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# Taxpayers focus on rural needs

## Annual conference looks at ways all of Idaho can benefit from the 'new economy'

By Michael Journe  
Times-News writer

BOISE — The "new economy" is like a speeding train making its way to the big city without even slowing down for passengers at smaller rural stations along its tracks.

Lots of ideas about how rural Idaho can hop that train were thrown out Wednesday at the

**Lawmakers talk about cutting taxes — A2**

Associated Taxpayers of Idaho's annual conference in Boise, the main terminal for information technology economy in the state.

Somehow though, conference speakers said, the state's rural areas are going to have to start

running the same direction as the train to catch it. And even then they may need a boost from a friend, like the state, to get on.

"This is not one of those things we can study for two or three years or it will go right by us," Peter O'Neill, chairman of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's Rural Task Force, told the more than 300 legislators, lobbyists, county commissioners and city council members

present.

Times have changed. Agriculture and natural resource industries, once the steady mainstay of the state economy, have taken a back seat to the dynamic information technology industries fueling urban growth and creating "pockets of prosperity" in the state, many of the speakers said.

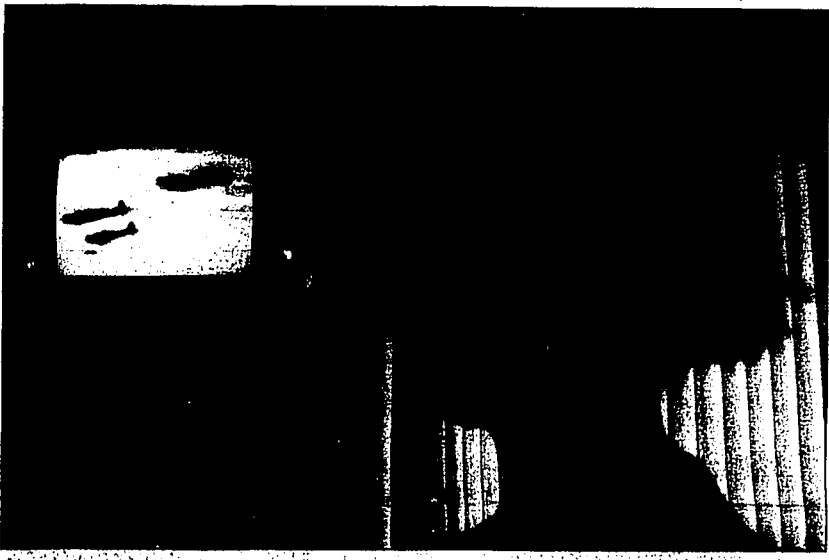
An increasing reliance on foreign food sources, resulting low

prices and corporate consolidation have created the need for large economies of scale in the ag industry, making small family farms inefficient.

The shift to this "new economy," which changes on a near daily basis, is leaving rural Idaho behind. While Boise booms, some former mining and timber com-

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## REMEMBERING HISTORY



Jordan Juhnke watches a video of Japanese bombers dropping bombs on Pearl Harbor during a history class at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls. Today marks the 59th anniversary of the attack that propelled America into World War II.

# Teachers keep Dec. 7, 1941, alive

By Brandon Fiala  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — America woke to a new world this morning 59 years ago.

Japanese planes bombed Pearl Harbor today in 1941. America entered World War II, and G.I.s left home headed for European blood baths.

Pearl Harbor changed the world — and now a new generation is learning lessons from the bombing.

Students will discuss Pearl Harbor in classrooms across the Magic Valley today.

Steve Davis, a history teacher at Robert Stuart Junior High School, taught a class of eighth-graders about Pearl Harbor Wednesday morning.

Davis, who grew up running through Philippine jungles hunting for WWII artifacts, showed students a corroded Japanese helmet and sword he found. Davis' presentation

**Survivors gather**

The Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Chapter Two of the Magic Valley will meet at 10:30 a.m. today at the USS Idaho Branch 133, Fleet Reserve Association, 300 N. Johnson, Postville.

A dinner will be held to remember and honor the living and dead who were at Pearl Harbor during the attack.

For a related story, please see page C7.

included slides, a movie and books.

Some students were surprised by the level of destruction.

"It was weird, I didn't know they destroyed so many ships," said Justine Williams, 13. "I had heard about it, but didn't know much about it."

"I didn't know about all the islands, and how many things

they bombed," said Jordan Juhnke, 14.

Both students said they wanted to learn more about Pearl Harbor after Davis' presentation.

"Pearl Harbor changed the social landscape," said Davis, who has taught for 10 years. "We became a superpower. Women entered the work force and there was more education from the GI Bill."

Davis said he got interested in Pearl Harbor because his father was a Marine who fought in WWII. Later, when his father was stationed in the Philippines and Hawaii, Davis said he hunted for war relics.

Other area history teachers said they plan to discuss Pearl Harbor today, but won't devote all of their class time to the subject. "We talk about the date, since most kids don't know what happened (today)," said Eric Anderson, who teaches U.S. history at Jerome High School.

"I'll see where the conversation goes from there. I try and let them know what it means to many people and the veterans who experienced it firsthand," Anderson said.

Anderson said he wouldn't focus on Pearl Harbor today because his classes won't study WWII for another month.

"Most students are interested in WWII," he said. "I try to get the local history involved, such as the Japanese internment camps near Jerome."

Students are often interested in WWII because they have a relative who fought in the war, said Neil Robertson, a history teacher at Burley High School.

Robertson said he will discuss Pearl Harbor today at the start of his classes, but not in depth until his classes study WWII in February or March.

Times-News writer Brandon Fiala can be reached in Twin Falls at 735-3246.

## Court deals term-limit advocates a set-back

The Associated Press

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court on Wednesday struck down a law enacted by voters in 1998 requiring ballot labeling of congressional candidates who choose to take a term limits pledge, and those who later break it.

The 4-1 ruling, with Justice Wayne Kidwell dissenting, concluded that the so-called "Gold Star" initiative violates the Idaho Constitution because it "infringes on the fundamental right to vote, and the state has not demonstrated such an infringement is necessary to promote a compelling state interest."

Justice Cathy Silak, who is leaving office at year's end after being unseated by voters last May, wrote the majority opinion that discounted arguments from term limits supporters that the ballot labels would provide information to voters, as with those indicating candidates' party affiliation and which are incumbents.

"The information the state seeks to make available to the voters is easily obtainable through a variety of other sources, namely media sources and the candidate's own voter information materials," Silak wrote.

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## Report: Trail begins soon in Cole bombing

The Associated Press

SAN'A, Yemen — At least three Yemenis suspected of belonging to an international terrorist network will go on trial next month for the deadly attack on the USS Cole, Yemen's prime minister said Wednesday.

In an exclusive interview with The Associated Press, Prime Minister Abdul-Karim al-Irani said as many as six people — all Yemenis — could be tried on charges of laying the groundwork for the attack, which killed 17 sailors on the warship as it refueled in Yemen's huge seaport of Aden on the southern tip of the Arabian Peninsula.

Thirty-nine other American

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# GOP lawmakers in Florida call special session to name electors

Democrats cry foul, claiming political motives

The Washington Post

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The Republican leaders of the Florida State Legislature Wednesday called a special session that could name an electoral college state loyal to Texas Gov. George W. Bush in case Vice President Al Gore scores a courtroom victory or the election results remain clouded by legal challenges.

At a hastily called news conference Wednesday afternoon,

House Speaker Tom Feeney and Senate President John McKay, both Republicans, announced the special session would begin Friday for the purpose of protecting Florida's 25 votes in the electoral college.

"We must be prudent and timely in our actions and our behavior," McKay said. "We are not trying to pre-empt, prejudice, or predict the election outcome. We are protecting Florida's 25 electoral votes and over 6 million voters." The outnumbered

Democrats immediately protested that the Bush campaign, operating through the candidate's



House Speaker Tom Feeney and Senate President John McKay. Democrats immediately protested that the Bush campaign, operating through the candidate's



Attorney Lonie Groot follows a deposition being read Wednesday in a Tallahassee, Fla., courtroom. Vice President Al Gore claims absentee ballot request forms were illegally corrected to benefit Texas Gov. George W. Bush.



# Official doubts chances for budget deal

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Majority Whip Tom DeLay cast doubt Wednesday on the chances for a budget deal with President Clinton and said that without one, Congress should make him choose between accepting less money than he wants for many agencies or shutting them down.

At a meeting with reporters, the Texas Republican said that without an accord, Congress would continue sending Clinton bills to keep agencies functioning, adding, "If



President Bill Clinton



House Majority Whip Tom DeLay

he wants to shut down the government that's his problem, not ours." The aggressive tone by DeLay, a

leader of his chamber's conservatives, came even as House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., urged GOP budget negotiators to craft a counteroffer they could take to the White House for resumed talks with Clinton, perhaps Thursday.

Both GOP leaders would like to complete a budget pact quickly to clear the decks for what they anticipate will be Republican George W. Bush's presidency. An agreement would be the final piece of this year's \$1.8 trillion federal budget.

White House officials, eager to calm the political waters for billions in extra spending they dearly want, said Clinton has no interest in replying the government shut-down battles of 1995 and 1996.

The biggest budget bill in question — a \$350 billion measure for education, labor and health programs — includes a tentative \$18 billion increase for this year, which Democrats consider a dramatic victory. Clinton has indicated a willingness to cut it by \$2 billion, but Republicans want a deeper reduction.

## Pentagon finds Army rigged data

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top Army Corps of Engineers officials rigged data to justify a proposed \$1 billion lock expansion on the Mississippi and Illinois rivers, according to a blistering Pentagon report released Wednesday.

More broadly, the 10-month investigation by the Army's inspector general found "strong indications" that intense pressure from the corps' top ranks resulted in an agencywide bias toward favorable evaluations for all river construction projects.

## Study: Sterilization doesn't change menstrual process

The Associated Press

Do women increase their risk of menstrual problems if they get sterilized by having their tubes tied? Many doctors believe so, while others disagree, and now a major study settles this decades-old debate.

The answer is no, according to a study in today's New England Journal of Medicine. Surgical sterilization is considered safe and effective, but questions have persisted about whether it makes women's periods worse. Some doctors have recommended hysterectomy instead to avoid the possibility.

The menstrual condition even has a name: post-tubal-ligation syndrome.

Researchers found that the "syndrome" doctors have worried about since the 1950s simply does not exist. The study found that women who are sterilized are no more likely to develop menstrual problems than women who are not. If anything, they actually have shorter, less painful periods and bleed less.

"The overall impression conveyed by testimony of corps employees was that some of them had no confidence in the integrity of the corps' study processes," the report said.

Corps spokesman Ron Fournier said the agency had not seen the report and had no comment.

The corps, an Army branch with a \$4 billion budget for flood control and river navigation construction, recommends that Congress fund its projects after analyzing which ones have the

most net benefit to taxpayers.

The Army inspector general began its investigation after a whistle-blower — corps economist Don Sweeney — came forward with allegations that top corps officials had manipulated data to justify the lock project.

The inspector general found that 18 months ago corps brass ordered alterations to a \$54 million analysis of the future needs of the upper Mississippi River navigation system, even though they knew the changes were mathematically flawed.

## Report: 12 percent of eligible children get child-care help

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just 12 percent of children eligible for federally subsidized child care got it last year, the Department of Health and Human Services reported Wednesday as officials lobbied for more money in the upcoming budget.

The number of children served inched up from 1998, thanks largely to states using more welfare money for child care. But advocates worry that scarce dollars mean many families, particularly the working poor, do not get the help they need.

"Working families still do not have adequate access to safe and affordable child care for their children — something that is crucial if they are to keep their

### Idaho child care

In Idaho, 11 percent of children eligible under 1999 federal standards to receive child care actually received it. In 1998 6,550 were served, and 7,500 were served in 1999, while 68,200 were eligible that year.

jobs," said HHS Secretary Donna Shalala, who was on Capitol Hill pressing for more child care money.

The Clinton administration has pushed for massive increases in child care spending since the 1996 welfare overhaul requiring many single mothers who were on welfare to get jobs.

### MALL HOURS THIS WEEK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec. 3	Dec. 4	Dec. 5	Dec. 6	Dec. 7	Dec. 8	Dec. 9
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### Electoral countdown

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Dec. 12: If states resolve challenges and contests to their electors and submit their slate of electors to the archivist of the United States by this date, their choices "shall be conclusive," according to federal law. The law says this must be done six days before the meeting of electors outlined in the law.

Dec. 18: The law says the electors are to meet in each state on the first Monday after the second Wednesday in December. Most experts on the Electoral College agree this date is very firm.

January	21(0)					
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20

Dec. 27: Once the electors meet, they must record their votes and send them to the president of the U.S. Senate, the archivist of the United States and other federal and state officials by this date.

Jan. 5: Congress plans to meet in joint session to count the electoral votes.

Jan. 20: Inauguration Day.

Source: Compiled from AP wire reports

### Election

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younger brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, was using the legislature as a political insurance policy.

Calling the special session "unnecessary," unfair and unjust," Rep. Lois Frankel (D), the House minority leader, said, "sadly, I have to say that I believe this is orchestrated, and the only thing missing from the proclamation today was the post-mark from Austin, Texas." If any of the cases now pending produce a court order sending Gore's slate of electors to Washington and if the state legislature responds by blessing the Bush slate, Congress will have to choose between two competing slates of electors and the presidential election will remain undecided until early January.

Although contingency plans for a special session have been in the

works since last week, McKay and other Senate Republicans had appeared cautious about resolving the disputed Florida vote with legislative action.

Those pushing for a special session argue that the state has to act in order to make certain its electoral slate will not be invalidated when Congress meets in January to count the votes.

They moved Wednesday just hours after a federal appeals court rejected Bush's bid to throw out manual recounts of the Florida vote and the day before the Florida Supreme Court is due to take up Gore's case seeking to overturn the official results showing Bush the victor by 537 votes.

Following an hour of oral arguments this morning, the Florida Supreme Court will begin considering how to handle Gore's appeal of a lower court decision issued Monday that decisively rejected his challenge.

### Limits

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"Additionally, while the state does have a compelling interest in protecting the integrity of the electoral process, the ballot legend authorized" by the law "undermines ballot integrity by transforming it from a means of choosing candidates to a billboard for political advertising."

The American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho hailed the decision, even though the Supreme Court blocked the law's implementation last March before any election on which it could have had an impact.

"This case was not about term limits. It was about protecting the integrity of our elections," said Kurt Holzer, one of the volunteer ACLU attorneys who argued the case before the Supreme Court. "If this labeling was permitted, the next label would be about

candidates' positions on abortion, the death penalty or the breaching of dams to save salmon."

Don Morgan, chairman of Citizens for Term Limits-Idaho Campaign, called the court's conclusion absurd and vowed to appeal if his lawyers indicate there is any chance for success.

It was the latest in a string of setbacks for term limits advocates. The Supreme Court in 1997 unanimously struck down a 1996 attempt to label ballots with candidates' positions on term limits—the so-called "Scarlet Letter" initiative.

Then 6th District Judge Randy Smith last August ruled that restrictions on length of elective service approved by Idaho voters in 1994 were unconstitutional as they applied to city, county and school district offices. That decision was appealed.

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## Groups play at Jerome fairgrounds

JEROME - Grupo Noblesa and X-Risma will play at 8 p.m. Saturday at the fair-

grounds. For more information, call 324-4977.

## New book celebrates Christmas, Latino style

The season of Christmas is upon us, and Nicolas Kanellos has brought "Noche Buena" to share. From its colorful green and red cover to the words on its pages, this collection is a magical trove of stories, poetry and songs that celebrate the special experience of Hispanic Americans during the season of Navidad.



### Vida Latina

The authors represent a range of Hispanic traditions. Some describe bare-bones Christmas times in the 19th century Mexican countryside. Others explore Christmas seasons during world wars. Some share memories of Christmas as they were growing up in America's largest cities.

with the more secular traditions of contemporary American Christmases complete with Santa Claus, snow and presents.

**Spanish film is impressive tribute to Latin jazz**  
NEW YORK - "Calle 54" is Spanish filmmaker Fernando Trueba's tribute to Latin jazz, featuring an impressive cast of musical stars, including the late Tito Puente, in what would be his final film appearance.

The movie gets its title from 54th Street in Manhattan, where the stylized segments were recorded at the Sony studios in March.

Trueba said what motivated him to make a film about a genre of music that isn't very popular in Spain was his "passion" for that type of music and its effect on him.

"It's a music that makes me live, that makes me breathe," he said. "And with my movie, I wanted to communicate this to the audiences, make them feel the same sensation."

The movie includes performances of "Panamericana" by D'Rivera, "New Arrivals" by Puente, "From Within" by Afro-Cuban Jazz Suite" by the Chico O'Farrill Orchestra and "La Comparsa," a C-ban classic performed by father-son pianists Bebo and Chucho Valdes.

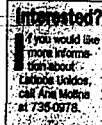
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## Latinos Unidos serves community

### CSI club unites Hispanic students

By Heather Abel Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Latinos Unidos serves Latinos Unidos. Member Norma Gonzalez says the club is exactly that - a way for Latino students at the College of Southern Idaho to come together.



"Us being a minority at CSI, it gives us a way to unite," Gonzalez says, "and to bring their race forward."

Latinos Unidos is an organization based at CSI for Hispanics to help the Hispanic community. The approximately 15 members mentor, tutor and do service projects in the community. They have been mentoring at Robert Stuart Junior High School and working with area high schools to bring Hispanic students to CSI.

At Christmas time, they will help a needy family, bringing them a tree and presents.



HEATHER ABEL/Times-News

Latino Unidos members pose with recent speakers Lucio Prado and Father Jesus Camacho. They are, left to right, Prado, adviser Rosa Davila, Ana Molina, Norma Gonzalez, Noemi Herrera, Jannette Mascomro, Chris Freeborn, Guadalupe Agullar, Father Comacho, Edward Martinez, Adrian Mascomro, Alberto Astorga and Miral Jajakama.

On Nov. 3, the group brought in two speakers, Father Jesus Camacho and Lucio Prado, who spoke with students at the CSI Fine Arts Building about culture, music and traditions of the

Latino people.

"The best thing is that as a club we are an example to our Hispanic people because we are in college and we are getting an education," says Ana Molina,

president of the club.

"We help out the community a little," Gonzalez adds. "We recently helped the Boys and Girls Club with their Halloween carnival."

## Strength of Frida Kahlo inspires art lovers

DALLAS - The Gelman collection of 20th-century Mexican art is in temporary residence at the Dallas Museum of Art. At the center of the exhibit, at the red-hot moment core of this show, is a loven devoted entirely to the work of Frida Kahlo.



Photo courtesy of artist

Her room is painted an intense blue, so dark it fades to black when not in the spotlight of her luminous self-portraits. The artist was her own best inspiration, and she painted herself time and again.

Kahlo depicted her tragic physical condition and her tormented relationship with her husband, muralist Diego Rivera. A muralist was driven through her abdomen in a bus and trolley-car accident when she was young. Her spine was permanently injured, and she spent years in her back trying

body casts and metal corsets. During her many convalescences, she painted. It was her only escape.

Years later, as her relationship with Rivera swelled and soured, her self-portraits depicted an emotional bondage as repressive as her physical one.

A self-portrait dated before her second marriage to Rivera, depicts her agony of indecision; Diego, foremost in her thoughts, is shown as a small portrait on her forehead. A spider web of golden threads emanates from her bridal mantilla. Will she succumb to this beautiful net, this emotional thrill ride, again? Yes, she does. The portraits of agony continue.

Kahlo was brutally honest in her self-confessional portrait-

ture. She accentuated her conjoined eyebrows, making them look like a black bird in flight. She emphasized her mustache, an anti-feminine statement from an active communist and feminist.

In recent years, Kahlo's little mustache has eclipsed Rivera's monumental murals. Her life of high drama has attracted highly dramatic women who wish to live the life of Kahlo on the screen, on the stage or in a museum.

In the gold-medal world, it is Salma Hayek vs. Jennifer Lopez. Both have said they will be Kahlo. Both have announced they are in production.

Good for us: the world can stand two Frida films, but who among the actresses will dare to wear the signature hair? - wire report

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## EDITORIAL

### Striking teachers don't deserve much sympathy

An estimated 80 percent of Utah's 22,000 public school teachers walked off the job Tuesday for a one-day protest. What were they protesting? Utah's per-pupil spending, which is the lowest in the nation, and the state's class sizes, which are the largest in the nation.

Some state, somewhere, has to have the lowest per-pupil spending. And some state, somewhere, has to have the largest class sizes. This year, in both cases, it's Utah.

Is Utah proud of this? Probably not. Is Utah trying to boost its public school spending? Absolutely. In its last session, the Utah Legislature increased education spending 7.4 percent.

The state's teachers aren't satisfied, which is why they took their protest to the streets.

In an attempt to win public sympathy, they ignored the students they are paid to educate. In effect, they were using students as pawns to get what they want.

We suspect that strategy will backfire, as well it should.

Tuesday's strike forced hundreds of schools to close. Hundreds of thousands of students suddenly had the day off, which doubtless was inconvenient for many working parents.

Rather than reward striking teachers with more money for public education, Utah lawmakers should consider withholding a day's salary from teachers who turned their backs on students.

According to teachers' demands only encourages more strikes in the future.

We suspect that some, if not many, Idaho teachers directed their counterparts in Utah. Idaho's teachers can cheer all they like, but they'd be unwise to strike. Idaho taxpayers are already paying plenty for public education. They deserve to see some improvement before they agree to pay any more.

Idaho's 113 school districts are currently being financed by an \$873.5 million education budget, which is 6 percent more than last year's budget.

But who can say what all this money really buys?

The sad fact is that public education is an industry with little if any accountability. Teachers unions fiercely resist individual performance evaluations and merit pay, preferring instead to regard teachers as a monolithic bloc of unvarying quality. But teacher quality does vary, which means the quality of education varies as well.

Meanwhile, student test scores from most schools are flat-to-declining. For this we should be paying more?

By turning their backs on the students they purport to educate, Utah's teachers probably lost more public sympathy than they won. Idaho's teachers would be ill-advised to do likewise.

*By striking in an attempt to win public sympathy, Utah's teachers ignored the students they are paid to educate.*



### Thinning the high-tech herd

Even the "information economy" isn't immune to the law of supply and demand. One hallmark of the economic boom has been an explosion of business investment, dominated by spending for computers, software and communications networks. But could there be too much, too soon - more than people currently can pay for? The answer seems to be yes.

Let's examine some numbers. Between 1995 and 1999, business equipment investment increased about 65 percent. Three quarters of the increase occurred in high-technology. Everyone knows about computers. The sleeping giant is communications. In 1999, the investment in new networks - everything from fiber optics to mobile phone towers - was \$99 billion, reports the Commerce Department. That slightly exceeded investment in computers, \$94 billion.

True enough. In 1980, the U.S. communications system was essentially AT&T. It was a voice telephone system, with copper wires running into homes and coaxial cables and microwave towers connecting cities. The modest computer data traffic was confined mainly to huge corporations and government agencies.

Television (both cable and over the air) existed apart. That world is long gone. For starters, AT&T's breakup in 1984 ended its virtual monopoly. Next, the number of cable subscribers (including customers of satellite services) quadrupled to 85 million. Then a wireless system arose alongside the landline phone network. In early 1985, mobile-phone users numbered fewer than 100,000; by mid-2000, there were 97 million subscribers. Finally, there's the Internet and the surge of computer traffic.

The old voice-only system is giving way to a network that can transmit anything convertible into digital signals - data, voice (including songs) and video.

Electronic signals are transformed into light waves and moved along fiber cables. The technology has advanced spectacularly. Since 1984, the capacity of a single fiber-optic strand (slightly thicker than a piece of hair) has multiplied about 32,000 times, says Anil Khatod, a top executive of Nortel Networks, the leading maker of optical networking equipment. In 1984, it could carry the equivalent of about 700 phone conversations; now that exceeds 22 million.

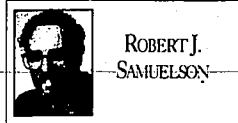
It is this astounding arithmetic that infuses people like Khatod with optimism about the Internet. Against that is the stock market's somber message: Prices of communications companies - providers of service and equipment - have plunged. If the future is so bright, why is the present so dark? The answer is not simply that some stock prices rose to unrealistic levels.

When technology changes, no one knows what will succeed. Some big investments fail. Technologies compete. Some mobile-phone users abandon traditional phone services; some homes use cable for phone and Internet services. Too many sellers may also be chasing too few buyers. Dozens of new companies offer network services to businesses and homes. Data transmission now exceeds voice traffic. But prices are so low that revenues from voice services still exceed data's. The Internet "does not pay the bills," writes analyst Paul Sagawa of Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., an investment house. "Only four of the 40 large U.S. network operators we surveyed showed positive free cash flow."

What helped build communications networks was a flood of money from venture capitalists, initial public offerings of stock and junk bonds. Discouraged investors are now retreating, and as they do, investment spending will slacken. Consider Sprint, a network company. In 1995, Sprint's debt was \$1.5 billion; by 1998, its debt went up to \$4.3 billion; by 2002, it planned 60 "hosting centers" for Internet computers, each center costing about \$100 million. By the year-end of 2000, it will have 14. But with huge losses, many others will be delayed indefinitely. Business investment and consumer spending are the economy's twin engines; both are weakening. How much will determine whether there's a "soft landing" - or recession.

The information economy has long had a "Field of Dreams" quality: build it (meaning networks) and they (meaning customers) will come. Someday the visionaries will be vindicated. Profits will arrive. The harder question is how many years, busted business plans and bankruptcies lie between here and there.

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## LETTER

### Shame on the bear thief

To the sneak thief who stole my carved bear on Park Street:

Did you need something to sell to buy another shot of methamphetamine? Did you do it to impress your other game members? I've noticed that people like you have to run in packs like a bunch of dogs.

Did you steal it just for something to do so you could be real macho? Try getting a job so you can buy your own bears. If I can save my money a little at a time, I can buy a bear honestly, you should be able to. I admit, you might have a bit of trouble finding a job because most people don't want to hire a sneak thief because they can't watch him every minute.

I doubt that you will keep that bear, but if you do, I hope every time you look at it you'll remember how you got it.

Sometimes, when you have a few minutes, take a close look in the mirror. Stop and think about the guy looking back at you. Mirrors don't lie. They only reflect what is in front of them. Take time to study what you see in there looking back at you.

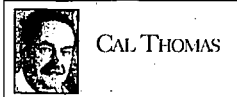
Can you find anything to admire? If not, I'm sorry for you. That is the kind of scum you'll see in that mirror for the rest of your life.

DUANE HANKINS  
Twin Falls

### A 20/20 prescription for George W. Bush amidst a 50/50 congressional split

At the end of our "long national nightmare" election, what next? If George W. Bush is declared by a court to be the legitimate winner - the elected authorities in Florida are not legitimate in the eyes of Democrats and most of the media - what might we expect?

One thing we should not expect is bipartisanship, at least not from Congressional Democrats. There's a lot of phony talk about "fairness" from Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle (D-S.D.) and other Al Gore partisans. They want equal representation on Senate committees because of the 50-50 split between parties. That play was initially rejected when Senate Republicans named a conservative leadership team to preside over the next Senate, but appeals from Democrats for "cooperation" won't cease. Such calls for cooperation and power-sharing are simply means to the end of eventual control. When



CAL THOMAS

Democrats win power outright in Washington, they abandon all notions of fairness, bipartisanship and coalitions.

This is the culture of Washington. Republicans want to be liked, even praised by the liberal political and media establishment, so when they win they fall for the line about getting along and how the public doesn't like to see our leaders fighting. But when Democrats win, they regard power not as something to be shared, but as something to be used to enact their agenda. And, unlike timid Republicans, they do have an agenda and they stick with it.

Republicans play Charlie Brown while

Democrats play Lucy. Charlie Brown - Republicans believe that this time Lucy won't pull the football away and they won't land on their knees. But Lucy always pulls the ball away. It's her nature.

Republicans promote individual initiative, but Democrats win more votes by trolling for victims. Human nature dictates there will always be more political fish in that sea. Republicans see government as a safety net. Democrats see government as a rind under which they'll provide everything else.

Republicans think government should be the friend of life. Democrats see government at the center of life - in some cases, life itself. Republicans want people not to ask what their government can do for them, but what they can do for themselves if they're allowed to keep more of the money they earn and the power inherent in the phrase, "we the people." Democrats want people to rely on govern-

ment, believing they are unable to do much without it. They are unable to do much with it but Democrats don't want you to know that.

Democrats think people are a problem, so they want to abort large numbers of them, indoctrinate those who are allowed to live in schools run only by people who believe as they do, regulate the cars we drive and nearly everything else, tax success and subsidize failure. Republicans think that liberty is a wonderful idea and that people will make decisions that mostly benefit themselves and others if they have the widest possible freedom to do so.

Democrats see themselves as having more caring hearts than Republicans, whom they regard as having no heart because they don't agree with Democrats. Republicans want to be told that they have a heart, rather than argue for the correctness of their ideas, and so they too let Democrats take their pulse. When

Democrats tell them they are heartless, Republicans fret and try to prove they are not by adopting the Democrat agenda. Should George W. Bush take the oath of office on January 20, he will parachute into the midst of these opposing ways of thinking and doing. He can labor mightily to be a "uniter, not a divider," but in Washington, unlike Austin, he will pay a price. Democrats will be happy to praise Bush for being a "compassionate conservative" so long as he yields to their agenda of more spending for Democrat programs.

The only reason to have power is to use it. In the era of identity politics, George W. Bush will fail; he puts a higher priority on "uniting" the country than does in showing why Republican ideas work and Democrat ideas don't. He might even cull it.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

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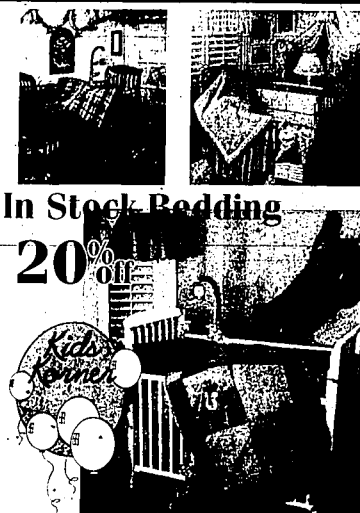


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—Golf pro Larry Nelson, whose sons have struggled to duplicate their father's success on the course

### TRIVIA

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Who is the only person to hit a Major League home run and score an NFL touchdown in the same week, and when did he do it?  
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Ketchum at Shoshone, 6 p.m.  
Jerome at Burley, 6 p.m.  
Rockland at Raft River, 6 p.m.  
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Buhl at Glens Ferry, 4:15 p.m.  
Ketchum at Shoshone, 6 p.m.  
Twin Falls JV at Hagerman, 6 p.m.  
Camas County at Bliss, 7:30 p.m.  
Wood River at Wendell, 7:30 p.m.  
Dietrich at Richfield, 7:30 p.m.  
Carey JV at ISDB, 7:30 p.m.

### IN BRIEF

#### Coaches announce

**Region volleyball team**  
RUPERT - Area Class A-1, Div. I high school coaches have announced their All-Region III Volleyball Team.

Keri Coats of Twin Falls High was named player of the year, and her coach, Kelly Youre, earned coach of the year.

Named to the first team were Marci Danielson and Morgan Levings of Twin Falls; Lisa Patterson and Lindsey Phillips of Minico; Jill Johnson and Katie Rhoades of Highland; and Pocatello's Beth Horrocks. All but Rhoades, a junior, were seniors. Second-team selections included Telsa Latimore of Highland; Ally Baird of Pocatello; Natalie Thompson of Minico; Paige Allen and Spryde Heithecker of Twin Falls; and Minico's Kirby Gillette. All but Thompson, a junior, were seniors. Honorable mention went to Minico's Kay Story; Ashlee Pfeifferle and Shawna Lancaster of Twin Falls; and Sarah Hobbs and Hailey Beard of Highland.

#### Saturday is Minico's fruit distribution day

RUPERT - The Minico High School baseball team will be distributing fruit this Saturday to people who ordered items. Players will be at the MHS fieldhouse from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to help fill orders. Extra boxes of oranges and grapefruits will also be available for purchase. The cost is \$14 for oranges, \$15 for grapefruit or \$24 for one of each. For more information or to reserve fruit boxes, contact Russ Wright at 436-4721, Ext. 334, or 436-5875.

Compiled from staff reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Delon Sanders, in 1989.



Cleveland Browns quarterback Ty Detmer talks about his college and pro football career at an event sponsored by the Boy Scouts of the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday morning.

## TY TALKS SHOP

### Heisman Trophy winner comes to Twin Falls

By Joe Sunnen  
The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - The Boy Scouts of America Snake River Council's inaugural sports breakfast was supposed to be an event to recognize Magic Valley sports. But it quickly turned into a session of Football 101.

Some 220 people turned out Wednesday morning to support local Boy Scouts and listen to Cleveland Browns quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner Ty Detmer speak about life in the National Football League.

The event raised more than \$13,000 for the Snake River Council and allowed many area athletes a chance to meet one of the most prolific college quarterbacks in history.

"I'm pretty excited to be here,"

Justin Bair of Minico High School said. "It's just great to see a pro around here. I'm an offensive lineman and an Eagle Scout so this is exciting for me."

Bair and five other area football players that have attained the rank of Eagle were awarded a football autographed by Detmer. Time was also set aside for Detmer to greet fans and sign photos and personal items.

The former BYU quarterback set 59 NCAA passing records, including most TD passes in a career (121) and most yards passing in a career (15,031). He was named All-America as a senior and has played with the Green Bay Packers, Philadelphia Eagles, San Francisco 49ers and Cleveland Browns.

"I just missed getting a Super Bowl ring in Green Bay," Detmer said. "They won it the year after I left, but I have had the opportunity to learn from some great quarterbacks like Brett Favre and Steve Young."

One of Detmer's goals on the field might be getting a Super Bowl ring, but off the field it's

being a quality person and good husband. His wife has ties to the Twin Falls area, and when he was asked to be speaker at the inaugural sports breakfast he jumped at the chance to bring a positive message to the youth of the valley.

"It's fun to get the accolades in football," Detmer said. "But what matters as a whole is what you do in life."

The Snake River Council gave Detmer, an avid fisherman and hunter, a rafting trip down the Salmon River and a framed set of fishing flies for attending the event.

The keynote speaker for next year's breakfast has not been decided, but the Snake River Council has been in contact with former 49er quarterback Steve Young and Olympic gold medal wrestler Rulan Gardner.

"This sports breakfast will be a tradition for the Boy Scouts of America," Council Vice president Karl Nelson said. "It will be place where we can honor great young men and the things that they do for the community."

### Detmer Q&A

By Joe Sunnen  
The Times-News

**How's the rehabilitation of your Achilles going?**

Well, I'm starting to get around pretty good now and I'm looking forward to getting back on the field next year.

**Have you been able to do some things that you wouldn't normally be able to do with a little time off?**

You can sit around and dwell on the negatives and mope around or you can maybe get out in the community a little more and help out where you can. I have been trying to do those sorts of things and I've been able to spend a little more time with my family than I normally do. It's been frustrating but some good has come out of it too.

**Who did you vote for in the Heisman Trophy race?**

I went with (Florida State quarterback) Chris Weinke. I think he



Ty Detmer

had the best year out of any of them stat-wise and obviously they're No. 2 in the country. The quarterback runs—things. Quarterbacks stick with the quarterbacks and the running backs stick with the running backs.

**How has the professional game changed since you first began in the NFL?**

Obviously things have gotten more sophisticated with different bite packages and all that kind of stuff. The speed of the game changes every year, and if you look at a lot of quarterbacks now they're more mobile—and can get out of trouble. But if the quarterback is in there moving the team and scoring points that's really the

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### Ashby signs with Dodgers

The Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES** - The Los Angeles Dodgers signed Andy Ashby to a \$22.5 million, three-year contract Wednesday, a day after rescinding an offer to the free-agent.

Ashby, 33, was 12-13 with a 4.92 ERA and three complete games in 31 starts for the Phillies and Braves last season.

He accepted an offer from the Dodgers earlier in the week, then wavered and the team withdrew the deal. Talks resumed after a brief break and an agreement was quickly reached.

Ashby gets a \$1.5 million signing bonus and salaries of \$5.5 million in 2001, \$7.5 million in 2002 and \$8 million in 2003. The Dodgers have an \$8.5 million option for 2004 that would become guaranteed if he pitches 175 innings in 2003 or 350 innings combined in 2002 and 2003.



Andy Ashby

### Cool Brees Purdue quarterback on quest for accuracy, Heisman trophy

The Associated Press

**WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind.** - Even as a little boy, Drew Brees worked on the accuracy on his now-famous right arm. And it wasn't always in football, either.

He'd often walk into his back yard in Austin, Texas, pick up a few stones and fling them at an object, any object - over and over. Friends or younger brother Reid would join the games.

"Drew always had a competitive streak, he always wanted to create a contest out of something," father Chip Brees says. "A lot of times, it was just trying to throw a rock and hit a telephone pole or a trash can."

"He was always accurate and he always had a good arm."

Things haven't changed much in all these years.

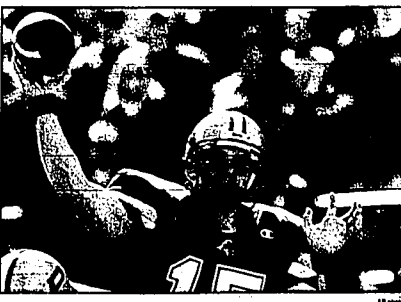
Sure, Brees is a Heisman Trophy finalist, a top prospect in the NFL draft and has led Purdue (8-3) to its first Rose Bowl in 34 years.

But amid all the records, all the raves, all the successes, the 6-foot-1, 220-pound senior quarterback-still-plays-those-backyard-games.

"Whenever we're throwing

the football, I'll find something where we can have an accuracy

**Heisman who's-who**  
The Times-News continues a four-part series profiling each Heisman Trophy finalist. Today, Drew Brees of Purdue.



Purdue's Drew Brees passes for yardage during the third quarter against Michigan in West Lafayette in this October file photo. Numbers alone serve as a strong argument for Brees' Heisman candidacy.

contest, like a trash can or a crossbar," Brees says. "I'll say,

"Let's see how many times we can hit the trash can or throw it into the trash can." Basically, I think those are fun because you're working on your accuracy and you're playing for pride."

In three seasons as a starter, Brees has guided the Boilermakers to a 24-12 record and three straight bowl appearances.

This season, he led the nation in total offense (358.2 yards a game), threw for more touchdowns than Oklahoma's Josh Heupel, and his rating of one interception every 39.42 passes ranks ahead of Heupel and Florida State's Chris Weinke - also Heisman finalists.

Brees, who finished fourth in Heisman voting in 1999, has thrown for 3,383 yards with 24 touchdowns this season. He's rushed for 516 yards and five more TDs.

He also has been a strong leader for the Boilermakers, giving pep talks to the team when it wasn't playing well.

"I felt my part was very important, so there were times I pushed the guys this year," he says.



SPORTS

Nelson ties Auerbach in Mavs' victory

DALLAS (AP)—Don Nelson got his 938th victory to tie the Red Auerbach for fourth on the NBA career list...

points. Howard Easley added 17 and Steve Nash 14 as all five Dallas starters scored in double figures.

Bucks 109, Nets 87 EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.—Ray Allen scored 30 points, including five straight mid-way through the fourth quarter...

Cavaliers 92, Bulls 88 CHICAGO — Andre Miller scored 13 points after taking a knee to the nose in the third quarter, and then led the game on a pair of free throws with nine seconds left.

Miller finished with 20 points — he was 10-of-11 from the line — a whopping 14 assists and seven rebounds.

Hornets 91, Pacers 88 CHARLOTTE, N.C. — David Wesley scored 32 points, including nine straight in a fourth-quarter run, and the Hornets won a game that saw Hornets coach Paul Silas give an obscene gesture to a referee.

Clippers 93, Wizards 88 WASHINGTON — Lamar Odom

and Kenyon Dooling combined for 26 of their 32 points in the fourth quarter as the Los Angeles Clippers overcame a 20-point deficit.

Heat 95, Nuggets 78 MIAMI — A.C. Green had 16 points and 11 rebounds as the Miami Heat snapped a four-game home losing streak.

Blues Jackets 5, Anaheim 2 COLUMBUS, Ohio — Marc Denis stopped 36 shots and Steve Heinze scored two of Columbus' four power-play goals as the Blue Jackets beat Anaheim and snapped an eight-game losing streak.

Leetch, Fleury power Rangers past Capitals

NEW YORK (AP) — Brian Leetch and Theo Fleury assisted on all three Rangers goals Wednesday night to lead New York to a 3-2 victory over the Washington Capitals.

Blue Jackets 5, Anaheim 2 COLUMBUS, Ohio — Marc Denis stopped 36 shots and Steve Heinze scored two of Columbus' four power-play goals as the Blue Jackets beat Anaheim and snapped an eight-game losing streak.

Flyers 6, Lightning 3 PHILADELPHIA — John LeClair scored three times — including the go-ahead goal late in the third period — as Philadelphia tallied three goals in 76 seconds to beat Tampa Bay.

Islanders 4, Panthers 1 SUNRISE, Fla. — Bill Muckalt and Roman Hamrik scored with-

NHL

In a 53-second span of the second period by the New York Islanders defeated Florida for their second win in 13 games.

Hurricanes 5, Thrashers 3 ATLANTA — Sami Kapanen scored two goals and Carolina took over first place in the Southeast Division by beating Atlanta.

Brunts 3, Penguins 2 PITTSBURGH — Bill Guerin scored twice in the third period as Boston ended a three-game losing streak and beat Pittsburgh.

Maple Leafs 3, Red Wings 0 DETROIT — Mats Sundin scored twice in the first period to lead Toronto past Detroit, which was shut out for the second straight game.

Myers wins NFR round

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Texas state wrestler Rope Myers had a 3-second run Tuesday night to win the fifth round of the National Finals Rodeo.

There are some here that would consider me a long shot. I don't feel like that. All the guys here think they can win it! Johnson was second at 3.9 second, and Frank Thompson of Cheyenne, Wyo., was third at 4.1.

BSU takes Idaho battle

POCATELLO (AP) — Abe Jackson scored 17 points, including 13 in the second half, as Boise State beat Idaho State 69-50 Wednesday night.

The next seven points. Boise State used a 16-5 offensive rebound edge to continually get second- and third-chop chances.

SCORES AND STATS

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Sandy retains spot in Senate leadership

**BOISE** - Senate Assistant Majority Leader John Sandy, R-Hagerman, retained his seat in Senate leadership Wednesday night in a three-way race for the position.

Sen. Sheila Sorensen, R-Boise, and Sen. Joe Stegner, R-Lewislaton, challenged Sandy for the position, the third position in the Senate hierarchy. Although it was a secret ballot, Senate Majority Caucus Chairman Judy Danielson, R-Boise, said Sandy polled more than the required majority of votes in the 32-member Republican caucus on the first ballot.

Other members of the GOP Senate leadership were not challenged in the caucus vote, leaving the last legislative session's leadership team intact, Danielson said.

Senate President Pro Tem Robert Geddes, R-Soda Springs, will remain in his post as well as Senate Majority Leader Jim Risch, R-Boise, and Danielson.

### Hospitals want more information on TF clinic

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital won't decide on a buyer until mid-January.

Clinic doctors expected to meet this week with the two hospitals seeking to buy or lease the hospital, but the hospitals now want more information, said clinic attorney Randy Stamper of Spokane, Wash.

At their last meeting, clinic doctors made a list of questions about potential relationships with the hospitals. The hospitals got the questions last week, which prompted them to seek more information from the clinic, Stamper said.

The answers were expected this week.

The hospitals said they needed more information about the clinic's finances and organization to answer the clinic's questions, Stamper said.

"We were hoping they could respond, but in all fairness they need the information," he said. "We had hoped to sit down with them this week."

The clinic doctors will meet with Stamper and officials from both hospitals in mid-January.

"I don't expect a decision after that," Stamper said. No dates have been set.

Magic-Valley Regional Medical Center and Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise are both seeking the hospital. Their proposals are confidential.

### Council appoints former mayor to trustee position

**TWIN FALLS** - The city's former mayor has been appointed as a trustee to the public library.

The City Council appointed Gale Kleinkopf to the library's trustee position earlier this week. Kleinkopf will serve a five-year term. He replaces Deborah Silver, whose term as a trustee ends Dec. 31, 1999.

"Kleinkopf served as mayor from 1998 until last January when he stepped down from the council to pursue other interests."

### Author to speak at Sun Valley school, book party

**SUN VALLEY** - Gretel Ehrlich, author of "The Solace of Open Spaces" and "Heart Mountain," will speak at 7 tonight at The Community School.

Topics could range from Ehrlich's experiences ranching and preserving the West's open spaces to a Japanese internment camp in Wyoming.

Ehrlich also will read her introduction to "Gathering Remnants, a Tribute to the Working Cowboy" during a book party from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Bigwood Bread on Northwood Way. The book features the work of Halley photographer Kendall Nelson and Ketchum writer Fell Funke-Nehle.

### Elko commissioners hire manager from Arizona

**ELKO, Nev.** - County Commissioners on Wednesday hired Robert Stokes of Arizona to replace County Manager George Boucher who plans to retire in July after 25 years with the county.

Stokes was one of three candidates for the position.

"I think the community will be pleased," Commission Chairwoman Roberta Skelton said of the board's choice.

Stokes will begin working with Boucher at the first of the year. Boucher said he might retire early once his replacement is ready to take over.

- compiled from staff reports

# Roadless policy ruckus

## Some say officials have overstated the effects on school endowment lands

By N.S. Nokkertved  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Environmentalists say state officials have overstated the effects of the Forest Service's proposed roadless policy on school endowment lands.

At the recommendation of Idaho Attorney General Al Lance, the Land Board asked

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman and Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck for a meeting to discuss the Land Board's concerns about the final decision on the roadless policy.

A final environmental impact

statement, issued in November, proposed a ban on road building on about 58.5 million acres of inventoried roadless areas of national forests, including 8.4 million acres in Idaho. The proposal also included restrictions

on logging in those areas.

The Wilderness Society took issue with the Lance's statement that the society says suggests 450,000 acres of state land would be affected by the roadless policy, said Craig Gehlke of the society's Boise office.

"State land likely affected by the roadless policy is only a frac-

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Theresa Maves reacts Wednesday after Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donicht presented her with a basket of cookies for earning a national board certification. Maves teaches science at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School.

# Twin Falls district honors teachers

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Top honors for teachers who put themselves to one of the most challenging professional tests in education are being recognized in school districts around the Magic Valley.

Sixteen teachers from eight area school districts recently earned National Board Certification and the title of master teacher.

The Twin Falls School District delivered cookie baskets Wednesday to Twin Falls' four

### Who is on the list

**A**rea teachers who earned National Board Certification this year are:

Blaine County School District: Darlene Matson, Marcia Rausch, and Lany Barnes.

Cassia County School District: Carolyn Hondo.

Filter School District: Suelten Lamoreaux and Audrey Larson.

Jerome School District: John Derr.

Kimberly School District: Susan Griffin.

Minidoka County School District: Kumbenley Kidd, Cynthia Fulcher, and Lavonne Peterson.

Twin Falls School District: Theresa Maves, Karrie Bohan, Maxeen Evans.

teachers who were certified this year by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Superintendent Terrell

Donicht told students it's one of the highest honors in the country, bestowed on teachers.

"Your teacher is one of the few national certified board

teachers in the country," he said.

National certification is a voluntary advanced training program for teachers who have taught for at least three years. They must evaluate their teaching methods and push for new ways to reach students.

Certification requirements include more than 200 hours of course work, a summer institute, six hours of graduate work, portfolios of lesson plans and student work, self-assessments, and two 20-minute video tapes of classroom instruction. The final exam

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# Minidoka County School Board moves plant facility levy to May 2001

By Aaron Brock  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - A Minidoka County school plant facility levy might wait a few more months, and an architect working for the district isn't sure whether that will affect a time line on projects.

An advisory committee, working with the Minidoka County School District, decided late Tuesday to move the levy election back to May 2001.

"The feeling out in the community was that we were trying to push something through a little too fast," advisory committee co-chairman Max Twiss said. "I think it was a good move."

A comprehensive time line has not been formulated, said Boise architect Kent Krohn, who has been working with the School Board.

"I have not put a schedule together yet," Krohn said. "When the committee and the board make a decision about what they want, that's one of the first things we'll do."

In a meeting with the School Board last week, Krohn and Hallett agreed that if the levy were to pass in February 2001, ninth-graders could be moved into Minico High School at the start of the 2002-03 school year, while sixth-graders are moved into middle schools.

That student shift, already endorsed by the district, might not be delayed by a May 2001 election. But most building projects could not begin immedi-



West Minico Junior High School, shown above, and East Minico Junior High School could be switched to middle schools if an upcoming Minidoka County school plant facility levy passes.

ately after a levy's passage.

"It would be several months at least before any construction would start," said Krohn, who noted that several time-consuming steps, such as acquiring and evaluating bids, would precede major structural work.

So if a levy passes, this means the district would spend the summer putting pencils to paper, as opposed to digging foundations.

The board originally pushed for a February 2001 election, because members didn't want to delay shifting the sixth- and ninth-grade students past the 2002-03 school year, district

Superintendent Nick Hallett said.

"I was willing to try and meet that deadline," he said.

But with the committee saying February 2001 is too soon, Hallett was more than willing to agree. The extended deadline is "a relief," he said.

"We work for the public," Hallett said. "If they think May is a better time to do it, then May is a better time to do it."

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# Guide offers info for parents supervising teen drivers

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - A new guide is available for parents and other adults who soon will be expected to help teenagers earn an Idaho driver's license.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2001, drivers under 17 must pass more stringent requirements to qualify for a driver's license.

The state Department of Education's driver education program has produced "The Road to Skilled Driving: Supervising Driver Practice Guide," a guide which will be distributed to students through local driver education programs and is available on the Education Department's Internet page.

The guide includes a driving log to track time and skills practiced. It details good habits and common errors in parking, turning, and braking.

The Legislature adopted Idaho's Graduated Driver License law earlier this year in an effort to reduce the number of teen driver citations and collisions.

The tougher standards include the following:

- Students convicted of a traffic violation during the probationary period will lose their driving permits, must seek a new permit and re-start the four-month practice period.
- Teens will receive written warnings with a first conviction

### Graduated driver's license law

**What will change?**  
Driver's education requirements: From 14 years to 17 years, 6 months.

**Probationary period:** A new requirement. A minimum of four months supervised driving with an instruction permit, after completion of a driver's education course.

**Road skills test:** Must be taken after the four-month probationary period, when the student turns 15 and applies for a license. Currently, no road test is required after driver's education class.

**Written test:** Will still be required, but it can't be taken until after the four-month probationary period.

**License age requirement:** Remains 15, with a driver's training course.

**Penalties:** Traffic citations will include stiffer penalties for drivers under 17. Traffic citations for teen drivers now carry a no-greater weight.

**Night driving:** Remains unchanged. Teens are restricted to daylight driving until they turn 16.

for a moving traffic violation.

- A second conviction will lead to a 30-day license suspension and a third conviction will lead to a 60-day suspension.
- Students who have completed driver's training, but have not obtained a driver's license by Dec. 29, must complete the graduated driver's license program. They will not be required to re-take the training.

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Judge grants stay for Burley physician

By Ruth Streeter
Times-Herald writer
BURLEY - A district judge Wednesday put on hold an order to revoke a Burley physician's license for five years.



Dr. Charles Suits

But that revocation was put on hold when Suits asked the board to reconsider the evidence. The board denied that petition Friday, a decision that came as no surprise to Suits' attorney, James Annett.

for the Board of Medicine, said Wednesday she was not at liberty to discuss why the board denied Suits' petition to reconsider the evidence.

The Idaho Board of Medicine on Nov. 10 revoked Suits' license to practice medicine.

Jackpot students work on reading skills

By Sam Feltman
Times-Herald correspondent

JACKPOT, Nev. - Two and a half years ago, just 34 percent of Jackpot students were reading at or above grade level.

Every eight weeks the students are evaluated. When a student reaches their grade level they are moved up.

Roberts said teachers have gone through 30 days of training with nine more days scheduled this year.

It's important. It keeps the teachers on top of things and they are able to ask the experts the right questions, Roberts said.

Electrical association calls for deregulation

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - As Gov. Dirk Kempthorne continued to deliberate whether to call a special session of the Idaho Legislature, the man whose fledgling power cooperative has rallied the electrical utilities was trying to marshal public opinion against such a move.

On Tuesday, Carl Palmer, of the Snake River Valley Electrical Association, said utility owners are lobbying lawmakers to protect their monopolies, and that cheaper power can be obtained on the open market.

The Electrical Association has sued PacifiCorp, Utah Power's parent company.

Lance to discuss action that would put Lay's ruling in check. The lawmakers also met Monday in Boise with representatives of 13 electric cooperatives, 10 municipal utilities, Idaho Power and PacifiCorp.

Palmer said the Snake River Valley Electrical Association, said utility owners are lobbying lawmakers to protect their monopolies, and that cheaper power can be obtained on the open market.

That ruling, by Judge Donald P. Lay, said Idaho does not adequately oversee the territorial monopolies it grants utilities, putting it at odds with federal anti-trust law.

Kempthorne met again on Tuesday with the House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, Senate President Pro-Tem Robert

Albion Normal School will get historical signs from state

By Mary Lynne Bristol
Times-Herald correspondent

ALBION - The Idaho Transportation Department has agreed to provide signs with information about buildings on the former Albion Normal School campus.

The hearing officer, Roger Hales, a Boise attorney, has declined to comment on his decision.

ing erected on campus. If the state agrees, the signs may be placed by the former hearing panel.

In other council business: • Three spending citations were issued in the city over the past month, the Cassia County Sheriff's Office said.

Animal control officer Keith Pringle issues reported receiving calls about some loose cows damaging a neighbor's property.

• City liquor licenses were approved for the Albion Cafe, Albion Village Gas and Grocery and Elaine's Kitchen. The businesses had already obtained state and county licenses.

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Cassia County P&Z holds public hearings on cell phone towers

The Times-Herald

BURLEY - The Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing tonight on four proposed cell phone towers.

The towers are being proposed by NTCH-Idaho Inc. doing business as Clear Talk Wireless, of Focaltelo. The proposed sites are

1725 E. 100 N., 1400 S. 2970 E., 300 N. 600 W. and 2250 S. 3900 E.

The commission will also talk with Scott Arnell from the South Central District Health Department about subdivision development in Cassia County.

The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. in council chambers in Burley City Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

Gas producers propose joint pipeline project

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) - Alaska's three major oil producers announced an agreement Wednesday that could pave the way for construction of a natural gas line to the Lower 48.

ments, the companies said.

Alaska's North Slope is estimated to hold about 45 trillion cubic feet of natural gas - about 20 percent of known U.S. gas reserves. Developing those gas

BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc., Phillips Alaska Inc. and Exxon Mobil Corp. will spend about \$75 million for preliminary work to determine if the project is feasible. The work will include evaluating possible routes for the line, planning and engineering work and permitting requirements.

With a surge in demand for natural gas and gas prices climbing, efforts to develop those reserves have come to a head.

Teachers

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is a series of four, 90-minute tests completed in one day.

tion's stature. It's also viewed as a component of education reform because it targets teacher quality. Some states offer teachers bonuses based on certification.

The 1999 Idaho Legislature passed a measure that rewards master teachers with a \$2,000 annual bonus for five years.

California gives a one-time \$10,000 bonus to new teachers.

It's not just about proving yourself as a teacher, but it also involves spotting areas for improvement in the way you teach, she said.

Last year six area teachers completed the grueling voluntary professional-evaluation-Idaho ranks ninth in the nation for total National Board Certified teachers.

Evans said the process heightened her awareness of how to plan beneficial lessons for her students. Certification involved completing six assignments that were 20 pages each and included documentation from students, parents and colleagues.

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards reports that nearly 4,700 teachers in the nation earned master certification this year, or a record for the national total to nearly 9,500.

Nationally the push is on for more teachers to earn master certification to increase teacher training and raise the profession's stature.

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Roadless

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of that amount," Gehrke said.

fish and wildlife habitat. "They can't do that without some kind of assessment of the environmental impacts prior to such construction," Gehrke said.

The Wilderness Society's review of state documents shows that only about 14,000 acres would be affected, he said.

Federal law says the state has a right to sue for master certification. The board reviewed the law to require the Forest Service to issue road building permits with any environmental review, he said.

Lance spokesman Bob Cooper said Lance's statement didn't imply that the entire 450,000 acres of state lands would be affected.

Impact statement is required, and we want them to say that," Cooper said. The board wants to make sure that's included in the final rules.

Though, Buttelman said "the EPA has approved the facility and we're moving forward."

Glickman is expected to issue a final decision on the roadless policy by mid-December.

Andy Boyd, a regional attorney for the Environmental Protection Agency, said the plan has pending appeal over the denial.

"In making my final determination, I will carefully consider the Forest Service's recommendation and the 16 million written and oral comments submitted by interested parties," Glickman said in an earlier statement.

Gehrke said it's the Forest Service's responsibility to ensure that road construction on national forest land is done in a manner that protects water quality and

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Legislature considers lessons of Florida debacle

BOISE (AP) - Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa will form a bipartisan task force to study the potential for Idaho to experience the kinds of election problems that have made Florida the source of national frustration for weeks.

Officials to determine whether any changes in state law or procedures are needed before rushing to overhaul a system that has been relatively trouble-free.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb is particularly interested in ensuring some level of standardization in methods for casting ballots from county to county in Idaho so that no area is more prone to potential problems than any other.

Cenarrusa and Chief Deputy Secretary of State Ben Yursa said the idea is to use their expertise and that of county elec-

They have the support of legislative leaders who, while concerned about what they have seen happen in Florida's presidential voting, do not want to jump to conclusions about how to prevent something similar

ed in ensuring some level of standardization in methods for casting ballots from county to county in Idaho so that no area is more prone to potential problems than any other.

Olympics

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Valley Company donated accommodations and the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce talked Sun Valley trailers and restaurant owners into loaning mountain bikes and providing meals to the athletes.

Basin near Boise, into Olympic training sites.

VETERAN GRADUATE



World War II veteran and Pearl Harbor survivor Pat O'Connor and his wife, Joyce, of Pocatello, display the graduation gift he received from his nephew, O'Connor will receive his high school diploma today in a special ceremony for World War II veterans that dropped out of school to serve in the armed services.

It speaks a lot to be chosen by top-tier Olympic team as a player to train," he said. "I say a lot about the caliber of recreation we offer."

And Ketchum gallery owner Jan Wilson, who is serving as a major liaison between Salt Lake Olympic officials and representatives of participating Olympic countries, is already talking about taking a busload of volunteers to the Beehive State for the two weeks of the Olympics.

The Ukrainian team is expected to return for on-snow training in January. And Sun Valley is confident of attracting other teams for training, including the world-best Norwegian men's cross-country skiers.

Similarly, Idaho officials hope to turn other winter sport arenas around Idaho, including the world-class ski jump at Bogus

Astoria changes direction on pond treatment

POCATELLO (AP) - Controversy is swirling around a treatment system proposed to add a decade-long product to a waste ponds at the Astoria phosphorus plant.

Astoria is a St. Louis-based joint venture of FMC Corp. and Solutia Inc. According to FMC data, the ponds emit up to 224 pounds per day of phosphine, and 614 pounds of hydrogen cyanide into the air.

into a nonhazardous solid.

But on Tuesday, Dave Buttelman, health and safety environmental manager for Astoria, indicated that may no longer be the plant's current direction.

At least 1994, ponds built have met the minimum technology requirements, including liners and leak detection systems.

Hanson said some right-of-ways from the plant to the Trull Creek site go through the reservation, and they will soon expire. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will have to approve an extension.

"We haven't made a final decision on that. We'll use an on-site landfill ... We just decided to change," he said, citing "cost issues and other operating issues."

The ponds typically contain byproducts generated when the plant converts ore into elemental phosphorus. Pure phosphorus, cadmium, chromium, zinc and lead, as well as radionuclides, are among the byproducts.

The treatment system proposes to incinerate waste and turn it

Andy Boyd, a regional attorney for the Environmental Protection Agency, said the plan has pending appeal over the denial.

products generated when the

"If they think they are going to build a landfill, they will have to go through the tribal permitting process and the tribes do have a requirement for liners," Hanson said.

# Residents speak against Jerome annexation plan

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News Correspondent

**JEROME** — People lined up Tuesday to speak out against a proposed annexation near the northeast corner of Jerome.

Area residents say the annexation will cost them money, and will change the use of a large pasture in the annexation area.

At issue is a plan to annex land bordered on the west by North Lincoln Street, on the east by Fillmore Street North, on the north by 16th Avenue East and on the south by Mountain View Drive.

City officials, which will consider the annexation again in two weeks, got some good input from residents Tuesday.

"A lot of good points were made," City Engineer Scott Bybee said.

Harj Wilson, 237 1/2 Ave. E., spoke on behalf of residents on 16th Street, on the east by Fillmore Street North, on the north by 16th Avenue East and on the south by Mountain View Drive.

"I'm not sure if it's a good idea to develop a park or golf course."

In the letter, residents said they would oppose the annexation until the land between North Lincoln Street and North Fillmore is developed for residential or the city decides to develop a park or golf course.

In the letter, residents say they are paying double the basic rate for city water service. The letter included a cost breakdown from 1998 for hooking up to city sewer service, at a cost of \$5,000. This price included city permits, costing \$1,500; road cut permits, costing \$500; redoing residential plumbing, costing \$1,000; and line placement to the sewer, costing \$2,000.

"We could have our septic tanks pumped once a year for 20 years for that figure," the letter said.

Should the city annex the area, city code would require residents to connect with city sewer service within 90 days.

Richard Helms, 1200 N. Lincoln, told the council he owns one third of the large pasture in the area. If

the land is annexed, he said he would not give the city easement to his land. Helms urged the city to focus annexation efforts toward the growing south end of the city.

Sheryl Hymas, 1441 Raimier Drive, who owns another third of the pasture land, said her land has always had horses on it, and should continue to have horses on it.

The disputed parcel is one of several parcels under consideration for annexation.

The Jerome Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on the annexation at 7 p.m. on Dec. 18.

The third and final reading of the annexation ordinance and a formal City Council public hearing is slated for 7 p.m. Dec. 19 at council chambers.

In other city business Tuesday:

• Liquor sales will be allowed on New Year's Eve, a Sunday, under an amendment to city code passed Tuesday. Sale would be allowed between 7 p.m. and 1 a.m. on New Year's Day.

Normally, no liquor sales are allowed on Sundays in Jerome.

• Annual building and fire inspections could be required by child care facilities under an ordinance under consideration. The council Tuesday held first hearing of the ordinance.

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Sound of running water makes beavers nervous. They want to dam it, evidently. Farm beavers start projects around drain pipes, leading field faucets, old culverts. Q. Every U.S. President is sworn in with one hand on a passage of an open Bible. What's the passage?



WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

fat people don't tend to live as long as thin people. That phrase "hocus pocus" started out as "hocus pocus dominicus," and was, in the beginning, a mocking imitation of the holy incantations of the Catholic Church's Latin liturgy. So say the lexicologists. What you and I call a "lady-bug" is known in Iraq as the "Water Delivery Man's Daughter."



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nicknames husbands call their wives. No. 1 is "Honey," according to those studious listmakers who pick-up-what-namedroppers leave behind. If you're going to own a camel, feed it, or it'll eat your tent. Camels do that. Was none other than that pioneer medicine man Hippocrates who first put into the record that

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Woman tires of fulfilling boyfriend's blond ambition

DEAR ABBY: I am a 45-year-old single woman. My significant other and I have been together for five years. He's eight years older than I am, and he brings me great joy.



DEAR ABBY Abigail VanBuren

each other understand what you're both really saying. The relationship can't succeed unless you are comfortable and feel accepted for who you are. If it depends upon changing your appearance, then face it - George isn't someone to dye for.

DEAR ABBY: I was wondering if there is a proper place for an ex-wife to sit during a funeral, when the deceased has a significant other and intended for her to sit in front, as if she were his wife.

Does the ex sit in front also, or among the general congregation? - CURIOUS IN PRIESTRIVER, IDAHO DEAR CURIOUS: Where the former spouse sits depends upon whether there were children from the marriage. At a time of grief, the children would probably want their mother close to them. If not in the front row, probably in the row directly behind them.

I tried to convince him I was still the same person. The fight escalated to the point where I packed my bags and was out the door.

He finally admitted HE had the problem. He convinced me to stay while he worked it out. The following week he was back to being his old self.

It was so embarrassing it made me depressed. I gave George "the look" to knock it off, but he didn't. My family also noticed. When we got home, he acted like nothing was wrong. I don't know what to do. I can't go back to being blond because I'll never know if he loves me or the fallout. It seems like such a trivial reason to break up, but I can't imagine putting up with this for the rest of my life.

Tired of the roots in Pennsylvania DEAR Tired: George has a problem and he admits it. Your gentleman not only prefers blondes, it appears he has a fetish for long blond hair. People can change their behavior but they can't change their feelings. Joint counseling might be helpful for you both to help

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## Pearl Harbor survivor to be interred in sunken ship

HONOLULU (AP) — On Sunday morning, Dec. 7, 1941, Lewis P. Robinson stood on a dock at Pearl Harbor waiting for a boat to return him to the USS Arizona after overnight shore leave. Suddenly, a wave of Japanese attack planes descended, dropping bombs on the harbor. Within minutes, bombs ripped open the 608-foot Arizona, killing 1,177 crew members and sinking the ship. Robinson never returned to his battleship.

Today — the 59th anniversary of the attack — Robinson will be reunited with his shipmates. His ashes will be interred by divers in the sunken hull.

"He always said that he wanted to go back," said Robinson's niece Susan Anderson. "He

said make sure when he died, he would be placed on the Arizona. This is where he wanted to be."

Robinson died in 1997 at age 78. He will be the 16th Arizona survivor to be laid to rest in the battleship with the 945 service men entombed there by the attack. Only those assigned to the Arizona at the time of the attack are eligible for interment in the hull.

"It's a sense of wanting to be laid to rest with their shipmates," said Robert Kinler, president of the local Pearl Harbor Survivors Association chapter. "It could be a feeling of guilt that they survived while their shipmates passed away. That may be just one sense."

## Air patrol suspends search for missing plane

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The search for an airplane that disappeared Nov. 16 in the south end of the Hells Canyon area was suspended, Lt. Col. Thomas Traver, a spokesman for the Oregon and Idaho Wings of the Civil Air Patrol, said Wednesday.

Idaho Power Co. employee Keith Williams of Spokane and pilot Brian Moody of Baker Air Service in Oregon were conducting an aerial survey of mule deer in the rugged mountains east of Brownlee Reservoir when their plane disappeared.

The aircraft was reported missing when it failed to land at Idaho

Power's private airstrip at Oxbow.

For over 20 days, the plane was the object of ground and air searches by several agencies in Idaho and Oregon.

On Dec. 1, Idaho's Washington County Sheriff Jim Nelson suspended the ground search.

At the request of the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center in Virginia, the Oregon and Idaho Wings of the Civil Air Patrol continued their search through the weekend. After the effort proved inconclusive, the center instructed the patrol to suspend operations.

## Aries: Embark on a personal study of WWII history

IF DECEMBER 7 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, you are sensitive to a degree of being psychic. You tend only to see the best of people, be sure they are worthy. Pisces persons play important roles in your life, could have false letters, initials in names: G, F, Y. Before December is finished you could change residence, marital status.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): You have not forgotten the significance of this day — Pearl Harbor Day. Study of history will be rewarding for you. You are always willing to fight if cause is right.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Answers are found behind scenes. Read and write, learn by teaching. Relationship serious. Could lead to change of marital status. Sagittarius in picture.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): What seemed to be defeat will be boomerang in your favor. Beautify home surroundings, emphasis on music, sound of your voice.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Focus on romance, defining terms, outlining boundaries. Living quarters will be more secure. Pisces, Virgo persons play astonishing roles.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Nothing ceases here. It is all on the move. Focus on architecture, rebuilding, making clear your marriage intentions.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): What goes around comes around — you will know that for sure. Get rid of burden not yours in first place. Plan ahead or journey overseas. Aries involved.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Make fresh start, shake-off emotional lethargy. Happiness will be involved in different kind of love. Person who usually disagrees with you will be on your side.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Focus on cooperative efforts, City-Hall politics, and marital status. You will be comfortable with Cancer native who prepares

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**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Element of luck rides with you, especially if you stick with number 3.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What was lost will be retrieved. Rewrite, rebuild and take chance on romance. Be aware of details, measurements, and solidity of structure. Scorpio involved.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Emphasis on writing, communicating, accommodating relative on short trip. Filtration serious, protect self in emotional clinches. Virgo, Sagittarius figure prominently.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Attention revolves around family relationships. In dispute, make intelligent concession. Be diplomatic, flowers would be appropriate. Libra represented.

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## Foundation donates \$3 million toward Idaho Falls museum project

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The man who made his fortune in technology has pledged \$3 million to expand the Bonneville Museum, which has long been located in an old library building.

Greg Carr's donation will fund work to triple the museum's size. Bonneville County Historical Society officials and Carr Foundation representatives hope to break ground next spring and finish the project by 2002.

Carr, founder of Boston Technology and former chairman of Prodigy, said he believes the

expansion will help make the museum a premier educational attraction in the region.

Museum officials will add exhibits on natural resources and custom Idaho's culture.

Carr also will pay the interim salary for David Pennock, the historical society's newly appointed executive director, as part of the donation.

Pennock, the society's first paid staff member, will help run the museum and oversee the expansion and future fund-raising efforts.

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- 11:30 Filer Jazz Band
- 12:00 Filer Madrigals
- 12:30 Clover Trinity Lutheran School Choir and Chime Choir
- 1:00 Kimberly High School
- 1:30 Kimberly Middle School
- 2:00 Kimberly Elementary - 4th Grade
- 3:30 Susan Brown
- 5:00 Melanie's Tavaci
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- 6:00 Nielson's School of Dance and Stargazers Dance Company
- 7:30 Razz-Ma-Tazz
- 8:30 Bert Huish

- 6:00 Noteworthy
- 7:00 Dance Rhythms
- 7:30 Merle Stoddard's Tappers
- 8:00 JUMP Company
- 8:30 Jennifer McFarlane
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### Saturday • December 9

- 10:00 Julie's Jazzworks
- 11:00 Sunburst Unlimited
- 12:00 The Mauldin Dance Academy
- 1:00 Magichords of Twin Falls
- 1:30 He-Tep-Ta Dancers
- 2:00 Sanzyuryu
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### Friday • December 8

- 10:00 First Baptist Preschool
- 10:30 Immanuel Lutheran Pre-Kindergarten
- 11:00 Lighthouse Christian Elementary
- 11:30 Lighthouse Christian Middle School
- 12:00 Hansen Elementary Honor Choir
- 1:00 Popplewell Elementary Honor Choir
- 1:30 Perrine 3rd Grade Angels
- 2:00 Oregon Trail Choir
- 2:30 Immanuel Lutheran-Free Kindergarten
- 3:00 Liberty Christian Academy
- 4:30 The Mauldin Dance Academy
- 5:30 Razz-Ma-Tazz

### Sunday • December 10

- 12:30 Kelsa and Kallie Beig
- 1:00 Shey Patterson
- 1:30 Rose Galk
- 2:00 City Park Children's Choir
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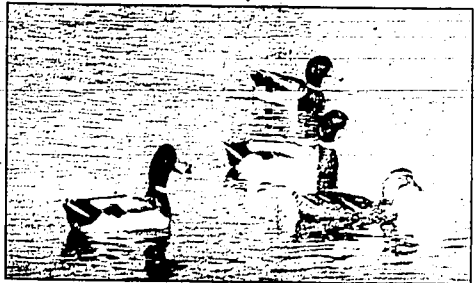
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Section D

## Good ol' days — almost

### There's still room to improve duck numbers



Surrounded by male mallards, a hen mallard keeps the boys guessing.

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

The roar of my 12-gauge shotgun echoed off the canyon walls as a big-honker smacked stone dead into the Snake River.

A couple of hundred yards downstream, my hunting partners were hollering their heads off. At first, I thought they'd been peppered by stray shot. Turns out they were whooping for joy over our first goose of the season.

The goose had come chugging up the canyon straight at me and landed right in our decoys. He was skimming the top of our spread as I took — and missed — my first two shots. A few minutes later, we noticed one of the decoys, a mallard hen, was rapidly taking on water. We later found pellet holes in several of the decoys.

It was a small price to pay for a Christmas dinner.

The day after I tumbled that goose, a buddy and I quickly limped out on ducks during a jump shooting trip along the Malad River near Hagerman. Ducks piled into the few remaining spots of free-flowing water, and we were presented with several challenging stalks. Most ended with a gob of mallards busting skyward, followed by a flurry of shots and a search for downed birds.

So far, I've found this season to be one of the best in recent memory.

It seems many other hunters are enjoying similar success. Todd Mike Todd, regional conservation educator with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in Jerome.

But it's still not as good as the "good old days" of a decade or more ago, he said. Several warm winters in a row have caused a steady decline in the number of ducks passing through the Magic Valley.

"There's not as many ducks as there should be," Todd said. "There hasn't been enough cold weather up north to push the northern birds down."

Changes in agriculture — such as less silage corn left standing through the winter — also have caused many migrating ducks to pass over the Magic Valley on their way south, Todd said.

Though duck numbers are up this year, they are still significantly lower than in years past. Back then, a short walk along almost any irrigation canal was sure to kick up a cloud of birds.

Fewer birds has meant fewer waterfowl hunters in recent years, Todd added. And complicated regulations also have dis-

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This is the moment that makes it all worthwhile. Here, a duck hunter on the Snake River takes the hand-off from his lab.

Photo by STU MURRELL/The Times-News

## Know your guns — and ammo — when hunting

By Stu Murrell  
Times-News correspondent

Waterfowl hunters have had to live with steel shot for years. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service mandated the steel-shot regulation when studies showed significant waterfowl mortality due to birds eating spent lead shot.

One of the drawbacks to steel shot is that it can be rough on many shotguns. Steel does not compress like lead and some relatively thin barrels can't withstand the pressure. This is particularly true with full-choke barrels and large steel shot. It was a real problem for several million Winchester Model 12 and Model 25 shotguns, most older doubles or stack barrels, such as the Browning Superposed and Winchester 101, and the Ithaca Model 37.

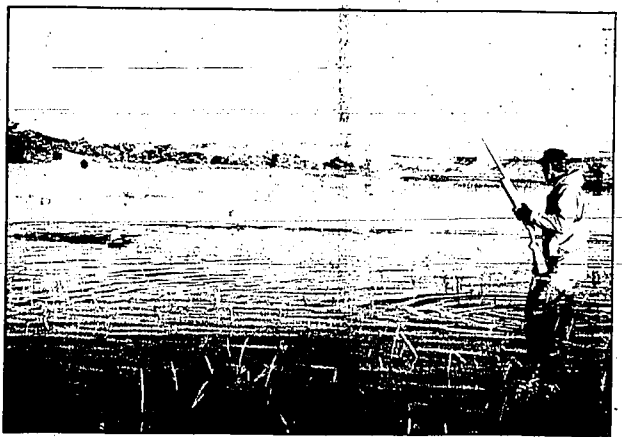
The warning against steel shot still holds true for these older guns, so a prospective waterfowl gun buyer should make sure it is suitable for steel-shot use.

In recent years, two non-toxic types of shot — bismuth-tin and tungsten-iron — have been approved for waterfowl hunting. The downsides are that both cost about \$2 per shell; tungsten-iron also can damage barrels like steel shot does.

The original steel shotshells were poor substitutes for lead, with inadequate plastic wads that allowed the steel to scour barrels and unsuitable powder resulting in marginal performance. Modern steel shotshells have been greatly improved, but they still don't match the longer-range performance of lead shot.

Because steel shot isn't effective

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## Two good books for Santa's favorite armchair mountaineers

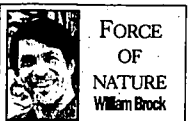
Like many weekend warriors, I enjoy reading about mountaineering. Over the years, I've waded through dozens of books on the subject — ranging from the outstanding to the awful.

There are plenty of old classics, such as "The White Spider" by Heinrich Harrer, and "Annapurna" by Maurice Herzog. And there are some newer classics, such as "The Shining Mountain" by Peter Boardman, and "Touching the Void" by Joe Simpson.

True mountaineering classics are rare, but there are plenty of other titles to enjoy. I recently finished two such books: Each is worthy of a few evenings by the fire, but neither earns a spot on the top shelf of my bookcase.

**'Deep Play: A Climber's Odyssey from Llanberis to the Big Walls'**  
by Paul Pritchard

Winner of the 1997 Boardman Tucker Award for mountain literature, "Deep Play" traces



Fritchard's rise as the archetypal dirtbag climber on welfare. It was a familiar route for many British climbers during the high-unemployment days of the 1980s; think "The Full Monty" with a chalkbag.

"Deep Play" is a series of vignettes, each affording a glimpse into the leisure class that exists at the tail end of the socioeconomic spectrum. This isn't Fritchard's latest book, but it's his best on the subject of climbing.

Fritchard doesn't take himself too seriously, which allows him to capture the terrifying absurdity of his first mountaineering miscalculation:

*In September, '96 Johnny Dawes and I tumbled around below a huge Himalayan wall, well out of*



our depth. Rocks whirled and whistled through the air like helicopters and boom boom. Neither of us had been mountaineering before but we had come to try the undimmed West Face — third — of Bhagirathi 3. A rock impacted the slope nearby and vanished into the soft snow. The rubble was falling from the shale cap of the mountain 1,000 meters above and the barrage increased as the sun swung around the sky to edge onto the wall. Pathetic little mites with a gigantic monster looming over them, just as we had decided that our objective was inconceivable the whir of one spinning lump of shale grew much louder than the others and I was smashed down the slope. Johnny helped me get back down to camp with a knackered arm and we both agreed a wall like that would be sheer suicide."

Pritchard also offers plenty of good writing about the inner, mental game of climbing. Here he is, gripped with fear on thin ice, high above his last anchor:

*"Come on, get on with the climb. Each move now seems more insecure than the last. The eggshell is getting thinner and at one point I smash through and dig as far back as I can but find no purchase. The gaping hole I've made in front of me now makes it extra difficult to get higher but I manage, using a mixture of fear and bad style. Now I'm committed — I can't climb back down that slip. With my ice screw 70 feet below, it would be way too risky a maneuver."*

In case you're wondering, he fell moments later — injuring himself badly.

"Deep Play" is available in paperback from The Mountaineers for \$22.95. Call (206) 223-6303 to order.

almost inevitable that Joe Simpson would lose momentum with this sequel. He sketches his early years in climbing and, as the title suggests, Simpson reflects on the deaths of his mountaineering friends — as well as his own near misses. He's had plenty, so he knows of what he speaks.



Simpson is a gifted writer, so "This Game of Ghosts" contains plenty of sparkling gems. On the elusive nature of "satisfaction":  
*"All of the glory with which I had invested the route had vanished the moment I had climbed it. The reality was disturbingly ordinary and unremarkable. It was as if I had robbed myself of something perfect, an ideal had been violated. A route ticked, a summit gained, something to look back on with vain pride, but the joy had gone. To experience that joy once more I would have to find another objective, another climb, another*

ideal to destroy. It was a vicious circle. Where would it lead me?"

On death in high places:  
*"The acceptance of the risks and the gradual attrition of friends over the years are inextricably entwined; one can't exist without the other. It is essential to convince yourself, however illogical it might sound, that you will play no part in those figures. It is as if the potential for disaster lies only with others, never with yourself."*

On the oft-fatal attraction of mountaineering:  
*"Faced with death, the mountaineer will try his hardest to survive and, if successful, will return to maintain after mountain year after year, to dance the same weird jig along the very boundaries of life. You create the potential for death by going to the mountains and taking the risks, and yet you do not want to die. It seems to make no sense. It makes no sense until you have stepped too close to the edge."*

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Rupert resident Harold Poole shot this 7-by-5 buck on Nov. 10 in the Sublett area.

Man survives encounter with grizzly

**IDAHO FALLS (AP)** — Eight feet from a grizzly he'd just wounded, Gary Packard thought of lawyers.

"I just didn't want to be prosecuted," Packard said of his Nov. 5 confrontation with a grizzly in the mountains west of Cody, Wyo. "He was showing every tooth in his head. I couldn't shoot him in the side of the head because people wouldn't believe me."

Put yourself in his shoes. While most of us would play dead, whisper Hail Marys and wonder about the life we were about to leave behind, the maintenance worker for Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory kept his cool and lived to tell a surreal story.

"I've never seen anything like it and hope I never do again," said the 40-year-old Packard. "I love hunting in bear country. We're there to coexist. I don't hold a grudge. I just don't want it to happen again."

Packard's day started innocently as he poked around the Shoshone National Forest looking for a place to hunt. A lifelong hunter, he'd never scouted the region and was exploring one drainage on the advice of a game warden.

"I was following a deer trail that ran straight through a thick thicket," Packard said. "I thought of going around, but it wasn't very big."

Just as he entered the bushes, he heard a "heavy rustle." Suddenly off to his right, he saw every hunter's nightmare, a grizzly with its teeth bared. "All I could see was teeth. He was just below me at 15 yards," Packard said with a calm indifference.

With no time to think, Packard leveled the rifle and looked through the scope. He saw bear hair. His scope was set too high. In the second when he should have been picking a target, he

discovers what he was looking at. The bruin charged.

For a time, he was not a standoff. Packard's rifle aimed at the widest spot on the bear's head, but the bear lunged away from the mortified hunter and stopped. It was a standoff. Packard's mind shuffled to his parents and to scenarios of lawsuits, jail time and fines. Instead of shooting the bear again, he shot twice over its head. There was no break in the stalemate. Packard has no memory of how the bear smelled, how long the standoff lasted or how tall it stood — just the teeth that can crush a man's skull and the claws that can knock a large horse off its feet with one swipe, he said.

"I'm trying to get home to my family and at the same time not be prosecuted. I could see he was angry. I could see blood on the right front shoulder; it was blood-soaked."

Packard watched and waited, his gun leveled at the bruin and his finger on the trigger.

"He had his head down like he wanted to grab me and shake me," Packard said. "He rolled his right eye toward me. If he had made any movement toward me, I was going to shoot. Then it would have been justified."

"For no reason, the bear broke off and rambled toward the thickets. It stopped, wheeled, huffed at Packard and broke branches. Then it left."

"He could have turned at me and it would have been a contest to see if I could have shot him in the head or if he would have got me with one of his paws," Packard said. "I don't know who would've won."

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couraged would be waterfowlers. "If you're going to be a waterfowl hunter, you'd better know your regulations and you'd better know your bird identification," he said. "I think a lot of hunters have been hanging up their shotguns."

Even so, an early cold snap made for brisk business during the first few weeks of waterfowl season this year, said Lonnie Ambrose, owner of Ram Sport Center in Jerome.

"It's like it used to be," he said. "It's selling the steel shells again."

Ambrose said he's also had trouble keeping up with the demand for decoys. Doug Kenney, who works in the sporting goods department at Wal-Mart in Jerome, also said shells and decoys have been moving fast.

While the long-term outlook for ducks might be a little bleak, the Magic Valley is enjoying a growing population of resident Canada-geese, Todd said. Fish and Game personnel, and others, have built numerous nesting boxes for geese all around the valley.

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protect their broods from predators and sudden changes in water levels along local rivers, Todd said.

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at longer ranges, it is essential for waterfowl hunters to judge distances accurately. To kill a duck or goose cleanly, shooting should be confined to within 40 yards.

When buying steel shot, opt for shells that are at least one size larger than you would use if you were using lead. For example, if

4s were your preferred load in lead, then 2s in steel should work. Goose hunters may want to use large shot clear up to a Size T (2 inches in diameter).

Another problem with steel is that it's lighter than lead, which means a reduced load in an ordinary 2 3/4-inch shell. This has resulted in guns being bored for 3-inch or even 3 1/2-inch shells to

accommodate more pellets.

Hunters should determine the shot pattern for their guns to find which shot size works best. Many hunters report that steel shot tends to clump together, rather than fan out for an even pattern. In most cases, a modified choke — such as a modified choke — works best, but some people have found even a full

choke may improve the pattern. Full chokes are not recommended for shot sizes larger than No. 1.

One final warning: Watch out for steel shot on the dental work. Biting down on a large, hard pellet can cause tooth damage. Try slitting your bird into thin slices as you eat to detect any remaining shot.

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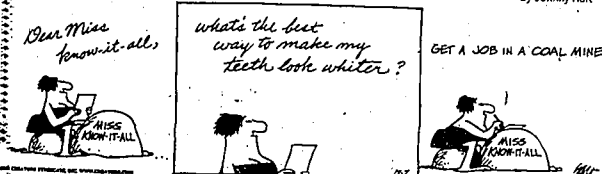
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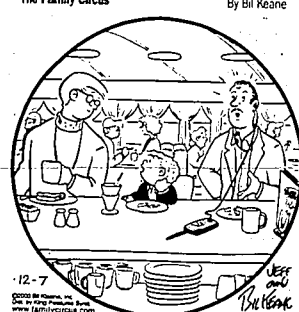
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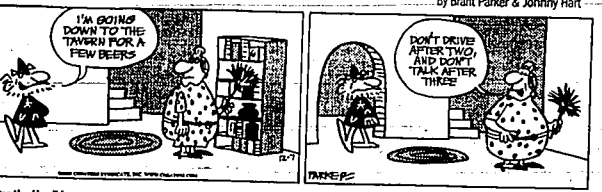
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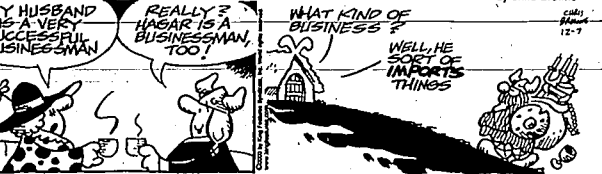
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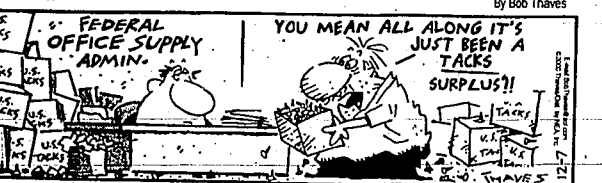
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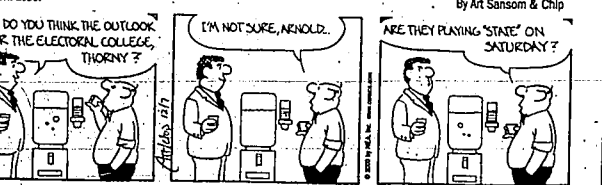
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OUTDOORS

TAKE OFF



Canada geese take flight from a golf course in Pocatello Tuesday.

Officials relocate Nevada bighorns

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) - Twenty desert bighorn sheep have been airlifted from Nevada to the Grand Staircase National Monument, a Utah Division of Wildlife Resources spokesman said.

The wild sheep were captured on Lake Mead and released near the Smoky-Hollow area of the Grand Staircase monument. They join a group of sheep from Arizona that were relocated to the area a year ago, said Norman McKee, a wildlife biologist for the division.

A helicopter helped track down the animals. Experts then shot a triangular net to capture them. The sheep were blindfolded and placed in canvas bags so the helicopter could transport them.

Biologists and a veterinarian examined the animals and gave them medication to treat any possible parasites. A radio collar was fitted to three of the ewes. All were given a numbered ear tag. The reintroduction of desert bighorn sheep to the Mountain area of the monument is part of an ongoing cooperative project to re-establish the native sheep in their native environment in the Kaiparowits Wildlife Management Unit.

McKee said moving the animals costs about \$600 per sheep, plus \$200 to \$300 per radio collar, and the salaries of state personnel involved in the project. Partners in the endeavor are the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, the Bureau of Land Management, the Grand Staircase/Escalante National Monument, the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Capitol Reef National Park, and the Utah Chapter of the Foundation of North American Wild Sheep. Support from the Kane County Commission has also been critical to the project.

Before pioneer settlement, bighorn sheep were possibly the most abundant big game species in Southern Utah. The introduction of domestic livestock, particularly sheep, brought new diseases that were devastating to the bighorns.

Other factors, such as mining and oil exploration brought pressures. Even today, bighorn sheep are not introduced to areas that are grazed by domestic sheep, McKee said.

The Moody Canyon of the Escalante Canyons first received bighorns in 1975. Since then, several more bighorn releases have been made in the region.

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MONEY

Accolades

New owners, staff re-open Burley Curves for Women

BURLEY - Curves for Women, at 2267 Overland Ave. in Burley, celebrated its grand re-opening and new ownership with a ribbon cutting Nov. 21.

The new owners, Harvey and Sue Newkirk, took over Oct. 1, adding all new staff and converting the back room into a clubroom to be used for events and activities for women.

Curves for Women is among the top 500 franchises worldwide and offers a 30-minute exercise program with fitness stations and fitness technicians who help monitor and weight and fat fitness levels. Hours are 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Lex Kuntaw and Red Brady, chamber of commerce members, hold the ribbon for Curves for Women owners Harvey and Sue Newkirk.

Personnel Plus cuts ribbon on second Mini-Cassia office

RUPERT - Personnel Plus has opened a second Mini-Cassia office at 513 Fifth St. on the Rupert Square.

It will offer the same services as the Burley office, helping businesses find qualified employees and individuals find employment. The new office celebrated its grand opening Nov. 24 with a ribbon cutting.

Personnel Plus, which can be reached at 678-0400, also has offices in Twin Falls and Boise.



Pictured left to right at the Personnel Plus ribbon cutting are Lucky Bourn, Dwinnelle Allred, Ward Maxfield, Jim Howard, Brenda Bailey, Red Brady and Steve Thompson.

— compiled from staff reports

About this feature

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We'll submit photos of ribbon cuttings, grand openings, honored employees and the like.

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Tough year for markets highlights benefits of portfolio diversification

By Amy Baldwin The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Portfolio diversification might sound boring or stodgy, but investment advisers say it's the approach mutual fund investors should take these days.

Consider, they say, that neither the investors who focused on high-flying technology funds nor those who stuck to safer stock index funds are happy this year. Both groups would have been better off, experts say, investing in a "basket" of funds with varying growth strategies and that invest in companies of all sizes and in different industries.

Technology fund investors, of course, have the most reason to despair this year. The Nasdaq composite index is down about 30 percent for 2000. Likewise, tech funds are down about 30 percent so far this year, according to Lipper Inc., financial data company that tracks fund performance.

Index funds - most of which tie their performance to that of the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index - are doing better but still trailing about 30 percent for the year. The S&P 500 is down about 10 percent after delivering gains in the 20 percent to 30 percent range for the last five years.

The biggest mutual fund, Vanguard's \$105 billion 500 index fund, has fallen about 10 percent so far in 2000. "The name of the game is diversification," said Vernon Lee, an independent financial planner and head of Lee Investment Consulting in Raleigh, N.C.

Diversification is not a new concept. Financial advisers have advocated it for decades. "Lee said diversification these



MARKET RETURN

days means buying funds that invest in large and small companies, not only domestically and the globe and with varying growth strategies and across market sectors. It doesn't mean buying small index funds or several funds in the same sector, because those funds likely invest in the same handful of stocks.

Although it might be tempting to get into the current hot sector-specific funds, Lee's recommendation is a more conservative approach. Right now, the top-performing funds are biotechnology and health care-related, up 35 percent for the year, according to Lipper.

Lee reasons that an individual sector has a better chance of being followed by a real downer. He sees one big exception: technology funds.

Investors shouldn't bail on technology-specific funds, he said, despite the fact that they're down about 30 percent for this year. Advisers and equity analysts generally believe tech stocks will turn around given Americans' dependence on cell phones, e-mail and the Internet.

This year "seems like a never-ending fall to the tech sector. But probably now is the worst time to get out of the tech sector," Lee said. "Technology in the long term is still a good place to be. People have got to realize this is the first year in about a decade that technology funds have shown losses." Lee advises moderation and

recommends mutual fund investors copy the S&P 500 in divvying up their investments, which means about 30 percent of their fund portfolios should be in such specific funds. The remainder should go into broader index funds and in defensive positions, such as financial and health-related funds that tend to do well in bearish markets or during an economic slowdown.

"With the market being down, there's no place to hide," Lee said.

Another adviser suggests giving greater consideration to index funds, to avoid the costly fees associated with managed funds that invest in specific sectors. "I recommend broad-based indexes like the S&P."

"In the long run, the index funds will outperform managed funds," said Ralph Scarce, a personal financial adviser and head of Cambridge Financial Inc. in Lexington, Ky.

Scarce cautions index funds that those who invest in them are settling for mediocre or poor returns when the market flourishes.

This year, Scarce said, simply invest in the S&P 500 to meet expectations, if they haven't already. He reasoned that annual returns of 20 percent in the S&P and Dow Jones industrial average cap't be sustained year after year.

"This year, I put my few pennies and that's where I recommend my clients put their money."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, Vol, Bid, Ask, etc. Lists various stocks and their market activity.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes sections for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diaries.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table listing NASDAQ National Market stocks with columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, Vol, Bid, Ask, etc.

INDEXES

Table showing 52-Week High, Low, Name, Last, Net Chg, % Chg, YTD % Chg, 52-Week Volume.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local stocks with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, YTD % Chg, Div, PE, Last, YTD % Chg.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are listed in boldface. Stocks in boldface are up 5 percent or more on the day. Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day. Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by - mark.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Large table listing American Stock Exchange stocks with columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, Vol, Bid, Ask, etc.

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil.

MARKETS

Table of market data including bond yields, stock indices, and commodity prices.

SUGAR

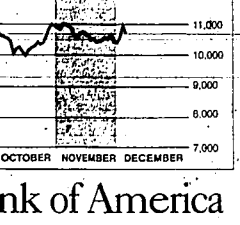
Table of sugar market data including prices for various grades and contracts.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock market data including prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel market data including oil, natural gas, and heating oil prices.



Apple, Bank of America warnings thwart rally

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks turned abruptly lower Wednesday when an earnings warning from Bank of America... The Dow Jones industrial average fell 234.34 points to 10,664.38.

BEANS

Table of bean market data including prices for soybeans and other bean varieties.

WHEAT

Table of wheat market data including prices for hard red winter wheat and soft red winter wheat.

POTATOES/ONIONS

Table of potato and onion market data including prices for various grades and varieties.

GRAINS

Table of grain market data including prices for corn, sorghum, and other grains.

CHEESE

Table of cheese market data including prices for cheddar, mozzarella, and other cheese types.

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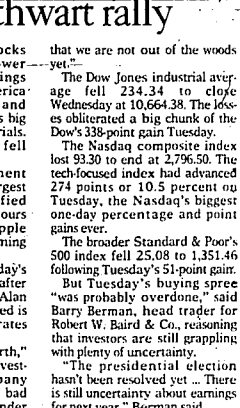
Table of cattle market data including prices for various grades and weights.

HEATING OIL

Table of heating oil market data including prices for various grades and volumes.

NATURAL GAS

Table of natural gas market data including prices for various grades and volumes.



Federal Reserve sees more signs of a slowing economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy showed further signs of slowing in November with weakness in auto sales, manufacturing and construction, the Federal Reserve said Wednesday.

POPCATELL

Table of Popocatepetl market data including prices for various grades and volumes.

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METALS/CURRENCY

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MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table of mutual fund data including fund names, asset sizes, and performance metrics.

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9.97% per annum, and continuing to accrue from January 4, 2000. The principal balance owing as of said date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$418,853.00, including interest, costs and advances...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Trustee's Sale No. 02-AA-21999
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on March 14, 2001, at 11:00 A.M. of said day, in the LOBBY OF THE OFFICE OF FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, 260 3RD AVENUE NORTH, TWIN FALLS, IDAHO...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 2001 at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, in the lobby of Twin Falls Title & Escrow, Inc. at 311 Second St. N., Twin Falls, in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, Charles W. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder...

to you, if you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as provided in the Plaintiff's Complaint. A copy of the Complaint filed with this Summary...

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 525 Jefferson Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

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The above grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1506(a)(4), IDAHO CODE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of this notice by registered mail, return receipt requested to the Plaintiff, and a copy of this response to the Plaintiff, are prerequisites to the Plaintiff's motion to set aside the judgment entered on the Summary Judgment.

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AMENDED NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE... ON December 7, 2000, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the County of Blaine...

WITH SECTION 34-5-1506(a)(4), IDAHO CODE... ANY PERSON WHO CAN, in such objections, show to the Court a good reason...

THE ROARK LAW FIRM... DECEASED... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Elaine E. Coughlin has been appointed personal representative...

COMPANY, LTD. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Salmon River Canal Company, Ltd., will be held at the Grande Hotel, Hollister, Idaho...

MICHELLE DONOHO, born September 23, 1992, at Twin Falls, Idaho, now residing at 2229 East 4100 North, Burley, Idaho...

The vacated 10 feet of Section 17 in Block 8 of Hansen Township, Twin Falls County, Idaho... The vacated 10 feet of Maple Avenue lying adjacent to Lot 7 in Block 8 of Hansen Township, Twin Falls County, Idaho...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... Case No. SP-00-01431M NOTICED TO CREDITORS...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... Case No. SP-00-0095 NOTICED TO CREDITORS...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... NOTICE OF HEARING IN RE: MICHAEL SHANE DONOHO...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent...

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY... The trustee has no knowledge of any more particular description of the above-described real property...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... Case No. BK-N-88-30090 Chapter 7... UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT...

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TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD ACT HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE... Termination of Parent-Child Act has been filed with the Department of Health and Welfare...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS... Case No. CV-00-4777 AMENDED SUMMONS BAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA... Plaintiff,

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CURY BEAN COMPANY, INC., an Idaho corporation, SHIRLEY HULL RIDGWAY, DOUG HULL, and GREG HULL, GRIFF INC., an Idaho corporation, and MONTEVIEW TRUST, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS OR HEIRS OF CURRY BEAN COMPANY, INC., AND THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES... Defendants.

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In the replay, the French had another chance. The U.S. West led a cagey diamond eight, looking like a man in search of a ruff. Fearing a singleton, South won dummy's ace, and he could no longer recover.

West was my diamond nine that did us in. South lamented. Against a singleton ace, South planned to win dummy's ace and cash the king and ace of trumps, hoping to find a 2-2 split. Then a low diamond from dummy would have forced one of East's presumed honors. Later, with a club and a trump entry to dummy, South would take a ruffing finesse in diamonds and thus losing club on the high diamond.

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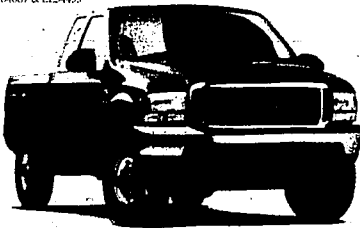
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