred to the "one-man, one-vote" election. This archaic vocabulary underscores the myopic opinions of The Times-News editorial board. I am a woman who votes regularly; in fact, the majority of people who vote in this country are female. Do these votes not count because they were not cast by deserving women in your newspaper? Do you need training in awareness of life in the new century? ELEANORE BURKHART Twin Falls

Canyonlands need monument status

Let me explain why I support the proposed Owyhee-Bruneau Canyonlands National Monument. Several years ago, I was perched on a tiny plateau 500 feet above the raging Jarvis River, trying to capture the impossibly dramatic relief on film, when a sudden clattering of hooves startled me. Five highborn steeds, followed by their incredibly stout ram, thundered recklessly down a steep draw, passing not 20 feet from me. The canyonlands of southwestern Idaho have provided me many wonderful memories, and I have always considered these canyons to be my private recreation area. It was hard to imagine it as anything else. I foolishly believed it would remain wild and serene forever. However, not long after being surprised by the highborns, then Sen. Dirk Kempthorne had a surprise of his own while he sneaked a small rider onto an enormous and otherwise unrelated piece of legislation, greatly expanding a military bombing range into the far reaches of the canyonlands wilderness. I realized that these Owyhee-Bruneau canyonlands which seemed so vast and unchanging, were actually quite vulnerable. There was no guarantee these lands would stay pristine; in fact, as the bombing range showed, it appeared likely they would be desecrated. Until now. Conservationists and outdoorsmen, including river runners, hunters, fishermen, backpackers and photographers, have proposed an Owyhee-Bruneau Canyonlands National Monument that

would preserve this unique landscape composed of 700,000 acres of wilderness study areas and 288 miles of recommended Wild and Scenic River canyons. I would preserve the creeks and rivers that are home to redband trout, the rhyolite canyons and their bighorn sheep, and the sagebrush steppes habitat of the disappearing sage grouse. And, of course, I would maintain the ability to allow livestock grazing, river running, hunting and fishing on the land. We must realize the proposal does not want to change the nature of these public lands. It simply wants to ensure they are preserved from further military land grabs, proliferation of dairies and hog factories. Please support the Owyhee-Bruneau Canyonlands National Monument and save this priceless Idaho treasure that so many of us have come to love. KARL RUPRECHT Twin Falls

College watches out for Idaho I am a Boy Scout, and I would like to talk to you about the Electoral College. Many people think we should get rid of the Electoral College and elect the president by popular vote. If we did that, then the president could be elected by just a few big cities and states. Our founding fathers set the Electoral College up in the Constitution the same way we have the House and Senate to give smaller states representation. We need that for Idaho. Let's keep the Electoral College. JAMES SWENSON Jerome

Vote count establishes democracy

I am a lady from Bosnia. We came to great country of America to have freedom. Freedom to vote, freedom of religion, freedom from fear. Your great country of America overseas many countries on how they vote and how democratic the voting goes. Then why now in your great country do you try to deny people fair vote? Have you not yet received the ability to vote because I need more time in your country before I am eligible, but if I had just recently voted for the first time, I would be very heartbroken if my vote did not count. It is amazing to see democracy leaving this great country by slow means. I see one-party system working like it did in Europe. Full power to only one party? Do not scoff at this suggestion; remember our time in Bosnia. Sarajevo once hosted the winter Olympics. Pretty soon, one party system makes sure big business, one-party business and soon small business shuts down; pretty soon people have no power; pretty soon, people cannot buy; pretty soon, only wealthy able to work; pretty soon, no one will stand up for little people. Please give good thought to those people in Florida wanting their vote to count, to mean something. Once you take away little rights like that, you start to lose ground to losing bigger rights. Beers here, seen that, don't want to have it happen in great country of America! TONI LERII Twin Falls

The Antiquities Act is an end run around Congress

Nader gave election to Bush

DAVID H. BENNETT

On election night, a political reporter at Green Party headquarters in Washington was told the outcome of the election made Nader an influential force in shaping the future of the Democratic Party.

The day after the election, Nader insisted that he was involved in "party building," making the Green Party a formidable third force in America, which would bring to an end "the two-party duopoly" of power.

Both these statements demonstrate how far removed from reality this man and how unrealistic are those who endorsed him for the presidency.

In fact, in the future, Ralph Nader will be loathed and reviled by the Democratic leadership.

Most Nader supporters probably will have to deny they ever voted for him in order to have serious working relationships with many rank and file Democrats. That is a result of the problematic Florida vote, where the weak Nader effort might have been just enough to throw the 2000 presidential election to George W. Bush.

With 97,000 Nader votes, 2 percent of the total in that state, it is reasonable to assume that there were at least a few thousand voters who would have cast ballots for Al Gore if Nader had not made his third-party effort.

Most Naderites were "alienated voters" who would have sat at home or thrown their support to other minor candidates - if he had not been on the ballot, but certainly there were exceptions.

This alone would have made the critical difference in Florida and in the nation.

The Green Party has no future as a serious political organization in America. If the Reform Party, the American Independent Party, the Union Party or the several parties named "Progressive" - which were the vehicles for more significant third-party presidential candidacies - withered and died almost immediately, what chance does this vehicle of an aging, arrogant political amateur have of staying alive?

Ralph Nader as "party builder"? The Green Party, like other marginal parties throughout history, might continue to appear on the bottom of ballots in the future, eliciting minuscule support, but that is all. In the last century, American third parties, even those created by serious political figures, have been complete failures.

The Naderites' other conceit, that they can influence the Democratic Party in the future because they were instrumental in an agonizing loss this year, is even more absurd. Ralph Nader operated on an old theory borrowed from the radical left: the worse the better. He shaped his campaign to defeat Al Gore and elect George W. Bush. He targeted the states in which he could make the difference for Bush by attracting away crucial Gore support in a tight race and put his money and effort there.

Because his own appeal was to the left wing of the Democratic Party - calling for a purist environmental agenda, crying out against corporate domination

politics - he hoped that by electing the Republicans he would have put in office what his followers believe are the very worst people.

For Naderites (and many others) view Bush as a stealth candidate not only of the activists of the religious right but of the passionate congressional ideologues who had shaped the Contract for America. His "compassionate conservative" rhetoric masks his obligation to these supporters, who call for a slash in the federal regulatory role, opposition to campaign finance reform, restrictions on the right to abortion and dramatic cuts in the taxes on the rich. Now, having played a tiny but critical role in what might be George W. Bush's historic victory - in which more Americans voted for Al Gore but the vagaries of the electoral college may allow the Naderites to have their fatal impact - Ralph Nader seems to believe his destructive tactics will be rewarded. He thinks that somehow he will be able to push the Democratic Party dramatically to the left.

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REP. MIKE SIMPSON

marks, historic and prehistoric structures, or other objects of historic or scientific interest.

However, the president is to reserve "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected."

According to the Congressional Research Service, the Antiquities Act was a response to concerns over theft and destruction of archaeological sites and was designed to provide an expeditious means to protect federal land resources.

Unfortunately, the Antiquities Act is not being used as it was intended.

It is now being used to lock up large tracts of land without congressional approval or review.

While initial national monument designations involved less than 5,000 acres, recent designations have affected as much as 11 million acres.

In light of the recent national monument designations, which occurred with little or no input from state and local government

officials, I introduced the National Monument Accountability Act (H.R. 4121). This measure would require Congress to participate in the national monument designation process by requiring congressional approval within two years of any presidential proclamation that results in the designation of a national monument. If Congress does not approve the national monument designation before the expiration of the two-year period, the designation ceases to be effective.

This common sense bill would restore Congress's oversight role regarding land use and management policies resulting from national monument status.

Moreover, it would hold the president accountable to Congress and the American people. Top-down national monument declarations are major decisions with far-reaching effects that should be made in the open, not in secret. Secret decision-making is not conducive to sound decision-making. That is why I am opposed to the president's unilateral land management declarations and will continue to work to reform the Antiquities Act in Congress.

Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, represents Idaho's 2nd Congressional District.

Recently, President Clinton used the Antiquities Act of 1906 to expand the Craters of the Moon National Monument boundary to include additional federal land commonly referred to as the Great Rift area. Unfortunately, this action circumvents Congress's constitutional authority to make decisions regarding federal lands.

Under current law, Congress is powerless to prevent the president from making this unilateral decision.

However, in several personal conversations with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, I encouraged him to sit down with local ranchers to listen to their concerns regarding management of the Great Rift area and am pleased that he listened and addressed important issues like grazing.

Article IV, Section III of the Constitution clearly gives Congress, not the president, the authority to "make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States." It is time for Congress to reclaim its constitutional power.

The Antiquities Act of 1906 authorizes the president to create national monuments on federal land that contains historic land-

Networks: Slow down and dig out

NOEL RUBINTON

If anyone ever wanted an example of how much mischief could be made by an election night mistake by the media, you're watching it unfold.

Much of the tone of coverage these days, particularly the Republican spin, is that George W. Bush may have his victory snatched away from him.

Wait a minute. When exactly did Bush win the presidency and who said so? Why, of course, all the TV networks said so in rapid succession after 2 a.m. on election night, and many newspapers confirmed it the next morning - not to mention dozens of Web sites. But didn't everyone take it back as fast as they could and say that the election was too close to call? So nobody really won yet? Now you get a sense of the media-related confusion.

Actually, it is getting even worse for the media, if that's possible. Because now it looks like the rush to judgment in the wee hours of Wednesday was a stampede led by Fox News, the first to give Florida and the election to Bush. Fox's call was influenced by a cousin of Bush who was a key participant on the network's "decision desk" team and who was also reportedly in frequent touch with Bush on election night, letting him know how the vote was shaping up.

Here we are, deep into the overtime period of Campaign 2000, and there have only been scattered words of regret from representatives of powerful networks widely seen as arrogant. In an era when apologies seem to come cheap, full-throated "I'm sorry" speeches from network bigwigs have been rare.

Announcements by various network officials that they would investigate what went wrong and correct it are hard to take seriously given the size of the current credibility gap.

The networks' errors came in two main waves on election night. First, shortly before and after 8 p.m., the networks called the Florida race for Gore. Not only did this prediction prove only temporary, but much of it was done while voting was still underway in the Florida Panhandle. Many in the public mistakenly thought, following previous controversy, that the networks had pledged not to call races in such situations.

These first round errors have been largely attributed to mistakes in the setup of key precincts by Voter News Service, the consortium of television networks and others that conducts exit polls.

But the second and more stingy error - the premature call of Florida and race for Bush - is still of more mysterious causes. Network officials have said it was also connected to inaccuracies in exit polls, although the Florida total was more than 90 percent complete by 2 a.m. Denied by network anchors and executives are two more logical

faulty calls.

So far, no network people have suggested they will stop calling races. That won't happen because the networks believe, legitimately, that voters want to know who won before all the votes are counted. And even if one network tried this, it would surely lose viewers to rivals who stayed with the practice.

At the least, networks should pledge not to make calls until all polls in a state are closed. This would only constrain them briefly in the small number of states split between time zones.

Network reluctance on this speaks to pure stubbornness. It will take time for networks to win back the trust of viewers that was lost this election night. Some anchors and executives have made a start by acknowledging the mistakes of a wild night, but much more needs to be said.

Even more importantly, concrete steps must be taken - a voluntary ban on calling any races while any polls in a state are open would be a good start. Beyond that, the networks have to find ways to commit to doing what they are all saying - making calls more slowly and carefully.

Noel Rubinton is editor of Newsday's opinion pages.

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Thanksgiving football and other lullabies

This morning's topic is which came first, Thanksgiving or football?

It's not as silly a question as you think. Recent archaeological evidence from the Plymouth Colony shows significant muscular atrophy among the remains unearthed there, suggestive of either starvation or extreme physical inactivity.

Now history tells us that the Indians fed the Pilgrims 379 Thanksgivings ago, casting doubt on the starvation scenario. More likely, those tough Puritans succumbed while watching the Detroit Lions play the Dallas Cowboys on the Wampanoag Indians' black-and-white Philco television, which was plugged into a currant bush.

For reasons that are baffling, the Lions and Cowboys have been Thanksgiving Day fixtures for at least that long. The former are historically awful, the latter usually world-beaters, yet by tradition they are mismatched with other teams on the fourth Thursday in November.

The result is soporific football whose outcome is apparent after a few minutes but whose denouement stretches interminably into Thanksgiving evening.

And yet Thanksgiving Day produces the highest TV ratings among days in the regular-season NFL games. For this, there are several theories.

- * Thanksgiving football, and not tryptophan - the amino acid contained in turkey that acts as a natural sedative - is largely responsible for putting men to sleep in their recliners by 1 p.m.
- * Most guys so dread extended-family gatherings that they prefer watching the Lions' Charlie Batch - currently, the National Football Conference's lowest-rated quarterback - in talking politics or religion with their in-laws.
- * The worst football game is preferable to the best Jell-O salad with fruit cocktail and those hard little marshmallows.
- * Garrison Keillor - he of "A Prairie Home Companion" - swears that Eloise Krepsbach of Lake Wobegon, Minn., videotapes the previous Thanksgiving's football game, bleeps most of the commercials, and starts playing it back at 10 o'clock in the morning in order to get the guys to the table by 2. The fellas, she claims, never know the difference.
- * Clever, certainly, but it wouldn't work in my family. After the Cowboys go up by four, five touchdowns, the Crump men start paying attention to the ads.
- * Besides, our womenfolk are far more subtle than that.

The realigning of years ago that beer and football are indivisible, but that no married man is foolhardy enough to peel the twist-top off a Budweiser before dinner time on Thanksgiving.

The longer the game, the more restless the boys become until, inevitably, they belly up to the table midway through the third quarter, football or no.

"Aunt Enid would always leave the game on in the next room, with the volume cranked up just loud enough to pick up cheers."

"Every guy the table was listening with one ear, of course, so dinner-table conversation was managed exclusively by the ladies. Those ugly little topics - gun control and Cousin Einar's excommunication - never came up."

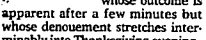
"Then about half-past turkey-and-stuffing, Enid would get up, walk into the next room, turn off the TV, and announce to the fellas that beer and pumpkin pie were pending the clearing of the table."

"There was never a dirty dish in Enid's house after 4 p.m., and usually by 5 all the men were asleep from the TV."

"Until that one Thanksgiving when David Williams of the Bears returned the opening kickoff in overtime 95 yards to beat Detroit."

"After they woke up, the menfolk never really forgave Enid. But Enid was never - got the last laugh."

"She spent the next Thanksgiving in Vegas with Wayne Newton; the boys stayed home with turkey log."



Steve Crump

Bliss lightens up for holidays

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

BLISS - It's a small town, population about 200 (depending on the harvest). The kind of town that takes about a minute to drive through. The kind of town where everybody knows each other.

"And what you do," said City Councilwoman Laura Johnston.

And like most small towns, annually pride and spirit are very important.

That's why on Saturday, a small group of Bliss residents gathered together on a chilly but clear, sunny morning to put up Christmas lights in the city park.

"Better get 'em up," said Johnston as she fidgeted with a broken bulb. "Nobody has really done much in the park in the last few years."

In fact, it has been more than three years since the city's park was decorated for the holidays - a tradition that faded with time.

"We just didn't have enough help," said Dianne Butler, one of the organizers of Saturday's lighting project.

Saturday's project brought people of all ages together in the holiday spirit to rejuvenate a lost tradition.

Like a scene straight out of a Norman Rockwell painting, children stood on their tiptoes placing decorations on the trees while their parents untangled strings of lights.

Larae Carrillo, 9, and her friend Chelsea Pulse, 10, even climbed the park's largest pine tree in search of lights of Christmas past.

The two youngsters made it halfway up the tree and found the long forgotten lights - their colors softened from the years.

The crowd was small Saturday morning - less than a dozen people had showed up by 11 a.m. - but it didn't really matter.

"We'll come back again tomorrow if we have to," Butler said.

Holiday decorating is a tradition in many small towns - a slice of Americana that is sometimes lost to city dwellers and unappreciated by many.



Beau Pulse untangles a string of Christmas lights Saturday at Bliss City Park. Pulse and several other Bliss residents gathered to decorate the park with lights - a tradition in the small town.

Crapo honors skiers, snowmobilers

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo honored 10 Wood River Valley residents Saturday who had worked out a skier/snowmobiler compromise, saying that the group provided a model of collaboration that the country can follow on other divisive issues such as saving the salmon.

Crapo presented his Spirit of Idaho awards to the members of the Wood River Winter Recreation Coalition Mappings Committee during a ceremony in the Sun Valley Lodge. About 40 people attended.

Crapo said that in eight years of holding hearings on wilderness issues that the competing recreational interests between motorized users and non-motorized recreationalists had proved the hardest to bridge. Yet, he noted, the snowmobiler/skier compromise was the first example of successful collaboration.

"The implication of what's



Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo speaks to some recipients of the Spirit of Idaho awards Saturday at the Sun Valley Lodge.

been achieved here is much broader than many people realize," he said.

The Winter Coalition hammered out an agreement delineating cross-country ski areas and snowmobile areas in the mountains between Sun Valley

and Galena Peak - something many Wood River Valley residents didn't believe could be done, given the open hostilities that have simmered between snowmobilers and skiers for the past several years.

Fittingly, the awards were pre-

sented the day Galena Nordic Lodge and some of the cross-country ski trails north of Ketchum opened for the season. Though snow is pretty spotty for snowmobiling, that hasn't stopped some snowmobilers from getting out, as well.

Crapo said he started pushing collaboration as a model for decision-making about five years ago after reading a copy of Daniel Kemmis' book, "Community and the Politics of Place," that an environmentalist had given him during a plane trip.

But, he added, he's had trouble convincing his colleagues in Washington, D.C., of the value of collaboration, even after giving each of them a copy of the book. He said following the ceremony that he hoped the Winter Coalition's example will change that.

"One of the problems has been that there haven't been many examples of collaborative

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Times-News features editor Steve Crump reminds you that if you have your brother-in-law climb up on the roof and hold-on to the antennae all afternoon, the game will be better.

Weather halts harvest

Mini-Cassia beet farmers hurt by cold

By Aaron Brock
Times-News writer

PAUL - Winter has come early to Mini-Cassia, and many area beet farmers have been hurt by the unseasonably cold weather.

About 4,400 acres of beets in the area still have not been harvested, and without a break in the weather, many of those beets will be unrecoverable, said Blaine Cook, a grower and partner with Mainline Ranches in Minkidoka.

Four-hundred of the 2,400 acres at Mainline still need to be harvested, Cook said.

"Right now, we can't dig," Cook said. "If this weather would moderate, we could harvest."

Frost has permeated the ground, freezing masses of soil into solid clumps, and also freezing soil to the beets. Because harvesting equipment differentiates beets from dirt based exclusively on size, an unmanageable amount of dirt is being loaded into trucks with the beets.

The same problem exists at Amalgamated Sugar, said Paul factory superintendent Alan Swenson. Beet-sized hunks of frozen dirt are not separated from the beets by most of the equipment, he said.

"It's just a big frozen chunk of something to the equipment," he said.

Loads of beets that are 50 percent dirt are arriving at the factory. Swenson says that occasionally a load of closer to 80 percent dirt will show up.

The equipment usually deals with loads that are 4 to 10 percent dirt, he said. They can handle about one-third of the load at 20 percent dirt.

"My concern is that we get beets that are processable," he said. "We have some limitations at the factory. We can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear."

Four or five consecutive days with temperatures in the 40s during the day and the 20s during the night would thaw the soil enough to allow for harvest, again, Cook said.

"That's what the normals are for this time of year," he said. "But that's not a guarantee that we're going to get them."

Today's current one-day weather forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with high temperatures ranging from the high 30s to low 50s and low temperatures dipping down to the teens.

If the weather does cooperate, then most growers would be able to harvest between 75 and 100 acres each day, Cook said. So a week of good weather would solve the problem for most of the growers.

Yields have been up this year, with an acre producing, on average, 20 to 25 tons of beets. While price depends on factors such as sugar content and ease of sugar removal, each acre of

Hallett said. "But I'm not sure it would improve the quality of education."

own staff, which would take up more than the additional funding.

"We could get the money,"

New legislation helps remote schools to get funding

By Aaron Brock
Times-News writer

ALBION - New legislation will make it easier for schools in remote communities, like six schools in Cassia County, to receive special school funding without a repetitive application process.

Idaho Code allows special funding for schools that are at least 10 miles from the nearest same-level school, but had required applications for the funding to be submitted each year.

An amendment to the law passed during the 2000 legislative session, would allow such schools to maintain their remote status without reapplication unless the State Board of Education changes its status.

Albion Elementary School, Almo Elementary School, Raft River Elementary School, Oakley High School, and Raft River High School all qualify for the remote

location funding.

Technically, Albion Elementary does not qualify for the separate status. It is only 9.2 miles from Decio Elementary School. But it receives identical funding under its status as a hardship school.

"Basically, the state just understands that it costs more for rural schools that are remote," said Cassia County School District superintendent Jerry Doggett.

While the new law theoretically allows Albion to retain its status without further applications, Doggett said he plans to continue the application process for Albion, because it's likely its status will be reviewed each year.

According to Doggett, the cost per student at a large school in town, such as Burley's Mountain View Intermediate School, is \$2,638 per year. At a remote school, such as Albion Elementary, that cost skyrocketed to \$4,348 per year.

The cost per student does not

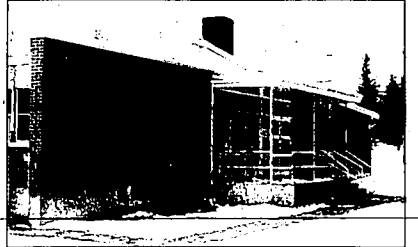
include busing or maintenance, both of which are more expensive at outlying schools, Doggett said.

At schools that do not qualify for such remote funding status, between 18 to 20 students is considered one "funding unit," Doggett said. At an outlying school, the state provides funding per 12 students.

The amount money given for each funding unit varies from year to year, Doggett said, but is generally around \$75,000. Among other things, it goes for salaries, supplies, textbooks, and utilities, he said.

No schools in Minkidoka County qualify for the special status. However, the Idaho Youth Ranch would qualify for separate status if it was its own entity, apart from Mince High School, said district superintendent Nick Hallett.

But, he said, the school insufficiently as an extension of Minico High, and to qualify for separate status, it would need to have its



Albion Elementary School is just one of six schools in Cassia County that qualifies for special funding because of its location. Because schools in outlying communities are more expensive to run and maintain, they receive additional funds from the state to offset these costs.

Hallett said. "But I'm not sure it would improve the quality of education."

Aaron Brock, The Times-News

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Alpine oil field in Alaska starts production

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — North America's largest onshore oil discovery in a decade began production last week. Phillips Alaska Inc. announced.

The new Alpine oil field on Alaska's North Slope is pumping up to 40,000 barrels per day and is expected to reach peak gross production of 80,000 barrels per day by the end of this year, said Ryan Lance, Phillips' vice president of the western North Slope.

The field could produce an estimated 429 million barrels of oil over its expected life of about 20 years.

Phillips officials are touting the field as the standard by which future Arctic developments will be measured. Lance said the 40,000-acre field was developed on just 94 acres.

New horizontal drilling techniques permit Phillips to reach oil pockets as far as a mile away, the company said, and drilling wastes will either be injected into waste wells or recycled and reused.

Lance said developing fewer surface facilities saved money in gravel costs for the company and



Phillips Alaska Inc. and Andarico Petroleum's Alpine oil field's production area, situated on a 92-acre gravel island in the Colville River delta on Alaska's North Slope near Nuliguit, is shown in this photo taken in September. About 50 wells will pump oil from the 250-square-mile oil reserve.

also had less impact on Colville River area wildlife and fish important to residents of Nuliguit eight miles from the field.

The development was put in place without permanent roads. The company instead used ice

roads and small aircraft to move in equipment.

Alpine sits west of Phillips' Kuyarak field and abuts the eastern edge of the undeveloped National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska.

Arco Alaska Inc., purchased by Phillips this year, built a 35-mile pipeline to connect Alpine to the trans-Alaska oil pipeline.

SERVICES

Ralph Lierman of Filer, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at Peace Lutheran Church, 600 Stevens St. in Filer.

Ray Earl Sherwood of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Stanley W. Burton of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Beverly Grammer of Gooding, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 101 Bliss St. in Wendell.

Irene Watkins of Buhl, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Friends may call from 2-3 p.m. today at the chapel.

Ray Estes Sudreth of Grangeville, service at 11 a.m. Monday at Grangeville Methodist Church (Noland-Blackmer Funeral Home in Grangeville).

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TWIN FALLS



John E. Gabiola
John E. Gabiola, 88, of Twin Falls, died Thursday evening, November 16, 2000, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

John was born on January 6, 1912, in Silver City, Idaho, the son of Eugenio and Maria Laca Gabiola. He moved to Spain with his mother at the age of seven. He remained in Spain until 1930 when he returned to the U.S. and worked for a short time as a ranch hand in Nevada. John then moved back to Idaho where he worked as a sheepherder until 1957. At that time, he returned to Spain where he met Marcelina. They were married in Spain in 1959 and soon returned to Idaho. They purchased a ranch in the Dietrich area and worked there until 1971 when they moved to Wendell to buy a small dairy farm. They worked the dairy farm for 19 years before John finally decided to retire in 1990 at the age of 78. After retirement, John and Marcelina moved to Twin Falls where they have resided since John loved being a farmer and working with animals. His good work ethic was always very important to him. The many years of hard work helped ensure that his children had the educational opportu-

nities that were not available to him in Spain, as he was expected to work at a very young age. He was only able to attend school when the weather did not allow him to work outdoors.

John was blessed with a quick wit that made everyone around him laugh. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. John was a member of the St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Chapel as well as Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Chapel.

John is survived by his wife of 41 years, Marcelina of Twin Falls; two daughters, Maria Gabiola and Lisa (Joshua) Spooner, both of Twin Falls; two sisters, Petra Gabiola of Spain and Paula (Alfonso) Gabiola, also of Spain; four brothers, Louis (Kandy) Gabiola of Hagerman, Henry Gabiola of Ontario, OR, Eusebio (Lolietta) Gabiola of Kuna, ID, and Rufino (Felisa) Gabiola of Spain. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews. His parents, two sisters, and two brothers preceded him in death.

A prayer vigil will be recited at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2000, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. The funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, November 22, 2000, at St. Edward the Confessor Chapel with Father Ernest Anderson and Father Juan Garateia as celebrants. Burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call on Tuesday from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

TWIN FALLS



Thelma Frances Rees
Thelma Frances Rees, known to those who loved her as Frankie, died at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital, Friday, November 17, 2000.

Frankie was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, December 24, 1913. She was the last of seven daughters born to Lorenzo and Aithear Jensen. She grew up in Salt Lake City and graduated from the LDS Business College. While living in Salt Lake City, she met Elwood

Thompson Rees, to whom she was married in the Salt Lake Temple on October 28, 1932. The two of them together completed a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints between November 1981 and May of 1983. Her husband preceded her in death on August 31, 1998.

She is survived by her four children, Norman Ellwood (Linda) Rees, living in Sequim, Washington, Dr. Jerome Rodger (Merla) Rees, living in Twin Falls, Idaho, Sharon Frances (Dr. Richard) Jennings, living in Bushland, Texas, and Richard Eugene (Susan) Rees, living in Roy, Utah. She also has eighteen grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, November 21, 2000, at the 13th Ward Maurice St. N. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Twin Falls. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at Reynolds Chapel on Monday from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. The family will greet friends at the chapel from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. The family requests that donations be given to the Twin Falls Clinic Foundation. Contributions may be left with Reynolds Chapel staff at the service or mailed to Reynolds Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

BUHL

Hazel E. Winans

Hazel E. Winans, 94, of Buhl, died Friday, Nov. 17, 2000, at Sun Bridge Care Center in Twin Falls of an extended illness.

Hazel was born March 21, 1906, in Manhattan, Ill., to Lillian M. Carson and Samuel H. Goodson. At the age of three, the family moved to a farm in Parma, Indiana. She graduated from Parma High School in 1925 and attended Albion State Normal. On Dec. 20, 1931, she married Lyle Winans in Buhl. They farmed in the Lucerno area until 1973 when they moved into Buhl. She was a member of the Lucerno Social Club and First Christian Church of Buhl.

Survivors include her daughter, Patty Hudson, four grandchildren, Tim (Janie) Hudson, Kim Hudson, Jeff Hudson, and Luann (Mike) Nihill; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Lyle; four brothers, Walter, Austin, Leonard, and Edward Goodson; one sister, Vera Boring; and her son-in-law, Dol Hudson.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2000, at 2 p.m. at the West End Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the First Christian Church or a charity of choice. No viewing is planned. Farmer Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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New hospital opens in Wood River Valley

HAILEY (AP) — St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center south of Ketchum opened its doors on Saturday, while two existing public hospitals in Hailey and Sun Valley close down after years of service.

The new \$32 million, 110,000-square-foot facility is the largest hospital with a full range of health care services. In 1995, public officials who operated the two aging buildings invited St. Luke's Regional Medical Center of Boise to town.

"This is an exciting time for the

health of this community," said Jon Moses, chief executive officer of the new hospital. "It's taken a lot of hard work and dedication, but today, we're finally a part of the St. Luke's family."

More than 40 primary care and specialty physicians are on the medical staff, including general surgeons, obstetrician-gynecologists, family practitioners and others.

St. Luke's and the Hailey Medical Clinic have converted Hailey's emergency department into an urgent care center.

The new clinic will not provide the level of service required for trauma, heart attack or major emergency victims. Instead, it will treat smaller cuts, sprains, ear infections, cases of the flu and other minor illnesses that need quick attention.

Residents in the southern part of Blaine County are concerned they must travel an extra 10 miles past the old Hailey clinic to the new hospital for emergency care. But Carey-area county emergency medical technicians have begun to become para-

medics to provide more care to patients on their way to the new site.

The Hailey Medical Clinic will operate the new urgent care center with a \$200,000 startup contribution from St. Luke's.

St. Luke's has a 330-bed hospital in Boise, and is building a 62-bed hospital in Marilain. It also operates the Mountain States Tumor Institute in Boise and Nampa, several Breast Cancer Detection Centers, and provides management services for hospitals in McCall and Gooding.

Board to test would-be teachers with exam

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's would-be public school instructors will have to pass a test proving they understand their subject matter before being allowed to teach under a plan approved by the State Board of Education.

No deadline is set for when education majors in Idaho's colleges will begin taking the exams.

The board's unanimous vote Thursday capped a proposal by several public and private colleges in Idaho to insist their students demonstrate knowledge of the subjects they teach before

getting a teacher's certificate. The schools include Boise State University, University of Idaho, Idaho State University, Lewis-Clark State College, Northwest Nazarene University and Albertson College of Idaho.

The decision followed the board's September adoption of standards that require new instructors to have a better grasp on classroom teaching before taking responsibility for a room of students.

Requiring subject mastery for teachers is a way Idaho colleges

can guarantee the quality of their students to school districts, looking to hire recent graduates, said Glenn Potter, Boise State University associate dean of education.

"We want to ensure that the teachers who graduate from our programs have the knowledge to do a good job in the classroom," Potter said.

Ed Davis, Boise School district superintendent, supports new teachers taking subject matter tests as another tool districts can use in hiring.

New instructors would take a test called Praxis II, developed by the Educational Testing Service, the same company that provides the Scholastic Aptitude Test for college-bound students.

Colleges will work with Educational Testing to develop a test that reflects Idaho's education standards, Potter said.

Beginning teachers in kindergarten through 12th grade would be expected to take the exams. Teachers in specific subjects such as biology or English would have to pass tests in their areas.

Unreleased fed plan calls for dam breaching

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Two months before the Clinton administration decided against removing dams along the lower Snake River, the National Marine Fisheries Service came up with a plan that called for such action.

In a document obtained by The Oregonian, the fisheries service said the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers should immediately prepare to breach dams and in 2001 request congressional authorization for breaching.

The document, meant for distribution only among federal agencies, said dams would be breached unless salmon populations made a measurable rebound.

George Frampton, chairman of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, on July 27 said that instead of removing the dams, the government would restore streams and limit fishing. Only if those steps failed, he

said, would the government consider breaching dams.

The sudden shift against dam removal reveals federal uncertainty over how to save Columbia Basin salmon, and whether to alter the Northwest's hydropower system.

Federal officials met last week in Washington, D.C., and although they said they expect the plan as announced by Frampton to stick, much remains unresolved. A plan is required because 12 stocks of salmon and steelhead in the Columbia Basin, including four that pass the Snake River dams, are protected by the Endangered Species Act.

The unresolved presidential race could be a factor.

Katie McGinty, Vice President Al Gore's campaign environmental adviser, declined to say Friday whether Gore, if elected, would consider breaching.

George W. Bush has repeated-

ly said he is against it.

Division within the government is revealed by the fisheries agency plan, dated May 18.

"I thought it was the way to go," said Gordon Haugen, who represented the U.S. Forest Service in meetings. "You get things lined up, give the region four or five years to see if it can save the fish without breaching dams and if not, get on with breaching dams."

But others were upset. Lorri Bodi, a policy adviser for the Bonneville Power Administration, said her agency thought the plan was flawed because it did not offer a rigorous way of gauging whether salmon returns were increasing.

Doug Arndt, director of the corps' fishery office, opposed the draft because he said new scientific studies by the fisheries service suggested that other measures might help salmon more than breaching dams. Also he

believed the draft did not offer a sound way to measure results.

The fisheries service, struck by the criticism, made changes. Central in making those changes was Will Stelle Jr., then the agency's Northwest regional director. Six weeks after Frampton announced the federal plan on Sept. 9, Stelle resigned from the fisheries service to practice law in Seattle.

"No deal was struck. It didn't reflect any kind of rejiggering of an earlier draft for political purposes," Stelle said. Instead, he said, the fisheries service modified its plan after realizing that it might not be legal to issue a plan in 2000 that could require breaching in 2006.

Stelle said the agency could not be sure that science in 2006 would support breaching and that the Endangered Species Act requires that actions ordered by the fisheries service be justified by current science.

Washington senate race remains undecided

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — The tight U.S. Senate race in Washington got even tighter Friday night, as returns from King County brought Democratic challenger Maria Cantwell to within 1,765 votes of Republican incumbent Slade Gorton.

The race remained too close to call with more than 50,000 votes left to count.

As of Friday night, Gorton had 1,165,927 votes; Cantwell had 1,164,167 and Libertarian Jeff Jaraud had 4,127.

Gorton and Cantwell kept out of the spotlight as the votes were counted this week. But the mood at the Cantwell headquarters skyrocketed Friday after a week in the doldrums, campaign

spokesman Ellis Conklin said.

"We have some good news today," he said. "We are hopeful that King County will be as good to us on Tuesday as it was this afternoon."

According to the secretary of state's office, about 51,000 votes remain to be counted statewide, including 10,000 in King County, which includes heavily Democratic Seattle. King County will next report its votes on Tuesday.

Heidi Keller, Gorton's campaign manager, said the campaign expected Cantwell to gain some ground in King County. But, she predicted, returns from the state's other counties will keep Gorton on top.

"We still think this is going to

be a very close race, and we're still optimistic," Kelly said.

This weekend, Gorton will continue training for the Thanksgiving weekend half-marathon he plans on running. Kelly said. Cantwell plans to hang out at the Edmonds home she shares with her mother, visit with family and watch some movies, Conklin said.

Even when final results come in, this close race likely won't be over. State law requires a recount if the race ends with a margin of less than one-half of 1 percent separating the candidates, or about 12,000 votes.

Counties must certify their final results by Wednesday. The secretary of state could order a

recount on Nov. 27, and the actual count probably would be done on Nov. 29 and certified on Dec. 7, state elections Supervisor Gary McIntosh said.

If Cantwell wins, the Senate would be tied 50-50 for the first time in a century. If Al Gore wins the White House and his vice president, Sen. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut, turns over his seat to a Republican appointee, the GOP membership would rise to 51 seats.

If George W. Bush wins the White House, his vice president, Dick Cheney, would be able to break ties in a 50-50 Senate.

If Gorton wins, the Republicans get 51 seats. If Gorton and Gore win, the GOP will have 52 seats.

Man appeals order to return valuable painting

SHERIDAN, Wyo. (AP) — An art enthusiast who bought a valuable painting for \$25 from the Salvation Army has appealed a court order to immediately return it to its Idaho owner.

Rick Kenyon of Sheridan filed the appeal with the Wyoming Supreme Court to maintain ownership of a painting by artist Bill Gollings. Its estimated value is between \$8,000 and \$30,000.

Claude Abel of Boise sued Kenyon on grounds that the Salvation Army mistakenly carried off the painting while Abel

was moving items out of the home of his late aunt, Rita Taylor of Sheridan.

Taylor, who owned the painting, died last year and left Abel as her sole heir. The Salvation Army took the painting away although it was packed in a box marked for shipment to Abel's Boise home.

Fourth District Judge John Brackley ruled earlier this month in favor of Abel on grounds that the Salvation Army had no right to the painting and therefore no authority to sell it.

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Agency: Use pepper spray against bears

CODY, Wyo. (AP) — At least 19 grizzly bears have been killed in the Yellowstone area this year, including 12 that were shot by hunters, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reported.

The high rate is prompting the agency to urge hunters to carry pepper spray.

That many grizzlies have not been killed since the early 1980s, and the number will probably increase before the year ends, said Chris Servheen, the agency's grizzly recovery coordinator.

Government biologists have removed five bears this year. The agency is still investigating the possibly illegal killing of another bear or two, Servheen said.

He believes the high number of deaths is in part due to more bears and more people with guns in northwestern Wyoming.

"What we've seen is more people using firearms to solve close encounters," he said. "Our goal is zero human-caused mortalities, but it's very difficult to do that. We are going to be more aggressive in our outreach efforts to hunters, to try and minimize these types of occurrences in the future."

Given enough notice, either by sight or sound, grizzlies tend to make themselves scarce, although bears are known to wander into camps in search of easy food.

Also, surprise encounters can occur on the trail or when

hunters leave carcasses unattended and return later. But while the law requires people to report grizzly deaths, the number of encounters survived by grizzlies is unknown.

Fish and Wildlife has a long record of encounters in which people successfully used bear spray, Servheen said.

The last year without a human-caused grizzly death was 1991. In 1998, one bear was killed by humans, Wyoming Game and

Fish Department biologist Mark Bruscano said.

"We expect to have some level of human-caused mortality every year," Bruscano said. "We are monitoring it, and we are concerned about it, but this year alone is not going to cause the grizzly bear to decline."

Under the Endangered Species Act, the bears remain protected if the annual death rate exceeds 4 percent of the minimum population estimate.

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Jeff Kanost stands in his backyard across the street from the Rocky Mountain Arsenal in Denver, Thursday, where a bomblet containing deadly gas was found.

Nerve gas discovery gives pause

DENVER (AP) — Jeff Kanost thought he had grown used to living downwind from the site where some of the deadliest substances on Earth were manufactured and where cleanup crews continue to find lethal chemicals. But the discovery of discarded "bomblets" containing deadly sarin nerve gas in a pile of scrap metal has given him pause.

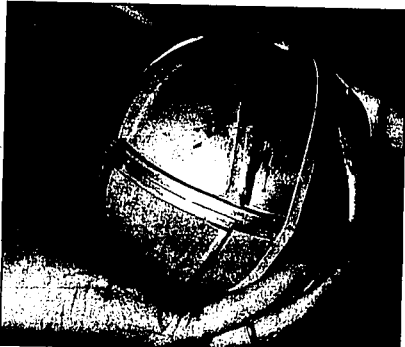
Kanost's home of 22 years is about 90 yards from the boundary of the old 27-square-mile Rocky Mountain Arsenal, now being converted to a national wildlife refuge. Tours of the refuge have been suspended while officials work to neutralize the nerve gas bomblets.

"I wouldn't go on those tours," Kanost said. "I wouldn't even let my kids go on those tours. Would you?"

Many in Kanost's racially diverse Montebello neighborhood are working class. The neighborhood was developed in the 1960s and 1970s. Some, like Kanost, did not know the extent of the contamination at the arsenal, now inactive except for environmental cleanup projects. When he bought his house, Kanost said he was intrigued with the idea of having a wildlife refuge in his backyard.

"I didn't have to worry about that area being developed," Kanost said. His dream of an affordable home next to where deer, owls, ravens and other wildlife live was quickly shattered. It was only after he bought his house that he learned the full extent of the arsenal's history.

One factory called the South Plant, built in 1943, manufactured mustard gas, blistering agents, and napalm during World War II. It was later leased to Shell Chemical Co., which manufactured herbicides and pesticides, including DDT which was banned in the 1970s. The factory has been dismantled and removed as



A woman holds a model of a nerve gas bomblet in this undated photo.

part of a \$2 billion cleanup expected to be completed by 2011, said arsenal spokeswoman Ruth Mechem.

Another factory called the North Plant was a classified military installation that manufactured sarin from 1953 to 1957 and later was used to destroy obsolete chemical weapons. Demolition of the North Plant has recently started and cleanup continues on several sewers and other sites used to dispose of industrial waste.

Workers continue to make discoveries during cleanup. Four years ago, workers found a sarin-filled bomb inside the walls at the North Plant. It apparently had rolled off a conveyor belt during manufacture and wedged itself there, Mechem said.

On Oct. 16, workers removing industrial waste from a scrap pile between the factories found a grapefruit-sized M-139 bomblet filled with 1.3 pounds of sarin.

Sarin, the same chemical used in a Tokyo subway attack in 1995 that killed 12, kills by paralyzing the lungs and other vital organs. The bomblet and two others recently found there were part of a battlefield missile known as the "Honest John" which carried 368 bomblets, each designed to kill everyone within 900 feet of detonation.

Officials are testing a system to dispose of the bomblets. Officials

are leaning toward a system called "chemical digestion" to dissolve the aluminum casings in a caustic chemical that will also neutralize the nerve agent.

State officials said that system would reduce the harm if the bombs explode during handling and release sarin near Kanost's neighborhood of about 20,000. Arsenal officials said the bomblets are about 2.5 miles from the nearest populated areas and about 10 miles northeast of downtown Denver.

While the lethal effects of sarin are well documented, the effects of exposure to small amounts is unknown. The agent is suspected of causing widespread illness among Gulf War veterans.

Colorado Gov. Bill Owens has asked for a complete threat assessment of the junk piles remaining to be removed. People living nearby, meanwhile, have mixed feelings about their neighbor. Some residents keep a sense of humor about the arsenal's danger.

"My husband has lived in this neighborhood all his life and he seems to be OK," said Mary Reese, 35. "And people talk about two-headed owls but I've never seen any."

Kanost is more ambivalent. "I'm concerned, but what can I do about it?" Kanost said, as he took a break from working on his pickup truck. "I can't go out there and take care of it. And I can't move. I can't go anywhere."

Nuclear waste may not pose any threat to river

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — High-level nuclear waste buried at the Hanford nuclear reservation is apparently not an immediate threat to the Columbia River, less than four miles away, the Energy Department said Thursday.

Agency officials said groundwater contaminated by radioactive tritium appeared to be confined to an area on the edge of the site where the material was buried decades ago.

Officials could not say how extensive the contamination was, how fast it might be moving or when it might reach the river.

"We'd like some answers soon," said Mike Goldstein, an official with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The groundwater contamination was measured this year at 400 times higher than the federal safety standard.

Tritium is a radioactive isotope of hydrogen that poses a cancer risk when ingested. It was produced at Hanford to boost the explosive power in nuclear warheads.

Last January, the high level of tritium was detected in a Hanford monitoring well near the waste site. The well is also in the path of a huge tritium plume stretching

from the central part of the 560-square-mile reservation to the river.

The source of the tritium remains unknown, but it is believed to be coming from five large corrugated metal pipes and 50 bottomless buried 3 1/2 miles from the river in south-central Washington.

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Envirocare applicator will be ready in 2001

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Envirocare of Utah's application to store higher levels of radioactive waste probably will not be ready in time for legislators to consider it during their upcoming session.

Department of Environmental Quality Director Dianne Nielson delivered the news to legislative leaders on Tuesday.

That means the application won't be able to be considered until the 2002 session of the Legislature.

The only way to speed up the application would be for lawmakers to change the law covering such license approvals, or for Gov. Mike Leavitt to call a special session to tackle Envirocare's license request, said Bill Sinclair, director of the state Division of Radiation Control.

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Land claim ruling pleases pueblo

SANDIA PUEBLO, N.M. (AP) — Sandia Pueblo Gov. Stewart Paisano declared a victory for the pueblo Friday after a federal appellate court ruling on the pueblo's claim to much of the west face of Sandia Mountain.

"The legal remedies of the opponents in this case are running out, if not already exhausted," Paisano told a quickly called Friday afternoon news conference at the pueblo north of Albuquerque.

"And the mountain, sacred to the pueblo beyond anything, is closer now to being protected and preserved from further development and desecration forever," he said, standing in front of the mountain lit red by the setting sun.

The U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., on Friday dismissed all appeals to the pueblo's land claim, sending the case back to the U.S. Interior Department. The word arrived in New Mexico after hours in Washington, and a message was left on a department answering machine for comment.

At issue, 9,890 acres of the Cibola National Forest on the mountain, one of the pueblo's most sacred sites and one the tribe has used for more than 400 years.

"The mountain is like an altar to us. It's a place of prayer, a place



Sandia Pueblo leaders, from left, Gov. Stewart Paisano, Vincent Avila and Jose Ray Lauriano, stand in front of the Sandia Mountains near Albuquerque, N.M.

of spiritual healing and a place that we worship," said an emotional Paisano.

Much of the land is a wilderness area, but the claim also includes an aerial tramway and hiking trails used by thousands of people.

Three neighborhoods of luxury homes are on private land on the mountainside, which looms over north Albuquerque.

The tribe exempted that private land from its claim, but the homeowners have fought a proposed

settlement, saying they do not want to be surrounded by Indian land. They also fear the tribe will have too much control.

The settlement reached earlier this year by Sandia Pueblo and federal officials would keep the claimed land in U.S. Forest Service hands. The plan would give pueblo members unrestricted access to the mountain for religious reasons as well as a say in its management and veto power over new development.

Plane crash kills Idaho man

ONTARIO, Ore. (AP) — Two planes have crashed in as many days at Ontario Airport, killing a pilot.

On Thursday a plane crashed while making a landing in the dark.

The pilot, Chad Colton of Meridian, Idaho, escaped injury, but his 1952 Piper Pacer aircraft overturned and was damaged.

Authorities have not released the identity of the other pilot, who crashed three-quarters of a mile north of the airport on Friday.

The craft appeared to be having mechanical problems on take-off and went down moments later, according to the Malheur County Sheriff's office.

The pilot apparently was alone in the plane.

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IDAHO/WEST

Man moves on from shooting a gun in Burley to a youth soccer coach

POCATELLO (AP) — Watching soccer coach Richard Lopez work with a group of 7-year-olds, Mario Aleman couldn't imagine that 24 years ago Lopez stood in a Burley street with a gun in his hand.

These days soccer is Lopez's life, despite his past.

When he's not working as a plant operator at the J.R. Simplot Co., Lopez spends almost all his time coaching or organizing Gate City Youth Soccer.

He's passionate about the sport and about helping kids learn to play the game. He's a certified referee and as a coach he has led his team to a winning season with the philosophy that "everyone plays."

The Richard Lopez people now know bears little resemblance to the young man who once killed someone in self-defense.

That rumor has been circulating in soccer circles for some time, but is not news to those who are close to Lopez: his boss, co-workers and soccer administrators.

Aleman is a coach with Gate City Youth Soccer and father of young soccer players. He said that although he didn't know of Lopez's past he wasn't worried.

"I've seen him coach his kids and others and there's never been any indication of any issues," he said. "I was surprised about the whole matter but I can't judge him. He's served his time."

In 1976, a 21-year-old Lopez was living with his family in Burley. One hot July night he went to the Cold Duck Lounge for a drink. While he was there a man began to harass him, he said.

The harassment continued into the street and ended when Lopez shot the man.

He's paid for his mistake ever since that night.

Cassia County courts declared that Lopez acted in self-defense, shooting after the other man pulled a weapon. Lopez was sentenced for involuntary manslaughter and sent for 120 days to the prison at Cottonwood.

These days soccer is Lopez's life, despite his past.

"I was protecting my life," he said. "I think a man has a right to protect himself, but I will always regret the result."

The courts retained jurisdiction and when Lopez returned with positive marks from prison administrators he was released with seven years probation.

He completed his probation and stayed out of trouble. His record was cleared and he's managed to move on from a terrible misjudgment, he said.

"It was a youthful, stupid mistake and I'll have to live with that for the rest of my life," he said. "I don't hide it. Anyone can ask me and I'll gladly tell them what they want to know."

His message? If he can overcome life's obstacles and learn from them, anyone can.

"I tell the kids it's always worth trying," he said.

Lopez is a man like any other. He has a wife and kids, a job he

loves and friends who respect him.

Local attorney Keith Zollinger is a member of the youth soccer league and a friend to Lopez.

"He's a good man," he said. "When Richard was nominated for the board we went through the whole process. He was open about his past and we checked into it. There wasn't a problem then and there isn't a problem now."

Aleman agreed.

"I thought he was a person who really wanted to help children before I knew," he said. "I still think he wants to help kids."

Lopez got into youth soccer because of a challenge. He started when his son was in first grade, by helping an inexperienced coach. As is common, there was some criticism of the team's coaching.

Lopez was telling a friend, Eric Jarvi, about the criticism, he said. Jarvi told Lopez, "It's easy to criticize a program and want more when you never volunteer any time. If you really want to make a difference step up or shut up."

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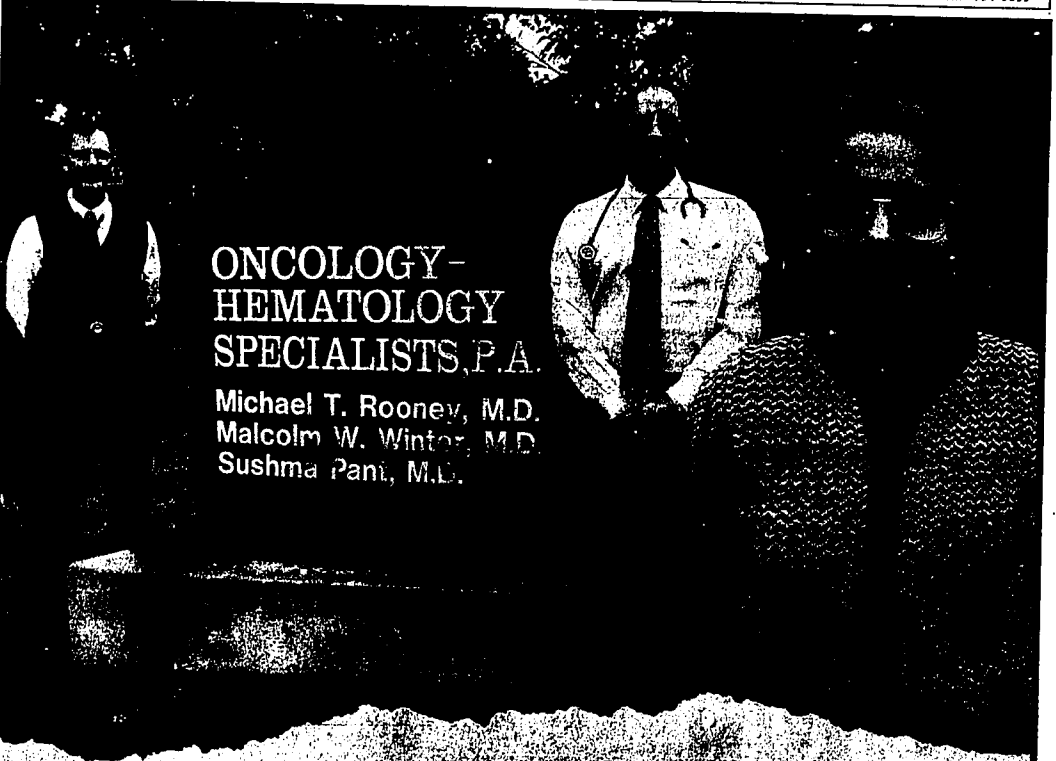
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“It doesn't matter when we play or where. ... We're going to go somewhere warmer than Chicago is.”

—Quarterback Zak Kusok, whose 8-3 Northwestern Wildcats are bowl bound thanks to a 61-23 rout of Illinois Saturday

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Who was the oldest driver to win the Indy 500?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Cincinnati rolls over Boise State

CINCINNATI — Goodbye Kenyon Martin. Hello Kenny Satterfield.

The sophomore point guard saved 17th-ranked Cincinnati from a season-opening upset Saturday night, scoring 20 of his career-high 27 points in the second half for a 73-61 victory over Boise State in the opener for both teams.

With Martin off to the NBA, Satterfield "has inherited the role of leading scorer and clutch performer. He embraced it Saturday. Wiggling free for close-up jumpers, Satterfield scored 12 points during a closing 21-6 spurt that left Boise State exasperated.

The Broncos stayed with Cincinnati until the final eight minutes, when Satterfield put his imprint on the game just like Martin used to do.

Jez. He was tremendous, especially in the stretch," Boise State coach Rod Jensen said. "That little quick move he's got — he's a superb player. He's the one that broke us down. He took it over. We don't see that type of player."

Vandal men drop season hoops opener

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho men's basketball team fell victim to cold shooting and struggles on the boards late Friday night as Wisconsin-Green Bay spoiled the Vandals' home opener, 62-50. Idaho fell to 0-1 while UWGB opened its season at 1-0.

The game, played as part of a doubleheader with an earlier volleyball match against Boise State in Memorial Gym, didn't start until past 9:30 Pacific Time. Some 62 fouls were called and 69 free throws taken by the two teams combined, pushing the finish of the game until nearly midnight local time.

Poor rebounding, turnovers costs UI ladies

RENO, Nev. — The University of Idaho women's basketball team played one of the best programs in women's college basketball over the last five seasons Friday night and missed an opportunity for an upset.

First-half turnovers and second-half rebounding lapses cost the Vandals, as they fell to Colorado State 71-60 in the opening round of the Nevada Tournament in Reno. Colorado opens the season 1-0, while Idaho begins at 0-1.

"Overall, I was pleased with this first game," Idaho head coach Hilary Recknor said. "We had a good rotation and chemistry and we felt comfortable with our substitutions. We had opportunities, but we hurt ourselves with some lapses."

The tourney continues through the weekend.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:
Al Unser, Sr.

All the right MOVES

CSI returns to national stage in search of seventh title

By Joe Sunnen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For the eighth consecutive year, the College of Southern Idaho volleyball team is four victories away from earning a national championship.

After four months of sweat and sacrifice, the Golden Eagles' golden rule is still to reclaim the title that slipped through their claws last season at the National Junior College Athletic Association Volleyball Tournament.

"I think Stephanie Martin and Tamekia Moore are going to have

to show us the way," CSI coach Ben Stroud said. "They were close last year to winning the whole thing and they know what the level is that you have to play at. If the other kids step up just a little bit, then we'll be in good shape."

CSI enters the national tourney as the sixth-seeded team, a bracket away from scenic West Athletic Conference rival Utah Valley State, defending national champion Miami-Dade and a strong Sewanee County team.

If the Eagles meet any of the three, it will be in the title match. "We got a great draw," Stroud said. "There are three really good teams on the other side. I'd have to give Miami-Dade the edge because of the experience factor. They are really great athletes and they can play."

Just because CSI is in a weaker bracket doesn't mean it's an easy street to the championship. The Eagles start play Monday at 10 a.m. against Pasco-Hernando Community College, and the winner will likely move on to face Southwest Missouri State University.

CSI vs. Pasco-Hernando C.C., 10 a.m.

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Eagles fly to win

CSI exacts eight months of revenge

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It may not have had the same result as a national tournament game, but the win was just as sweet.

Facing defending NJCAA national champion Southeastern Community College in an electric atmosphere at the 24th Annual K & T Steel Invitational Tournament, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team exacted eight months' worth of vengeance Saturday night with a 94-63 thumping of the Blackhaws.

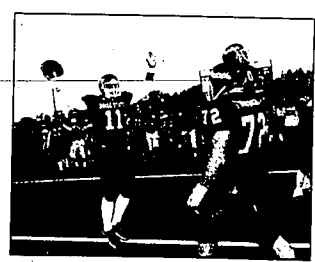
Freshman Tim Ellis led four Golden Eagles in double figure scoring with 17 points and eight rebounds. Jason Brazier added 16 points, Brandon Ferguson 13 and Bradley Jackson had 10.

Roy Smiley led Southeastern with 16 points. Sophomore Slaven Markovic chipped in 12 points and

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College of Southern Idaho volleyball coach Ben Stroud and his team hope to find a winning strategy at this week's NJCAA National Volleyball Tournament in Overland Park, Kan. The Eagles are looking to claim their seventh national championship.



Boise State's B.J. Rhode, left, celebrates his team's 66-24 victory over Idaho on Saturday in Boise. With the win, Boise State claims Big West Conference title and a berth in the Humanitarian Bowl.

Broncos go bowling

Hendricks keys Big West title rout

More football

The Associated Press

Florida football
Race for Roses
BYU coach lagged

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BOISE — Senior quarterback Bart Hendricks broke two school passing records with a five-touchdown, 405-yard performance and Boise State captured its second straight Big West Conference championship Saturday as the Broncos routed Idaho 66-24 before the largest sporting crowd in state history.

The Broncos were in control the entire game. Hendricks finished his regular-season career with 35 touchdown passes, breaking Jim McMillan's 26-year-old record of 33. Hendricks also passed his own mark of 203 completions in a season, set last year, when he finished the game with 20 completions to give him a total of 210 for

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The College of Southern Idaho's Tim Arnold passes to a teammate during the K&T Steel Invitational championship game against Southeastern Community College Saturday night.

SPORTS

Putting keeps Sorenstam out front Hingis ousts Anna, reaches Chase final

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — For the past year, Annika Sorenstam has turned to former U.S. Open champion Dave Stockton for help with her putting. His latest advice had as much to do with her perspective.

Lesson One: Never gripe about being in the lead. One day after a meltdown over three-putt bogeys, Sorenstam made five birdies on the back nine and was all smiles Saturday after a 4-under-par 68 that gave her a one-stroke lead over Dottie Pepper in the season-ending Arch Wireless Championship.

"I really feel like I've been in control," said Sorenstam, 9-under at 207 entering the final round. "Yesterday, I played good but mentally I kind of threw it away. I needed a day like this to forget about it. Of course, it's easier when the putts go in."

She could have her hands full today with Pepper, who had a 69 despite a double bogey at No. 9 because of a drive that was only two yards away from being perfect. Otherwise, she putted for birdie on every hole.

Crane Park chipped in twice on the final five holes — one of them for eagle — for a 70 that put her at 210.

Sorenstam and Pepper started Saturday tied for the lead, along with Leta Lindley and Meg Mallon. Lindley had to scramble for a 72 and was tied with Lorie Kane (72) and Rachel Hetherington (68) at 211. Mallon missed too many greens on the wrong side for a 75 and dropped out of contention.



Annika Sorenstam watches as her putt falls for a birdie on the 18th green in the Arch Wireless Championship in Daytona Beach, Fla., Saturday. Sorenstam goes into the final round at 9 under par.

Woods extends lead at Johnnie Walker Classic BANGKOK, Thailand — Tiger Woods remains stuck on 65, not a bad number for a golfer to stall.

Woods used a second straight 7-under 65 Saturday to extend his lead to three strokes in the Johnnie Walker Classic.

With birdies on four of the final six holes, Woods put his three-round total at 18-under 198. His round started routinely but he picked up steam with an eagle at No. 7. Then came consecutive birdies at the 13th, 14th and 15th holes and a final one at No. 17. Woods, seeking his 10th victory of the year, was pleased with the round. "I'm happy with the way I'm playing," he said. "I'm driving the ball well and that's what you have got to do on this course. The whole idea today was to shoot something in the mid-60s."

Franco, Hoch pace two-round Shark Shootout MIAMI — Carlos Franco and Scott Hoch combined for an 11-under 61 Saturday and took a two-stroke lead after two rounds of the Shark Shootout.

Franco and Hoch had the day's best score at Doral's Great White Course and were at 16-under 128 for the tournament.

They held a two-shot lead over Brad Faxon and Scott McCarron, the first-day leaders, entering Sunday's final round.

Bob May lurks at Phoenix Dunlop MIYAZAKI, Japan — Shingo Katayama, who suspected nerves would get the better of him, won the commanding golf

NEW YORK (AP) — Perhaps fittingly, the last Chase Championships to be held at Madison Square Garden will be between two former champions. Martina Hingis will be playing for the season-ending title for the first time since 1992. Martina Hingis is back in the final for the third straight year.

"It's fantastic," Seles said. "I'm playing the No. 1 player in the world. There couldn't be a better stage to play." Both reached the title match by beating 19-year-old British Hingis, fought off her doubles partner Elena Kournikova, 7-6 (2), 6-2 before Seles stopped the amazing run of Elena Dementieva 6-1, 7-6 (4).

Hingis and Kournikova later teamed up to win their second straight Championships doubles title, defeating Nicole Arendt and Manon Bollegraf 6-2, 6-3.

Since resuming their partnership, Hingis and Kournikova have won four of the five tournaments in which they've played, losing only in the final at the Kremlin Cup in Moscow.

The Championships, which have been staged in the Garden since 1979, will move to Munich, Germany, next year.

Seles, who has won the Championships three times, the last in 1992, was in complete control as she breezed through her first set in 25 minutes. That was different for Dementieva, who had usually been the faster starter in her previous matches in her Garden debut.

"Today I let Elena back in the second set," Seles said. "I didn't

Tennis

Want to go into a third set."

Kuerten falls to Philippoussis in Paris

PARIS — Top-seeded Gustavo Kuerten hit a roadblock in his bid to finish the year at No. 1, losing to Mark Philippoussis 7-6 (5), 7-6 (11) Saturday in the semifinals of the \$2.95 million Paris Masters.

Philippoussis, the 13th-seeded Aussie, will meet Safin in Sunday's title match. The second-seeded Russian defeated 12th-seeded Juan Carlos Ferrero of Spain 6-2, 6-2 in the other semifinal in a match in which both players held extreme serve. Philippoussis, saved four set points in the final tiebreaker.

Kuerten and Safin are vying for No. 1 spot in the year-end Champions Race. Leading to this month's Masters Cup in Portugal, only 20 points separate the two.

Kremer vs. Panova in Volvo Women's final

PATTAYA, Thailand — Third-seeded Anne Kremer of Luxembourg defeated Nadejda Qotrykova of Bulgaria 6-4, 6-1 Saturday behind extreme serve in the Volvo Women's Open.

She will face Tatiana Panova today. The fourth-seeded Russian moved on without playing when Slovakia's Henrieta Nagyova became ill with a fever Friday night.

SCORES AND STATS

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Bengals leave Logan victorious

LOGAN, Utah (AP) - Running back Nick Whitworth piled up 201 yards...

Utah State (5-6, 4-1 BWC) scored with less than a minute left, to remaining in the game to cut ISU's lead to three...

pass from Fuentes and scored from 62 yards out. It was the fifth game in a row with a touchdown pass for Jones...



Florida State University players celebrate after beating Florida 30-7 at Doak Stadium in Tallahassee, Fla., Saturday.

Seminoles march over Gators

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) - Florida State made a strong case for a chance to defend its national championship, beating Florida in the game that usually gives the winner a title shot.

Saturday's Stars
Ladainian Tomlinson ran for a season-high 305 yards and three touchdowns as No. 15 TCU beat UF 47-14.

(3-8, 3-5) lost their fifth straight game in the finale for ousted coach Mike DuBoise on a cold, sloppy day.

No. 1 Oklahoma 27, Texas Tech 13
NORMAN, Okla. - Josh Heupel led Oklahoma 71 yards for the clinching touchdown late in the fourth quarter as the Sooners won the Big 12 South Division.

No. 15 TCU 47, UTEP 14
FORT WORTH, Texas - Ladainian Tomlinson ran for a season-high 305 yards and three TDs, including scores of 68 and 89 yards.

No. 19 Michigan 38, No. 12 Ohio St. 26
COLUMBUS, Ohio - Drew Henson passed for 303 yards and three touchdowns and ran for another score to give Michigan a share of the Big Ten title.

No. 9 Kansas St. 28, Missouri 24
COLUMBIA, Mo. - Josh Scobey scored twice in a 25-point second quarter as Kansas State clinched a berth in the Big 12 championship game.

No. 16 Clemson 16, No. 25 South Carolina 14
CLEMSON, S.C. - Aaron Hunt's third field goal, a 25-yarder with seven seconds left, lifted Clemson past South Carolina.

No. 20 Georgia Tech 35, Maryland 22
COLLEGE PARK, Md. - George Godsey threw for 254 yards and two touchdowns in Georgia Tech's sixth straight victory.

No. 11 Notre Dame 45, Rutgers 17
PISCATAWAY, N.J. - Matt LoVecchio threw two touchdowns and Terrence Howard ran for two more in their return home to New Jersey as Notre Dame posted its sixth straight win.

No. 17 Purdue 41, Indiana 13
WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Purdue earned its first Rose Bowl berth in 34 years, with Montrell Lowe rushing for a career-high 208 yards and four touchdowns.

No. 22 Georgia 32, Mississippi 14
ATHENS, Ga. - Freshman Musa Smith ran for 144 yards, becoming the first Georgia back to break 100 this season.

Arkansas 17, No. 13 Mississippi St. 10, STARKVILLE, Miss. - Brandon Holmes had a 7-yard touchdown run in overtime, and Arkansas stopped Mississippi State on fourth-and-goal at the 1 on the final play.

No. 18 Auburn 9, Alabama 0
TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - Rudi Johnson rushed for 130 yards and Damon Duvall kicked three field goals as Auburn won the Southeastern Conference West title.

Cincinnati 27, No. 24 Southern Miss 24
CINCINNATI - Deontey Kenner threw two touchdown passes as Cincinnati rallied from a 17-point deficit.

Cougs christen 'LaVell Stadium' with win
PROVO, Utah (AP) - Before kickoff, LaVell Edwards got his name on the stadium when he worked 29 yards. Luke Stortz, Brandon Doman and Owen Pochman made sure their retiring cougar got the victory, too.

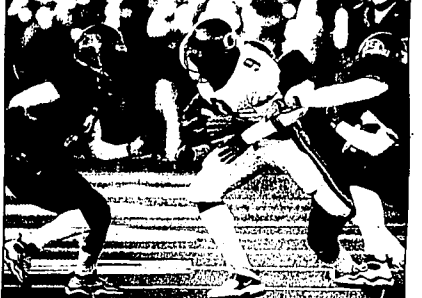
College football notes
familiar role, losing to BYU for the 19th time in the last 20 meetings. The Lobos haven't won in Provo since 1971, when coach Rocky Long was New Mexico's quarterback.

Montana takes state rivalry game, 10th straight
MISSOULA, Mont. - Backup quarterback John Edwards passed for 218 yards and two touchdowns Saturday and Montana struggled with 164 yards in penalties in its 28-3 victory over Montana State, its 10th straight victory this season.

Roses slips away

Beavers take Civil War, lose trip to Pasadena

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) - With almost cruel quickness, Oregon State crushed its in-state rival's Rose Bowl hopes.



Oregon running back Marlee Morris is brought down after picking up a short gain past Oregon State defenders Keith Houghton-Johnson, left, and Calvin Carlyle as Terrence Carroll grabs Morris from behind in Corvallis, Ore.

Jonathan Smith threw two first-quarter touchdown passes to Robert Prescott, and Jake Cooksey had three of his team's five interceptions as No. 8 Oregon State reached 10 victories for the first time in school history by dominating No. 6 Oregon 31-13 on Saturday in the 104th Civil War.

That one setback cost the Beavers (10-1, 7-1) their first trip to the Rose Bowl since the 1961 season. Washington, which beat Oregon State 33-30 in Seattle on Oct. 7, clinched the berth by defeating Washington State 51-3 on Saturday night.

Harrington, who had been 13-1 as the Ducks' starting quarterback, completed 24 of 46 passes for 333 yards. He entered the game with just seven interceptions.

College bowl pictures come into focus

The Associated Press
Washington and Purdue made sure there were no doubts as to where they stand by playing 1-1.

remained in the hunt for the national championship with a 26-0 victory over Syracuse. The No. 2 Hurricanes, also ranked second in the BCS standings, have one game left - against Boston College.

Terps and Spartans from reaching the six-win bowl minimum and eliminated them from the postseason picture.

Apples to Roses: Huskies trounce Washington State, clinch Rose Bowl bid

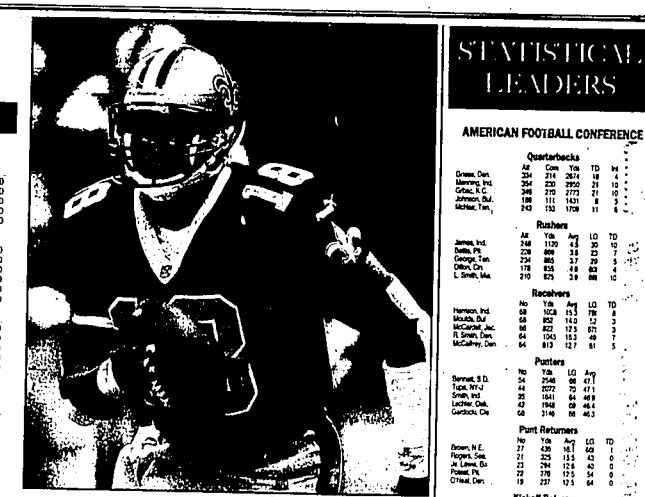
PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) - Washington reached the Rose Bowl for the first time in eight years as the Huskies trounced Washington State 35-7 on Saturday.

Huskies quarterback with back-to-back 2,000-yard seasons since Sonny Siddler in 1971-72.

often after long plays. Washington State's Matt Kegel, making only his second start, was batted out by the Huskies. He completed 12 of 23 for 122 yards and one interception. He was sacked twice. Dave Minich carried 19 times for 113 yards for the Cougars.

NFL SUNDAY BLITZ

Week 12 matchups



11 a.m. Lions (6-4) at Giants (7-3) ... Barry Sanders emerged from seclusion this week with his own Web site.

11 a.m. Bills (6-4) at Chiefs (5-5) ... Less than thrilled by being reinstated as the Bills' starting quarterback, Rob Johnson tears it being set up for a fall.

11 a.m. Bucs (6-4) at Bears (2-8) ... The Buccaneers have won three in a row, soon to be four, and are bidding to become the first team to play a Super Bowl in their home stadium.

11 a.m. Raiders (8-2) at Saints (7-3) ... A never-ending barrel of laughs, those Raiders. When their team flight from Denver began with the brakes, DE Regan Upshaw and linebacker Travian Smith tried to control white-knuckled teammates by yelling, "Maiday, Maiday! We're going down. Oh, that Raider knee, fight."

11 a.m. Cardinals (3-7) at Eagles (7-4) ... A bad snap by Trey Junkin on Sunday against Minnesota turned kicker Cary Blanchard and holder Scott Foy into the Keystone Cardinals. Sorry, Junkin told the guys, "That field goal, that was all on me," he said.

11 a.m. Colts (7-3) at Packers (4-6) ... Knocked out of Sunday's game because of a sprained foot, Packer quarterback Brett Favre said his chances of starting against the Colts are "70-50."

11 a.m. Browns (8-2) at Titans (8-2) ... Who was Brown President Carmen Policy talking about when he said: "This guy's a nut. He makes this stuff up."

11 a.m. Bengals (2-8) at Patriots (2-8) ... If American football conducted business the way European football—a.k.a. soccer—does, the Bengals and the Patriots would be fighting Sunday to keep from getting relegated to the CFL.

12:05 p.m. Broncos (6-4) at Chargers (0-10) ... Brian Griese might have clinched a spot on the All-Madden team by shooting up his separated shoulder at halftime and getting out a 27-24 victory over the Raiders, but might have cost his team a playoff berth in the process.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE standings table with columns for Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA, Home, Away, AFC, NFC, Div.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

NATIONAL CONFERENCE standings table with columns for Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA, Home, Away, AFC, NFC, Div.

Today's Games

Table of today's games including matchups like Denver at New York, Oakland at San Francisco, etc.

2:15 p.m. Jets (6-4) at Dolphins (8-2) ... Vinny Testaverde turned 37 Monday, and what did the Jets' three-game losing streak and Testaverde's league-high 15 interceptions and what exactly was the real problem with the Jets? ... "Let's say I did know," Testaverde told them.

2:15 p.m. (FOX) Cowboys (4-6) at Ravens (7-4) ... Raven DT Tony Stewart had them rolling in the aisles this week at a promotional gig for the NFL Players Association's Super Bowl party.

2:15 p.m. Falcons (3-8) at 49ers (3-8) ... Two weeks after yielding 12 points against Carolina and squeezing out a one-point victory, the Falcons yielded 12 points to Detroit and lost by a field goal.

5:20 p.m. (ESPN) Jaguars (3-7) at Steelers (5-5) ... Searching for clues are disgraced Jaguar fans, wondering why their supposedly Super Bowl-bound team is 3-7 heading into Week 12. Look no further than Jaguar offensive tackle Tony Boselli, who says: "We're not very good. We're not playing very good. That's what not-very-good teams do."

Monday 7 p.m. (ABC) Redskins (6-4) at Rams (8-2) ... The Vikings and the Buccaneers will be interested to learn that this game has been billed as a preview of the NFC final.

BETTER BLAKE

Saints QB finds a home in Big Easy ... NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Jeff Blake sits at his locker, slowly getting dressed and wrapping an elastic bandage around his left knee, the one without the big scar knifing through it.

It's Monday and the New Orleans Saints' quarterback is nursing himself, cursing the bumps and bruises that have kept the player has after a game.

Blake, once labeled a quarterback who couldn't win, has helped turn around a team known for losing. The Saints were 3-3 last year, have had just five winning seasons since they started playing in 1967 and have never won a playoff game.

So, there's a lot more work to be done this season. The Saints are facing the toughest part of their schedule with Oakland, St. Louis and Denver ahead. To make matters worse, running back Ricky Williams was lost for the rest of the regular season with a broken ankle.

Even so, the Saints are confident they can extend their longest winning streak since 1991. Blake is a big reason why. "I'm not looking back," he said. "I'm not pressing. I'm just riding the wave right now." Last spring, Blake signed a four-year contract with the Saints worth a reported \$17.4 million, eager for a challenge and new start.

He was a Pro Bowl starter in 1995 for the Cincinnati Bengals, who signed him in 1994 after he was released by the New York Jets.

He started most of last season after rookie Akili Smith was hurt, and he completed 55.3 percent of his passes with 16 touchdowns and 14 interceptions.

But he was just marking time until Smith, the third overall pick in the 1999 draft, was ready to return. The Bengals often overlooked Blake when searching for a starting quarterback.

Blake holds Bengals records for most consecutive games with a touchdown pass (21), most passing attempts in a season (567) and most completions in a season (326).

Yet the main number he remembers from those days was No. 2, as in the No. 2 quarterback, and a string of losing seasons.

"When you don't win, people point fingers at the quarterback regardless of what happened," Blake said.

"It's easy to blame someone, even when they're doing their job," he jumped when the Saints ignored the journeyman label and first-year coach Jim Haslet promised him the starting spot, no matter how things went.

This year, while learning a new system and a new group of players, Blake has completed more than 63 percent of his passes, thrown 13 touchdowns and nine interceptions, and has an 83 rating.

The Saints offense — which spent last season mired in the bottom of the rankings — is No. 13 in the league, No. 6 in the NFC.

Blake was named the NFC offensive player of the week for Week 10.

"He's been outstanding in all aspects of the game," GM Randy Mueller said.

"I definitely don't want to say I told you so, but I think all Jeff told me to do was to be a good running game, a good team around him."

STATISTICAL LEADERS AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE. Table with columns for Team, Player, Stats, and various categories like Quarterbacks, Runners, Kickers, etc.

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Was Jets' comeback a one-weekend wonder?

The New York Jets' 40-37 comeback win in overtime over Miami on a Monday night a month ago was supposed to send the Jets north in the AFC East standings and the Dolphins south.

So when the teams meet again today — at Miami's In-Style — New York that had to stop the negative momentum.

The pattern has been the same for the Jets as in that Monday night contest, when they trailed 30-7 after three quarters, then scored 30 fourth-quarter points to send the game into overtime.

How do they solve the problem? "We just need to play sound football all the time," comeback Aaron Glenn said. "We know we can do it, because we've done it before."

Dolphins who at 8-2 have a one-game lead over Indianapolis in the AFC East, fell behind 17-0 to Green Bay after the Jets' debacle. But they rallied to win 28-20, then beat Detroit and San Diego, outscoring the three 68-18 over the span of just more than 10 quarters.

The game is particularly important for the Jets (6-4), who figure they must win four of their last six to make the playoffs. That won't be easy. Besides the Dolphins, they still must face the Colts, Raiders and Ravens, a combined 30-11.

Time to liquidate? Use The Times-News Marketplace classifieds to turn possessions into cash.

NFL notebook and statistical tables including Average Per Game, National Football Conference Standings, Total Yardage, and Defensive statistics.

NJCAA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Meet the Nationals

By Joe Sunnen
Times-News writer

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. - A team-by-team look and who is going to the NJCAA National Volleyball Tournament, and how they got there.

Arizona Western College

Location: Yuma, Ariz.
Masco: Matadors
Coach: Kerry Messersmith
Record: 42-7
A closer look: The Matadors have relied on the one-two punch of two freshman...

N.E. Oklahoma A&M

Location: Miami, Okla.
Masco: Golden Norse
Coach: Rick Karr
Record: 32-3
A closer look: In only its fourth year of existence, the volleyball program at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M has grown from winning three matches in three years to winning 32 in one season...

Vernon Regional Jr. College

Location: Vernon, Texas
Masco: Lady Chapparals
Coach: Julie Myers
Record: 32-11
A closer look: The Lady Chapparals have the worst draw in the tournament, opening with defending national champion Miami-Dade...

Barton County

Location: Grant Bend, Kan.
Masco: Cougars
Coach: John Hunter
Record: 47-4
A closer look: Barton enters the tourney as the No. 8 team in the nation and has the nucleus to be a real contender...

Pasco-Hernando

Location: New Port Richey, Fla.
Masco: Conquistadors
Coach: Sam Cibrone
Record: 30-8
A closer look: Pasco-Hernando has been in this position before. The Conquistadors came in last year as the No. 11 seed, promptly lost two matches, and quietly left the tourney...

Northwest College

Location: Powell, Wyo.
Masco: Trappers
Coach: Sue Pollart
Record: 32-15
A closer look: The Trappers fought from the consolation bracket in the Region IX West tournament to earn the right to compete at nationals...

Lee College

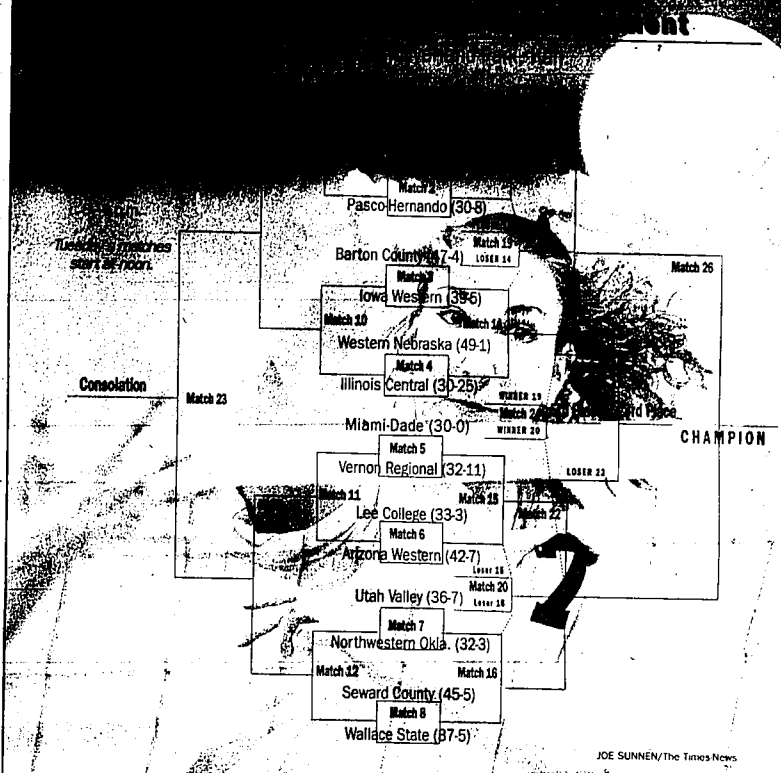
Location: Baytown, Texas
Masco: Lady Rebels
Coach: Tracie Johnson
Record: 33-3
A closer look: The No. 9 team in the nation comes into the tourney as a one-woman show. Lee sophomore Elicle Ekeadeli led the nation in kills with a gaudy 7.93 per game...

S.W. Missouri State

Location: West Plains, Miss.
Masco: Grizzlies
Coach: Trish Kiskiar-Knight
Record: 45-4
A closer look: The Grizzlies have as good a shot as any to dethrone Miami-Dade. Six-foot-5 sophomore Sara Kincaid is arguably the best junior college player in the nation...

Utah Valley State College

Location: Orem, Utah
Masco: Wolverines
Coach: Sam Atos
Record: 26-7
A closer look: The Wolverines are one of the feel-good stories of the tournament, UVSC is returning to the national scene for the first time since 1992, when they finished third in the nation...



By the numbers

Final regular-season statistics (overall record: 66-5, SVAC record: 12-2). Table with columns: Player, Kills, Blocks, Assists. Includes players like Amanda Basarez, Maria Berasano, etc.

Illinois Central College

Location: East Peoria, Ill.
Masco: Cougars
Coach: Sue Sinclair
Record: 30-25
A closer look: Though the Cougars are a 15 seed, they could make some noise. Illness and injury have plagued the team throughout the season...

Wallace State

Location: Hanceville, Ala.
Masco: Lady Lions
Coach: Lisa Green
Record: 37-5
A closer look: That this is coach Lisa Green's first year calling the shots isn't too surprising - but that she is only 23 is.

Iowa Western

Location: Council Bluffs, Iowa
Masco: Retrievers
Coach: Brenda Hampton
Record: 39-5
A closer look: It seems like Iowa Western is one of those teams that's better than advertised. Last season the Retrievers came in as a 13 seed and forced Lee to a fifth game...

Seward County

Location: Liberal, Kan.
Masco: Lady Saints
Coach: Pat Stangle
Record: 45-3
A closer look: Seward County has been on a tear the past four years. The Lady Saints compiled an impressive 195-23 record over that span and finished fifth in the nation last season...

Miami-Dade

Location: Miami, Fla.
Masco: Lady Sharks
Coach: Ilda Medeiros
Record: 30-0
A closer look: The Lady Sharks have become such a fixture at the NJCAA national tournament, perhaps someone should start thinking about naming the event in their honor...

W. Nebraska

Location: Scottsbluff, Neb.
Masco: Lady Cougars
Coach: Chris Green
Record: 49-1
A closer look: This team may be the classic example of a good team with a soft schedule. Nobody seems very afraid to play a No. 2 team in the nation where only one player ranked in the top 10 in the nation in any individual statistical category...



College of Southern Idaho freshman Sonyrnar Santana, along with Stephanie Martin, will be crucial to the Eagles' game this week from her middle blocker position.

Volleyball

Continued from C1
Pasco-Hernando (30-8) made a quick exit in the national tournament last season, losing its first two matches in straight sets.
But with seven sophomores, the Conquistadors have one of the most experienced rosters and have won five more matches than last season.

Times-News sports writer Joe Sunnen can be reached at 735-3330. He will be in Overland Park Kan. through Wednesday tracking the progress of the Golden Eagles.

SPORTS

Mariners may finally have nabbed Japanese slugger

TOKYO (AP) - The Seattle Mariners may have finally landed Ichiro Suzuki.

The team said Saturday it has completed negotiations with Japan's top hitter, who hopes to become the first position player from his country to join the major leagues.

"Our meetings and negotiations have concluded," Mariners chief executive officer Howard Lincoln said. "Everyone is very happy."

He refused to confirm if an agreement had been reached. However, the Mariners said from Seattle that they will hold a news conference regarding Suzuki in Kyoto, Japan, on Saturday.

When asked about the news conference, team spokesman Randy Adamack said from Seattle, "It's all good stuff."

Japanese news reports said the Mariners and the star slugger had roughly agreed on terms but no details were given.

Lincoln and five other Mariners executives spent three days negotiating with Suzuki's agent, Tony Atencio, in Kobe, Japan, home of the player's team, the Orix BlueWave.

Calls to the agent's hotel in Kobe were not immediately returned. The 27-year-old right fielder, known in Japan by just his first name, has won seven straight batting titles with the BlueWave in Japan's Pacific League. He hit .387 this season.

The Mariners bid \$13 million for the exclusive right to negotiate with him. Suzuki is reportedly asking for a contract of five to four years and an annual salary of



Ichiro Suzuki gets into his car after training in Kobe, Japan, Saturday. Seattle Mariners executives are in Kobe to negotiate a contract with Japan's hottest slugger who won seven straight batting titles in Japan's Pacific League.

about \$7.4 million. He was said to have made about \$5.5 million this season. Several Japanese pitchers, including Seattle reliever Kazuhiro Sasaki, had gone on to play in the majors. But doubts

remain concerning position players, with questions about their speed and power.

The Mariners, however, are convinced Suzuki has the skills to erase such questions.

Waltrip takes Winston spotlight

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) - With the championship already in Bobby Labonte's hands, the spotlight in the season-ending NAPA 500 focuses on retiring Darrell Waltrip - and that's just the way he likes it.

The 53-year-old Waltrip will start his 89th and final Winston Cup race last on the 43-car grid at Atlanta Motor Speedway today.

The once-dominating Waltrip was forced to use the former series champion's provisional to get into the race after failing to find enough speed to qualify in his No. 66 Ford.

But if anybody expects the man once known as "Jaws" to end his 29-year racing career quietly - or to slip away embarrassed after a difficult and frustrating end to his illustrious career - forget it.

"As usual, Waltrip, who will move to Fox's TV booth next season, showed up with a smile and plenty to say about his final competitive race."

"I've been anguishing about this for several years, wondering when the day would finally come - knowing that it probably should have come a lot sooner than it has and not being able to compete at the level I was accustomed to," Waltrip said. "These last seven or eight years have been brutal."

So, why did Waltrip continue racing when the glorious victories stopped rolling in and his golden career began to look tarnished?

"The joy of driving a race car, a good race car, and the excitement and feeling of that is something that I will always long for," he said.

"I'm always going to be sitting up there watching a race, longing to be in that race."

His competitors are sure Waltrip's legacy, which includes 84 victories, three championships and the millions of fans he has attracted to the stock car sport, will remain undimmed by the show showings of recent years.

"I think Darrell's going to do such a good job in the TV booth that he's going to be a bigger asset to the sport than he ever has been," said two-time champion Terry Labonte, who came into the sport after Waltrip was an established star.

"So many of our fans don't remember the Darrell Waltrip that won three championships

Auto racing

and won 10 races a year. They weren't fans back then. Now they're going up to the TV booth, he brings credibility to it, he knows what's going on, he's a good speaker."

He could be more popular doing that than he is driving his car right now.

"You might not always agree with what he has to say, but

that's always been him. And I think he'll be good for the sport."

Stock race rained out; rescheduled for Monday

HAMPTON, Ga. - Steady rain Saturday forced postponement of The Georgia Boot 400 ARCA stock car race at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Track officials rescheduled the event for Monday at 8:15 a.m. MST.

But that could change if more rain forecast for today forces NASCAR to postpone its season-ending NAPA 500.

The Winston Cup race would take precedence and be run Monday morning, followed by the ARCA event.

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Croatian wins Park City slalom

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) - Croatia's Janica Kostelic burst back into the World Cup scene Saturday, beating her nearest rival by 1.73 seconds in her first slalom race since injuring a knee nearly a year ago.

Kostelic, 18, twisted down the steep icy course, crossing the finish line with a combined time of 1 minute, 29.24 seconds. She pumped her fists into the air in joy, then clasped her hands together as if she were praying.

Last year, Kostelic surprisingly won the season's first two slaloms. A month later, she crashed in a downhill at St. Moritz, Switzerland, and tore her right knee ligament.

She sat out the rest of the season and returned to the circuit in October, finishing 12th in the first World Cup giant slalom, at Sölden, Austria.

"My knee still hurts, but I'll just have to handle it," Kostelic said after taking a one-second lead in the first run. "I didn't think I could ski like this. Maybe I can even win today."

Normally, races are won or lost by a few hundredths of a second. Kostelic finished nearly 50 seconds ahead of Germany's Martina Ertl, a 12-time World Cup winner, who was timed in 1:30.97.

"It's so nice to be back," Kostelic said.

The race, on a crisp but sunny day at Park City Mountain



Germany's Martina Ertl, left, Croatia's Janica Kostelic, and France's Christel Salmóni, right, pose on the podium after the Women's Slalom World Cup race Saturday in Park City, Utah. Kostelic won the event; Ertl finished in second; and Salmóni finished third.

Resort, was the first slalom on the World Cup tour.

Kostelic said the secret to winning the first run was just letting her skis glide.

"It's what I call a 'stupid course,'" Kostelic said. "You can't try to do anything special. You just have to go for it."

France's Christel Salmóni, who was on the slalom podium five times last season, finished at 1:31.02 for third place.

Slovenia's Spela Pretnar, the defending World Cup slalom champion, was fourth at 1:31.27.

Kristina Koznick of Burnsville,

Minn., was the top American in 12th place.

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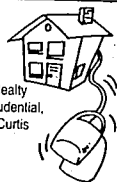
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Back in the days when the only people wearing blue jeans were farmers and construction workers, the sole reason jeans were not fashionable was that they cost too little. At least that's what I read in Newsweek magazine a while back. People didn't want to spend \$3.99 for jeans. They wanted to spend \$19.99. So in 1965, when someone figured that out and opened an upscale jeans store, the sportswear industry - and everyone's closets - were revolutionized from that moment on.

This Christmas, expect to spend \$40 for a good pair of jeans.

And in some cases, expect to spend that much for a pair of jeans that look like they have already been used - to dust furniture.

This year, according to Linda Josephson in an article for a denim/fashion brochure, your "jeans lexicon" should include terms like straight leg, classic fit, boot cut, stone washed, zipper fly, stretch, tapered leg, relaxed fit, button fly and (least surprising of all) dirty denim.

In the same brochure, Jo Ann Jacobsen, of Mud Inc. (junior jeanswear), wrote, "When it comes to teenage girls, the major criterion for (jeans) fit is that they not be their mother's blue jeans."

Jacobsen explained that girls won't give up bell bottoms because they know it's one style their mothers won't wear - and she said Mud's popular low rise jeans for teens keep getting lower, "near the bikini line."

It's a pretty sure bet that the mothers won't wear those either.

So today's question is not, "Should I buy jeans?" Today's question is, "How many pairs?"

Cotton Incorporated's Lifestyle Monitor says women between the ages of 16 and 24 own, on average, eight pairs of jeans. And women ages 56 to 70 own four.

According to Consumer Tastes and Trends, the stuff we will be pairing with those jeans, into the year 2001, includes class-y big shirts and highly sweetened teas. "Cool" colors are red-brown, purple, olive and brass. Or mid-tone brights, such as lilac, turquoise and coral. The big-selling fabrics, in addition to denim, are expected to include animal skins, suede, flannel, felt and boiled (or fried) wool.

The prediction is that white will be the number-one color for the jeans.

And if you want to know what you should wear below your jeans' hemlines, DuPont has created "teeless hosiery" - stockings that cover your legs, but bare your toes.

A little loop anchors the stockings to the big toe. Cute, huh?

Again, probably not for the moms. The key, of course, to savvy Christmas shopping is to find out what your kids' friends are wearing. Whether you like it or not. That shouldn't be difficult, since kids of just about any age have very definite opinions on wardrobe.

Like those two girls, who couldn't have been more than 8 years old, who were standing in the mall having a serious discussion about clothes. I overheard one of them, almost in tears, complaining to the other about the "terrible-looking pants" her mother made her wear on the first day of school.

"I hate those pants," the child whined. "I just hate them."

"Oh, they're not so bad," the friend consoled.

"Do you really like them?"

"Yeah, but the sweater you wore with them is really ugly."

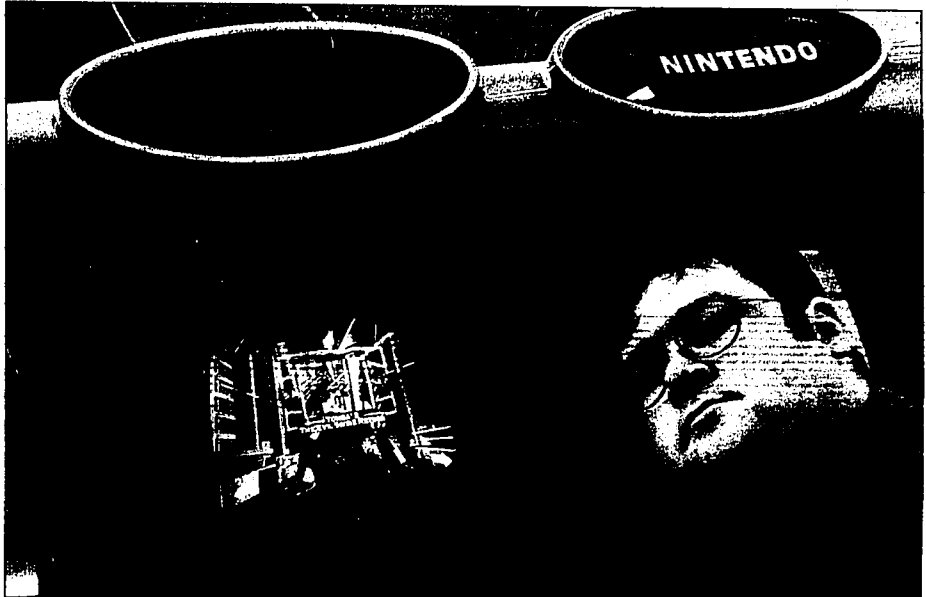
I can't wait to see what's going to be under our family Christmas tree this year. Especially since I will have to buy most of it.

I once heard a TV comedian present a monologue on the subject: "My daughter said she just couldn't live without a certain brand of designer jeans - and I said I was sorry because we would really miss her."

The trouble is it's hard to punish your children for something you taught them.

As in,ouch.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.



James Wyatt, electronics department manager at Target in Twin Falls, said his initial shipment of 36 of the new Sony Playstation 2 lasted 20 minutes. He does expect to get more of the games in before Christmas but has no idea when.

Game of the year

PlayStation 2 tops list of gotta-have, impossible-to-find Christmas toys

By Steve Crump, Times-News writer

JEROME - They didn't have to restock the shelves at Wal-Mart last month when PlayStation 2 went on the market.

"We had - I can't remember - maybe 36 of them, and they were gone in a few minutes," said Jeff Hanssen, the store manager. "I suspect we'll get more (before Christmas), but I don't know that for sure - and I don't know when. That's up to our buyers - and to Sony."

The can't-do-without item for this Christmas season is a new electronic game console with screaming-fast, lifelike graphics chockablock with digital combat, boxing, hockey, football and other high-energy pursuits.

It retails for \$299 and it commands up to \$700 in the secondary market on the Internet. Since it debuted in Japan last March 4, Sony has shipped 3 million units.

Very few of them can be found on store shelves in the Magic Valley. "They tell us we'll be getting more, but they don't say when," said James Wyatt, who manages the electronics department at Twin Falls' Target store. "Sony is in control of the market."

Sony claims it has encountered a parts shortage, reducing the number of systems it could deliver by the Oct. 25 launch date from 1 million to 500,000.

"Sony is guilty of overhyping and underdelivering, a classic problem in the gaming industry," P.J. McNealy, a consumer electronic game analyst, told the Orlando, Fla., Sentinel.

"Sony wants it to be the multifunction, end-all, be-all device in the living room," McNealy said, "but I'm not sure people are looking for that, since many already have cable boxes and VCRs."

Regardless, PlayStation 2 seems certain to attract a mass, action-game loving crowd with a lineup that includes 26 games at launch, another 26 by Christmas - and many more

Top-selling toys

September 2000

Top-selling toys by dollar sales:	Top-selling software by units sold:	1999 Top-selling toys by dollar sales:
1. Razor Scooter	1. Madden NFL 2001 (Sony PlayStation)	1. Furby, assorted
2. Celebration Barbie	2. NFL 2K1 (Sega Dreamcast)	2. Hot Wheels basic cards
3. Pop-Ohi Robotic Dog	3. The Sims: Livin' Large (Win 95/98)	3. "Star Wars Episode I" figures, assorted
4. Hot Wheels Basic Cards	4. Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 2 (Sony PlayStation)	4. Barbie Millennium
5. Tekno Robot Dog	5. Tony Hawk's Pro Skater (Sony PlayStation)	5. Pokemon Booster Packs
6. Pokemon Gym 1 Booster	6. Gran Turismo 2 (Sony PlayStation)	6. Furby Barbies
7. Micro Scooter	7. Mario Tennis (Nintendo 64)	8. Pokemon decks, assorted
8. Barbie Crusin' Jeep	8. Conquerors F/Age of Empire 2 (Win 95/98)	9. Sesame Street Rock 'n Roll, assorted
9. Ewok Wizard of Oz, assorted	9. Spider-Man (Sony PlayStation)	10. Pokemon Fossil Booster Pack
10. Pokemon Rocket Booster	10. SW Episode I: Racer (Nintendo 64)	

- Source: Toy Manufacturers of America

next year. The electronic giant is trying to position the PlayStation 2 as more than just a game box by including a DVD drive, allowing families to watch movies. Sort of a two-for-the-price-of-one entertainment system.

"The PlayStation games are selling pretty well," Wyatt said. "They're designed so that they can be played on PlayStation 1 consoles too, but of course the graphics don't look as good as they would on a PlayStation 2 console."

PlayStation 2 joins a crowded market for electronic game sets, including the Nintendo 64 and the Sega Dreamcast, with a big push expected next year by Microsoft's X-Box and Nintendo's next-generation Gamecube.

The electronic gaming market is made up mostly of males from 6 years old to 50-plus, and includes all demographics. Those who have had a new game console as soon as it ships fall mostly in the 18-to-25 age bracket. Sony said it expects to supplement the

500,000 systems available at launch with an additional 100,000 games a week throughout the Christmas season.

By the end of the year, analysts said there may be 1.3 million PlayStation 2s sold in the United States. That number is likely to nearly double by the end of March 2001. Adding another 1.2 million in Europe to earlier sales in Japan, the global base could reach 10 million by the end of March next year.

Even that number pales in comparison with the 73 million systems sold of the first PlayStation, which has been on the market for several years.

"This is a product that people stand in line to get," Hanssen said. "Unfortunately, we can't tell them when to expect it."

- The Orlando, Fla., Sentinel contributed to this report

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Back to basics?

Scooters, Lincoln logs spark interest in southern Idaho

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - A funny thing is happening in Jesse Adams' packed-to-the-rafters toy shop five weeks before Christmas.

"People are coming in and asking for wooden trains and Lincoln logs," says Adams, who owns Toy Shop Imagination Station stores here and in Boreman, Mont. "And the kids are asking for Dragonball Z cards and figures. There's not that much demand for electronic toys, as least from what I've seen so far."

The flip side of the burgeoning popularity of Sony's PlayStation 2 and its software may be a backlash toward tradition.

"Look at what has been one of the hottest things so far this year, the Razor Scooter," Adams said of the six-pound, \$100, foot-powered scooter.

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Special fireworks show will light up the sky

Friday
The 10th annual Christmas in the Nighttime Sky event will be held at Kimberly Nurseries in Twin Falls, starting at 5:30 p.m. with a chili and potato feed, and fireworks at 7:30 p.m. Admission is one new, unwrapped toy per family to benefit the KMYT Christmas for Kids program. The chili and potato feed are free, and fireworks will be choreographed with Christmas music on KEZJ-FM 95.7 starting at 7:30 p.m. Free shuttle buses will run from the Kmart/

To do for families
Grocery Outlet parking lots to the nursery. For more information, call Sherry Wright at 733-2717.
Every week, To Do for Families lists family-oriented events in south-central Idaho. To get an item listed in the calendar, send it to Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. Deadline is noon on Wednesdays.

Save the furniture from your pet

Here are some ideas for making pets and decor compatible:

- Choose furniture fabrics that won't show shedding fur. If you have several pets of different colors, choose a floral or other complicated, multicolored pattern. Avoid leather, as it is easily pierced by cat claws.
- Choose carpet that is sturdy and stain-resistant; throw rugs should be machine-washable.
- If you have long drapes, avoid "pooling" at the bottom. It's a great look, but dogs (and cats) love to scratch the extra fabric up into cozy sleeping places.
- Consider alternatives to

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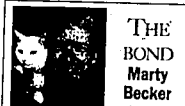
draperies. Vertical blinds, or wooden Venetian blinds, and gorgeous valances can create a dressy look while discouraging cat damage.
• If dogs have access to furniture, they may dig their nests in cushions. Choose sturdy fabric or cover upholstered items with heavy padding. If dogs aren't allowed on furniture (and know it), leather can be a good choice; fur can be swept off.

- Keep lint brushes in various places so guests needn't go home with their clothing covered by fur.
- Relatively attractive, rustic cat-scratching posts are available, consider putting one on every floor.
- Cats - and some dogs - love to play with strings or things that look like strings; make sure electric cords and other enticing "strings" aren't deadly or poisonous.
- Cats and dogs also like to dig in house plants; cats sometimes use the stems of indoor trees for scratching posts. Make sure house plants aren't poisonous.
- Source: Washington Post

FAMILY LIFE

Try not to lose hope when your pet has cancer

Of all the illnesses our pets may face during their lives, none elicits such fear and dread in us as a diagnosis of cancer. Cancer is an emotionally charged disease, implying fatality and the impending loss of our beloved family member.



THE BOND Marty Becker

top 10 warning signs for cancer:

- 1. Abnormal swellings that persist or continue to grow.
2. Sores that do not heal.
3. Unexplained weight loss.
4. Loss of appetite.
5. Bleeding or discharge from any body opening.
6. Offensive body odor.
7. Difficulty eating or swallowing.
8. Hesitation to exercise or loss of stamina.
9. Persistent lameness or stiffness.
10. Difficulty breathing, urinating, or defecating.

It is said that the color of cancer is black. We must realize that blackness of fear with the light of hope. Cancer is best faced from a perspective of cautious optimism.

And, while some diseases - such as diabetes, congestive heart failure and kidney failure - cannot be cured, cancer is the most curable disease our pets may face.

Thanks to early detection and appropriate intervention, we can cure cancer much of the time. With our technology, understanding of disease, and standard of veterinary care, it is untrue to think that when a pet has cancer that "there's nothing we can do. There is always something we can do to help - even when we can't cure it. Our job is to take charge, gather facts, make a plan, and then work with the veterinary team.

When you choose the members

of your pet's cancer-fighting team, look for an optimistic veterinarian to coordinate your pet's cancer management. Carry a notebook in which you can write questions as they come up. This also gives you a place to make notes when you talk to the veterinary team.

Answering questions is the most important (and most labor intensive) part of preparing to battle cancer. Finally, help is available! "Pets Living With Cancer: A Pet Owner's Resource" by Dr. Robin Downing, (AAHA Press, \$19.95) is a slim volume written in clear, concise, easy-to-understand language, in a question and answer format. By providing a factual, comprehensive overview of cancer care, this book can provide answers to questions you haven't even thought of. Veterinarians are buying this book for their clients, team members and themselves.

Despite our best efforts, we cannot cure cancer all of the time. Sometimes cancer care provides a period of remission followed by a return of the cancer. There may come a time when the quality of the animal's life is far more important than the quantity of time they have left. At that point, our focus shifts from "cure at all cost" to "aggressive comfort treatment," the pet equivalent of hospice and palliative care.

Hospice and palliative care focuses on living with dignity in the face of illness; it is a philosophy - not a physical place. For the pets whose cancer has returned or is untreatable, it is safe, kind, pain-free, end-of-life home care.

Hospice and palliative care are no substitutes for euthanasia. Often we will still need to assist our animal companions in their transition from this world to the

next. Euthanasia remains our final gift of caring if we need to bring an end to a no-win struggle.

Remember, cancer is the most curable chronic disease our animal companions face. It is best approached with cautious optimism. Replace fear with fact. Arm yourself with knowledge and the care of your trusted veterinarian because facing and fighting cancer is truly a team effort.

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Heed PG-13 rating on 'Charlie's Angels'

The Orange County Register
"Charlie's Angels" (PG-13) - Odyssey Theater of Twin Falls, Century Cinema of Burley, Jerome Cinema, Magic Lantern of Ketchikan



choked, hit and almost anything else you can think of that they would never utilize survive.

robot Ameer (Autonomous Mapping Evaluation and Evasion) is the scariest (and coolest) part of the movie and creates an unpredictable tension.

Best for: Mature teens to 20-somethings who enjoy the stars. What it's about: Natalie (Cameron Diaz), Dylan (Drew Barrymore) and Alex (Lucy Liu) are three elite crime-fighting "angels" who work for millionaire do-gooder Charlie (the still-invisible John Forsythe) and report to his point man, Bosley (Bill Murray). Their assignment is to find and protect a high-tech electronics company owner (Sam Rockwell) on his business rival (Tim Curry). On the same adventure, they battle an assassin (Crispin Glover) and others (Kelly Lynch) while dealing with their own boyfriends (Tom Green, Matt LeBlanc and Luke Wilson).

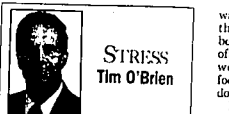
profanities, a few mild obscenities and the angels' no-nonsense policy (yet lots of martial-arts violence). The girls use their bodies to tease and tempt the bad guys (and boyfriends), but it's done in a fun, exploitative way rather than serious seduction. In scene after scene, the girls brutally fight, beat and pulverize the bad guys (and even a woman) to a bloody pulp, all the while accompanied by a hip soundtrack.

robot Ameer (Autonomous Mapping Evaluation and Evasion) is the scariest (and coolest) part of the movie and creates an unpredictable tension. Aside from language, there's sci-fi violence and brief nudity. The intense action and violence centers on Ameer hunting the men down to kill them (her wiring gets crossed), and a weird bug that attacks a couple of the men.

Offensive language: Religious profanity is used a couple of times as well as a few other swear words. Sexual situations: One scene shows Moss in the shower (butting nudity behind the shower door); she then steps out and asks Kilmister to hand her a towel (partial backside nudity).

Walk the walk: Don't just talk the talk

"Words are like bullets. Don't waste your ammunition on idle talk with others." - P. Yogananda
Do you know anyone who "talks a good game" but who seldom accomplish anything of importance? They continually say, "I am going to do this" or "I will do that." However, their accomplishments never match their talk. Are you like this sometimes? Be honest, I know I am.



STRESS Tim O'Brien

way seldom find it at the end of the road. The work, the doing becomes the reward. The outcome becomes less meaningful as we become more involved and focused on the daily planning and doing. Don't most of us want to be successful? Don't we want the earned respect of our family, friends and co-workers? Don't we talk louder than words? Don't we feel good about ourselves when we accomplish something significant?

If you feel the need to talk out your plans, try talking to yourself. Take a walk and talk to God, to the Universe, to your pet, to yourself. Talk it out once. Write your plan out. Then, get started. Let your actions inform the words of your intentions. It is much more to accept the hand shakes, hugs, pats and congratulations from those who have surprised than to face the self-doubt and the doubt of others the more you talk but act little or not at all. Remember the secret: Keep quiet while you accomplish something major. Then, people will talk about what you have done. And that's what you want you do it. Then, you can talk all you want!

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FAMILY LIFE

Get advice before transfer

Q. My husband and I are both retired, and each of us has a modest employee pension plan and an IRA. He is the beneficiary of mine and I am the beneficiary of his. We have met with a financial planner... We have met with a financial planner who helped us decide how much money we would have to draw each month to supplement our Social Security. Other than our home and a small savings, we have no other assets. Although we are both in relatively good health now, we have become concerned about what will happen to these funds if one of us goes into a nursing home. Because we need all of both our funds to pay expenses, if one of us goes into a nursing home, can the one who remains at home transfer the other's pension and IRA without a disqualification from Medicaid?



NEXT STEPS Jan Collins and Jan Warner

pension funds are not available to the nursing home spouse. However, converting the asset to an income stream raises a whole other specter of income limitation issues which must be dealt with. An IRA is a countable asset when determining Medicaid eligibility because - unless annuitized and turned into an income stream - most IRAs can be withdrawn by the applicant at any time. A community spouse's IRA will not count some states, but has counted in others. Where counted as a resource, the community spouse should consider converting the IRA into an annuity, thereby changing the nature of the account from a resource into an income stream. IRAs and pensions cannot be transferred from spouse to spouse. While a spousal beneficiary can contact a trustee to transfer an IRA to her own IRA, if an IRA is removed from the name of one spouse and placed in the name of the other, there will be a constructive distribution to the beneficiary of the entire balance in the account - meaning immediate taxation and possibly penalties.

On the other hand, when the pension fund or IRA is in the name of the spouse who remains in the community, these plans are generally not counted as resources of the nursing home spouse when determining his or her eligibility. In "209(b) states", federal standards are applied in determining the resource allowance for the community spouse in determining Medicaid eligibility. However, the countable assets can be converted to an income stream if the nursing home spouse has made an irrevocable election to receive monthly distributions from a pension fund. In this event, if the community spouse is the beneficiary,

Thanksgiving is full of memories

It rather amazes me that long before Thanksgiving arrives the stores have already put out their Christmas displays. I know this has to do with modern merchandising, but somehow it seems that what we tend to do in almost all aspects of our lives is done in a hurry. We don't even have time to celebrate one holiday before we hurry to another.

It is just true of those of us who live in the United States, or does it happen everywhere? Do other people live as though they can't wait for tomorrow, or do they savor their time and appreciate each day as it comes? It seems to me that part of being thankful this Thanksgiving Day is that we can take a whole day to be with loved ones, eat, play games and do whatever else is a family tradition. We can appreciate that day at least and not rush through it, anxious to get on to the next.

Unfortunately the day passes all too quickly by itself, and though it seems it will be a long time until the next Thanksgiving, the hours, days and years go swiftly by, and almost overnight, Thanksgivings begin to blend into each other. Time marches on. I will remember the Thanksgivings of my childhood. There were five children in our family, along with Mom and Dad. All of us plus grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins gathered for



AFTER CLASS Gay Petersen

the feast. We had a couple of large church tables put together, covered by white tablecloths, surrounded by relatives and loaded with goodies that all had brought. Everyone would sit down, the blessing was said, and we commenced to eat and talk. I loved the eating - everything was so good - but I loved the talking more. Everyone had something to say, and I thought all of my relatives were fascinating, so I listened and listened. It was difficult for young people to talk because all of the adults had so many things to say. But we smiled and laughed and joined in whenever we could work in a word.

Later, after the dishes were done, the men and older boys played Penny Ante Poker, and the women and older girls just sat and visited and enjoyed each other's company. The little kids played and ran through the barnyard, frightening everything from chickens to cows and ending up, chiefly, on the haystack, seeing who could out-climb who. Then

we played Kick the Can, Red Rover and Simon Says.

Leftovers were wonderful, and, after our afternoon of play, we were all ravenous. So we ate again, and, generally speaking, by the end of the day, we were tired, full and happy. We had renewed family ties, and each of us felt very special to belong to such a loving group.

What happy memories and how special each Thanksgiving became, at the time and in later years. No one was in a big hurry, no one even considered Christmas until after Thanksgiving was over. It would be nice if we could, for just one day, go back to such a happy, less rushed time, but that is impossible. Still, we can all build memories for our children and grandchildren and keep traditions alive and well. If you haven't experienced special family closeness maybe this year would be a good time to start. As we grow in years family traditions become ever more special and cherished. I know, at least in my case, my childhood memories are rich indeed.

Start traditions of your own, and make memories you can keep. A happy Thanksgiving to you all!

Gay Petersen is a retired teacher who lives in Wendell. Write to her at petersen@magictlink.com

A. When it comes to planning for long-term care and Medicaid eligibility, the rules will depend on whether you live in a "209(b) state" or not. In Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Utah, Virginia, or an "SSI state" (the remaining 36 states and the District of Columbia).

Since the answer to your very complicated planning question will depend on where both you live and the type of pensions you have, you will require the assistance of an experienced elder law attorney and tax professional in your community.

In nursing home spouse to qualify for Medicaid, his or her countable assets can not exceed \$2,000 and the countable assets of the community spouse are limited to an amount established in each state. That said, the general rule in SSI states is that to the extent that the

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Benefits vary depending on status

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Q. I recently received my Social Security Statement from Social Security. It really helped in my financial planning. Now that I have estimates of what my retirement, disability and survivors benefits will be, I'm curious what the average person gets in benefits. Can you tell me what the average benefit amounts are?

A. For the year 2000, the average monthly Social Security benefits are as follows: retired worker, \$804; retired couple, \$1,348; disabled worker, \$754; disabled worker with a spouse and child, \$1,255; widow(er), \$749; young widow(er) with two children, \$1,611.

Q. I earn \$85,000 per year. How much of that is subject to Social Security taxes?

A. For the year 2000, \$76,200 of your earnings is taxed for Social Security. However, the total amount of \$85,000 will subject to Medicare taxes.

Q. Where can I get a list of disabling impairments for Social Security disability?

A. "Disability Evaluation Under Social Security," SSA Pub. No. 64-039, contains the medical criteria that Social Security uses to determine disability. It is intended primarily for physicians and other health professionals. This 205-page book can be obtained free of charge by visiting our website at www.ssa.gov or faxing a request to our Fax Number, (410) 965-0696.

You can also write or call: Social Security Administration, Public Information Distribution Center, P.O. Box 17743, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401, (410) 965-0945.

Q. I receive Social Security disability benefits. I know that my case will be reviewed to make sure I'm still disabled. How often can I expect to be reviewed?

A. Your first review can be anytime from six months to seven years after the day you became disabled, depending on the nature and severity of your condition and whether your condition is expected to improve.

Social Security Q & A

who will answer your questions. Q. How do I know when it's the best time to apply for retirement benefits? A. If you're thinking about retiring in the near future, now would be a good time to call Social Security. If you plan to retire before you reach age 65, you'll only be able to collect Social Security benefits starting in the month that you apply. If you're over age 65, you can collect benefits for up to six months before you file your application for benefits. That's why it's a good idea to contact Social Security first. Then you'll find out what the best time is in your particular case. And you'll be able to find out what documents you'll need to bring with you when you apply.

Q. We are thinking about adopting a child who is currently receiving Social Security survivors benefits. If we do adopt, will his benefits stop?

A. No, benefits will not stop. As the adoptive parents will need to let Social Security know the child's new name, the date of the adoption decree and your names and address. You can call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 or visit your nearest Social Security office to report this new information.

Q. I'm 58 years old and my husband died two months ago. Would you please explain

widow's benefits and at what age will I qualify?

A. As a widow, you can receive benefits from Social Security as early as age 60. The amount you receive depends on your age and the amount of benefits your husband would have been entitled to when he died. Widow's benefits range from 71.5 percent of a deceased husband's benefit amount, up to 100 percent. That means that if you wait until age 65 to begin receiving widow's benefits, you'll receive 100 percent of what your husband would have received if he were still living.

Q. My son just enlisted in the Navy. Do people in the military pay Social Security taxes?

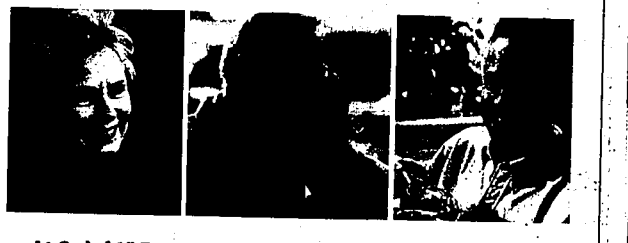
A. Yes, people who serve in the military services on active duty or on active duty for training have paid into Social Security since 1957. While those who served in the military before 1957 did not pay into Social Security, their Social Security records are credited with special earnings for Social Security purposes. For more information go to our Web site:

<http://www.ssa.gov> - or call our toll-free number 1-800-772-1213, and ask for the factsheet, "Military Service and Social Security."

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Decorate with this beautiful dried fruit

Q: I recently bought some pomegranates that I'd like to use for decoration. I'd like to dry them out to make them last. Do you have any suggestions?

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A: Pomegranates are traditional symbols of abundance and have been cultivated for both food and decorative purposes since ancient times. The apple-size, crimson fruits make charming additions to centerpiece wreaths and other arrangements. If you like the look of the dried fruit, it is possible to preserve them this way at home, but the process is quite time-consuming. You'll have to wait at least three weeks, possibly much longer, before they're ready to use.

The key to preserving pomegranates is to let them dry slowly, near a warm - not hot - air source, on a rack that allows air to circulate around the fruit to discourage mold. According to Anne Reed of Slayman and Reed, Inc., a producer of fresh and dried pomegranates and pomegranate products in Bakersfield, Calif., the easiest home method is to use a food dehydrator. Keep the temperature low - below 120 degrees F - and check the progress periodically, as the required will depend on the level of humidity in your house.

If you don't want to wait, you can find dried pomegranates in craft stores. But why not take advantage of the natural beauty by creating fresh arrangements? The best approach is to use fresh pomegranates in simple ways: Nestle them with greenery along the mantel or pile them in a compote to create an abundant centerpiece. Raisins, apples, hickory nuts and clusters of bittersweet all make lovely complements for the fruit.

Q: When is the best time to place a meat thermometer into a roast or poultry? How can I avoid losing too much juice?

-DAWN M. VIOLA, R. I.

A: There are two basic styles of meat thermometers, and the best time to use one depends on the style you have. The first style is inserted into the meat before it goes into the oven and left in place throughout roasting. It has a wide stem and a dial that can be easily monitored during cooking. The other, called an instant-read thermometer, is inserted for about a minute near the end of cooking to check the doneness of the meat. This style has a thinner stem and either a small-dial or a digital display to indicate temperature.

Both types give fairly accurate readings, but many cooks find the instant-read style to be superior in retaining the juiciness of the meat, since it makes a smaller hole and isn't used until near the end of the roasting process.

No matter which style you choose, be sure to place the thermometer correctly: Insert it deep into the thickest part of the meat, making sure it isn't touching any fat or bone, or your reading might be inaccurate.

Questions should be addressed to Martha Stewart in care of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., 122 E. 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10168. Or visit Martha Stewart at www.marthastewart.com. *Martha Stewart Living is on KSAW-TV at 9 a.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. Sunday.

Cooking is a family affair

Sisters-in-law to prepare last holiday meal together

By Diane Thomas Reale
 Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - Sisters-in-law Andi Lambert and Mary Ann Wofford are next-door neighbors and cooking partners. Mary Ann is married to Andi's brother, and the two families co-host holiday meals, sharing kitchens, pantries and ovens. When one woman is in the middle of cooking a meal and runs out of a needed ingredient, she checks next door before running to the store.

Andi and Bruce Lambert have two children - a 12-year-old son and a 7-year-old daughter. Mary Ann and Bob Wofford have three children - two girls ages 3 and 4 and a 1-year-old son. Everyone helps watch each other's kids.

The recent November, the two moms spent the week before Thanksgiving baking and cooking. They had breads, cookies, cakes and at least eight pies prepared ahead for the big day. They were bragging about their accomplishments, and congratulating each other.

Then, they had to run an errand on Thanksgiving Eve, and they asked their husbands to watch the children. The pies were frozen in the pantry.

The Lamberts had recently adopted a Labrador puppy. Nobody mentioned watching the puppy - and nobody watched him, even when he decided to sample the pie.

The puppy took one bite out of each pie. When the women got home, they salvaged what they could and threw away the rest. Now, they wait until the meal is on the table and the guests are eating it before they'll brag about it.



Mary Ann Wofford, left, and her husband's sister, Andi Lambert, live next door to each other in Wendell and work together preparing fresh bread and holiday meals. In Lambert's kitchen, old-fashioned, metal-lined drawers are filled with white flour, whole-wheat flour and sugar.

Andi Lambert teaches cooking classes to junior high age students in Wendell. She has catered in the area. Recently, the two women started baking bread and selling it to help with their church's building fund. They hate to break up a winning team, but the Woffords are soon moving to Fullman Wash, where Bob will be going back to college. This Thanksgiving, the two women plan to cook their last joint holiday meal - for a few years.

ANDI'S PUMPKIN CAKE ROLL
 3 eggs
 1 cup sugar
 2/3 cup pumpkin
 1 teaspoon lemon juice
 3/4 cup flour
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 1 teaspoon ginger
 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/2 cup walnuts
 Four everything together and mix for five minutes on medium speed of electric mixer. Pour into a 15-by-10-inch greased jelly roll

pan. Bake for 15 minutes at 375 degrees. Turn onto a towel that has been sprinkled with powdered sugar. Roll up the cake and towel together into a tight roll. Let it cool.
 For the Filling:
 1 cup powdered sugar
 1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese
 4 tablespoons butter, softened
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
 Combine ingredients and beat till smooth. Unroll the cake. Spread with the filling and roll back up. Wrap in foil and refrigerate.

Can make this a day ahead.
CRANBERRY JELLO
 1 (6 ounce) package Jell-O
 8 ounces cream cheese
 16 ounces whole berry cranberry sauce
 2 cups boiling water
 2 cups cold water
 In a blender, blend the Jell-O, boiling water, cream cheese and cranberry sauce until it is smooth. Pour into a glass bowl or pretty mold. Stir in the cold water. Chill until set.

Gather your family for food and fun

What could be more delicious than three of America's favorite comfort foods: roasted turkey, mashed potatoes and apple pie.

POTATO AND MUSHROOM STUFFING
 2 packages mushroom stuffing mix
 1 pound sausage, cooked and crumbled
 6 potatoes, peeled and sliced
 1 stick butter
 1 can (8 ounces) sliced mushrooms
 Prepare stuffing mix according to directions. Cook and crumble sausage; drain well. Add to mix. Peel, slice in bite-size pieces and boil potatoes; drain well. Add to mix. Add remaining ingredients and stuff a 12 to 14 pound turkey or put in a covered casserole dish and microwave on medium for 12 minutes. Makes 6 servings.

CREAM CHEESE AND CHIVES MASHED POTATOES
 1 medium potatoes, peeled or unpeeled, cut into 1-inch cubes
 1/2 cup nonfat cream cheese
 1/4 to 1/3 cup 1 percent milk
 1/3 cup chopped fresh chives or 2 tablespoons dried chopped chives
 Salt and pepper to taste
 In medium saucepan, cook potatoes in 2 inches boiling water, covered, about 12 minutes, until tender; drain thoroughly. Mash potatoes with electric mixer or potato masher. Mix in cream cheese until melted. Mix in salt and pepper to taste and other remaining ingredients. Do not over-beat. Stir gently over low heat until heated through. Makes 4 servings.

LEFTOVER MASHED POTATOES: Press potatoes into pie pan, brush with melted butter and cook at a high temperature for 20 minutes.
 The apricot glaze gives a wonderful sheen to the bird, and the herb butter adds moisture and subtle flavor.

APRICOT-GLAZED TURKEY WITH HERB BUTTER
 1 cup apricot nectar
 1 cup apricot preserves
 2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger-root
 1 tablespoon honey
 3/4 cup butter, unsalted, room temperature
 3 tablespoons chopped fresh sage
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
 1 turkey (21 to 22 pounds) - This



The family will love, from top, Potato and Mushroom Stuffing, Apricot-glazed Turkey with Herb Butter and Cream Cheese and Chives Mashed Potatoes.

Turkey roasting chart
 For a fully thawed turkey, use this roasting chart to estimate when the turkey will be done:

WEIGHT	HOURS/UNSTUFFED
8 to 12 pounds	2 3/4 to 3 hours
12 to 14 pounds	3 to 3 3/4 hours
14 to 18 pounds	3 1/4 to 4 1/4
18 to 20 pounds	4 1/4 to 4 3/2
20 to 24 pounds	4 3/2 to 5 hours

recipe uses a turkey equipped with a Pop-Up Timer
 1 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme or 1/2 teaspoon dried
 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh sage or 1/4 teaspoon dried
 1 can (14 1/2 ounces) chicken broth
 Salt and ground black pepper, to taste
 For Glaze: Combine apricot nectar, preserves, ginger root and honey in a small heavy saucepan, and bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low, and simmer until reduced to 1 1/4 cups, about 15 minutes.

Carving tips (see diagram, right)

Let meat set for a few minutes after removing from oven. It will firm up and be easier to carve. Place turkey on platter large enough to hold slices as meat is carved, or place a separate platter nearby that will also hold drumsticks and thighs. Creative garnishes add to the overall presentation of the turkey on a platter. Use a turning fork to hold the meat in place and a carving knife to slice.
 1. Remove thigh, drumstick and wing.
 2. Make a horizontal base cut across bottom of breast.
 3. Starting parallel to the breastbone, slice diagonally down to the horizontal base cut. Continue slicing the breast by beginning at a higher point each time until the chest bone is reached.
 Use long, sweeping strokes for smooth, even slices. Carve enough for everyone you start to serve. The carver may sit or stand; either is correct.

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THANKSGIVING FOOD

Try these new ideas for Thanksgiving

When it comes to planning and cooking Thanksgiving dinner, even cooks with years of experience can feel like novices. This year, Pillsbury has teamed up with Butterball to create a special section of a web site to help. Five menus themed around different approaches to the dinner are featured at

www.pillsbury.com/holidays. Here are two sample recipes:

GOLDEN PECAN PIE
Pillsbury refrigerated pie crust (from 15-ounce package)
1/3 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons all-purpose or unbleached flour
1 1/4 cups light corn syrup
1 1/4 teaspoons vanilla
3 eggs
1 1/2 cups pecan halves or broken pieces
2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted

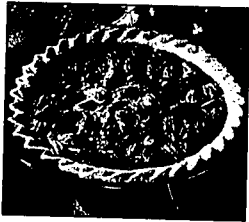


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Golden Pecan Pie is the perfect ending to a perfect day.

Heat oven to 375 F. Place pie crust in 9-inch pie pan as directed on package for one-crust filled pie. In large bowl, combine brown sugar, flour, corn syrup, vanilla and eggs. Beat well. Stir in pecans and margarine. Pour into crust-lined pan. Bake for 40 to 50 minutes or until filling is

puffed and pie is golden brown. Cool two hours or until completely cool. Store in refrigerator.

CRESCENT-WRAPPED BRIE
1 8-ounce can Pillsbury refrigerated crescent dinner rolls
1 8-ounce round natural Brie cheese

1 egg, beaten
Heat oven to 350 F. Unroll dough. Separate dough crosswise into two sections. Pat dough and firmly press perforations to seal, forming two squares. Place one square on ungreased cookie sheet. Place cheese on center of dough. With small cookie or canape cutter, cut one shape from each corner of remaining square. Set cutouts aside. Place remaining square on top of cheese round. Press dough evenly around cheese. Fold bottom edges over top edges. Gently stretch dough evenly around cheese. Press to seal completely. Brush with beaten egg. Top with cutouts. Bake at 350 F. for 20 to 24 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 15 minutes before serving. Serves 12.



Photo courtesy Pillsbury
If you're looking for something new to serve this year, Crescent-wrapped Brie can be a new dish on this year's Thanksgiving table.

Time to gobble up turkey

The Philadelphia Inquirer

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- **National Turkey Federation:** Web site has information on turkey; food safety and recipes. www.eatturkey.com
- **Potato Board:** Recipes, tips and advice from celebrity chefs. www.potatohelp.com
- **Star Chefs:** Click on "features" at www.starchefs.com to find the turkey area. The site also has recipes from chefs and authors.
- **Cook's Illustrated:** The magazine runs www.turkeyhelp.com, with guidance and recipes, including side dishes and dessert.

FDA stalks outlawed corn

The Philadelphia Inquirer

From Washington comes news that the Food and Drug Administration has released a list of 300 recalled products made with unapproved biotech corn. The products include tortillas, taco

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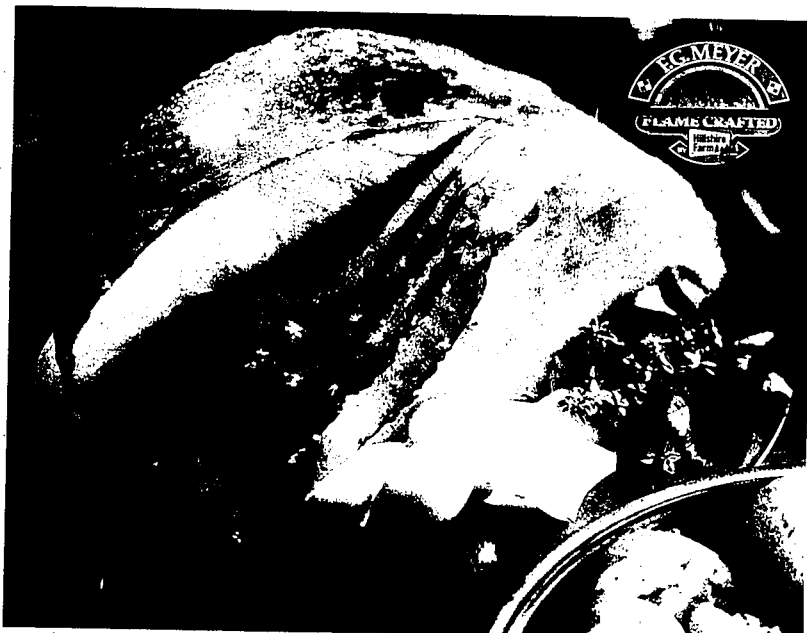
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 - 1 (15-ounce) can pumpkin (about 2 cups)
 - 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
 - 2 eggs
 - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Preheat oven to 425 F. In large bowl, combine all ingredients except pie shell; mix well. Pour into unbaked pie shell. Bake 15 minutes. Reduce oven heat to 350 F. Continue baking 35 to 40 minutes or until knife inserted 1 inch from edge comes out clean. Cool. Garnish as desired. Store covered in refrigerator.



Perfect Pumpkin Pie

Stir in lemon juice. Pour into crust. Bake 30 minutes. Meanwhile, in saucepan, combine raspberries and cornstarch; cook and stir until mixture thickens and is clear. Spoon on top of pie. Chill at least 4 hours. Top with whipped topping. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.



Raspberry Topped Lemon Pie

RASPBERRY TOPPED LEMON PIE

- 3 eggs whites
 - 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
 - 1/2 cup RealLemon Lemon Juice from Concentrate
 - 1 (6-ounce) graham cracker pie crust
 - 1 (10-ounce) package frozen raspberries in syrup, thawed
 - 1 tablespoon cornstarch
 - Whipped topping
- Preheat oven to 325 F. With mixer, beat egg whites and condensed milk until blended.



Jewel Fudge

Over low heat, melt chocolate with condensed milk, vanilla and salt. Remove from heat; stir in cherries. Spread into foil-lined 8- or 9-inch square pan. Chill 2 hours or until firm. Turn fudge onto cutting board; peel off

JEWEL FUDGE

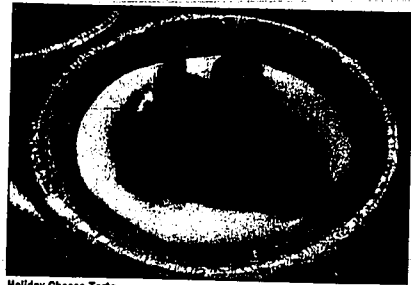
- Makes about 2 1/4 pounds
- 3 (6-ounce) packages premium white chocolate chips (18 ounces)
- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chopped green candied cherries
- 1/2 cup chopped red candied

foil and cut into squares. Store covered in refrigerator.

HOLIDAY CHEESE TARTS

- Makes 12 tarts
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 1/3 cup RealLemon Lemon Juice from Concentrate
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 (4-ounce) packages ready-made graham cracker pie crusts (12 crusts)
- Assorted fruit (strawberries, blueberries, bananas, raspberries, orange segments, cherries, kiwi fruit)

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Holiday Cheese Tarts

1/4 cup apple jelly, melted (optional)
 With mixer, beat cream cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in condensed milk until smooth. Stir in lemon juice and vanilla. Spoon into crusts. Chill 2 hours or until set. Just before serving, top with fruit; brush with jelly if desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

HEAVEN SCENT BAKED APPLES

- Makes 6 servings
 - 6 medium baking apples (about 2 pounds), such as Rome Beauty or York Imperial
 - 1/3 cup mixed dried fruit bits or raisins
 - 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
 - 1 tablespoon water
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- Preheat oven to 350 F. Core apples; peel a strip from the top of each. If necessary, cut thin slice from bottom of each apple, so apples will stand upright. Place apples upright in greased 11-by-7-inch baking dish. Fill cen-



Heaven Scent Baked Apples

ter with fruit bits or raisins. In medium-sized bowl, combine condensed milk, water and nutmeg; pour over and around apples. Set dish in a 13-by-9-inch pan. Set on oven rack. Carefully

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Cost of Thanksgiving dinner goes down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here's something to be thankful for: A traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner will cost less this year than last, a farm group says.

A dinner for 10 people this year will cost \$32.37, down \$1.46 from 1999, according to an annual survey by the American Farm Bureau Federation. It is the first time the Thanksgiving dinner price has dropped since 1991, the group said.

The drop reflects a decline in the cost of a wide range of food items, including milk, sweet potatoes, the turkey itself.

"What we are seeing is a fairly large supply of pretty much every commodity produced in this country," said Joe Miller, an economist for the farm group.

"We've seen low prices at the farm level for two or three years now," and those declines are now trickling down to grocery shoppers, he added.

Since the group started tracking Thanksgiving dinner costs in 1996, the price has risen \$3.63.

This year's survey was based on visits to supermarkets by 121 shoppers in 30 states.

Here's the breakdown for this year's dinner bill:

- A 16-pound turkey, \$12.52, down an average of \$1.71 from last year.
- Gallon of whole milk, \$2.56, down 39 cents.
- Three-pound bag of sweet potatoes, \$1.94, down 23 cents.
- Package of cubed stuffing, \$2.14, down 16 cents.

- Package of fresh cranberries, \$1.54, down 16 cents.
- Can of pumpkin pie mix, \$1.54, down 7 cents.
- Frozen green peas, \$1.06, down 7 cents.
- Half-pint of whipping cream, \$1.11, down 4 cents.
- Package of brown-and-serve rolls, \$1.36, down a penny.
- Pound of celery and carrots for relish tray, 75 cents, down 5 cents.

A group of miscellaneous items that includes coffee, onions, eggs and sugar will cost \$2.73, 27 cents less than last year.

One item to increase in price this year is a package of pie shells, up 12 cents to \$1.54.

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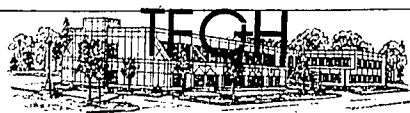
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New siding can make life easier

DEAR JIM: Our house needs new siding and I want something low-maintenance and durable with a distinctive look. I like the simulated brick, stone or cedar shake siding with extra insulation. What is the best material?
—PAUL F.

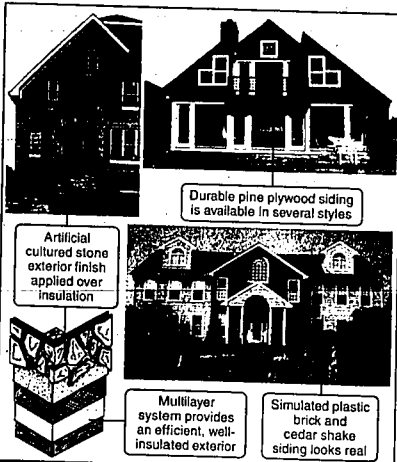
DEAR PAUL: All of those new no-maintenance siding materials that you mentioned would fit your needs. They all can be applied over an extra layer of foam insulation to help pay back the costs. Many of them are designed for simple do-it-yourself installation to lower the overall cost.

The amount of savings on your utility bills depends on the level of wall insulation that you now have. Other than making your house look unique from others on your street, one of the most noticeable improvements will be in reduced road noise and other outdoor sounds transmitted through the walls.

You have quite a few newer material options from which to choose — lightweight cultured stone, several types of brick kits and plastic simulated brick or cedar shake panels and new vinyl siding. These materials make the re-siding job easier and often you do not have to remove your old siding first.

Individual cultured stones are one of the most attractive exterior coverings and work well as trim or to cover the entire wall. The stone are made of cement and special lightweight aggregate. This keeps them light enough so that no extra supporting foundation or footers are needed.

The synthetic stones are molded from real stone shapes and colored with natural iron oxide. Once they are installed on the wall, they are impossible to distinguish from real stones. Although the shapes look totally random, they are formed to fit together for a professional-look-



New types of attractive, durable siding.

ing wall.

Many types of brick siding kits are available. Most use real bricks that are only 1/2-inch thick. In one technique, you install each brick individually with a special mastic. The mastic is spread on the wall and the bricks are pressed into it. With a damp trowel, smooth out the mortar joints. Other kits use pre-designed panels with support channels to align the thin bricks. The insulating foam is already attached to the back of the panel.

Durable plastic panels are the easiest-to-install, no-maintenance option. Each, roughly three-foot-long, panel interlocks perfectly with the mating panels. They are available in simulated brick, stone and cedar shake profiles.

New vinyl siding is also an option with some of the other materials used as decorative trim. Some siding uses reinforcing fiberglass rods for more rigidity. In high wind areas, look for new wind-resistant vinyl siding with a flexible hem. This allows

the siding to be nailed tightly to the wall.

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Atkinson has lots of porch space

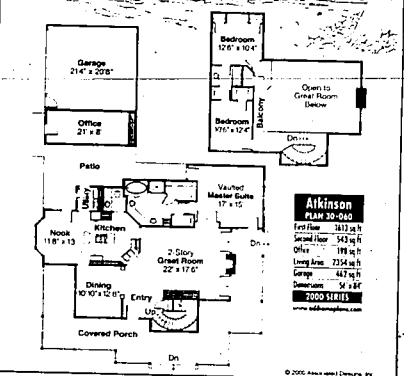
Families who like covered porches will find plenty to admire in the Atkinson. A wide railed porch wraps around three sides of this roomy and relaxed contemporary country-style home.

The spacious kitchen at its core is both open and enclosed. Standing at the sink, you can be a part of whatever is going on in the great room. At the same time, guests in the dining room and great room won't be able to see much of the unavoidable food preparation clutter. The cook top is built into a long work island with a small raised eating bar at the end.

Pantry, oven and microwave are adjacent to the utility room. Windows on three sides brighten the bayed nook, and French doors open onto a skylit covered patio that joins the house to the garage. The rear section of this side-entry garage is designed for use as an office, workshop or hobby room.

A dramatic two-story ceiling adds to the sense of spaciousness in the great room. French doors capped by arched clerestory windows flank the fireplace, bathing the room in natural light that's somewhat muted by the covered porch. Double doors open into a vaulted master suite with a large bathroom. Luxuries include a spa tub, private toilet, walk-in closet, double vanity and glass-block-enclosed shower.

On the second floor of the Atkinson, a wrap-around balcony overlooks the great room. A dual-compartment bathroom connects the two bedrooms, both of which offer plenty of closet space. In the rear bed-



room, a cozy window seat nestles into the alcove between the two closets.

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Leftovers make a great turkey pie

Taste of Home

Turkey n' Stuffing Pie comes from Ruth Hastings, a country cook in Louisville, Ill., who uses the stuffing as the crust for this attractive, cheese-latticed dish. The recipe would be great the day after Thanksgiving.

- TURKEY N' STUFFING PIE**
- 1 egg, beaten
 - 1 cup chicken broth
 - 1/3 cup butter or margarine, melted
 - 5 cups herb-seasoned stuffing
 - 1 can (4 ounces) mushroom stems and pieces, drained
 - 1/2 cup chopped onion
 - 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
 - 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
 - 3 cups cubed cooked turkey
 - 1 cup frozen peas
 - 1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley
 - 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
 - 1 jar (12 ounces) turkey gravy
 - 8 slices process American



This delicious dish will satisfy your hungry bunch after Thanksgiving.

cheese, cut into strips
In a large bowl, combine the egg, broth and butter. Add stuffing, Mix well. Pat onto the bottom and up the sides of a greased 9-inch pie plate. Set aside. In a skillet, saute mushrooms and onion in butter until tender. Sprinkle with flour. Mix well. Add the turkey, peas, parsley, Worcestershire and thyme. Mix well. Stir in gravy. Bring to a boil. Boil and stir for 2

minutes. Spoon into the crust. Bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes. Arrange cheese strips in a lattice pattern over filling. Bake 5 to 10 minutes longer or until cheese is melted. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Thanksgiving dinner is in the bag this year

By Jeannie McManus
The Washington Post

Cooking a turkey in an oven roasting bag may not put you on the cover of Gourmet magazine, but it is an easy and efficient way to roast your holiday bird.

The turkey cooks in less time than with traditional roasting methods and it stays moist. Though the skin is not crisp, it is sufficiently golden to look respectable on your holiday platter, and cleanup is minimal.

We tested our 14-pound turkey in a Reynolds Oven Bag, using the Turkey Size, which holds a bird up to 24 pounds. Manufacturers' directions may vary, so carefully read the directions for the oven bag you purchase.

- OVEN BAG ROAST TURKEY**
- Serves 12 to 14
 - 12- to 14-pound turkey
 - 1 tablespoon flour
 - 2 stalks celery, diced
 - 1 medium onion, sliced
 - Vegetable oil or melted butter

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
Herbs and seasonings of choice to taste

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Remove the giblets and neck from the body and neck cavities of the turkey. Rinse the turkey in cold water, drain it and pat it dry with paper towels. If desired, you may stuff the turkey.

Add the flour to the bag and shake to coat. Place the bag in a roasting pan at least 2 inches deep. Scatter the celery and onion in the bottom of the bag.

Brush the turkey with the oil or melted butter. Season with salt and pepper and any favorite herbs or seasonings to taste. Place the turkey in the bag on top of the celery and onion and close with the nylon tie that comes with the bag. Cut 6 slits, each about 1/2 inch long, in top of bag.

Roast the turkey in the preheated oven. A 12- to 16-pound unstuffed turkey should be done in 2 to 2 1/2 hours. The turkey is done when a thermometer registers 180 degrees in the thigh or 170 degrees in the breast meat.

Per serving: 407 calories, 65 gm protein, trace carbohydrates, 14 gm fat, 216 mg cholesterol, 5 gm saturated fat, 177 mg sodium, 0 gm dietary fiber

Tired of pumpkin pie? Try this cheesecake

By Jimmy Schmidt
Detroit Free Press

Pumpkin pie may be the traditional Thanksgiving dessert, but I'm guessing lots of folks would really rather have this Pumpkin Caramel Cheesecake. For this recipe, canned pumpkin puree without sugar works well and is easy, but fresh pumpkin is the best. It has a brighter, more delicate flavor.

Preparing pumpkin: I prefer to roast the pumpkin with brown sugar. Quarter the pumpkin and remove the seeds. Place the quarters in a roasting pan and sprinkle them with brown sugar. Roast in a 400-degree oven with a little water in the pan until the pumpkin meat is tender, about 30 to 40 minutes, depending on the size of the pumpkin. Remove the quarters and allow them to cool.

The fast method: Cut the pumpkin into even smaller pieces than for roasting. Trim away the skin with a sharp knife. Rinse the pumpkin under cold running water, then season the complete surface with brown sugar. Wrap each piece com-

pletely in microwave-safe plastic wrap (if you use a bag, remember to pierce it with a small hole). Place the pumpkin on a plate and cook in a microwave at full power for about 6 minutes per 1-pound piece. The plastic wrap gets very hot, so allow it to cool before unwrapping.

This cheesecake is heavenly in itself, but you can make it even better by serving it drizzled with a bitersweet chocolate sauce.

PUMPKIN CARAMEL CHEESECAKE

- Crust:**
- 2 cups graham cracker crumbs
 - 1/4 cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- Caramel sauce:**
- 1/4 cup melted butter
 - 3 cups sugar
 - 2 cups cold water
 - Juice of 1 lemon
 - 2 cups heavy cream
- Filling:**
- 3 pounds cream cheese
 - 2 cups caramel (from above)
 - 1/4 cup flour
 - 2 cups pumpkin puree
 - 1 tablespoon vanilla
 - 2 tablespoons nutmeg
 - 7 eggs
- Garnish:**

1 cup favorite warm bitersweet chocolate sauce, optional
Powdered sugar to taste
Fresh mint sprigs
Preheat the oven to 300 degrees.

To make the crust: In a medium bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, sugar, cinnamon and butter. Transfer to a parchment-lined and greased cake pan, 12 inches in diameter and at least 4 inches deep. Press the crumbs evenly across the bottom.

To make the caramel sauce: In a medium, acid-resistant saucepan, combine the sugar, water and lemon juice. Bring to a simmer over high heat and cook until the caramel forms, about 310 degrees on a candy thermometer. Remove the skillet from the heat. Slowly whisk in the heavy cream. Return the sauce to the heat and cook until it is thickened and dense, about 10 minutes. Remove from the heat and allow to cool. **Caution:** Do not taste anytime during the cooking, because the caramel will burn you.

To make the filling: In a large mixing bowl, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Add 2 cups of the warm caramel sauce

(reserve the rest for topping the cheesecake) and the flour, blending until smooth. Scrape down the bowl and mix in the pumpkin, vanilla and nutmeg, mixing well. Add the eggs one by one, mixing after each addition and scraping down the sides of the bowl. The mixture should be smooth. Pour into the prepared pan.

To cook: Place the pan in a roasting pan on the lower rack of the oven. Add boiling water to the roasting pan until it is two-thirds of the way up the sides of the cake pan. Bake until the center is well set, about 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 hours. Remove the cake from the water bath and pour the remaining caramel sauce over the top of the cake. Allow the cake to cool on a rack to room temperature. Refrigerate it overnight to set.

To serve: Run a knife along the edge of the cheesecake to loosen it. Carefully remove the cheesecake onto a parchment-lined platter. Cut into 12 slices and place on dessert plates. Drizzle the chocolate sauce over the cheesecake. Dust with confectioners' sugar sifted through a fine sieve. Garnish with a mint sprig. Makes 12 servings.

Seasonal dish gives you a break from turkey

By Linda Gassenheimer
The Miami Herald

Cranberries, brown sugar, orange juice and mustard make a quick, mouth-watering sauce for pork tenderloin medallions that's perfect for this time of year — especially when you want a change from turkey.

Cranberries are at their peak right now. They freeze well, so buy extra bags and pop them in the freezer for use over the next few months. Pork medallions are made by cutting 1-inch slices from the pork tenderloin. Serve the pork with Caraway

Scented Noodles. Complete the meal with a green salad and your favorite dressing.

PORK MEDALLIONS WITH CRANBERRY MUSTARD SAUCE

- 3/4 pound pork tenderloin
 - Olive oil spray
 - Salt and freshly ground pepper
 - 1/2 cup orange juice
 - 2 tablespoons brown sugar
 - 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
 - 1/2 cup fresh cranberries
- Remove all fat from pork and cut into 1-inch slices. Flatten these medallions to about 1/2-inch with the bottom of a skillet

or the palm of your hand. Spray a nonstick skillet with olive oil and heat over medium-high. Brown medallions for 3 minutes; turn and salt and pepper cooked side. Brown second side 3 minutes and remove to plate. Add orange juice to skillet; scrape up any brown bits. Add brown sugar, mustard and cranberries. Stir to dissolve sugar; simmer 2 to 3 minutes. When the cranberries burst, mash them with a spoon and stir

to make a smooth sauce. Adjust seasoning. Makes 2 servings.

- Caraway Scented Noodles:**
- 1/2 pound thin egg noodles
 - 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
 - 1/2 tablespoon caraway seeds
- Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Cook noodles according to package directions; drain. Place in serving bowl and toss with oil, caraway seeds and salt and pepper to taste. Makes 2 servings.

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Why not cook only the breast?

By Susan Selasky
Detroit Free Press

We are creatures of habit. The proof is in the bird. For example, more than 90 percent of Americans will mark the national holiday in two weeks by popping a whole turkey into the oven. And they'll do so knowing full well that forks will be poised to spear the white meat first, leaving the rest of the bird for the next-day noodle casserole.

While dark meat is more prized in many parts of the world, Americans love their white meat, confirms Norma Gray of the National Turkey Federation in Washington, D.C. In this country turkeys are even bred to have a larger percentage of it.

So why don't we wise up and just cook the preferred part of the bird on Thanksgiving? After all, the trickiest part of roasting a whole turkey is getting the thighs and legs thoroughly cooked without overcooking the breast. Take the appendages out of the equation and you've resolved that problem.

Cooking only the breast offers other advantages: It's easier to handle than a whole bird, takes less time to roast and the meat isn't as fatty. It also takes up less space in the oven, so there's more room for side dishes.

Don't get us wrong. If you prefer the drama of plunking a whole bird down on the holiday table, don't let us talk you out of it. But if you don't want the fuss, or if you're having a more intimate gathering, serving half a bird is better than none.

The Detroit Free Press Test Kitchen spent the last week experimenting with the wingless, legless wonders. Here are our best suggestions for cooking a turkey breast.

• Size and cost: Most bone-in turkey breasts are around 6-8 pounds. The ones we bought ranged from \$1.59 to \$2.29 per pound, compared with 1 pound per person of whole-bird prices of 99 cents to about \$1.50 a pound. But you can figure that you need to buy less than 3/4 of a pound, compared with 1 pound per person of whole turkey without leftovers, says Mary Clingman, a home economist with the Butterball Turkey Talk-Line.

• Thawing: The best way to thaw any turkey is in the refrigerator. A 6-pound bone-in breast usually will thaw in 24-30 hours. You also can thaw it in the microwave following the processor's instructions, though Clingman says that can affect the quality of the cooked meat.

• Cleaning: Simply take off the packaging and give the breast a good rinse under cold running water. Usually there's no giblet package to deal with, but some country-style breasts may come with wings, neck and giblets.

• Basting: Basting, or soaking in salted water or a salt-sugar-water solution, is one of our favorite ways to prepare a turkey for roasting.

This cleanses the meat and adds moisture.

• Marinating etc.: We experimented with two marinades, one rub and one glaze. Some whole turkey breasts are small enough to fit into a large bowl or 1- or 2-gallon sealable plastic bag for marinating.

• Stuffing: You can stuff a turkey breast, but there isn't as much room for it. The main cavity is small and the neck cavity is even smaller. Clingman says to stuff the main cavity over a layer of foil secured to the rib cage.

• Gravy: There will be some pan drippings for gravy, but not a lot. Add some liquid (water, broth or white wine) to the pan before you put the breast in the oven and replenish it as necessary during roasting. This will prevent the drippings from burning off and leave some liquid for the gravy.

BASIC ROASTED TURKEY BREAST

6-8 pound whole turkey breast, bone in

1-2 tablespoons olive oil or canola oil

Salt and pepper to taste

Broth, water or white wine (about 1 cup)

1-2 tablespoons fresh chopped herbs of choice such as thyme or rosemary

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Brush the turkey skin all over with the oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place the breast on a V-shaped rack with the pointed side down and set the rack in a roasting pan. Add a cup of broth, water or wine to prevent the drippings from burning. Place the turkey in the oven and roast about 30 minutes or until the skin just starts to become golden. Reduce the oven temperature to 325 degrees and continue roasting about 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 hours longer, depending on the size of the breast, basting with the pan juices if desired. The breast is done when the internal temperature

reaches 170 degrees. Remove the turkey from the oven, cover it loosely with foil and let it rest at least 15 minutes before carving. Makes 8 servings.

TURKEY BREAST WITH CITRUS GLAZE

6-8 pound whole turkey breast, bone in, rinsed

2-3 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs of choice, such as sage, marjoram or thyme

1 tablespoon olive oil or canola oil

Salt and pepper to taste

12 cups water or chicken broth, as needed

Glaze:

1/4 cup dry white wine

1/4 cup paleo brown sugar

2 tablespoons lime juice

2 tablespoons lemon juice

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Gently slip your fingers under the skin of the breast, starting at the meater end, and gently loosen the skin without totally removing it. Sprinkle the herbs under the skin. Replace the skin. Brush the skin all over with the oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. In a small bowl, mix together all of the glaze ingredients; set aside. Place the breast pointed side down on a V-shaped rack set in a roasting pan. Add the water or broth to the pan to keep the drippings from burning. Place the turkey in the oven and roast about 30 minutes or until the skin just starts to turn golden. Reduce the oven temperature to 325 degrees and continue roasting 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 hours longer, depending on the size of the breast, basting with the citrus glaze during the last 1/2 hour. The breast is done when the internal temperature reaches 170 degrees. Remove the turkey from the oven, cover it loosely with foil and let it rest at least 15 minutes before carving. Makes 8 servings.

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From first-timers to seasoned pros, cooks of all levels may experience anxiety over preparing a holiday turkey dinner. The Butterball Turkey Talk-line - 1-800-323-4848 - has come to many a rescue.

Every November and December, the Talk-line's 48 home economists respond to nearly 170,000 inquiries. Here are some of the most asked questions - and answers.

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO THAW A TURKEY?

Refrigerator thawing is recommended. However, if short on time, submerge the turkey in cold water. Thawing the turkey at room temperature is not recommended, as it could promote bacterial growth.

- Refrigerator thawing: Thaw turkey in unopened wrapper breast-side up on a tray in the refrigerator. For every four pounds of turkey, allow at least one day of thawing.
- Cold water thawing: Place turkey in unopened wrapper breast down in cold water to yow. Change water every 30 minutes to keep surface cold. Estimate minimum thawing time to be 30 minutes per pound for a whole turkey.

Remove original plastic wrapper from thawed or fresh turkey. Remove the neck and giblets from the body and neck cavities.

- Drain juices and blot turkey dry with paper towels.
- Stuff the turkey (optional) just before roasting; ingredients may be prepared earlier, but keep moist and dry ingredients separate and combine just before stuffing.
- Return legs to tucked position, if untrucked for cleaning or stuffing.
- Insert oven-safe meat thermometer into the deepest part of the thigh.
- Brush with oil to prevent drying of the skin.
- Follow roasting directions that come with the turkey.

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WHAT IS THE BEST WAY

How to handle the turkey

For many American families, turkey is the traditional holiday meal. But nine out of 10 turkeys carry bacteria that can cause food poisoning.

THE BIG THAW

Safe ways to defrost turkeys:

- In the refrigerator: Allow 24 hours for every 5 lbs.; meat may be refrozen without cooking.
- In the microwave: Follow manufacturer's instructions; cook the turkey immediately.
- In the cold water: Be sure the turkey is in a leak-proof package. Immerse in cold tap water. Change water every 30 minutes, allowing 30 minutes per pound. Cook immediately.

LEFTOVERS

- Don't let food stand out more than two hours. Refrigerate or freeze promptly in airtight containers.

SAFE COOKING

- Be sure the turkey is completely thawed.
- Place bird breast-side up on a wire rack in a shallow roasting pan.
- Roast at 325°F or higher.
- Use a meat thermometer to test for doneness. The thermometer must reach 160°F in the thigh of a whole turkey, 170°F for a turkey breast. Juices should run clear.
- Let stand for 20 minutes before carving.
- Reheat thoroughly to 165°F until hot and steaming. Bring gravy to a rolling boil.

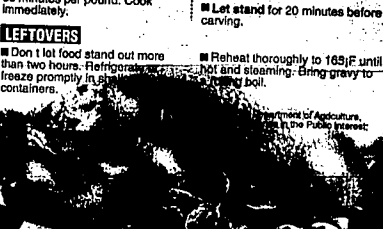


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TO ROAST A TURKEY?

Place thawed or fresh turkey, breast up, on a flat rack in a shallow pan, 2 to 2 1/2 inches deep. If unstuffed, insert oven-safe meat thermometer into the thickest part of the thigh. If stuffed, place the tip of the meat thermometer inside the stuffed cavity of the turkey. Brush or rub skin with oil to prevent the skin from drying and to enhance the golden color. Place in a preheated 325 F oven. When the skin is a light golden color and the turkey is about 2/3 done, shield the breast loosely with a tent of lightweight foil to prevent overcooking of the breast. Start checking for doneness 1/2 hour before your roasting schedule guidelines.

thermometer should be placed inside the stuffed cavity of the turkey. If unstuffed, the tip should be placed in the thigh muscle, just above and beyond the lower part of the thighbone, but not touching the bone, and pointing toward the body. If using an oven-safe meat thermometer, insert the thermometer prior to placing the turkey in the oven and leave in while the turkey is roasting. Adjust the thermometer so it can be read while the turkey is in the oven. If using an instant-read meat thermometer, do not leave the thermometer in the turkey during roasting.

HOW DO YOU KNOW WHEN THE TURKEY IS DONE?

Turkey is done when the meat thermometer reaches the following temperatures:

WHERE DOES THE MEAT THERMOMETER GO?

If stuffed, the tip of the meat

Good gravy! How to make it

By Stephanie Witt Sedgwick
The Washington Post

Gravy may be the easiest thing on your Thanksgiving menu to cook. All you need is decent chicken or turkey stock (even a good can of broth will do) and the carcass. Whisking together a little fat from the drippings with some flour, add stock or broth and bring to a simmer. Season with extra defatted drippings and salt and pepper to taste and the gravy is done.

TURKEY GRAVY

Makes about 2 cups, about 8 servings.

- 4 tablespoons turkey fat (from the drippings) - See note
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups turkey stock (recipe follows), chicken stock or chicken broth, heated until almost boiling, plus additional if needed.

Defatted drippings from the turkey-roasting pan to taste.

- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

In a medium sauce pan or pot over medium heat, heat the turkey fat. Add the flour, whisking it with the fat, and cook for 2 minutes. Add the hot stock or broth, whisking to combine. Continue to heat, whisking occasionally until the gravy simmers and thickens, about 5 minutes. Add the defatted drippings and salt and pepper to taste and strain if desired. If the gravy is thicker than you would like it, thin with a little more stock. Serve immediately.

NOTE: The simplest way to separate the fat from the drippings is to pour all of the liquid from the roasting pan into a fat-separator cup. After it stands for 1 to 2 minutes, you can pour out the drippings through the spout, leaving the fat behind.

A rich stock is important for superior gravy. It can be made days or even months ahead (just freeze until needed). You can use the turkey neck, heart and giblets that come inside the turkey (but not the liver, which would make the stock bitter). You will need to supplement this with extra turkey wings to come up with the 4 pounds of parts for this recipe. This recipe makes enough for plenty of gravy and can also be used for soup made from turkey leftovers. The stock is only lightly seasoned. Add salt and pepper to taste before serving.

TURKEY STOCK

Makes about 8 cups

- 4 pounds giblets and turkey parts
- 1 pound onions (about 2 medium), coarsely chopped

- 1/2 pound carrots (about 4 medium), coarsely chopped
 - 1/2 pound celery stalks (about 3 medium), coarsely chopped
 - 3 quarts (12 cups) water
 - 1 tablespoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon peppercorns
 - 3 bay leaves
- In a large stockpot, combine all of the ingredients. Bring the mixture to a boil, skimming and discarding any foam that accumulates on the surface. Reduce the heat to low, cover partially and simmer for 2 to 2 1/2 hours. Strain the stock; discard the vegetables, meat and bones. Place the stock

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Turkey

Continued from F1
 For Herb Butter: Blend 3/4 cup room temperature unsalted butter, 3 tablespoons chopped fresh sage, salt and pepper in small bowl. Set aside.
 Preheat oven to 400 F. Pat

turkey dry with paper towels. Season turkey cavity with salt and pepper. Place turkey on rack, and set in large roasting pan. Slide hand under skin of turkey. Breast under skin. Place remaining herb butter in small saucepan. Stir over low heat until melted. Brush butter over outside of turkey. Tie legs together loosely to hold shape of turkey. Roast turkey for 1/2

hour. Reduce oven temperature to 325 F. Roast turkey another 1 1/2 hours, basting occasionally with pan drippings. (Add chicken broth to pan if pan drippings evaporate.) Tent turkey with heavy-duty foil;

roast 1 hour, brushing hot glaze over turkey. Remove foil; roast another 1/2 hour. Turkey is done when timer pops up. Place turkey on platter; tent with foil. Let stand 1/2 hour before carving.

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Meal

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THANKSGIVING RICE CASSEROLE
 1 1/2 cups uncooked rice, rinse and drain
 1 can chicken consommé
 1 can cream of celery soup
 3 tablespoons melted butter
 1 small onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
 1 stalk celery, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
 1/3 cup raisins
 1/2 cup chopped apples
 Put rice into a 9-by-13-inch casserole dish. In a separate bowl, place both consommé and celery soup and stir till smooth. Pour into the rice dish and stir. Add the rest of the ingredients, stir and bake covered for 45 minutes at 350 degrees. The onions and celery will be tender when it is done.

MARY ANN'S PUMPKIN COOKIES
 1 cup butter
 3/4 cup brown sugar
 3/4 cup white sugar
 Mix together. Beat in:
 1 egg
 1 teaspoon vanilla.
 In another bowl stir together:
 2 cups flour
 1 cup rolled oats
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 Then add the flour mixture and 1 cup pumpkin alternately to the creamed mixture. Add 1 to 1 1/2 cups chocolate chips. Drop onto a greased cookie sheet and bake at 350 degrees for 12 to 13 minutes.

FRUIT PIZZA (kids can help make this one)
 Crust
 2 cups butter
 1 1/2 cup sugar
 2 eggs
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 2 3/4 cup flour
 2 teaspoons cream of tartar
 Mix all together, roll out and place on a cookie sheet. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 minutes. Cool completely.
 Topping:
 16 ounces cream cheese
 1 1/4 cups sugar
 5 tablespoons fruit juice (your choice)
 Mix together and spread over the pizza crust. Top with your choice of fruit. (Mary Ann suggests bananas, kiwi, strawberries, pineapple and whatever else you have on hand.)
 Make a glaze of:
 3 teaspoons cornstarch
 3/4 cup fruit juice
 Sugar to taste.
 Boil for 1 minute, cool and pour over the pizza.

DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING LEFTOVER TURKEY PIZZA
 1 package dry yeast
 1 cup warm water
 2 1/2 cups flour
 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
 1 teaspoon sugar
 1 teaspoon salt
 Dissolve yeast in a 2-quart bowl. Combine with the rest of the ingredients and beat vigorously for 20 strokes. Let it rest for 5 minutes, then press into two pizza pans. Spread the pizza dough with Ragu Garlic Parmesan White Sauce and top with:
 1 cup mushrooms
 2 cups leftover turkey, chopped into small pieces
 Shredded Mozzarella cheese
 Bake at 375 for 17 minutes.

MARY ANN'S CHEESE BROCCOLI SOUP
 4 bouillon cubes
 2 cups water
 A bundle of broccoli, chopped fine or 1 package frozen broccoli
 1/2 cup chopped onion
 1/2 cup melted butter
 1/2 cup flour
 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
 1/2 to 1 cup shredded cheese (your choice)
 3 to 4 cups milk
 Dash white pepper
 Boil the water and bouillon cubes in a 2 1/2-quart pan. Add the broccoli and onion. Cook till the onion is done. Drain and set the liquid aside. Add flour and dry mustard to melted butter in another pan. Whisk till smooth. Slowly stir in the milk. Add reserved liquid and cheese, along with broccoli and onion. Stir till the cheese is melted. Sprinkle with white pepper.

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