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Troops corner al-Qaida fighters

U.S. drops 400 bombs in 48 hours in confined area

The Washington Post

MILWA, Afghanistan - Afghan fighters backed by U.S. aerial bombardment and Special Forces Friday drove Osama bin Laden's remaining fighters onto a mountain ridge here in eastern Afghanistan, setting the stage for what could be their last stand.

Afghan commanders said they had routed the remnants of bin Laden's al-Qaida organization from most of the caves and other fortified positions they held in the White Mountains. They said they were now trying to dislodge the al-Qaida fighters from the ridge and force them to

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lower ground without allowing them to escape through the mountains and across the nearby border with Pakistan. The Afghan force of about 2,500

men claims to have seized most of al-Qaida's caves and bunkers in the Milwa and Tora Bora valleys. Zahir, a top commander and the son of the region's governor, said the ridge that the holdouts were defending "is their last position in Afghanistan." With that exception, he said, "the places we were aiming to capture, we captured all of them" in an offensive that began Thursday.

Briefing reporters en route from Washington to Central Asia, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Friday that the Afghans had advanced more than a mile and cap-

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Gen. Tommy Franks, U.S. commander of the war in Afghanistan, briefs reporters Friday at the Pentagon. Some al-Qaida fighters have been taken prisoner during the fight at Tora Bora, he said.

SANTA IN THE 'NEST'



Alex Johnson, 4, sits on Santa's lap after the jolly old elf asks the children "Who loves Santa?" at the College of Southern Idaho child care center's Christmas party in the Eagle's Nest at CSI on Friday.

Idaho's economic picture worsens

Announcement makes further cuts, less spending next year likely

The Associated Press

BOISE - The Kempthorne administration announced Friday that the eroding state economy will force a further reduction in projected tax collections, increasing prospects for even deeper cuts in the state's current budget and dramatically lower spending in the next budget year.

That announcement came as the Legislature's top budget analyst said meeting legal commitments in the next budget will require not only making the \$55 million cut in the current budget permanent but cutting another \$75 million. That assumes state employees get no pay raises and no extra money is included for inflation in utility or other rates or to replace worn out equipment.

State agencies have already



"This ... is going to be a very difficult session."

- Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, House speaker

begun developing proposals to change laws so spending can be cut. The Health and Welfare Department is preparing legislation to reduce what is already one of the nation's lowest welfare eligibility standards, curtail services and lower reimbursement rates for service providers.

While the agencies do not know exactly what their 2002-2003 budgets will be, Kempthorne budget chief Brian Whitlock told lawmakers that

"we've been talking to them about structural changes, targeted programs. They're aware of what's happening."

The only alternative for dealing with the severest state financial crisis in almost two decades would be raising taxes or rolling back last year's record \$114 million tax cut.

"This is going to be budget driven, and it's going to be a very difficult session," House Speaker Bruce Newcomb told legislative

leaders meeting in the Capitol before the start of the election-year session.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has already told state managers that their new budgets could be cut 11 percent on average from spending limits originally approved this year. Legislative Budget Director Jeff Youtz predicted a reduction in the basic state budget of up to 8 percent.

"State agency budgets, including public schools - a lot of sacred cows we're used to putting our support behind - will see lower budgets," Youtz said.

The administration's decision to further reduce the revenue estimate followed finalized November tax collections that were \$9.3 million short of the month's target. Earlier in the week, it appeared the shortfall would be just \$7.7 million.

Cleanup deadline lies with governor

Kempthorne will decide whether on extension at INEEL

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It will be up to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to decide whether to grant the U.S. Department of Energy an extension for work on a test program intended to guide cleanup of plutonium contaminated waste buried above the regional aquifer.

The DOE notified the state Friday that it will elevate the dispute to the governor, Idaho Deputy Attorney General Darrell Early said.

The governor has 21 days to decide whether to grant the DOE an extension, Early said. The governor can consult with Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Christine Todd Whitman, but Kempthorne makes the final choice.

"It ultimately is the governor's decision," Early said. The dispute boils down to when and how hazardous waste buried above the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer will be handled. The

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Senators load defense bill with pet projects

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Senators have shoehorned nearly \$400 million in pet projects into a bill financing the Pentagon and anti-terrorism

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efforts, including money for Marine shirts made in Massachusetts and communications software being developed in Alabama.

Many of the provisions will undoubtedly die when House-

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Little chance of a merry Christmas for Idaho family involved in standoff

The Associated Press

SANDPOINT - In a normal year, the McGuckin family would be just starting its observance of the 12 days of Christmas.

Instead, JoAnn McGuckin lives in a tiny motel room. Her husband is dead. Six of their children - who stood off sheriff's deputies for five days last spring - are in a foster home. Eldest daughter Erin is estranged from the others.

McGuckin, 46, is still angry and refusing to cooperate with the state's efforts to reunite the family.

"They just came in and rearranged our lives and no one is holding them accountable for anything," McGuckin said this week.

"You just can't understand how that can happen in the United States."

It's been six months since the standoff ended peacefully, but the McGuckins remain in turmoil.

JoAnn McGuckin, instantly recognizable with her thick, red hair, spends her days praying, writing in her journal and meeting with lawyers and doctors.

She sees her children during Sunday services at a Roman Catholic church. Sometimes the children visit her motel. There are telephone calls. "At least I get to play man over the phone," she said.

The McGuckins came to national attention on May 29, when Bonner County sheriff's

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JoAnn McGuckin lives in a Sandpoint without her children, who are in foster care.

Defense bill will trim bases

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Bush will sign a \$343.3 billion defense bill that delivers on his campaign pledge to strengthen U.S. armed forces, even though Congress refused to order a new round of military base closings as quickly as he wanted, the White House said Friday.

The legislation, which won final approval from Congress Thursday, calls for creation of a commission to recommend more base closings but, because of strong reservations from House members, it delayed the start of the process until 2005. The Pentagon had wanted it to start in 2003.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld had threatened to recommend a veto of the whole bill if Congress did not include base closings to start in 2003. Asked Thursday if he would go along with the delay, Rumsfeld said, "I'm going to have to sleep on that."

"The secretary got a good night's sleep," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer told reporters Friday morning. While the administration would have preferred base closings "sooner rather than later," it agreed with the rest of the legislation and so Bush will sign it, Fleischer added.

The bill, which authorizes military pay and programs for the fiscal year that started Oct. 1, calls for an increase of \$33 billion, or more than 10 percent, over last year's spending levels, including more money for pay and benefits, missile defenses, anti-terrorism and weapons for the war in Afghanistan.

An appropriations bill to pay for the programs is also working its way through Congress, although it has been caught up in a dispute over how much domestic anti-terrorism spending should be increased and whether it should come from military funds or be added on top of existing spending limits.

PRAISING ALLAH



Abdul Kayum flashes a thumbs-up Thursday as he drives his damaged minivan on the road near Kandahar, Afghanistan. Two weeks ago, while driving between Herat and Kandahar, Kayum said he stopped on the road to pray when his vehicle was hit by an airstrike. He says he got back into his minivan, praised Allah when it started, and continued on his journey. For more reports from the region, please see pages A1, A7 and C8.

Military gains in Afghanistan produce intelligence windfall

The Washington Post

More than 300 al-Qaida fighters have surrendered to Afghan opposition forces in the mountains of eastern Afghanistan in recent days, adding to an estimated 5,000 to 6,000 terrorist or Taliban prisoners being held by rebel groups elsewhere in the country, U.S. officials said Friday.

The prisoners are part of what U.S. officials say is an expanding intelligence-gathering operation in Afghanistan in which U.S. Special Forces and CIA officers have also been examining seized al-Qaida documents, computer hard drives, videotapes and telephone books. The material has already produced names and

phone numbers of al-Qaida members in other countries and led to some additional arrests, according to senior administration officials.

Scientists from the U.S. nuclear weapons laboratories have joined the military and CIA experts to assist searching the grounds of al-Qaida training camps for signs of actual work on chemical, biological or nuclear weapons, the officials said.

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Red Cross faces January hearing on blood charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge set a January hearing on the government's effort to impose severe fines on the Red Cross over violations of blood safety rules.

At the same time, Judge John Garrett Penn on Friday directed the two sides to continue trying to settle their differences through mediation.

"This is an important case," Penn said. "It's important to the confidence of the American people that it be resolved."

Penn scheduled a hearing for Jan. 11 on the Food and Drug

Administration's request that the Red Cross be held in contempt of court and that the FDA be allowed to impose fines for future rules violations.

In court papers filed Thursday, the FDA charged that "persistent and serious violations" continue despite a 1993 federal court order mandating improvements in blood handling by the Red Cross.

FDA lawyer Lawrence McDade said that while the nation's blood supply is safe, the goal is to eliminate all risks that can be eliminated.

Lynne Cheney gives funds to Red Cross

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lynne Cheney donated the \$50,000 advance on her new children's book to the American Red Cross on Friday.

It was a show of support by the wife of Vice President Dick Cheney for the organization that was criticized for its plan to set aside some of the money donated after the Sept. 11 attacks for other relief efforts. The Red Cross later reversed that decision.

"America: A Patriotic Primer," Mrs. Cheney's seventh book, is a recounting of American ideals. It will be available in the spring.

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Shuttle pushes space station away from junk

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA asked space shuttle Endeavour's astronauts Friday to do one last favor for their space station friends before leaving: steer the orbiting complex away from space junk.

A chunk of a 30-year-old Russian rocket looked as though it might come uncomfortably close to the international space station Sunday — within one-third of a mile. Endeavour's pilots were instructed to fire the shuttle thrusters Saturday morning to move the station out of harm's way.

Mission Control said the extra chore will delay Endeavour's undocking later today, but only by a half-hour. The lift to a slightly higher orbit is expected to create a 100-mile gap between the space station and piece of junk.

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tured 50 al-Qaida fighters during one eight-hour period of intense fighting. U.S. fighter jets and bombers dropped 180 bombs during that surge, and AC-130 gunships strafed al-Qaida positions, Rumsfeld said. Between 230 and 240 bombs, many weighing 2,000 pounds, were dropped on the same region Thursday.

The commander of U.S. operations in Afghanistan, Army Gen. Tommy Franks, said the Afghan forces are pushing the al-Qaida fighters from the north, while the Pakistani military has taken up positions blocking the border to the south. "It sort of becomes a hammer and an anvil," Franks said at a news conference in Tampa, Fla.

It remained unclear Friday whether bin Laden was among the al-Qaida holdouts, a contingent of Arabs and other foreign fighters estimated to number between 200 and 1,000. Hazrat Ali, the regional security chief in eastern Afghanistan, said he believed his forces had located the cave where bin Laden might be hiding and that they planned to clear and search the area. Franks said that while intelli-

Al-Qaida squeezed in

Afghan tribesmen backed by U.S. special forces advanced on al-Qaida positions in a mountain canyon near the border with Pakistan.



SOURCES: ASSOCIATED PRESS; USGS

gence information indicates bin Laden is still in the Tora Bora area, "at this point we simply don't know where he is," Franks also said the United States has plans for how to handle bin Laden if he is captured, but declined to elaborate on them. In southern Afghanistan, Marines took control of the air-

port near Kandahar overnight and spent Friday searching for booby traps and land mines at the facility. Marine officials said they hope soon to have the airport, located about 12 miles southeast of Kandahar, in good enough shape to open it for humanitarian aid flights and, eventually, commercial traffic.

The Marines met no resistance when they drove through the city before dawn, but Friday afternoon flights in and out of the airport were suspended because of an unspecified threat to aircraft, Marine officials said.

The increasing presence of U.S. troops here in the White Mountains was amply evident Friday. More than 20 could be seen accompanying truckloads of Afghan fighters up the mountain-side toward the front lines Friday, including one squeezed into a seat next to Ali, as their vehicle bounced over the rutted roadway toward the Afghans' command post.

Mohammad Ali, a 25-year-old fighter, said 12 Americans had accompanied his group of troops on Thursday. "They were coordinating," he said. "They had weapons but didn't fire."

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American Taliban fighter moves to Navy ship

WASHINGTON — John Walker, the 20-year-old American Taliban fighter who surrendered to U.S. forces in Afghanistan, was moved Friday to a Navy ship in the Arabian Sea, U.S. officials said.

Walker had been held as the lone prisoner in a makeshift detention center at Camp Rhino, a U.S. Marine forward operating base in southern Afghanistan after surrendering to rebel forces at Mazar-e-Sharif. He has been recovering from a gunshot wound in his leg, suffered in a prison uprising.

It's not yet clear what the Bush administration intends to do with Walker, who is from California. The Defense Department has classified him as a "battlefield detainee."

U.S. sends first commercial shipment to Cuba since '63

NEW ORLEANS — A freighter loaded with corn left for Cuba on Friday, the first commercial U.S. shipment of food to the communist nation since 1963.

The two-day voyage to Havana sparked fierce debate on the

Nation in brief

docks over the future of the decades-old U.S. trade embargo against Cuba.

Critics of Cuban leader Fidel Castro warned that the shipment may lead to the lifting of the embargo.

Others, like Illinois Gov. George Ryan, welcomed the opportunity for increased trade between the two nations.

Last year, Congress passed a law allowing U.S. companies to sell products to Cuba on a humanitarian basis.

Fumigated Senate building still has anthrax traces

WASHINGTON — Trace amounts of anthrax were found in a Senate office building that had been fumigated with chlorine dioxide gas two weeks ago in an attempt to kill lingering spores.

Officials said Friday that they would try again to eliminate the contamination.

begin the new fumigation operation at the Hart Senate Office Building later in the day.

The building was closed Oct. 17, two days after an anthrax-filled envelope was received in the Hart offices of Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

One anthrax expert said it was not surprising that some traces of anthrax remained after the building was gassed.

Officials: Threat against Texas school not credible

AUSTIN, Texas — A vague terrorist threat against an unnamed Texas school has been deemed not credible by the FBI, the state Department of Public Safety said Friday.

"At this time, there is no information to suggest that a threat to a Texas school exists," said Teta Mange, a department spokeswoman.

The threat warning was withdrawn Friday morning and Texas law enforcement officials stressed that Texas schools are safe, Mange said.

State officials and the FBI on Wednesday alerted schools

throughout Texas to a threat that suggested two people might retaliate against an unknown Texas school for the U.S. bombing in Afghanistan.

Donation will replace first ambulance at Trade Center

NEW YORK — It was the first radio call to an emergency dispatcher on Sept. 11: "We have just witnessed an aircraft hit the World Trade Center."

The words of emergency medical technician Alex Loutsky triggered an unprecedented disaster response that continues to this day.

On Friday, Loutsky, who lost his ambulance and nearly lost his life, received a \$100,000 donation to help replace the demolished vehicle.

"This is wonderful," Loutsky, 43, said as he accepted the donation from Benny Levenson of the German Cardiac Society.

Loutsky and partner Eric Ramos were the first emergency crew to report the incident, and theirs was the first Fire Department ambulance at the scene.

—Compiled from wire reports

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Is the public getting a fair return on grazing leases?

Yes

Leasing begins positive cycle for economy

DAVE NELSON

As a tax-paying member of the general public who also has grazing leases on public lands, I can assure you that the answer to this question is yes! And here's what I've learned from a lifetime of taking care of the land: It's time for a basic lesson about the economics, ecology and sociology of ranching in the West.

The American public is taking an increased interest in the federally owned lands of our country. This is largely due to the fact that they see the open spaces around them paved over or built on and therefore now place a higher value on the land that is left unspoiled. Unfortunately, the public is being misled by the erroneous, mud-slinging statements of environmental extremists who want you to believe that ranchers are making a profit out of destroying the land.

Using the earth as our classroom, all we have to do is look around to understand that grazing naturally benefits the environment. Properly managed grazing can be used as a tool to maintain and improve rangeland health. In turn, fuel loads are reduced, thereby reducing the intensity and unnecessary frequency of wildfires. In addition, grazing improves vegetation health and diversity. Not to mention the fact that the water developments and other range improvements provided by ranchers on federal lands benefit wildlife, as well as cattle. In this way, the rancher is providing as much, or arguably more, benefit to the public than he is receiving. This is all in addition to the fact that a renewable resource

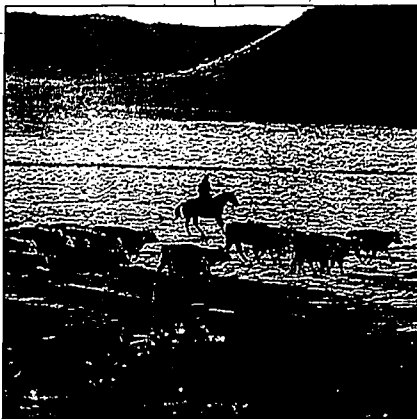
(grass) is used to create a product for human consumption.

Now for the economics lesson: Holding a grazing permit is somewhat similar to getting a hotel room, placing your livelihood inside it, and then being unable to lock the door. In addition, you pay a minimal room fee up front but then are required to provide the furniture and pay for maintenance costs. Naturally, a conflict ensues when a passer-by tries to kick you out of the room and insinuates that the room isn't vital to all ranching operations in the West. In fact, 88 percent of the beef cows in Idaho graze at least part of the year on public lands. Without public lands grazing, 47 percent of the beef cattle that graze in the 11 Western states would be eliminated.

That leads right into our sociology lesson. Each one of these cattle creates a multiplier effect. For example, in Idaho, every dollar that ranchers receive for their livestock generates \$2 to \$3 more in the community. The rural communities of the West would be extremely negatively impacted if that amount of general revenue disappeared. The social fabric that holds these communities together would become threadbare. As ranchers, businesses become far too unprofitable and

infeasible, their land is purchased, subdivided and developed. Thus destroying critical wildlife habitat and covering up more landscape. Now open your books back to the ecology lesson.

Without these basic understandings, people are easily misled and misinformed as to how the system of grazing on federal lands really works and the posi-



itive impacts it creates. By allowing grazing on federal lands, a positive cycle is created which benefits the land, the society and, ultimately, the taxpayers.

Dave Nelson, a rancher from Mackay, is the current president of the Idaho Cattle Association.

No

Taxpayers shouldn't fund low-return grazing

JOHN BALZAR

I began with a high bid of \$30. That was eight years ago. Eventually it might spell the end of one of the most storied epochs in American history and usher in another that's more in tune with

by that first bid and others that followed, seems to be that these public lands are worth more than ranchers can pay, or at least are willing to pay.

Which is good news for conservationists and taxpayers. We've been getting a raw deal for years. Ever since the 1930s, raising livestock in much of the West has been a partnership between us and the cowboy-rancher. We, the public, are the silent partners in the Western cattle and sheep business, leasing our public lands for grazing. These lands, scattered across 11 Western states, comprise an area 1 1/2 times as big as Texas.

The trouble is, the partnership has become one-sided. Ranchers view grazing leases as virtual deeds to state and federal lands, never mind that the real title is held in your name and mine. Government officials who administer these grazing leases have come to regard things pretty much as the ranchers do. You see, we're not talking about business but, as the cowboy sees it, a way of life. All of us are expected to sacrifice for the sake of old-time public-lands ranching. Thus, grazing fees are absurdly low. On federal lands, for instance, a rancher can graze a cow and calf for a full month for the price of a can of dog food.

Despite these bargain rates, or maybe because of them, too much of their range land has been mistreated, overgrazed, beaten down and polluted. As a final insult, government overhead to administer these leases,

including the costs of battling coyotes and other predators, far exceeds what ranchers pay — meaning that the whole system is one large taxpayer subsidy for the Stetson hat crowd.

So along comes Jon Marvel, backed by \$30 and a little research. Marvel lives in Idaho. In that state, grazing permits come up for auction every 10 years. In January 1994, Marvel was high bidder for rights to a 640-acre parcel of state property. His idea was to rest the land, keep livestock off. The rancher, who previously held the permit bid zero.

Although Idaho law requires land management for "the greatest long-term financial return," this being the West, land authorities interpreted that to mean that a rancher's nothing was better than a conservationist's \$30, so the rancher got the lease.

Eventually, though, the Idaho Supreme Court ruled in Marvel's favor. Since then, his Western Watersheds Project and other conservationist groups have bid for more grazing leases on state lands in Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona.

Perhaps even Congress will get the point. Reform of the vast grazing program on federal lands is long overdue. There are no grazing auctions on U.S. public lands. Permits are granted and become virtual property held by the rancher. Fees are uniform: \$1.35 per month to graze a cow and her calf, and 27 cents a month for a sheep.

"We've shown that the land is worth much more to people than that," said Marvel. How much more? Ranchers are terrified to find out.

John Balzar is a columnist for the Los Angeles Times.

LETTERS

Chairman clarifies PERSI's role

Recent articles have appeared in newspapers in Boise, Twin Falls and Spokane concerning an early retirement program considered for employees of the state of Idaho and higher education personnel. The articles suggested that the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho may be asked to absorb the costs of the possible early retirement program. This is to clarify the role of PERSI in such a program and the impact on the employer, employee and retiree members of PERSI.

PERSI is a comprehensive retirement system that covers 23,000 retirees, and 63,000 employees at 645 public employers in Idaho, including the state of Idaho, school districts, cities, counties and other political subdivisions. PERSI has about \$6.5 billion in assets that are used for member benefits and administrative costs. Liabilities are about \$6.8 billion, making PERSI about 97 percent funded, which is a very solid funding level. The system is funded by employers and employees; each paying in a percent of salary.

PERSI's board of trustees is charged with the overall management of the fund. Trustees must, by law, act in the best interests of all the beneficiaries of the system. In the case of an early retirement program, the costs of such a program must be born by those employers who institute the program. Employees and employees who do not participate in such a program cannot be charged for the costs of the program. This does not mean that an early retirement program is not feasible in certain circumstances. Although PERSI has never participated as part of an Early Retirement Incentive Program as such, there are provisions in law for employees and employers to purchase up to four years of service before retirement. The cost of the service must be paid up front before the service can be credited to the member. This type of

program is certainly feasible.

PERSI continues to be a strong and well-funded pension plan regardless of the recent poor investment markets. However, the fund is not legally or financially capable of allocating funding for early retirement programs for specific employers. The employer sponsoring the ERIP must pay any cost that is over and above the cost normally anticipated for retirees.

The PERSI board will continue to work with employers to provide whatever assistance is possible. The PERSI board will also work hard to assure that the solid funding base of PERSI is maintained for our 100,000 beneficiaries.

JODY B. OLSON
Boise
(Editor's note: *Jody Olson is the chairman of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho.*)

T-N criticism was unfounded

In a Dec. 9 editorial, *The Times-News* criticized the efforts of the attorney general's office to defend the legislative redistricting plan before the Idaho Supreme Court.

In truth, the office vigorously defended the plan, consistent with the attorney general's duty to represent the state of Idaho in court and defend legislative acts. The record adopted by the commission was given to the Idaho Supreme Court to read. The court accepted this record, but denied three attempts to introduce transcripts and other information concerning the commission's plan and deliberations.

Although it is my understanding that some members of the commission made efforts to arrange a commission meeting for the purpose of adopting "findings" before the plan was filed with the secretary of state, the record adopted by the commission did not contain any "findings." Similarly, the plan did not include a statement explaining the commission's rationale for individual districts.

The attorney general's office told the court that the legislative plan adopted by the commission split a minimal number of counties. Of the nine counties split in the plan, eight counties had to be split because their populations are too large for a single legislative district. We pointed out the contrast between this plan and the 1990 plan, which split 17 counties. In addition, we advised the court that the record showed that when the commission drew the borders of the districts, they followed county boundary lines and geographical features. The court was specifically urged to uphold the plan because it showed a good faith effort to retain county boundaries and split them only when it was reasonably necessary in order to satisfy equal population requirements. The court did not, however, find the asserted justification to be sufficient.

The attorney general recently advised that, as a result of the Idaho Supreme Court's decision, all legislative redistricting plans should be below 10 percent in overall population deviation. He further advised that the commission should adopt findings or a formal statement explaining its reasons for each of the district boundaries it creates.

BOB COOPER
Boise
(Editor's note: *Bob Cooper is the communication director at the attorney general's office.*)

Dams bill money from taxpayers

The four Lower Snake dams are billing taxpayers out of millions of dollars. They cost more to operate than the Panama Canal and the St. Lawrence Seaway combined, waterways used annually by 18,000 ocean going ships. In contrast, around 700 barges use the Snake each year. And downriver trips carrying salmon and steelhead smolts account for 125 of the 700. The ships offset operation expenses from lockage fees.

The barges on the Lower Snake pay nothing.

According to the Lewiston Tribune (Nov. 13), barge shipping on the Lower Snake is in serious financial trouble. Port of Lewiston figures show year-to-date shipping down as much as 38 percent from a year ago. Overall, the numbers are as low as 13 percent of what they were when the locks were completed in the '70s.

All expenses of operating the four dams, including salmon recovery, are approaching \$1 billion a year. That's about the same as the proposed retrofit on the Missoula River which annually passes 12,000 barge.

Irrigation. Another taxpayer rip-off. The Ice Harbor Dam is the only one of the four used for irrigation. Only 13 farmers draw water from Ice Harbor, and they receive \$11 million dollars annually in pumping subsidies. The electricity produced by the dams can be replaced with a series of Boeing 737 jet engines run by natural gas on less than 20 acres of ground. Idaho Power has a new 90-megawatt natural gas turbine plant online at Mountain Home that pro-

duces more power than C.J. Strike and Swan Falls together.

This year's run of 143,000 salmon resulted from good water years three years ago that flushed the smolts to the sea.

Sport fishing folks spent \$46.2 million dollars in rural Idaho having fun catching 43,000 of this year's returning run. Each fish caught was worth more than \$1,000 to those small communities. Steelhead fishing, through the spring of 2002, will double the figures.

Idaho's fish mean more than \$100 million for the struggling economies of rural Idaho. As good as the return was, it was a failure.

The fish that made it back to Idaho represent 4 percent to 7 percent of the historic runs that once numbered in the millions.

If Idahoans want to save their salmon, the dams must be breached.

Or billions of taxpayer dollars will continue to be wasted on a dams-and-lock system that will never economically stand alone.

DICK DAHLGREN
Ketchum

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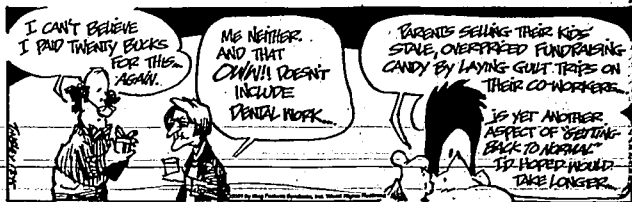
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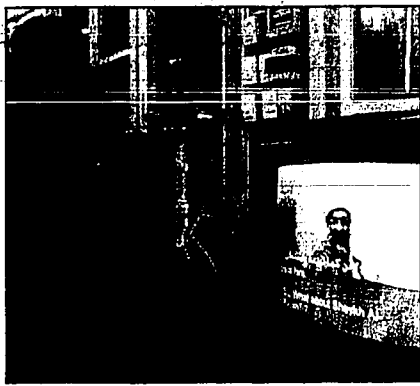
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By Garry Trudeau

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Lebanese men watch the broadcast of a Osama bin Laden videotape Thursday at a coffee shop in the southern port city of Sidon.

Bin Laden tape doesn't surprise Afghans

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - In a country where possessing a television was a criminal act only weeks ago, where satellite dishes are fashioned from flattened tin cans, only a select few Afghans got a look at the videotape of Osama bin Laden discussing the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

But in the battered streets of Kabul, almost no one expressed surprise upon hearing of its contents. Afghans already had widely blamed bin Laden's al-Qaida network and their own Taliban rulers for the events of Sept. 11 - and the war that came crashing down on their heads less than a month later.

"From the beginning it was

clear to us that these problems came from Osama and his friends the Taliban," said Shaima Jamil, a 35-year-old dressmaker. "We hope that Americans do not blame the Afghan people any more for what happened."

Kabul radio is far freer now than it was in the days when the Taliban called it Radio Shariat - the radio for Islamic law - and used it to disseminate their many strict religious edicts.

But in these nervous days between Taliban rule and the inauguration of a new government next week, officials at the station are still cautious about broadcasting sensitive developments. The radio's bulletins on

Thursday night and Friday morning did not carry news of the tape's release by the Pentagon. Many Afghans, just as they have done all along, relied on shortwave radio broadcasts from the BBC or the Voice of America. "My father asked all of us children to be quiet when he was listening to the radio - he told us the news tonight is important," said a serious 14-year-old named Jawid. "Then he explained to us

the things Osama had said." Pharmacist Abdul Ghafoor, 26, has a television and a satellite dish. He avidly watched the hour-long broadcast of the tape. "This is something that affects us all. Afghanistan was under the oppression of these people - bin Laden and the Taliban - for five long years. He is a criminal person, and we do not want him and his group to be able to do these kinds of acts any more."

Arab papers play down tape; many unconvinced

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - Newspapers in the Arab world Friday played down an Osama bin Laden videotape that the United States hopes will convince people that the Saudi dissident instigated the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States.

The bin Laden tape, released Thursday by the Bush administration, was broadcast simultaneously by CNN and Al-Jazeera satellite television.

It showed bin Laden discussing the attacks with a visitor in Afghanistan, who congratulates him on their success.

In Friday prayer sermons, a traditional indicator of national sentiment in the Middle East, mosque preachers did not speak of the tape. Instead, they focused on religion - the day was the last Friday sabbath in the holy month of Ramadan.

At Cairo's Al-Azhar mosque, many worshippers said they had not seen the tape. And those who had seen it said they could not make out the Arabic and that they either did not trust the English translation or did not

understand it. Many Egyptians do not speak English.

"I heard the tape but it didn't explain anything to me. I don't see it as evidence," said Salah Abdel Moneim, a merchant. He added that America had released the tape to "hurt the image of Islam."

A linguist hired by the U.S. government to translate the tape prepared an Arabic transcript. But the Pentagon didn't release the Arabic transcript or a version of the tape with Arabic subtitles. Administration officials gave no explanation for the decision.

Mohamed Salah, an Egyptian expert on militant Islamic movements who writes for the London-based Arabic daily Al-Hayat, believes bin Laden left the tape for Americans to find in Afghanistan because he wanted the world to know of his role in Sept. 11.

Bin Laden no longer has anything to lose by claiming responsibility, Salah said.

"Bin Laden wanted to show America that he is steadfast following the war, not defeated and still strong," Salah said.

Bush mocks bin Laden as evil man who sends others to deaths

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush belittled Osama bin Laden on Friday as a man who "refuses to stand and fight" while sending suicide bombers to their deaths. "He may hope for a while, but we'll get him," the president said.

As the president spoke, U.S.-backed forces tightened their hold on a cave-filled Afghan region where bin Laden is believed to be hiding.

The president said it is preposterous to doubt the authenticity of a videotape released by the administration Thursday that showed bin Laden gloating about the suicide attacks on the World Trade Center in New York.

He called the tape a chilling admission of guilt.

"Those who contend it's a farce or a fake are hoping for the best



President Bush

about an evil man. I mean, this is bin Laden unedited," the president said during an Oval Office picture-taking session with Thailand Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra.

"It is preposterous for anybody to think that this tape is doctored. That's just a feeble excuse to provide weak support for an incredibly evil man," the president said.

Bush would not predict how soon bin Laden would be captured, and he said he didn't care how the suspect is taken. "Dead or alive, either way," he said. "It doesn't matter to me."

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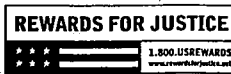
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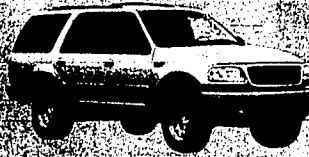
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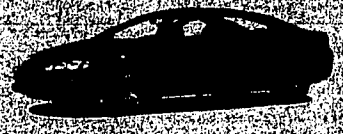
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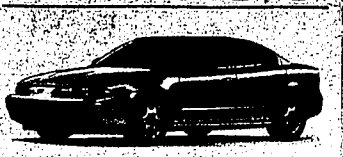
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Section B

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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We were madder than a rhino with a hernia.

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—*LaVar Arrington, on Washington's 20-10 victory over Arizona last Sunday*

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school boys basketball
MVC at Oakley, 6 p.m.
Murtaugh at North Gem, 6 p.m.
Dietrich at Castledorf, 6 p.m.
Raft River at Richfield, 6 p.m.
Carey at Hansen, 6 p.m.
Kimberly at Shoshone, 6 p.m.
Gooding at Wendell, 7:30 p.m.
Buhl at Middleton, 7:30 p.m.
Declo at Sugar-Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Minico at Highland, 7:30 p.m.
High school girls basketball
MVC at Oakley, 4:30 p.m.
Carey at Hansen, 6 p.m.
Valley at Filer, 6 p.m.
American Falls at Buhl, 6 p.m.
Declo at Wood River, 7 p.m.
Camas County at Hagerman, 6 p.m.

Dietrich at Castledorf, 7 p.m.
High school wrestling
Bear-Cat Invitational, at Twin Falls, JV at Jerome, 10 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Pomerelle offers free lessons today

ALBION — The Pomerelle Mountain ski resort will offer free ski and snowboard lessons today starting at 10:30 a.m. The offer includes a 1.5-hour lesson and free rental equipment. To assure a space, pre-register at 673-5599.

Minico Booster Club hosting tailgate Tuesday
BURLEY — The Minico Booster Club will host a tailgate party for the girls basketball game against Jerome on Tuesday.

The party, which will be between the two gyms, begins at 6 p.m. and will include free rolls and juice. Everyone wearing red and gold will receive a ticket for prize drawings during halftime.

Compiled from staff reports



SALT LAKE 2002



Countdown to the Salt Lake Olympics

55 days until Opening Ceremony

The Torch Tour: The Olympic flame begins today, its 12th day in the United States, in Memphis, Tenn. It visits Jackson and Dixon before ending the day in Nashville.

March to the Medals: U.S. women's bobsledders Jan Racine and Jan Davidson are splitville, Racine, a bobsled driver, tossed her longtime brakeman Davidson out of the sled Thursday and is replacing her with Gea Johnson. Racine, of Waterford, Mich., and Davidson, of Layton, Utah, have been World Cup champions for the past two seasons.

Shock to the Irish

O'Leary resigns as Notre Dame coach amid lies

By Tom Coyne
The Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — George O'Leary built his career as a football coach on lies. Only five days after getting the job he always wanted, his past finally caught up with him at Notre Dame. O'Leary stunned and embarrassed the nation's most storied program by resigning, admitting Friday he had falsified his

academic and athletic credentials for decades.

He claimed to have a master's degree in education and to have played college football for three years, but checks into his background showed those statements were not true.

"Many years ago, as a young married father, I sought to pursue my dream as a football coach," he said in a statement released by Notre Dame. "In seeking employment I prepared a resume that contained inaccuracies regarding my completion of course work for a master's degree and also my level of participation in football at my alma mater. These mis-

statements were never stricken from my resume or biographical sketch in later years."

The 55-year-old former Georgia Tech coach signed a six-year contract Saturday night and was introduced to the media and public on Sunday.

He promised to turn around an Irish program that had become mediocre in five years under Bob Davie, fired on Dec. 2 after the Irish posted a 5-6 record after an 0-3 start. Davie's 35-25 record gave him the third-worst winning percentage in Irish history.

—By Friday, though, O'Leary himself Please see IRISH, Page B2



Former Notre Dame football coach George O'Leary talks to the media on Thursday in South Bend, Ind.

Too-tall Trojans

Wendell overpowers Hagerman 58-46

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

WENDELL — The undefeated Wendell Trojans were too big and too powerful for the Hagerman Pirates Friday night as the Trojans and 6-foot-7 sophomore Kael Pope dominated inside in Wendell's 58-46 boys basketball victory.

Despite the effort of the Pirates (1-0 Magic Valley, 2-4) to clog the middle, Pope and 6-4 senior post Sherman King dominated the early going as the Trojans (0-0 Canyon Conference, 7-0 overall) jumped out to a 15-4 lead with most of the damage coming in the paint despite Hagerman's collapsing zone defense.

King scored all seven of his points in the stretch, including a three-point play to start the game.

"We have had trouble early on getting good shots and that seems to become contagious so we decided to really concentrate on getting good inside shots," Wendell coach Allen Kelsey said.

That they did as the Trojans ended the first quarter with a 17-8 lead and looked to be in complete control.

Wendell also concentrated on using its height advantage on the boards and finished the game with a 42-20 rebound advantage.

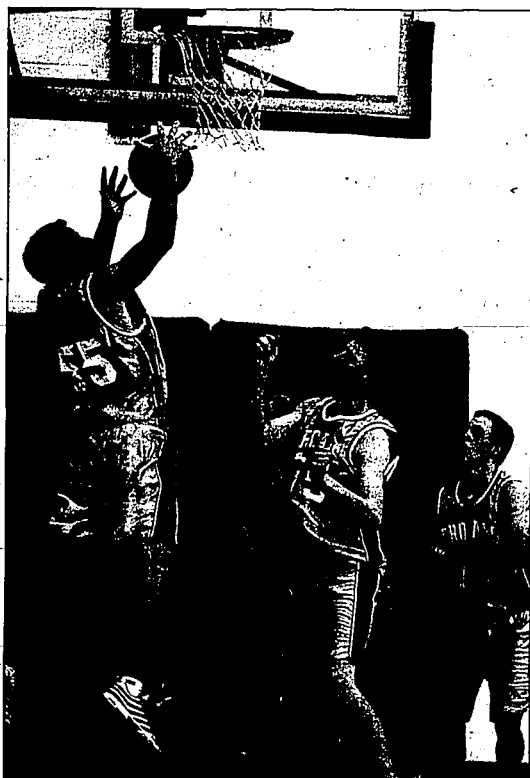
"That should be a strength for us," Kelsey said. "We have a couple of big guys and they're playing without a big guy who would've really made a difference."

Hagerman's junior posts Cooper Bates and Nick Watson, who are 6-5 and 6-3 respectively, have been suspended because of violations of team rules but will be back in action next week.

The Pirates could have used them Friday as they had just two players at least 6-feet tall.

"It's not like we're a whole new team (with them)," Hagerman coach Kevin Cato said. "But we have an option down low. We can shoot but you don't want to live and die with the outside shoot."

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Wendell Trojan senior Sherman King goes up for a rebound as teammates Kael Pope, center, and Cory Chandler, right, look on Friday in Wendell. Hagerman junior wing Cody Ravenscroft is blocked out. Wendell went on to the 58-46 win to remain undefeated.

Bulldogs take lead at Bear-Cat

Bad weather plays role

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The weather was the winner to start the sixth annual Bear-Cat Invitational Wrestling Tournament Friday at Twin Falls High School.

Poor weather forced defending A-2 state and 2000 Bear-Cat champion American Falls, Pocatello power Highland and Wood River high schools to skip this year's tournament, and paring the field to 12 schools.

Kimberly was the surprise leader after the first day with 50 points, six better than runner-up Emmett with 44. Buhl is in third with 43 points with Minico fourth with 40 and Burley in fifth with 35.5 points.

Borah is sixth with 30 points with Twin Falls (28.5), Jerome (23), Wendell (15), Boise (10), Valley (7) and Filer (6) rounding out the varsity field.

Byes were the story of the day with all No. 1 seeds advancing to today's quarterfinal rounds. Kimberly, which is 4-0 on the season, has the most grapplers in with 10. Minico and Emmett are next with nine wrestlers in the quarterfinals followed by Buhl with six, Burley with five and Borah and Jerome with three pieces. Twin Falls, Wendell and Boise all have two wrestlers still alive in the championship bracket.

Wrestling begins today at 10 a.m. in both Twin Falls High School gymnasiums. Semifinal and championship rounds are expected to begin between noon and 1 p.m.

Friday's Results

Varsity team scores
1. Kimberly 50, 2. Emmett 44, 3. Buhl 43, 4. Minico 40, 5. Burley 35.5, 6. Borah 30, 7. Twin Falls 28.5, 8. Jerome 23, 9. Wendell 15, 10. Boise 10, 11. Valley 7, 12. Filer 6.

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Arizona faces a Spartan test at Michigan State

The Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. — The last time Michigan State lost a basketball game at home, Morris Peterson and Mateen Cleaves were sophomores.

Now, Peterson and Cleaves are second-year players in the NBA and the winning streak they helped start at home has reached 49 games, the nation's longest active run.

The Spartans have won those games by an average of 21.4 points and just seven have been decided by single digits.

The streak will be put to a test when No. 6 Arizona (5-1) plays No. 23 Michigan State (5-3) today at Breslin Center.

If the Spartans win, they would tie the Big Ten's longest home winning streak with Ohio State (1959-63) and Indiana (1991-95). The Spartans would still have a long way to go to match Kentucky's record streak of 129 consecutive wins at home from 1943-55.

"It just gives us extra motivation. Please see BASKETBALL, Page B4



Arizona guard Jason Gardner, left, and forward Dennis Lattimore block Illinois forward and former College of Southern Idaho star Blandon Ferguson as he drives to the basket during the Southwest showdown Dec. 4 at America West Arena in Phoenix.

Mariners may get 3B Cirillo

The Associated Press

The Colorado Rockies have reached tentative agreement to trade third baseman Jeff Cirillo to Seattle, provided the Mariners can restructure his contract, The Associated Press learned Friday.

The Mariners were given permission by the commissioner's office to deal with Cirillo through early today, said a source familiar with the talks who spoke on condition he not be identified.

If the money aspect is worked out, Seattle is expected to send reliever Jose Paniagua and possibly a pair of minor-league pitchers to the Rockies.

A team can open a negotiating window up to 72 hours long only after clubs have agreed on the

specific players involved in a trade.

Cirillo hit .312 with 17 home runs and 83 RBIs last season. A two-time All-Star, he batted .325 in each of the previous two years.

Cirillo finished this year, with 85 straight errorless games, setting an NL record for third baseman in one season. The major league mark for consecutive games without an error at third base is 99, set by John Wehner from 1992-2000.

David Bell, the Mariners' third baseman last year, is a free agent. He hit .260 with 15 home runs and 64 RBIs.

In July 2000, Cirillo signed a \$28.6 million, four-year extension. His contract calls for \$6 million in 2002, \$6.35 million in 2003, \$6.6 million in 2004 and \$6.9 million in 2005. There is a club option for \$7.5 million in 2006 with a \$1.25 million buyout. Cirillo, 32, would be going home if he joined the Mariners. His off-season residence is in the Seattle suburb of Redmond, Wash.



Jeff Cirillo

SPORTS

Jazz stop Blazers; Wizards win fifth straight

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Donyell Marshall scored 25 points and Karl Malone added 24 points and 13 rebounds as the Utah Jazz defeated the Portland Trail Blazers 93-85 Friday for their fifth victory in six games.

Greg Osterberg's dunk with 9:11 left highlighted a 12-2 run that gave Utah a 77-57 lead. Portland couldn't trim the lead below 15 points until the final two minutes.

Rashed Wallace paced the Blazers with 18 points and Ruben Patterson had 15 — all in the first half. Portland, which has lost four of its last five games, was outbounded 48-31.

Portland played without Bonzi Wells, who had swelling in his left knee.

Wizards 96, Knicks 80

WASHINGTON — Richard Hamilton, who has been outscoring Michael Jordan during the Wizards' winning streak, scored 27 of his season-high 41 points before halftime as the Wizards won their fifth straight.

Jordan recovered from a 4-for-5 start to score eight of his 19 points in the third quarter.

Spurs 105, Suns 93

PHOENIX — Tim Duncan is off to his best start, and he's carrying San Antonio with him.

Duncan had 11 of his 31 points in the fourth quarter, fueling Phoenix's attempts to rally, and the Spurs beat the Phoenix Suns 105-93 Friday night. The fifth-year star, who had the best

Number of his career, also had a season-high 19 rebounds for his NBA-leading 17th double-double of the season.

Bucks 96, 76ers 80

PHILADELPHIA — Glenn Robinson matched his season-high with 34 points and Sam Cassell scored a season-high 29, including 25 in the second half, as the Milwaukee Bucks dealt the Philadelphia 76ers their seventh straight loss, 96-80 Friday night.

The game was the first of the season between the two teams that met in the Eastern Conference finals last season.

Celtics 107, Bulls 101

BOSTON — Paul Pierce had 38 points and 12 rebounds and

Antoine Walker added 20 points as the Celtics gained their eighth victory in nine games.

Nets 95, Heat 86

MIAMI — Kerry Kittles scored a season-high 27 points — and Korynn Martin added 25. Kittles made 10 of 18 shots and Martin shot 12-of-19 — including six dunks — as the Nets won for the fourth time in five games.

T'wolves 114, Kings 94

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 29 points and a team-record 24 rebounds Friday night to lead the Timberwolves to their sixth straight victory.

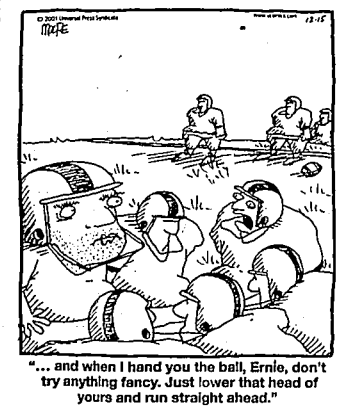
Wally Szczerbak scored 28 points for Minnesota, including 12 in the decisive third quarter.



Portland guard Donyell Marshall weaves his way around Utah Jazz forward Donyell Marshall in the first quarter Friday in Salt Lake City.

SCORES AND STATS

IN-THE-BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



...and when I hand you the ball, Ernie, don't try anything fancy. Just lower that head of yours and run straight ahead!"

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

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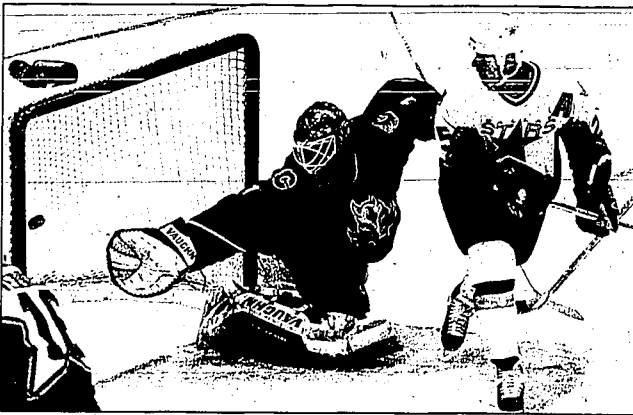
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SPORTS



Dallas center Joe Newwendyk, right, watches the puck get past Calgary goalie Marty Turco for a goal by Pat Verbeek, left, during the first period in Dallas, Friday.

Forget a football playoff, what about the layoff?

DETROIT - Now that we are finished with the insanity of college football, we can finally focus on something else: the lunacy of college bowl.



MITCH ALBOM

Allowing a computer to pick your title contenders is weird enough. But sitting around for a month before you play the actual game is certifiably, undeniably and wholeheartedly, and I say this kindly, insane.

Hello? Has anyone noticed anything strange about this weekend? There is no college championship. And next weekend? And the following weekend? Still no college championship.

In fact, the actual championship game will not be played until Thursday, Jan. 3.

If this were love-making, it would be the longest cold shower in history.

Miami (Fla.) is the No. 1 team in the nation, right? The Hurricanes haven't played since Dec. 1. By championship night, they'll be wearing name tags.

Still, they're downright sweaty compared to their opponents, Nebraska, whose last action came Nov. 23. For all we know, their corn went back into their husks.

Remember that expression, "The waiting is the hardest part"? It's even worse when you nod off.

"The way I remember the bowls, they were like playing the first game of the season," says Bryant Westbrook, a Lions cornerback who attended Texas and played in the Fiesta and Sugar.

All that time off, you get bored, complacent, you lose your timing. "That's why you see so many big plays in bowls. A lot of it is one team still hasn't gotten itself fully together."

What other sport would tolerate such an invention? It's like

played in the same bowl.

Today, with the advent of the Bowl Championship Series, No. 1 can actually play No. 2. Not that anyone can agree on who No. 2 is.

But in all this time, with all these changes, nobody has addressed the lag time issue. People scream about "playoff," but never "layoff." Westbrook recalls, "We lost our rhythm. Until we got to the bowl city, it was like we weren't even concentrating."

Dumb. What they should do is finish what they start. The college season concludes by the first weekend in December? Immediately start a three-week playoff with eight teams invited. You use four bowls for the first weekend's playoffs, two bowls for the second, and the final bowl on New Year's Day to determine the champion.

Then, everyone takes a shower, and plops back into the couch to watch a month's worth of NFL playoffs.

This makes sense. Which means it will never happen. But it should. Critics talk about sending the hottest team to the title game. But by Jan. 3, "hot" is a distant memory. So are some of your coach's names.

And here they sit, Miami and Nebraska, in the dead zone now, a suspended countdown, a yellow flag, a rocket on a launching pad, engines off.

Five weeks between games? That old expression is true, but in college football, it comes with a caveat.

The waiting is the dumbest part.

Mitch Albom is an award-winning sports columnist with the Detroit Free Press.

Calgary rallies to beat Stars

DALLAS - Marc Savard broke a tie with a second-period goal as Calgary rallied from a two-goal deficit to beat Dallas.

Savard snapped a 2-2 tie at 10:55 of the second - one minute and 11 seconds after teammate Dean McAmmond had evened the score - by deflecting in teammate Bob Boughner's shot from the right point.

Rob Niedermayer and Chris Clark also scored for Calgary while Roman Turcek made 25 saves against his former team as the Flames won for the third time in 14 games (3-7-4).

Pat Verbeek, Benoit Brunet and Mike Modano scored for Dallas.

Oilers 2, Lightning 1

EDMONTON, Alberta - Shawn Horcoff had a goal and added an assist on Josh Green's game-winning as Edmonton rallied to defeat Tampa Bay.

Horcoff retrieved his own rebound and found Green alone in front. Green then tucked it

into an open net behind goalie Nikolai Khabibulin at 12:25 of the third period.

Sharks 3, Avalanche 0

DENVER - San Jose's Evgeni Nabokov set a franchise record for career shutouts, blanking Colorado.

Nabokov, in only his second full NHL season, posted his 11th shutout to break the Sharks' record he had shared with Steve Shields.

Last season's Calder Trophy winner had 38 saves for his fourth shutout of the season.

Sabres 3, Hurricanes 2

BUFFALO, N.Y. - Stu Barnes scored in overtime and Mika Noronen made 22 saves as the Buffalo Sabres beat the Carolina Hurricanes 3-2 Friday night.

Barnes took an Alexei Zhitnik pass and beat Tom Barrasso stick side for his third career overtime goal. The goal spoiled a 30-save performance for Barrasso.

Maxim Afinogenov added two goals for the Sabres.

Josef Vasicek and Erik Cole had Carolina's goals.

Panthers 3, Devils 2

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Pavel Bure had two assists and Trevor Kidd made key third-period saves - and also got a little lucky - as Florida held off New Jersey.

Blackhawks 3, Thrashers 1

ATLANTA - Tony Amonte had a goal and two assists to lead Chicago past Atlanta.

Alex Zhamnov had a goal and an assist and Jocelyn Thibault stopped 30 shots for the Blackhawks, who won for the fourth time in six games.

Wild 5, Penguins 2

PITTSBURGH - Sergei Zholtok scored twice and Marian Gaborik added his team-leading 14th goal as Minnesota beat Pittsburgh.

Manny Fernandez made 39 saves to help the Wild end a season-worst three-game losing streak.

Holyfield still chases title dreams

MASHANTUCKET, Conn. - Evander Holyfield wants it whole again.

"If you're not undisputed champion, you're just a fraction of a champion," said Holyfield, who will try to win at least a piece of boxing's biggest prize for the fifth time when he challenges John Ruiz for the WBA heavy-weight title.

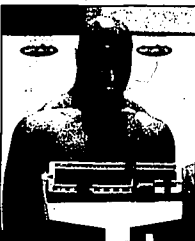
As the champion, you've got to be the undisputed heavy-weight champion of the world," he said.

So Holyfield sees tonight's fight at Foxwoods Resort Casino as only a step back to the position he held until Riddick Bowe made him a former undisputed champion in 1992.

Holyfield had become undisputed champ by knocking out James "Buster" Douglas in the third round in 1990. The last time Holyfield faced Ruiz, he lost the WBA title on a decision March 3. He had won the vacant title by outpointing Ruiz on Aug. 12, 2000.

Should Holyfield win, he wants to take on the winner of the fight between WBC-IBF champion Lennox Lewis and Mike Tyson, expected to be held in April.

If Lewis wins, it's doubtful he'd want a third fight against



Evander Holyfield looks down at the scale tips at 219 pounds during his weigh-in Friday.

Holyfield. In two fights for the undisputed title, the two men fought a draw and Lewis won a decision Nov. 13, 1999. Lewis was stripped of the WBA title for not giving Holyfield a third fight.

Tyson might want a chance to avenge two losses to Holyfield. Whoever wins tonight's match, he will have to next make a WBA mandatory defense against Kirk Johnson of Canada.

If Holyfield loses, what then? Holyfield is 39, and most fight

ers that age who have achieved a fraction of what he has done boxing would retire and rest on their laurels.

Holyfield was diagnosed with having a heart problem after he lost the WBA-IBF titles to Michael Moorer on April 22, 1994. He announced his retirement, but in November of that year he said he had been healed by faith healer Benny Hinn and that he was considering returning to boxing.

Boxing commissions needed more than medical clearance by a faith healer. Holyfield got it when he was given a clean bill of health by the Mayo Clinic at Rochester - Minn., in late November 1995.

On May 20, 1995, he scored a 10-round decision over Ray Mercer. Then, however, he was stopped by Bowe in the eighth round of a non-title fight in November.

Back Holyfield came to stop Bobby Coy in the fifth round on May 10, 1996. Although the performance was unimpressive, it earned him a shot at Tyson for the WBA title Nov. 9, 1996.

Holyfield became a champion for a third time by stopping Tyson in the 11th round. He won a rematch when Tyson bit his ears and was disqualified.

Basketball

Continued from B1

tion," Michigan State's Kelvin Torbert said. "They're trying to beat us and end our streak, which is a big thing for us and our fans."

The Wildcats ended the Spartans' hopes for repeating as national champions with an 80-61 win in last season's Final Four. Two years ago, Arizona beat Michigan State 79-68 at home.

About the only thing that will look similar to their last meeting, less than nine months ago, will be the uniforms. Arizona's Jason Gardner and Michigan State's Aloysius Anagonye are the only returning starters.

Arizona coach Lute Olson said the teams are in similar situations with the loss of so many players.

Three Arizona players - Richard Jefferson, Gilbert Arenas and Michael Wright - entered the NBA draft as underclassmen, and Loren Woods left as a senior.

The Spartans lost two players early - Jason Richardson and Zach Randolph - to the NBA. Five

seniors, including Charlie Bell and Andre Hutson, are also gone.

Both teams now count on freshmen. Michigan State's freshmen account for 39 percent of the scoring while Arizona's freshmen have been responsible for 38 percent of the offense.

So far, Arizona has been able to do a better job of making up for the losses. It began the season unranked but is now sixth thanks to wins over Maryland, Florida, Texas and Wake Forest. Michigan State was 15th in the preseason but fell after losing to Syracuse, Fresno State and Florida. A loss could drop the Spartans out of the poll, which would end a streak of being ranked at 67 weeks.

Women's Top 25

No. 18 Colorado State 65, Xavier 48

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Ashley Augspurger had 15 points and

nine rebounds as No. 18 Colorado State beat Xavier 65-48 Friday night in the first round of the Women's Sports Foundation tournament.

Jackie Campbell added 14 points, and Angie Gorton and Lisa Narkiewicz scored 11 each for the Rams (7-1), who will play Louisville for the title tonight.

No. 24 Old Dominion 65, Seton Hall 52

NORFOLK, Va. - Hamchetou Maiga had 14 points and 17 rebounds, and hit a 3-pointer to give the Lady Monarchs the lead for good.

Maiga's only 3-pointer came with 14:01 left, stopping a half-opening 14-5 run by Seton Hall that had given the Lady Pirates (6-3) a 44-43 lead. The basket sparked an 18-4 run for the Lady Monarchs (4-3).

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RUPERT



Veral E. Loveland
Veral E. Loveland, 87 years old, died December 12, 2001, at his home in Paul, Idaho.
Veral was born July 15, 1914, to Seth and Millie Loveland in Albion, Idaho—Veral graduated from Rupert High School and attended Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho.
Veral married Ione Garner January 11, 1934, in the Salt Lake Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. Veral and Ione settled in Paul, where they farmed and raised cattle all of their lives. Veral loved horses and being a cattleman.
Veral was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in bishoprics, high priest presidency and various other positions.
Veral is survived by his wife Ione, a sister, Lavere Loveland of Wilton, California; five children, twins Darlene (Keith) Larsen, Rupert and Duane (Lois) Loveland, serving a mission in London England, Jerry (Marta) Loveland, Caldwell, Idaho, Lamar (Raida) Loveland, Hagerman, Idaho and Ron (Kathy) Loveland, Rupert, Idaho; 22 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Elmore Loveland and two grandsons.
Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, December 17, 2001, at the Paul LDS 2nd Ward (Stake Center). Burial will follow in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel from 6-8 p.m. Sunday, December 16, 2001, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

HAZELTON



Calvin G. Perkins
Calvin G. Perkins, 58, of Hazelton, died Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2001, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.
He was born Nov. 3, 1943, in Twin Falls, the son of Marjorie and Lillian Bienz Perkins. He was reared and educated in Hazelton, graduating from Valley High School in 1963. Calvin later attended technical school in Pocatello, and worked for a number of years as an office machine repairman for J. & J. Office Supply in Burley. Calvin was a member of the LDS church, did intricate scrollwork work, loved his computer, music and animals.
He is survived by 2 brothers: Duward (Emma Jean) Perkins, and Wayne (Barbara) Perkins, both of Burley; 1 sister: Marilyn (Orville) Wayman of Twin Falls, a sister-in-law Marianne Perkins of Boise, Idaho, and numerous nieces and nephews.
He was preceded in death by his parents, and 3 brothers: Ken, Reed and Russell.
Funeral services for Calvin will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, December 17, 2001, at the 1st Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Dr. N., Twin Falls, with Bishop Randy Hansen conducting. Interment will be held at 2 p.m. at the church. Friends may call at the church from 9:45-10:45 a.m. on Monday. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary.

son and one brother, Ardell (LaRay) Haberman of Jerome.
She was preceded in death by her brother Donald and one son Ron.
A special thanks to Twin Falls Care Center for their tender-loving care.
Services will be held Monday, December 17, 2001, at 11 a.m. at the Jerome LDS Stake Center on Tiger Drive with Bro. Kent Legg officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Hope Robertson Funeral Chapel (3rd and Filmore) in Jerome and from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. at the church.

BOISE



David Lucas Kiesig
David was born on October 21, 1928, to Frank and Ella Marie Lucas Kiesig in Salt Lake City, Utah. After a brief illness he passed away at St. Luke's Hospital, in Boise, Idaho, on December 13, 2001.
Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the Jordan's Landing Ward LDS Chapel located at 5900 Castle Drive, Boise. Bishop Dwight Johnson will preside.
Burial will follow services at Dry Creek Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Riverside Funeral Service, Boise.
David was the seventh of eight children and grew up in Salt Lake City. He attended public schools graduating from South High School in 1946. He served in the Swiss Austrian Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. When he returned home he met and courted the love of his life, Marion Schereschewsky.
They were married in the LDS Temple in Mesa, Arizona on May 10, 1952. He was an active member of the Church and faithfully served in many callings throughout his life.
He was a loyal and dedicated employee of Graybar Electric Company for more than 35 years. He worked in Salt Lake City, Twin Falls and Boise, Idaho, until his retirement.
He was preceded in death by his parents, and his brothers: Frank, Carl, Joseph and John.
He is survived by his wife Marion of Boise and children, David S. (Jeni) Kiesig of Buhl, Idaho, Vicky (Ken) Berry of Kennewick, WA; Scotty (Vicki) Kiesig of Boise, ID; Delany (Doug) Campbell, of Prescott, AZ, his grandchildren Jeremy, Nathan, Stephanie, and Tiffany Kiesig; Rick, Jeff, and Jenna Berry; Alex and Valeri Kiesig; Joshua, J.J., Eric, Spencer and Caleb Campbell; great-granddaughter Alexis Kiesig; three sisters Emmarose Marty; Ruth Adams; Naomi Wilson; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.
David was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He taught us the value of strong character and integrity. We will miss him.
The family will greet friends and relatives at the Castle Drive LDS Chapel at 10 a.m. Monday one hour prior to services.

TWIN FALLS



Florence Boyd
Florence Boyd, 92, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, December 12, 2001, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center.
She was born April 13, 1909, at Maramee, Pawnee County, Oklahoma, to Lewis and Olive Reynolds Ireland. She was raised in Oklahoma and, on May 5, 1926, married Joseph A. Boyd at Stillwater, Oklahoma. They came to Idaho in 1935. Florence was a member of the Pentecostal Church. She liked to fish, camp, and spend time with her family.
Florence is survived by her children, Kenneth "Mick" (Diane) Boyd of Buhl, Idaho, and Joseph "Vern" (Jeni) Boyd of Boise, Idaho; 14 grandchildren, and numerous great and great-great-grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by her husband Joseph, who died June 16, 1994; by two sons, Paul and Carl; and by 7 sisters and 3 brothers.
The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 18, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Mark Boer officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Monday from 6-8 p.m.
The family suggests that memorial contributions be given to the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation, P.O. Box 409,

JEROME



Byrda Lee Thompson
Byrda Lee Thompson, 81, of Jerome, peacefully passed away Wednesday, December 12, 2001, at Twin Falls Care Center.
She was born August 6, 1920, in Jerome to Tony and Jessie Haberman. She attended Appleton School and graduated from Jerome High School in 1938. She received a cosmetologist license in Boise. She married Bill Dockett and they had a daughter, Adonna Lee and a son, Davin Dean. They were later divorced.
She married Cleon G. Thompson who adopted Donna and Darwin. They continued their family with Toon Parley, Cheryl Nancy and Ronald Robert. After seventeen years of marriage they were divorced.
She married Stan Walker and they lived in Ontario and Salem, Oregon. They were divorced. She returned to Jerome where she was a hairdresser until age 72. She met a special friend, Hughie Greene, and they enjoyed lots of good times together. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many organizations. She loved to do handwork, crafts, sewing, books, gardening, travel and most of all she loved people, family and friends.
Survivors include two sons: Darwin (Christine) Thompson, California, Cleon P. (Jill) Thompson, Kimberly, two daughters, Donna (Moe) Shillington, Utah, Cheryl (Dale) Brown, Utah, 8 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and one brother, Ardell (LaRay) Haberman of Jerome.
She was preceded in death by her brother Donald and one son Ron.
A special thanks to Twin Falls Care Center for their tender-loving care.
Services will be held Monday, December 17, 2001, at 11 a.m. at the Jerome LDS Stake Center on Tiger Drive with Bro. Kent Legg officiating. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Hope Robertson Funeral Chapel (3rd and Filmore) in Jerome and from 11 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. at the church.

SERVICES

Edna Lucile Thomas Warner, formerly of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 10th Ward, 229 Park Ave., Twin Falls; friends may call from 12:30 p.m. before the service today at the church; interment will be in Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

Valma Marlon Gray of Gooding will hold 2 p.m. Monday at the First Christian Church in Gooding; private burial will be held after the service at Elmwood Cemetery, Gooding; friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Sunday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Stanley (Stan) Penfold of Hagerman, service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Hagerman; burial will be in the Hagerman Cemetery; friends may call from 10 a.m. until the time of the service today at the church (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Calvin G. Perkins of Hazelton, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the 1st Ward LDS Chapel, 847 Eastland Dr. N., Twin Falls; interment at 2 p.m. in the Hazelton cemetery; friends may call from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Monday at the church (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Michelle L. Pickett of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley; burial in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley; friends may call one hour before the service Monday at the Payne Mortuary.

Ray Anker Anderson of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Dec. 29 at First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls (White Mortuary of Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

Ava F. Leeper
GLENN'S FERRY - Ava F. Leeper, 83, of Glenns Ferry, died Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2001, at her home.
At her request, no services will be held. Cremation is under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, McMurrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

Nancy Joan Carraber of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel.

Margaret Louise Babcock of Jerome, service at 12 p.m. today at the Henderson Funeral Home in Pocatello; a gathering for family and friends will be held one hour before the service; burial will follow immediately after the service at the Pocatello Cemetery.

Donald Wilson Whittaker Sr. of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m.

Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Virginia Brooks Rathburn

LONGMONT, Colo. - Virginia Brooks Rathburn, 96, formerly of Twin Falls died Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2001, in Longmont, Colo. Burial will be held Dec. 18, 2001, in Grandview, Ark.

Glenna Grant

TWIN FALLS - Glenna Grant, 65, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Dec. 14, 2001, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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Regulators boost charge by 3 cents

BOISE (AP) - A state surcharge on residential, business and wireless telephone lines in Idaho will increase from 5 cents a month to 8 cents beginning Feb. 1, utilities regulators said Friday.
The surcharge funds the Idaho Telephone Service Assistance Program, through which the state Department of Health and Welfare provides basic phone service to about 26,000 low-income households.
The Idaho Public Utilities Commission reduced the surcharge from 13 cents a month to 5 cents a month after a 1998 report showing the fund was developing a significant surplus.
Participation has increased by about 30 percent since then, and a report from its administrator shows the fund will be nearly \$270,000 in the red by next September unless the surcharge is increased.

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P&Z tours zoning boundaries

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County's planning and zoning commission drove down dirt roads Friday for a close look at the zoning boundaries south of Burley.

The inspection was prompted by Duane and Ralene Searles' desire to build a new dairy just north of the prime agricultural zone where larger confined animal feeding operations are allowed. Though the Searles have asked the commission if there is any possibility of receiving a conditional use permit, they have not yet made an application.

"We're looking to see if this boundary is suitable or if we need to make some changes," assistant county attorney Kerry McMurray said.

The tour was a proactive move by the commissioners, giving them a chance to see the varieties of land use in the area in order to diffuse potential conflicts.



About six miles south of Burley, members of the Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission look around the boundary separating the agricultural/residential and the prime agricultural zones. Commissioners Dale Pierce and Bruce Beck and assistant county attorney Kerry McMurray are pictured from left to right.

Commission Chairman David Gerratt, though he stressed that nothing is final. Commissioners declined to say whether they are considering granting the Searles a conditional-use permit.

To grant a conditional-use permit, the commission needs to find

the proposed use reasonably consonant with neighboring land uses.

The commission will also have to take future land uses and the ability of public services to provide for the dairy if the Searles apply.

"In our next meeting we'll talk

about what we think of the border in public and go from there," Gerratt said.

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Kimberly School Board declares vacant position

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent

Helena, Mont. The cost of the service will be \$3,000.

KIMBERLY — The School Board officially declared the board member position for Zone 3 vacant during its Thursday night meeting.

This seat was previously occupied by Karen Anderson. Anderson is no longer eligible to serve as a board member after she and her husband sold their home and no longer live in Zone 3.

The district is now advertising for individuals to submit applications to serve on the board. Anyone living in Zone 3 is eligible and is urged to contact the superintendent's office by Jan. 7.

The board discussed updating the board policy book, which was originally set up in 1976. Many of the policies need to be revised, Superintendent John Garner said.

The board has made revisions from time to time, but this is a complex volume needing many hours of work and study.

In other school business:

- The board voted to hire attorney Debra Silk, a provider of Custom Policy Services located in

- Garner announced George Arossa had been nominated for the Wes Lowe Memorial Award from the Idaho High School Activities Association.
- The board studied the use of the school facilities policy and decided the policy needed more research. The policy will be brought before the board at a later date.
- The board approved the request of two senior students to be released early from school each day in order to give them time to pursue job training. Both students are meeting all credit requirements.
- The Twin Falls School District superintendent has contacted Garner about the possibility of Kimberly students being interested in the proposed professional-technical center for the Twin Falls district. The board said it would seriously consider participating in such a center if it was built.

Times-News correspondent Margaret Jones can be reached in Kimberly at 423-5430.

Capitol security meeting touches on tunnel option

BOISE (AP) — Starting a new Idaho anti-terrorism panel and funneling traffic through a tunnel under State Street were two new ideas that came out of a mostly docile town hall meeting on Statehouse security Thursday night.

Ajt. Gen. John Kane, Idaho State Police Col. E.D. Suckfaden and Department of Administration Director Pam Ahrens joined several local officials in the meeting called by Boise Democratic Rep. Dave Bieter.

More than 100 people attended and many offered comments both for and against the extraordinary security measures taken at the Capitol since Nov. 1.

Bieter coordinated the meeting and invited Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, but the governor had a previous commitment in Washington, D.C., and did not attend.

Bieter said he was prompted to call for the meeting after receiving complaints from constituents about the concrete barricades, the presence of armed National Guardsmen and increased numbers of state police guarding the Capitol.

The mood of the meeting was subdued, considering the recent hostility some people have expressed through letters to newspapers and Kempthorne's

office.

Former Supreme Court Justice Cathy Silak suggested that Idaho could create a homeland security commission made up of both military and government officials along with civilians, who could be given security clearance.

And Boise City Councilman Mike Wetherell suggested State Street could be closed permanently if a tunnel could be built to carry motorists through the Capitol Mall underground.

Some new information emerged: Strickfaden said the state has spent about \$197,000 so far on Capitol protection. And Ahrens said the state has spent about \$48,000 and on personnel and more than \$30,000 on equipment.

Gen. Kane estimated the cost of the National Guard troops at \$30,000.

Representatives of Idaho corporations, including Micron, said they appreciated the security measures taken by Kempthorne so far.

"I am in firm support of the governor. I feel safe when I go into the Capitol and I appreciate the work of the governor," said Dan Gricevich, who operates a public relations business and often visits the Statehouse.

Former U.S. attorney challenges congressman

BOISE (AP) — Former Democratic U.S. attorney Betty Richardson, an architect of the party's biggest electoral victory in a generation in 1990, formally entered the race for Idaho's 1st District congressional seat on Friday.

"Idahoans deserve more than one party rule," Richardson said in declaring her candidacy against freshman Republican U.S. Rep. Bush Otter.

Criticizing what she said has been Otter and Republican support for tax cuts for big businesses and the wealthy, Richardson said. She told more than 50 supporters gathered at Cecil D. Andrus Elementary School in Boise that she would be "the

champion of people who go to work, pay their bills, pay their taxes and deserve a fair tax policy for all."

But while a credible candidate, Richardson offers only a long-shot chance of winning for a state Democratic Party on the verge of irrelevance.

With all the statewide offices, both congressional seats and a U.S. Senate seat on the ballot next November, she becomes only the second Democrat to announce for a major office.

Boise real estate agent Dave Sneddon, who has little political experience, announced last week that he would challenge two-term GOP U.S. Sen. Larry Craig.

Scientists study building nuclear waste dump

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A National Academy of Sciences panel will study whether a nuclear waste dump could be built in stages to incorporate technological advances and lessons learned during construction.

The U.S. Energy Department, which will recommend whether a site in Nevada is suitable for the burial of radioactive waste, commissioned the report from the academy's National Research Council.

A 14-member panel of volunteers without ties to the Energy Department met for the first time in September and meets again next week in Las Vegas, Chairman Charles McCombie said.

While the Energy Department

is financing the meetings and research, the department will have "absolutely no control of what comes out of the report," academy staff member Barbara Pastina said.

Members are expected to hear from technical and policy experts as well as the public about whether work at Yucca Mountain could be done in stages.

Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham is expected this winter to recommend to President Bush whether Yucca Mountain is suitable for the dump. It is the only site under study.

The dump would open in 2010 for 17 years while the nation's 77,000 tons of nuclear waste is moved from more than 100 sites around the country.

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so that court officials can determine if any are using drugs or alcohol, both of which are violations of the court plan. They must also undergo 12 hours a week of training.

But drug court has its advantages compared to criminal court, Carlson said. It's a shorter process, and for those who complete it successfully, the offense is wiped off their criminal record.

Perhaps more importantly, he said, completing drug court means addicts have been given

the tools to be "drug and alcohol free for the rest of their lives."

For those who leave the program early because they don't comply with the rules, Carlson is still optimistic that their abusive behavior was corrected for a short time.

The drug court relies heavily on the evaluation and services provided by the Walker Center, Carlson said.

That center is an alcoholism and drug addiction treatment center with offices in Gooding and Rupert.

The center has outgrown its

Rupert facility and is looking to relocate its Mini-Cassia office to Burley, said Tom Stoltman-Hamilton, Walker House assistant program manager.

Drug court clients are evaluated by Walker House staffers and a treatment plan is then developed as clients progress through the drug court system.

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Sentence

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The affidavit states that after asking again, and having Pace reportedly swear at her, Stumph told Pace he would have to stay in lock down until he put the tray through the door.

Pace then reportedly threw the glasses through the bean door, according to the affidavit. Stumph picked the glasses up and left the area to collect other glasses and trays, court records state.

Stumph later returned to Pace's cell and again asked him to put the trays through the bean

door, according to the court file. He then allegedly "put (the) tray on the back side of the bean door and gave it a forceful shove," the affidavit states. Stumph was standing a couple of feet from the door and the tray hit her on her lower shin, the report states.

Stumph told another officer the impact hurt so bad "it took her breath away," the affidavit states.

A preliminary hearing for Pace is set for 9:30 a.m. Jan. 8 before Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway in Cassia County.

The date for his sentencing on

the Minidoka County conviction has not been rescheduled, court clerks said Friday.

That sentencing stems from a March 8 incident in which Pace was accused of beating Shannon Smith at Pace's Rupert home. Pace was originally charged with attempted murder in that case, however a jury found him guilty of aggravated battery.

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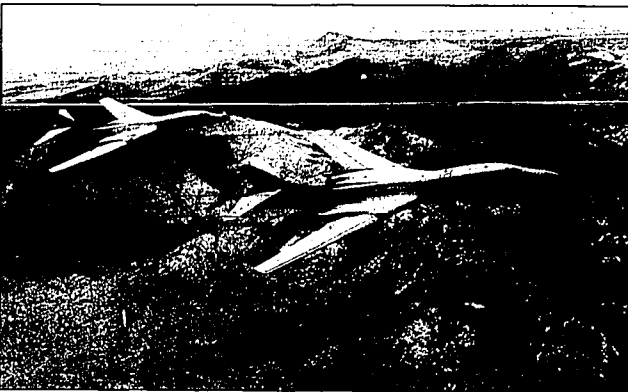
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B-1B crew member recalls harrowing nighttime ejection

BOISE (AP) - Rooster never saw a more welcome cup of coffee than the one handed to him as he climbed aboard the USS Russell.

He had just ejected out of a B-1B Lancer, fallen 15,000 feet into an ocean and survived 2.5 hours in the dark in a one-man life raft.

"Rooster" is the call sign of a 31-year-old Air Force captain from Mountain Home Air Force Base, one of two airmen from Idaho's 366th Wing on board.

Rooster was interviewed in a conference call with 10 reporters early Friday morning. He is one of two airmen from Mountain Home Air Force Base. Capt. William Steele was the primary pilot and aircraft commander; "Iro" was the weapons officer, also from Mountain Home, and "Lost" was the defensive systems officer.



Steele and Lost were from Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota.

Rooster said the aircraft had just taken off from Diego Garcia and was on a bombing mission to Afghanistan when something went wrong. Steele tried to turn the aircraft around and go back to the island base, about 100 miles away. But 60 miles from shore, Steele was no longer able to control the aircraft. The crew decided to eject, one-by-one.

"I got into the position I've been taught to do; I shut my eyes, but I still saw a flash. This huge rush of wind was the next thing I can remember. Then the

10 refueling aircraft was nearby. Rooster contacted the pilot on his radio.

The KC-10 crew spotted a strobe light blinking at the crash site. The pilot communicated the downed crew's position to a nearby warship, the guided missile destroyer USS Russell.

Navy Cmdr. Hank Miranda, commanding officer of the Russell, dispatched a rescue launch to retrieve them.

"Everything worked like clockwork," Miranda said in a previous interview.

Once on board the destroyer, Rooster was given warm, dry clothes and a hot cup of Starbucks coffee.

"I said, 'Guys, it's good to see you,'" Rooster said.

After returning to the air base on Diego Garcia about 6 a.m. Thursday, the four B-1B crew members underwent medical evaluation by Air Force and Navy doctors, according to Army Lt. Col. Stephen Barger, a spokesman at U.S. Pacific Command in Hawaii.

All crew members have been grounded, which is Air Force policy whenever a plane crashes. But Rooster said he hopes doctors clear him to fly in three or four weeks.

"I can't wait to get home put arms around wife and kids. It's a weird situation, and I'm very happy to be alive," Rooster said. "The fact that we're all walking around and talking with each other is pretty cool."

Corps might raise Lewiston levee for ships

LEWISTON (AP) - As part of its effort to maintain the shipping channel on the Snake and Clearwater rivers, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wants to raise a portion of the city levee by three feet.

Doing so would ensure the levee would hold back flood waters even during periods of high runoff, said Jack Sands, project manager for the corps' dredging program.

The agency held a Thursday

public meeting in Lewiston to explain its 20-year plan to maintain the channel and dispose of the sediment dredged up. The draft is expected to be finished by July.

Dredging in the Lower Granite Pool is to begin next winter. The draft covers the Snake River from the Port of Lewiston on the Clearwater River to McNary Dam on the Columbia River.

But the channel between Lower Granite Dam and

Lewiston has the most urgent dredging need, Walla Walla District Commander Lt. Col. Richard Wagenaar said.

"This is the first dam on the system and that is where the sediment just wants to fall out," he said.

The goal is to maintain a 14-foot-deep and 250-foot-wide navigation channel on the Snake and Clearwater rivers, as well as access to boat ramps and wildlife habitat areas.

Glacier chief moves over to Yellowstone

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK, Mont. (AP) - The superintendent of Glacier National Park was chosen Friday to become the new chief of America's oldest national park, Yellowstone.

Suzanne Lewis, a 22-year veteran of the National Park Service, succeeds Mike Finley, who has retired.

Also Friday, the National Park Service announced that Steve Martin, superintendent at Denali National Park in Alaska will manage Wyoming's Grand Teton National Park.

The appointments were announced by Regional Director Karen Wade.

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U.S. envoy leaves as Israel unleashes reprisals

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel rounded up dozens of suspected Palestinian militants in the West Bank on Friday in the widest sweep in 15 months of fighting, saying it had to step in where Yasser Arafat failed. Eight Palestinians were killed in gun battles with Israeli troops.

In the Gaza Strip, Israeli warplanes dropped two bombs on a Palestinian security compound, injuring seven Palestinians. Israel said it was retaliating for a Palestinian mortar fire.

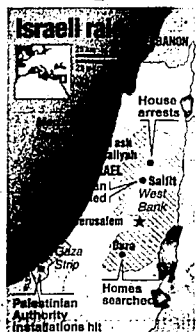
A Palestinian official, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said President Bush called Arafat on Friday night and urged him to crack down on Islamic militants. The White House said Bush had not called Arafat.

U.S. envoy Anthony Zinni, who tried and failed to negotiate a truce deal in the past three weeks, left Friday for Jordan and Egypt, and may return to Washington.

Bush said Zinni's job is being made tougher because Arafat is reluctant to round up "killers and people who would derail the peace process."

U.S. officials in Jerusalem said Zinni's mission was also complicated by Israel's decision to cut ties with Arafat.

Zinni's mission was accompanied by an upsurge in attacks by



Islamic militants on Israelis, followed by Israeli reprisals. Since Zinni's arrival, 63 Palestinians and 44 Israelis have been killed. The Palestinian toll included 29 assailants.

The violence has strained Israel's center-right government. Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, a moderate, said in an interview published Friday that it was a mistake to cast Arafat aside. However, Peres said he would not leave the coalition.

Bus from Mecca crashes, kills 52

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — A bus carrying pilgrims returning from Mecca veered off the road and burst into flames in southern Jordan on Friday, killing 52 people, the local head of civil defense said.

The accident happened on the highway outside Jordan's southern port of Aqaba, where the bus's

brakes apparently failed, causing the driver to lose control on a bend in the road coming out of the mountains, the spokesman said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The bus sped into a truck depot where it collided with several refrigerator vehicles, the spokesman said.

India blames Pakistan-based militants for attack

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The Indian government said Friday it had evidence that a Pakistan-based Islamic militant group carried out a suicide attack on Parliament that claimed 12 lives.

India demanded that Pakistan's government prove its commitment to fighting international terrorism by halting the activities, arresting the leaders and freezing the funds of the Lashkar-e-Tayyaba and another Islamic militant group also fighting for independence in the disputed Himalayan province of Kashmir.

"Pakistan is against terrorism in all its forms and manifestations," responded Pakistan's foreign ministry spokesman, Aziz Ahmed Khan. "President Gen. Pervez Musharraf and the government have already condemned the incident."

"Simply issuing a statement is not enough," he said, adding India would "have to provide us some evidence" that would be examined. Asked earlier if India would do so, Foreign Minister Jaswant Singh said: "No country reveals its methodology of gathering evidence."

India has long accused Pakistan of sponsoring and funding the Islamic militants fighting over Kashmir. India and Pakistan have gone to war twice over the territory, now divided between them.

Pakistan says it supports the guerrillas' cause but denies aiding or funding the groups that are based on its territory.

"India has technical evidence... yesterday's terrorist attack on Parliament House was not just against the symbol of Indian democracy and the sovereignty of the Indian people, that it was the handiwork of a terrorist organization based in Pakistan, the Lashkar-e-Tayyaba," Singh said.

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South African court orders government aid

PRETORIA, South Africa (AP) — The South African government's muddled AIDS policy took a major blow Friday when a court ruled that it must make a key AIDS drug available to HIV-positive pregnant women. Doctors say the drug could save the lives of 50,000 newborns a year.

The Pretoria High Court said the government not only must distribute the drug nevirapine to those women giving birth in public hospitals, but it also must institute a nationwide program to reduce mother-to-child transmissions of HIV.

Nearly one of every four expectant mothers in South Africa test positive for the virus that causes AIDS.

Some 200 babies are born HIV-positive every day in South Africa, and studies show nevirapine can reduce transmission of the virus during labor by up to 50 percent.

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In sports aerobics, for example, the confidence girls gain by mastering the moves and intensity of the competition will carry them forward for a lifetime. So, encourage your daughters to get physical. It makes all the difference in how they feel about themselves. I've seen it with my daughter, and I've seen it with her friends.

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and Human Services offers many helpful tips on its Web site at www.girlpower.gov. "Each day do about 30 to 60 minutes of mod-

erate physical activity, like walking or riding a bike. Or, at least three times a week, challenge yourself to 15 to 20 minutes of more intense activities... choose activities that you like to do. If you pick a sport or exercise program that you think is boring in the beginning, you might have a hard time staying with it."

Girl Power! provides a bonanza of sound information to help girls become champions in whatever

they choose. They also offer tools for grown-ups who want to help girls make the difficult transition from adolescence as successfully and safely as possible. It's all free, through the Girl Power! Web site - or call toll-free (800) 729-6686. Ask for Girl Power! and tell them "Dear Abby" sent you.

DEAR ABBY: Before my mother died last year, she revealed to me that "Todd," an old school-

mate of mine, told her that he had to leave the state on the day I married someone else because Texas wasn't big enough to hold his grief.

Todd had never even asked me out on a date. He hung around our house, but I thought he was just a friend of my twin brother.

Abby, please tell all those shy boys out there that if they want something, they should speak up. (I definitely would have married

Todd had the only let me know how he felt.) We both would have been much happier.

—REGRETFUL IN SPRINGFIELD, MO.

DEAR REGRETFUL: Maybe so - maybe not. While there are no guarantees, it does seem sad that a chance at true love was stillborn because one of the parties had low self-esteem. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

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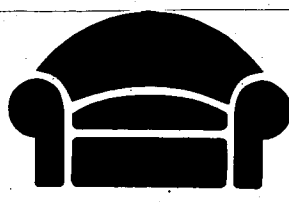
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Drunken composers and pool

That composer of classical music, Rossini, did most of his best work when he was drunk. Mozart composed much of his music while playing billiards. Remember this - and judge not - the next time you see a drunken pool player.



REVISITED
 - L.M. Boyd

Our Love and War man has been looking into the divorce statistics again, and he's found that women who split up after the age of 40 rarely remarry unless they do so immediately. Two-thirds of them never remarry. Only a tenth of them marry right away. The younger the woman at the time of her divorce, the more likely, and the more quickly, she'll remarry. No, beavers don't catch fish. Q. How old was the famous Frenchman, Lafayette, who helped George Washington's revolutionaries?
 A. He became a major general here at age 19. Come on, it's who you know.
 The "granadilla" is an oblong fruit of the various passionflowers enjoyed in tropical climes as a dessert. But if you don't care about that, just remember that all wooden clarinets are made from the granadilla tree.
 Q. How come goat's milk is easier to digest than cow's milk?
 A. Smaller fat globules. Ugly combination of syllables, that. "Smaller fat globules." It is to poetry what punk rock is to music.
 "Dread of beds" is another of those odd fears suffered by a hapless few. It's called "clinophobia."
 You tend to lose track of your brothers and sisters when you get into your twenties, if typical. Or at least you don't see them so often. Then in your forties and fifties, you get in touch again, and the older you grow there-after, the more frequently you see them. Such were the findings in a 20-year study.

Leo: Adventure on its way; Aries: Don't settle

IF DECEMBER 15TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, you are loyal and sentimental, and have unusual voice. You are frank in expressing views; marital status could involve foreign nation. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio individuals play important roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: E, O, X. In January you will be involved with temperamental, passionate people, and you will enjoy it. April will be your most romantic, profitable month of 2002.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Do not settle for second-best. Break free from status quo. Focus on accelerated social activity and travel. What had been rejected could now be accepted. Scorpio involved.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Funding obtained from "mysterious" source. Emphasis on reading, writing and ability to reach pertinent lesson. Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius play exciting roles. Lucky number is 5.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Lie low in connection with legal affairs. Don't attempt to force issues. If diplomatic, you escape financial "punishment." Questions concerning partnership and marriage loom large.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Employment picture subject to change; your intuitive intellect serves you well. Avoid self-deception. Price of property has been inflated. Pisces plays dynamic role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A day of adventure! Focus on relationship that grows hot and heavy. Get priorities in order. You will be offered substantial deal. Capricorn, Cancer natives play intriguing roles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Look beyond the immediate. What might appear to be worthless could turn out to be prof-

HOROSCOPE
 Sydney Omarr

During journey you could encounter person destined to play major role in your life. Libra involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Take initiative, don't wait for others. Imprint style and refuse to be taken for granted. Virgo individual will mean much to you. Avoid heavy lifting. Speak from your heart.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You could successfully "draw to inside straight." Lost article recovered, investment proves constructive. Questions concerning partnership and marriage dominate scenario. Capricorn involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Popularity on the rise; you could be talk of town. Lunar cycle high. You will be where the action is almost effortlessly. Emphasize personality and sex appeal. Gemini represented.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You gain enlightenment; others will be encouraged to battle fears, doubts and superstitions. Communicate with one temporarily confined to home or hospital. Taurus plays key role.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You might be asking, "How lucky can I be?" This could be the start of a winning streak; stick with number 5. Love sparks reignites; you will feel as if "I am young forever!"

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You receive message at home relating to business, career. It amounts to promotion, added prestige. Share good feelings with family. Financial dispute amicably settled. Libra represented.

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 Cinema #1 12:30-2:45-3:00-7:30-9:45
 Cinema #2 12:00-2:30-5:10-7:15-9:15
 Walt Disney Monsters Inc (G)
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Planes, pilots and carrier crew demolish endurance records

ABOARD THE USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (AP) - Records have been demolished aboard this U.S. carrier, as the crew and its fighter jets have been pushed to new limits of flight length and intensity during the bombing campaign in Afghanistan.

Since the Roosevelt arrived in the northern Arabian Sea on Oct. 17, its aircraft have spent more time in the air than ever before.

Flying dozens of sorties per day, F-14B Tomcats and F/A-18C Hornet fighter jets have spent five to nine hours in the air pounding Taliban and al-Qaida targets with about 1 million pounds of bombs, officials said.

During other missions, such as Operation Desert Storm in 1991, the aircraft would not spend more than three hours flying.

"A year ago, if I had been told we would be flying as intensely as we are right now ... I would have said it might have broken the bank," said Capt. Richard O'Hanlon, the Roosevelt's commanding officer. "It's been a test of endurance."

The sorties have been long because the carrier's aircraft must fly hundreds of miles across Pakistan to their targets in Afghanistan. The B-1 and B-52 bombers flying daily over Afghanistan are making even longer trips, from Diego Garcia in the central Indian Ocean.

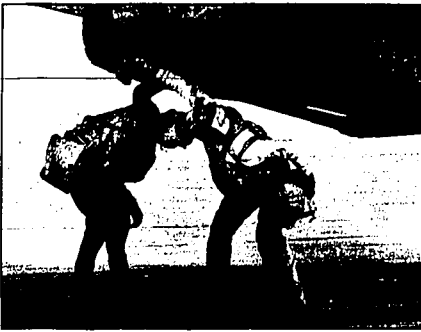
The operation has strained people and equipment.

Pilots have been forced to get medical clearance to let them exceed the monthly limit of 65 hours of flight time.

In November, the ship's VF/A-82 "Marauders" flew 1,296 hours, a one-month record for a carrier-based F/A-18 Hornets squadron, said Lt. John Oliveira, the ship's spokesman. It would normally be about 480 hours for the squadrons' 10 pilots.

The ship's three other fighter squadrons are flying similar hours to the Marauders.

Cmdr. Roy Kelley, of the VF-102 "Diamondbacks" Squadron, who has flown an average of 90 hours per month, said the task initially looked overwhelming. But, he added, as people got into a routine and early glitches were



U.S. sailors aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt in the Arabian Sea check the arresting gear of an F/A-18C Hornet before it launches for a mission over Afghanistan Thursday.

ironed out, the operation has been largely trouble-free.

"It took us about a week to say we have to change the way we are doing business," said Kelley, who is originally from Newark, Ohio. "The biggest fear has been complacency because the air crew know the country (Afghanistan) so well ... You have to realize people down there are trying to shoot you, trying to kill you and it's not a training exercise."

The Diamondbacks' 10 Tomcats flew a record 1,182 hours in November, Kelley said.

Many lessons have been learned, he said, such as making sure there are enough batteries for night-vision goggles.

"Who would have thought about how many night vision devices' batteries we need?" he said. "We had enough to get us going at the start, but suddenly we had to start scrounging from other ships to keep us going."

Supporting the fighters are the flying tankers, the S-3B Vikings "Maulers" Squadron, which has pumped more than 3.4 million pounds of jet fuel in aerial refueling operations since the Roosevelt left its home port of Norfolk, Va., on Sept. 19. Oliveira

said. In contrast, the eight-plane squadron pumped 2 million pounds of fuel during the entire six months of its last cruise. The fighters are supported by four E-2C Hawkeyes, four EA-6B Prowlers and six helicopters.

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Notes on the economy



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This chart shows the annual 2000 wages in Lincoln County - given in thousands of dollars - for industries covered by the Idaho Employment Security Law.

Total excluding federal	\$20,667
Agriculture	\$2,817
Mining	0
Construction	\$1,875
Food processing	\$2,063
Lumber	0
Other manufacturing	\$44
Transportation, communication and utilities	\$633
Wholesale trade	\$1,181
Retail trade	\$826
Finance, insurance and real estate	\$197
Service	\$2,524
State government	\$3,239
Local government	\$4,888
Federal government	\$2,222

Source: Idaho Department of Labor

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

TF Chamber plans annual banquet

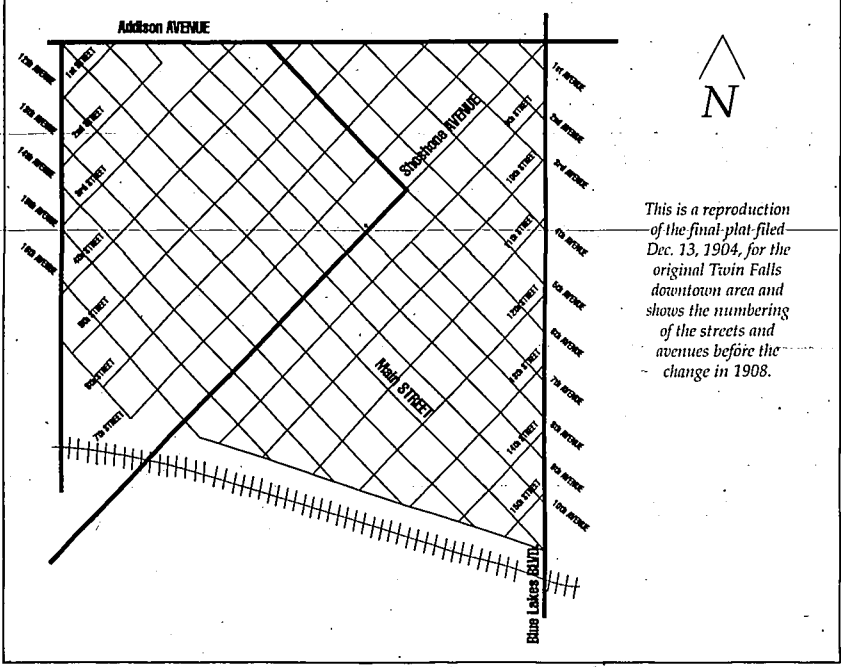
TWIN FALLS - No boring speeches, they promise. Leaders of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce plan the business organization's 83rd Annual Banquet on Jan. 21 at the Turf Club. Cocktails are at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., awards and speeches at 8 p.m. The chamber's new president, Dan Olmstead, presides over the event. Cost is \$40 per person, and seating is "very limited," the chamber says. For tickets, call 733-3974. Or send a fax to 733-9216 giving the number of tickets desired and credit card information for payment.

UPS seeks to maintain flexibility, official says

DALLAS - Flexibility has been the key to managing United Parcel Service's far-flung, complicated overnight delivery operations. That is how the company, which averages 13 million parcels a day, can smoothly take on next week's spike - more than 18 million parcels a day. But after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and in light of the national economic downturn, the company's chief operating officer is preaching managerial and financial flexibility as well. "That same flexibility we talk about in managing our package handling and delivery operations is the answer for us right now in terms of how we go about planning for the future, developing our capital plan, making decisions about the future, which none of us can see very clearly right now," said Thomas Weidemeyer, who is also head of UPS' airline division. Weidemeyer said demand for overnight air shipping has rebounded since Sept. 11, but not completely. "Oh, right now, with Christmas just two weeks away, we're going full speed and using all of our capacity," Weidemeyer said. "But I would expect that we'll have to ground several of our planes in January for a while, and reduce our operations. It's normal for us to see a big slowdown after Christmas. ... But we think it will probably be worse this year than in past years." Despite the uncertainty, UPS is not going about its business timidly. The company went public two years ago and has gone shopping since with an eye to increasing its reach. "Despite attempts to slow the economy down, we're going forward with our acquisitions and expansions," Weidemeyer said. "We're determined to fulfill our responsibility to keep global commerce moving forward despite Sept. 11."

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Downtown Twin Falls



This was the final plat filed Dec. 13, 1904, for the original Twin Falls downtown area and shows the numbering of the street and avenues before the change in 1908.

Streets spurred controversy from the start

By Carol Stephens
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Downtown business owners' effort to change the names of streets in the city's historic district is continuing a tradition that began shortly after the city was founded in 1904. Nearly a century ago, complaints were loud and strong about a street system that numbered both streets and avenues. Those complaints brought about some changes in the system, but the street numbers remained. Today, the complaints come strongest from members of the Historic Old Towne Business Improvement District, who fear their fight to keep the downtown a viable business district won't survive because of potential customers' confusion in trying to locate businesses. The BID is considering several plans. One would be to leave the

Numbering the streets

May 12, 1904: Plat filed for the first four blocks around the intersection of Main Street and Shoshone Avenue. It established the practice of numbering streets. Oct. 4, 1904: Final plat filed for Twin Falls town site. It extended the street numbering system through the whole town site. Dec. 13, 1904: Final and amended plat filed for town site. It maintained the numbering system. May 6, 1907: The matter of changing the street names was brought before the City Council, and a committee was formed to work on the

avenues numbered, but to replace the street numbers with names.

The origins

While some people complain today that the Twin Falls street

approach. And it had a Main Street and a Shoshone Avenue, with "streets" running parallel with Shoshone Avenue and "avenues" running parallel with Main Street. In an editorial printed on March 13, 1908, in *The Twin Falls News* - recently reprinted by the *Times-News* - editor George B. Fraser compared the use of numbers to name both the avenues and streets to treatment of the "penal class." He called the person who numbered both streets and avenues a "creator" who "further complicated his idiotic performance by running the streets parallel with Shoshone Avenue and avenues parallel with Main Street." The final paragraph could be written by a downtown business person, if you changed "family" to "business" and "city" to "Please see STREETS, Page D3

Washington-based Costco breaks pattern of declines

The Seattle Times

Breaking a string of three straight quarterly declines, Costco Wholesale reported this week that first-quarter profit was about the same as last year and sales are still climbing despite the recession. The Issaquah-based club chain said quarterly profit came in at \$129.7 million, or 28 cents a share, virtually unchanged from \$129.5 million, or 28 cents a share, a year ago. An \$8.6 million charge for reorganizing the company's Canadian operations offset a 5 percent gain in sales at stores open at least a year. The results, released before the markets opened, met analysts' expectations and sent Costco shares up 83 cents in trading yesterday. The stock closed at \$41.58. Quarterly sales rose 10.6 percent to \$8.3 billion, up from \$7.5 billion last year. Including membership fees, total revenue was

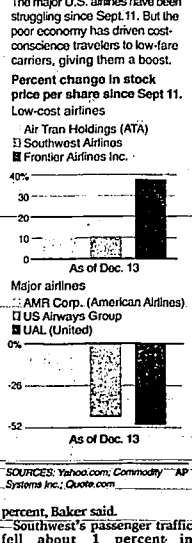
Richard Galanti, chief financial officer, told analysts during a conference call that sales were strong throughout the quarter for food and perishable items such as computers and jewelry. But he said home-electronics and jewelry sales increased in November with the onset of the holiday shopping season. "Demand's picking up in some of their higher-margin business, such as electronics," said analyst Vicki Khoboyan of Financial Management Advisors in Los Angeles, which owns Costco shares. "We can't tell if it's a rebound from September or an actual rebound in consumer confidence going forward." Value-oriented retailers such as Costco, Wal-Mart and Target are seeing stronger sales than department stores and specialty retailers as consumers focus on necessities and cut back on high-end purchases.

Low-fare air carriers grow after attacks

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - The nation's biggest airlines continue to languish after the terrorist attacks, but some smaller carriers offering discounted fares have rebounded as travelers seek out bargains during these tough economic times. The stock prices of Southwest Airlines, Frontier Airlines and Air Tran Holdings have bounced back sharply since mid-September, when the entire sector was battered because of the attacks. Meanwhile, shares of Delta, United and American Airlines are still struggling. Analysts say another reason for smaller-airlines' rise is the post-Sept. 11 decision by several major airlines to eliminate or dramatically cut back schedules at their low-fare subsidiaries. The cutbacks created a void that has been partially filled by Air Tran, Frontier and Southwest - in cities such as Baltimore, Denver and Los Angeles, respectively. "The fact is, low-fare carriers continue to grow relative to an industry otherwise in retreat," said UBS Warburg analyst Jamie Baker. Because of schedule cuts made when demand slumped after Sept. 11, industrywide capacity for November was down 16 percent, compared with a year ago. But Southwest's capacity grew by 7 percent in November and Air Tran's bulged more than 5

Travelers flock to low-cost airlines



Blockbuster distributes independent movies

Knightrider News Service

DALLAS - Blockbuster Inc. makes most of its money - about 70 percent - by renting out those hit movies along the wall. But the movie industry produces lots of feature-length films that never make it onto the big screen, much less onto those sought-after store shelves or your VCR or DVD player. "A lot of independent movies are being produced that need a home," said John Antioch, Blockbuster's chairman and chief executive officer. Two years ago, Blockbuster - which has a store in Twin Falls - quietly created DEJ Productions, based in Los Angeles. The wholly owned subsidiary, which has a staff of 12, buys feature films without a distribution outlet. So far, DEJ has acquired about 230 films, including 76 titles released in Blockbuster stores this year. That makes the world's biggest video rental chain also one of the largest distributors of independent films. DEJ got its name from the first-name initials of Dean Wilson, Blockbuster's executive vice president - content worldwide; Edward B. Stead, executive vice president and general counsel; and Antioch. Wilson leads the division, but all three are active in selecting films. They even have a private screening room with theater-quality acoustics and seating on the 32nd floor of Blockbuster's corporate offices in Renaissance Tower. "Seventy percent of all films made each year have no viable form of revenue other than video," Wilson said. "It's a way to support independent filmmakers and increase the selection of new movies we can offer in our stores." Wilson isn't talking numbers, but he said DEJ is profitable. He said DEJ may even consider financing the production of select films at some point. Among DEJ's offerings is "Still Breathing," a romantic fantasy featuring Brendan Fraser that was filmed in San Antonio in 1997. Right now, DEJ is excited about an action/espionage movie starring Armand Assante, called "Last Run." "Why-not-just-call-them-Blockbuster-movies?" "We didn't want to put the store brand on it, like they do in grocery stores," Wilson said. For many consumers, that's automatically viewed as an inferior product, "and these films are quite good," he said. November, Baker added, but it pales in comparison to declines of more than 10 percent at American Airlines and United Airlines, the country's top carriers. Investors appear to have noticed, boosting shares of Southwest - the only major U.S. airline expected to report a profit for 2001 - by 46 percent since Sept. 17, the first day of trading after the terror attacks. Over the same period of time, Frontier's shares have risen more than 100 percent while Air Tran's climbed 83 percent. Shares of these companies are trading higher than they were a day before the attacks. Shares of AMR Corp., the parent of American Airlines, remain 24 percent below Sept. 10 levels, while those of United Airlines are off 51 percent. Analysts said airlines whose fares were already low have fared better. "Low-fare carriers such as AirTran and Southwest will continue to steal share from major carriers, until such time that the majors seek to improve the value of business travel," Baker added. Corporate travel managers have also been more vociferous. Please see AIR, Page D3

MONEY

Stocks make late-day advance

NEW YORK (AP) — Attracted to Wall Street by cheaper prices, investors on Friday again set aside nagging pessimism about the economy and indulged in some late-session buying.

The market retraced its moderate gains and turned positive in the afternoon, a move that analysts deemed encouraging, especially on a Friday when investors often sell to reduce risk going into the weekend.

"The fact is that (being) down in the morning and up in the afternoon tends to be a bullish indicator," said Scott Bleier, chief investment strategist at Prime Charter Ltd.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished up 44.70, or 0.5 percent, at 9,811.15 after falling as much as 29 earlier. The Dow's performance mirrored that of Wednesday, when the blue chip index rebounded positive in the last 30 minutes of trading to eke out a 6-point gain.

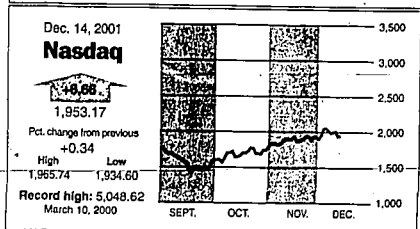
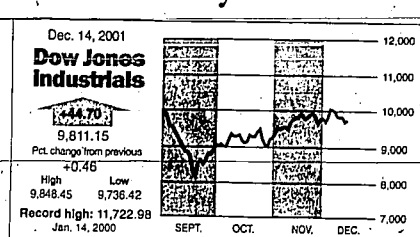
The broader market followed the same path as the Dow, another repeat of Wednesday's trading. The Nasdaq composite index rose 6.66, or 0.3 percent, to 1,953.17, and the Standard & Poor's 500 index advanced 3.69, or 0.3 percent, to 1,123.70.

The market, which had been expecting some pullback following weeks of strong rallies, welcomed the late-day advance.

"Money managers want to buy ... and many missed the run in late September," said Bleier, in a reference to how the market indexes have rebounded from the lows of Sept. 21 when the Dow slid to 8,235.81.

Lukewarm economic data likely kept the market from moving up sooner in Friday's session, because investors are anxiously awaiting concrete proof that a recovery is under way.

The Labor Department said its



closely watched Consumer Price Index showed a change last month after falling 0.3 percent in October as America's first recession in a decade continued to hold down inflation.

Also, the Federal Reserve said output at the country's factories, mines and utilities was down 0.3 percent last month, the 13th decline in a decade continued to hold down inflation.

But Friday and Wednesday aside, the market felt this past week amid a spate of layoffs from such companies as American Express and Aetna and profit warnings from Genia, Lucent Technologies, Merck and Bristol-Myers Squibb. The litany of bad news reminded investors

that economic weakness will carry over into 2002, pushing back the rebound they're anxiously awaiting.

The Dow did not have a close above 10,000 this past week, after crossing that milestone last week for the first time since before the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

Having suffered triple-digit selloffs Monday and Thursday, the Dow ended the week down 2.4 percent.

The Nasdaq had a weekly loss of 3.4 percent, the S&P 500, 3.0 percent.

"We've lost the euphoria we had," said Todd Clark, co-head of trading at W.D. Hambrecht.

WASHINGTON (AP) — In more signs of the far-reaching impact of the country's recession, the government reported today that output at the nation's factories fell again in November but the spreading economic weakness helped keep consumer inflation in check.

The Federal Reserve said output at the country's factories, mines and utilities was down 0.3 percent last month, the 13th decline in the past 14 months, with weakness in all major categories.

While the country tumbled into its first recession in a decade in March, the manufacturing sector entered its own downturn almost a year earlier, with more than 1 million jobs lost in a variety of industries.

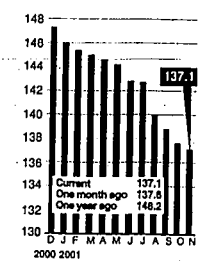
Industrial production peaked in June of 2000 and output since then has fallen by 6.8 percent, the biggest decline since the 1981-82 recession.

A second report Friday showed that the economic downturn does

Factory output

Here is a look at the industrial production index.

Seasonally adjusted 1992 = 100



SOURCE: Federal Reserve Board AP

have at least one benefit — it is keeping inflation well in check. The Labor Department report

New motorcycles bring company back to life

PHOENIX (AP) — The roar of big twin engines is rolling out of the Titan motorcycle factory here once again.

Resuscitated by a Florida businessman who bought the shuttered company in July, the New Titan Motorcycle Co. is back to hand-building custom bikes.

The private company is assembling 25 motorcycles a month from custom components and parts, said new owner Don Proudfoot. Titan made 40 a month under the previous ownership.

Proudfoot, 47, was a Titan dealer in Fort Myers, Fla., when the Phoenix corporation started

having problems. "I could see that it was failing. And as a dealer, I didn't want to see that happen," he said. "I believed in the product, and so did my customers."

Founded in 1994 by the father-son team of Frank and Patrick Keery, the company's motorcycles soared in popularity due to their sharp appearance and high performance. At its peak, Titan annually was doing \$28 million in business.

But things didn't go well after Titan expanded its operations, including adding a mass-produced model, and it closed its doors in bankruptcy on April 11. About 40 people lost their jobs.

ed that its Consumer Price Index showed no gain in November after having fallen by 0.3 percent in November.

So far this year, inflation at the consumer level is rising at an annual rate of just 1.9 percent. Thousands of job layoffs have resulted in a dampening of wage demands while retailers have been busy slashing prices to entice consumers to keep spending during hard times.

In another reflection of how the recession was dampening economic activity, the Commerce Department reported today that businesses slashed their inventories by a sharp 1.4 percent in October following a 0.6 percent reduction in September.

Businesses have been struggling to reduce their backlog of unsold goods as the recession has dampened demand for their products. Analysts believe that all of these reductions are setting the stage for a return of economic growth next year if demand picks up as expected.

Proudfoot bought Titan's name and assets "for pennies on the dollar" on July 13, and by August, the plant was up and running.

The high prices of the new Titans are lower than before, they are still expensive, ranging from \$22,900 to \$36,900. Some special models, such as a Carroll Shelby signature version, can get near \$50,000.

Proudfoot said custom motorcycles have replaced other pricey trinkets among wealthy collectors.

"This is glamorous. It has sex appeal," he said. "It's very fast, very sleek and has a good sound to it."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, including columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, and YTD. Includes sub-sections for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ, including Most Active, Gainers, and Losers for each exchange.

INDEXES

Table showing various market indices such as Dow Jones Industrials, S&P 500, and others, with columns for High, Low, Name, Last, Chg, and YTD.

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 American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are listed in 1515 largest; stocks in bold type represent 5 percent or more of market cap.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Table listing various stocks on the NASDAQ National Market, including columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, and YTD.

MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil. Columns include commodity name, high, low, and change.

BEANS

Table of bean prices for various types such as navy, pinto, and lima beans. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

GRAINS

Table of grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

SUGAR

Table of sugar prices for various grades and origins. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel prices for oil, gas, and coal. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

CHEESE

Table of cheese prices for various types like cheddar and mozzarella. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

POTATOES/ONIONS

Table of potato and onion prices for different grades. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

METALS/CURRENCY

Table of metal and currency prices for gold, silver, and various currencies. Columns include variety, high, low, and change.

STREETS

Continued from D1. 'Historic Old Towne.' It is enough that not a family in the city knows the number of its street, excepting those who live on Main Street and Shoshone Avenue, the editor wrote.

Apparently the editorial and comments from citizens helped get the City Council moving. A committee had been formed in 1907, and a year later a new plan was approved and amended the next day. The new plan did not change the numbering of both streets and avenues - it just divided the town into quadrants and had the numbering start from Main and Shoshone and go each way with compass directions added.

AIR

Continued from D1. 'Something missing?' We are able to customize our market reports. If you're interested in a stock, mutual fund, or commodity that's not in our report, just call us and we'll try to include it. Please call Ramona Jones at 733-0931, Ext. 262, with your suggestions.

STREETS

Today's views. Since 1908, the street naming system has been a headache for downtown area, and it continues to be a daily problem for Historic Old Towne business people, they say.

The views of Twin Falls citizens on the proposed changes, many while, vary from "not sure" to "yes" or "no." Mary Ann, who has put together a historic auto tour of Rock Creek and a walking tour of historic Twin Falls, is definitely against it. She says a suggested compromise she could tolerate would be to keep the numbers but add names below them.

Glenn Young, a member of the Twin Falls County Museum and Stricker Ranch boards who is writing a history school in Twin Falls, said at first he was uncertain. He added he has lived here all his life.

'After 87 years here, I don't have any problem with it. It's just a quadrant,' he said, 'but being an engineer helps.' He said, 'The town is getting more people and causes more confusion and so, I had to vote today, I'd vote for changing the names.'

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund prices for various investment funds. Columns include fund name, high, low, and change.

Large table of stock prices for various companies, organized by industry sectors like technology, healthcare, and energy. Columns include company name, high, low, and change.

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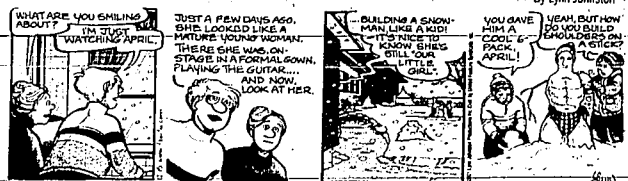
Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



Dilbert

By Scott Adams



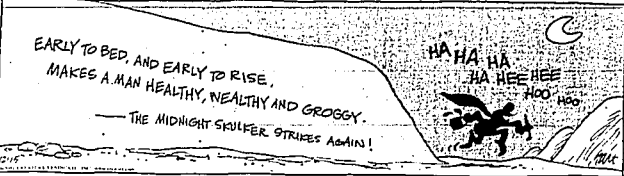
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By Dean Young & Stan Drake



B.C.

By Johnny Hart



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



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Beetle Bailey

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Frank and Ernest

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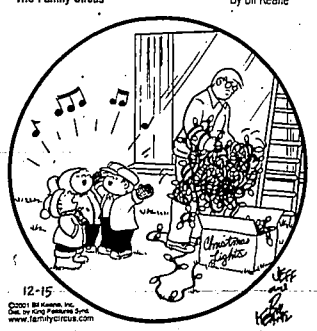
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The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



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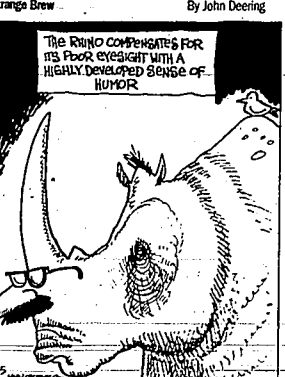
Luan

By Greg Evans



Strange Brew

By John Deering



Non Sequitur

By Wiley



Readers offer insights

Craig Sweeney, an Episcopal priest in Kansas, seconded the comments I made about "Hallowthankmass," the run-together shopping days and Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. We both credit Father Bob Layne, retired Episcopal priest who lives near Sweeney, for coining the term. Father Sweeney agrees with Father Bob's complaint but wonders whether churches have "simply lost the battle" to the forces of greed and glut-

"I've preached on this twice now back in Maryland while in seminary, in two churches, and both times I've been told that it is 'old news' and no one wants to hear it." Nonetheless, he vowed to preach about it again.

TOM SCHAEFER

Let's face it: The secular nature of the holidays has trumped it. While there is a tip of the religious hat to Thanksgiving and Christmas, it's usually more like an afterthought—like a Jell-O salad squeezed in between the huge turkey and the mounds of mashed potatoes.

Those who believe in separating the holidays and giving proper spiritual deference need to put their faith where their money and appetites are. Only then can a society be transformed as believers practice what they preach in their own homes and avoid being seduced by the siren songs of the marketplace.

It's a tall order. But it can happen, one person of faith at a time. After all, God calls believers to be faithful, not first in line at the shopping malls. A church member of the Christian & Missionary Alliance Church responded to the idea of giving thanks in the midst of tragedy (a reference I made to Philippians 4:6).

"When an American Airlines jetliner crashed in a New York neighborhood last month, 'I never hoped there were no C&MA Church or other missionaries on that flight,' the church member wrote. 'I learned last Saturday that one of our missionaries home for a visit was scheduled on that flight but had changed his reservation so that he could save time in getting back. Was it to save time, or God's intervention to save his life? I believe it was God's intervention.'"

He also said 20 Alliance Church students were late to work in the C&MA Center on Sept. 11 or weren't there for other reasons and were spared.

"I am not trying to tell you that Alliance people are especially protected by God, but this is a prime example of God's intervention and rescue to the praise of our Creator." His examples raise one of the hardest questions for people of faith to answer satisfactorily: If God is all-good and all-powerful, why does evil occur? Which raises another question: If those who are spared lives in tragedies should give thanks for divine intervention, should those who are not renounce belief in a loving God?

Both questions deal with what's called "theodicy" — the goodness and power of God and the reality of evil. No answer to these questions comes easily, I recommend John Stackhouse's "Can God Be Trusted? Faith and the Challenge of Evil" (Oxford University Press). Here's one insight: "God can seem remote and impassive when we read about a tragedy in the news. He is not. He is always there, eager or expectant, waiting on us to help — but can we imagine Jesus Christ not near and caring, not doing all he can and should to help, however mysterious that help might be to us? We can respond properly to our God who lives because we know that God is all-good and all-powerful because we know Jesus."

A conclusive, satisfying answer for everyone? Probably not. But Stackhouse does get at the heart of the matter for Christians: How a person relates to the Gospels' accounts of who Jesus is — and the hope he offers — ultimately affects how good and evil are understood.

Tom Schaefer writes about religion and ethics for the Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

World Youth Day hope

Organizers feel urgency to promote next year's event

By Tom Cohen
The Associated Press

TORONTO — The shadow of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks has Roman Catholic organizers of next year's World Youth Day promoting the event as more necessary than ever in a troubled world.

The gathering of a half million or more young pilgrims, culminated by an outdoor Mass with Pope John Paul II next July 28, figures to be Canada's best-attended event in 2002. Young

Catholics will take part in six days of social service work and teaching sessions with bishops, all leading to a procession of the cross through the city on July 26, an all-night vigil on July 27 and the final Mass the next day.

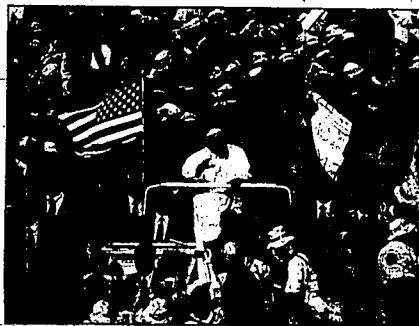
Such huge youth assemblies, held biennially since 1985, rank among the major initiatives of John Paul II's papacy and have been highly successful in the past. But organizers of the 2002 event felt a special sense of dread after planes flew into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon on Sept. 11.

Church officials already expected the number of participants in North America to be lower than the 2 million who came to Rome last year or the 4 million in the Philippines in 1995. Now there's concern that a perceived terrorist threat might inhibit people from traveling to Canada from the United States, Europe and elsewhere.

The Vatican organizer for World Youth Day said recently that, for young people who decide to attend, John Paul will bring visions of peace at a time of "calamities and catastrophes that border on the apocalyptic."

"This old man, this old pope, will come and say, 'I want to help you have dreams again,'" Cardinal James F. Stafford said of the pontiff, now 81 and visibly frail in the 24th year of his papacy.

The Rev. Thomas Rosica, chief executive officer of World Please see YOUTH, Page E2



Pope John Paul II blesses youths gathered in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican as he arrives on his pogoemobile for the opening of the Roman Catholic Church's World Youth Day 2000.

Celebrating Jesus



The Liberty Christian Academy Advanced Bell Choir presents a medley of Christmas carols at a recent performance.

With no space on the school stage, Liberty changes venue

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — No room on the stage this Christmas, so Liberty Christian Academy will perform its Christmas concert at the College of Southern Idaho.

The school simply doesn't have a stage large enough to hold all 68 of its children, so the Magic Valley is invited to see the academy's Christmas show on the big stage this year.

Diane Davis, the school's founding principal and music teacher, said the program; titled

What's happening

Liberty Christian Academy will present "Celebrate Jesus" at 7 p.m. Thursday in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Building. Admission is free. A free-will offering will be received. Tickets for the yellow submarine drawing (you need not be present to win) are three for \$5, seven for \$10, 14 for \$20, 21 for \$30 or 28 for \$40. You may send your name, address and phone number with payment to Liberty Christian Academy, P. O. Box 1, Jerome, ID 83338. Or call the school at 324-1300.

"Celebrate Jesus," will feature many different styles and representations of celebrating Christmas. "We have African folk songs and we have Spanish folk songs,

and then we have some old baroque music," she said. "That just puts the styles from something that's classical through folk music." Songs include "Joy to the

World," "Fum, Fum, Fum" (Spanish) and an antiphonal selection — two choirs singing "Gloria," by Vivaldi, at the same time. There will be about 10 vocal pieces, along with a bell choir playing five songs and the orchestra with its four instruments.

The children have been practicing since October, and they're excited.

"I hear them say, 'This is my favorite song, or 'This is my favorite piece, and that kind of thing,'" Davis said. "They enjoy music, and they enjoy playing their instruments."

A new look at Hanukkah/Christmas

By Mark I. Pinsky
The Orlando Sentinel

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — With Hanukkah — the Jewish Festival of Lights which began Sunday at sundown — it's time to take yet another look at the "December dilemma."

This is the angst-ridden time for Jews, particularly those in interfaith marriages, to grapple with what it means to celebrate a distinctly minor Jewish holiday at about the same time as a day that is central to Christian belief. The dilemma is a major metaphor for a minority faith adapting to an overwhelmingly Christian nation. Naturally there's a new book on the subject, "The Guide to Jewish Interfaith Family Life" (Jewish Lights), in light of the fact that

half of all Jews marry outside their faith.

"For all Jewish families, and especially for interfaith families raising Jewish children, Jewish family memories associated with Hanukkah will not hold a candle — not even eight candles with a dreidel (a Hanukkah spinning toy) — to Christian family memories associated with Christmas," writes Paula Brody.

Famed Protestant theologian/author Harry Cox and I both spend much of our time writing about Christians and Christianity. We both have been in interfaith marriages for the better part of two decades, raising our children as Jews. Cox discusses the issue in his new book, "Common Prayers: Faith, Family, and a Christian's Journey Through the Jewish Year."

While Cox calls this "the season to be waxy" for interfaith couples, there's no reason to despair: "It does not have to be a season of madness. It can be a time of joy and celebration for both observant Jews and serious Christians. First, we have to make it clear that these are two distinct holidays, celebrating two different things. I call both Christians and Jews can — in their own way — mark both. But they should not be melded into one bland 'holiday season.'"

Hanukkah, he says, "recalls the first popular uprising in support of religious freedom against a tyrant. I can certainly celebrate that. Christmas is a celebration of the birth of the rabbi who opened the door to gentiles. Many Jews, including prominent rabbis, can accept that."

Cox gives a graceful account of his mother-in-law's peaceful death, with a Hebrew prayer whispered in her ear as she breathed her last. This provides an opportunity to contrast Jewish funerals, where the hereafter is rarely mentioned, with Christian funerals.

"In my experience," Cox writes, "at Christian funerals, when the priest or minister refers to the 'sure and certain hope of resurrection,' you can almost hear the fingers crossing in the congregation. The eventual resurrection of all the dead is a hope. For many people, both Jews and Christians, it is a serious and heartfelt hope. But 'sure and certain'? It is probably wisest on some occasions to remind ourselves of the infinite mystery and mercy of God."

The Yellow Submarine

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

Jerome — A 400-pound yellow submarine, destined to remain in a dry dock, is ready and waiting for a youngster to take the helm. The winning ticket for the craft will be drawn during Liberty Christian Academy's Christmas concert.

"Albert" — the Deep-sea Explorer — as it is called by its creator, Joe Aitken, may not be seaworthy, but it's not supposed to be. It was designed as a kid-pleaser; and it comes complete with observation and control compartments, engine room, hand-cranked propellers and ladders leading to the conning tower.

"I basically tried to make it look kind of like Alvin, the Deep-sea Submersible," Aitken said. "Alvin is a submarine that went after the Titanic and things like that."

Albert isn't designed to go into water; it's a playhouse. The idea for it can be traced back to Aitken's childhood.

"As a kid I always wanted to build a submarine playhouse, and I always ended up with refrigerator boxes," he said. "They didn't last very long at all in the rain, but they're fun to play with."

Approximately 14 feet long, 6 feet wide and 8 feet tall, the bright yellow craft took Aitken a month to build. It will hold four to six kids and is probably best suited to those in grades three through nine.

It's the fourth playhouse Aitken has built. One was a rectangular building he called a flower-house for girls at the school (boys found it "too girlish"). He made a castle/church for the boys, but the girls decided they liked it more than the other one, he said.

The flower house and castle/church are still on the school grounds. He also built an ark, which was auctioned off in October. Proceeds from that and proceeds from the submarine ticket sales will help support the school. Aitken used out-of-pocket money to purchase the approximately \$500 worth of raw materials for the project. For which he may accept reimbursement if ticket sales go well. He donated his labor.

But the reward for the construction work cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

"It's probably the first time in my life that I've been able to be as creative," Aitken said. "It's wonderful."

Amish woman recounts her banishment

By Cynthia J. McGroarty
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Ruth Irene Miller did not know when she awoke that June morning in 1996 that she had slept her last night in her father's house. But as the day wore on, it became clear that soon, very soon, she would be leaving.

Her father, a strict Amish minister, was catching on to her budding relationship with Otis Garrett, a divorced man more than twice her age — and an

Please see AMISH, Page E2

RELIGION

First United Methodist holds caroling party tonight

TWIN FALLS - A caroling party will be held today at the First United Methodist Church...

Church celebrates Mass with Jazz, Dixieland, Gospel
TWIN FALLS - Ascension Episcopal Church will celebrate a jazz-Mass-with-jazz...

Lynn Cathoun and Diane Snodgrass will be guest musicians during the 8 a.m. service.

Church puts on children's western musical drama
TWIN FALLS - A children's musical drama, "Lone Star Gulch," is set for 9 and 10:45 a.m.

Church news

of a western town in the 1880s and a storekeeper who did not want to celebrate Christmas.

Special music during worship will feature Roger Vincent

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TF fellowship church hosts Boise Reverend on Sunday
TWIN FALLS - The Rev. Elizabeth Greene, of the Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship...

Greene will speak about 16th century theologian Erasmus, one of the first to write about the connection between religion and humor.

Christmas musical set for Sunday at Baptist church

BURLEY - The "King's Kids" of the First Baptist Church will present a Christmas musical...

Rupert First Assembly presents Christmas program
RUPERT - "An International Christmas" will be presented at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Rupert First Assembly of God...

Christian fellowship presents Country Music Christmas
JEROME - A Country Music Christmas will be presented at 7 p.m. Sunday at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship...

First Christian displays living nativity, provides stew

BUHL - A living Nativity scene with live animals will be on display from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and again Dec. 22 at the First Christian Church of Buhl...

Rebecca Eskelsen
Rebecca Eskelsen will serve in the Panama City Mission...

MISSIONARIES

Several Magic Valley area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Elder Matthew David Beck will serve in the M'J's church in Independence, Mo.

Matthew Lyden
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Elder Justin Bigler will serve in the England, Bristol Mission.

Returned from serving
Elder Monte Weeks served in the Texas Mission...

Sister Sarah RayEl Eskelsen will serve in the Chile Osorno Mission...

Elder Matthew M. Lyden will serve in the Guatemala Guatemala...

City South Mission. He will speak at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 8th Ward chapel...

Matthew Lyden
Falls High School.

Elder Justin Bigler will serve in the England, Bristol Mission.

Justin Bigler
Denton Scout and 2001 graduate of Gooding High School.

Returned from serving
Elder Monte Weeks served in the Texas Mission...

Monte Weeks
Marvin and Beverly Scow of Rupert.

Denton Scow
Denton Scow plans to attend the College of Southern Idaho.

Mormon Tabernacle Choir comes to TV

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Tabernacle Choir will appear on several national television programs during the Christmas season.

The choir will appear on the CBS show "60 Minutes II"...

"The Sound of Glory." Then, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, "60 Minutes II" will air a segment featuring interviews with members of the choir at home and in their workplaces...

includes a brief history of the choir and the church. On Christmas Eve, the Utah Symphony and Mormon Tabernacle Choir join together for a new PBS holiday special "The Gift of Music."

Lutheran President wins in interfaith service dispute

KIRKWOOD, Mo. (AP) - The Rev. Gerald Kieschnick, new president of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, has emerged the winner in an internal spat over another clergy member's participation in an interfaith prayer service.

Sunday, saying that only the next church convention could take any action.

gling of Christian and non-Christian beliefs. Traditionally, Missouri Synod leaders have not joined worship with other religions and sometimes have declined to pray with other Lutherans.

national offices of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), which anticipates a \$2.5 million shortfall in the 2002 budget.

Two pastors wanted Kieschnick's church membership revoked because he tolerated a third pastor joining with non-Christians at a Yankee Stadium interfaith service following the Sept. 11 attacks.

Kieschnick also irked some in his 2.6 million-member denomination by praying with clergy of the less conservative Evangelical Lutheran Church in America after touring Manhattan's "Ground Zero."

National Presbyterian offices take a financial hit
LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - The recession and a brewing protest by conservative congregations are taking a financial toll on...

Some conservative congregations plan to withhold funds from the denomination to protest what they consider liberal trends.

U.S. Jewish population increased slightly in 2000, annual says

NEW YORK (AP) - The nation's Jewish population reached 6,136,000 as of 2000, an increase of 75,000 over 1999, according to the new "American Jewish Year Book."

that in 1990, 52 percent of the 1.1 million U.S. Jews lived in the New York City area, but only 32 percent of today's total live there.

Reform Jews applaud Bush, civil liberties concern them
BOSTON (AP) - Reform Judaism's synagogue union praised President Bush's leadership since Sept. 11, while urging him to preserve civil liberties during the war on terror.

civilians in U.S. airstrikes and for condoning "our home-grown fundamentalists," specifically the Rev. Jerry Falwell.

The annual, a reference standard compiled by the American Jewish Committee, obtains population estimates from local Jewish groups. The book said...

The annual said that since 1995 Las Vegas has seen the largest Jewish increase among U.S. cities, up 35 percent to 75,000, followed by Seattle, up 27 percent to 37,200.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, representing more than 900 liberal synagogues, issued the resolution at its biennial conference. The union praised Bush as a model of service and tolerance for trying to protect innocent...

The conference also reaffirmed support for a Palestinian state with recognition of Israel's right to self-defense.

Amish

Continued from E1
"English," as the Amish call outsiders, Garrett worked as a driver for the Amish and their families in their Kalona, Iowa, settlement.

While her parents were in town, Irene met Garrett and they spoke in panicked tones about their future. There was only one thing to do. Irene gathered up some dresses and her collection of glass vases, scribbled a note to her mother and hid her sister goodbye. Then, she and Garrett headed toward Kentucky.

be less conservative, about 95 percent stay in the church, he said.

groups, Garrett's settlement rejected electricity, phones, motor vehicles, photographs and other modern technology.

Irene Miller, now Irene Garrett, has chronicled that flight in "Crossing Over: One Woman's Exodus From Amish Life." The book is scheduled to be made into a TV movie. Written in conjunction with journalist Rick Farrant, "Crossing Over" provides a window into the Old Order Amish community...

Not many Amish women follow Garrett's flight path, according to Donald Kraybill, a professor at Messiah College who has written books on the Amish. About 85 percent of the Amish population around the country stay in the church, although the number may vary among the 250 geographic settlements. In the Lancaster, Pa., area, where Amish orders tend to...

"I have not abandoned God, like the Amish believe I have. I have extended my faith... It's the personal relationship between you and God that matters," Garrett said, adding that the pastor of the Lutheran church she attends in Kentucky has symbolically lifted the ban for her.

Garrett met her husband when she was 15 and he was 40. Since leaving Kalona, she has earned herGED and hopes to attend nursing school.

Wes King's new CD celebrates childlike faith

The Wichita Eagle

Wes King, "What Matters Most" (Word)
After a four-year sabbatical following the birth of his twin sons, Wes King and his guitar are back in fine form.

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Youth

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Youth Day, summed up the theme: "The world needs the World Youth Day... now more than ever."

Toronto. Doug Nickson, a retired Royal Canadian Mounted Police officer overseeing the security task force for World Youth Day, said up to 5,000 police officers would be available for the Toronto events.

The teen-agers and others paying up to \$160 to take part will stay in school gymnasiums, church facilities and people's homes.

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Christian Coalition: Can it survive?

By Sonja Barale
The Associated Press

NORFOLK, Va. — The Christian Coalition was once an influential force in U.S. politics, helping Republicans take control of the House of Representatives in 1994 and championing conservative causes. But without Pat Robertson as president, some observers are questioning whether the group he founded can survive.

Robertson says he's confident it will, and few can imagine an American political landscape without conservative Christians. But membership has ebbed recent years, he says, and the organization has been forced to endure legal fights, staff conflicts and key departures.



Pat Robertson

said. And Robertson has become such a controversial figure that his movement may benefit from some new faces.

In announcing his resignation Dec. 5, Robertson said that, at age 71, he wants to concentrate on his ministry. He said he's done with politics, except for commenting on public affairs on "The 700 Club," the flagship program of his Christian Broadcasting Network, with CBS headquarters in Virginia Beach. The coalition currently claims 1.5 million donors and supporters nationwide, about the same as it had two to four years ago. Rozell said that, at its height, the group had as many as 2 million members.

Robertson founded the coalition in 1989, to preserve the aims of his failed bid for the Republican nomination for president the year before. He rallied fundamentalist Christians to politics, championing conservative social positions (against abortion, for school prayer). However, divisions grew within the organization as pragmatists clashed with others who rejected compromise, analysts said.

Even if the coalition were to fade away, other conservative social organizations and leaders will rise to fill the void, Rozell said. "As long as there are actively involved evangelical conservatives, there will be interest-group organizations to facilitate their political activities."

On the Web: <http://www.christiancoalition.com/>

"Quite frankly, the Christian Coalition is on its last legs," said Mark Rozell, a professor of politics at Catholic University in Washington. "The bottom line is, I don't see anyone with his (Robertson's) national profile, his ability to raise money, his ability to organize, to save the Christian Coalition from extinction."

But John Green, director of the Bliss Institute of Applied Politics at the University of Akron, cautioned against writing off the Christian Coalition too quickly. The impact of Robertson's departure depends on whether he withdraws his financial backing and influence, or simply plays a more behind-the-scenes role, Green

Dean of theology refuses seminary's reassignment

By Bill Hanna
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas — The dean of theology at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, who has been in the position less than two years, has refused reassignment to a newly created dean's post.

The move has prompted speculation among some Baptists that David Crutchley has fallen out of favor with the conservative school leadership, although two board members have said that is not the case. Crutchley, who refused the post of globalization dean, said in a Nov. 29 letter to the faculty that he would not be comfortable taking the new position.



David Crutchley

"As I have prayed and looked into the citadel of my soul, I have not found peace with this reassignment," Crutchley wrote.

Crutchley will leave the theology post Dec. 31. There is no deadline for him to take the new position; if he refuses, he will continue to be a faculty member, officials said.

Baptist moderates said they were disappointed to see Crutchley removed from the theology position, and they praised his integrity. But seminary officials downplayed any suggestion of poli-

tics in the reassignment, saying Crutchley's background made him more suited to the seminary's expanding missionary program.

Clyde Glazener, former president of the moderate Baptist General Convention of Texas and pastor of Cambell Street Baptist Church, believes the goal was to remove Crutchley from the school of theology.

"It's a way to get him out of that office," Glazener said. "I think he has been a real helpful person in getting excellent faculty members to come to the seminary. I hate to see him removed."

For two years, Crutchley has been in charge of implementing a trustees' requirement that faculty members sign the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message doctrinal statement. Two professors were forced to resign in May because they refused to sign the statement, which the Southern Baptist Convention adopted last year.

At least 10 Southwestern Seminary faculty members — and unknown to other educators across the state — have left their jobs or been forced out in the past decade because they disagreed with the mandates of the denomination, which has become dominated by conservatives.

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Supporters still back fired priest

By Jim Jones
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Even though former Fort Worth, Texas, priest Sam Edwards has been ousted by the Washington, D.C., Episcopal bishop as rector of a Maryland church, supporters continue to give him money and a place to live.

The Christ Church vestry in Accokeek, Md., recently voted despite the objection of Bishop Jane Holmes Dixon to contribute to living expenses for Edwards,

who is married with two children. He was forced to move out of the church rectory when he was fired as rector, but a parishioner donated the use of a home to Edwards, said Charles Nalls, attorney for Christ Church.

Edwards, a traditionalist who opposes ordination of women even though it has long been approved by the Episcopal Church, continued to act as rector of Christ Church even after Dixon ordered him to leave. Finally, Dixon sued and a federal judge ordered him to vacate the

pulpit and the rectory. Edwards is appealing.

Dixon ordered the priest not to preach near Christ Church, but Nalls said Edwards is reading, writing and, on Sunday, will preach in Rosemont, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia. A decision is expected Sunday on whether the church will try Edwards on charges made by Dixon that he violated its doctrines and disciplines, said the Rev. William Cray, president of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Fort Worth.

Ecclesiastical charges were filed against Edwards by Washington-area Episcopalians. The Diocese of Fort Worth, where Edwards served before moving to Maryland, would be the site of the rare church trial. If convicted, Edwards could be issued a strong reprimand, suspended or stripped of priestly office.

Edwards is a former executive director of Fort Worth-based Forward in Faith, the U.S. arm of an organization that opposes what it considers liberalism in the church.

Conservative Episcopalians seek to elect bishop

By Jim Remson
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Escalating its defiance, a national network of mutinous Episcopalians has launched a drive to elect its own bishop.

In a letter sent to its 17,000 members last week, the arch-conservative caucus Forward in Faith explained that the goal was to keep its 80 parishes in the Episcopal Church but pro-

vide them with "alternative pastoral oversight."

"This is a shot across the bow" of the Episcopal Church U.S.A., said the Rev. David Moyer of Church of the Good Shepherd in Rosemont, Pa. He is also president of Forward in Faith.

The traditionalist parishes say the church hierarchy has become too liberal — some say heretical — on matters of gender and scripture. Most, including a

handful in this area, have barred diocesan bishops from their pulpits and stopped paying annual dues.

Forward in Faith intends to elect a bishop at its August convention in St. Louis. The person would then be consecrated by the primate of a foreign but like-minded Anglican "province" and function under that leader's auspices. Another dissident group, the Anglican

Mission in America, consecrated four bishops in June.

But that group operates outside the Episcopal Church U.S.A., and Archbishop of Canterbury George Carey has rejected the consecrations.

Forward in Faith's plan calls for seeking the approval of both Carey and Presiding U.S. Bishop Frank Griswold, though it does not require their approval for implementation.

Charming tales make book a nice gift for cat lovers

By Harriet P. Gross
The Dallas Morning News

"The Metaphysical Cat: Tales of Cats and Their Humans," by Gerald and Loreta Hausman (Hampton Roads, 165 pages, \$16.95).

Did you know that tail-less cats are direct descendants of the pair

on Noah's ark — the last to board — who suffered amputation when the wooden door fell a mite too soon? Animal mythology and folklore are Hausman specialties, and they outdo themselves in this illustrated feline collection. "Hell cat," they remind us, pays tribute to the Teutonic goddess Hel, whose father, Loki, became the

Christian Lucifer. Included is a poem about the cat Pangur Ben, penned by a ninth-century Irish monk on a copy of St. Paul's epistles.

We learn that Egyptians believed cats could help the dead find their way into the afterworld and that the Greek goddess Diana chose a cat's body to house

her immortality. The cult that followed actually worshipped the "All-Mother Cat." And there's this story: At Jesus' birth, a mother cat was purring to her new kittens, filling the manger with song.

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TWIN FALLS (7)

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1100-1400 9th Ave. E. 1100-1400 8th Ave. E. 1100-1400 9th Ave. E.

ROUTE 729
1100-1200 7th Ave. E. 1100-1400 5th Ave. E. 1100-1400 6th Ave. E.

ROUTE 743
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ROUTE 782
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ROUTE 832
100-400 Blk. Jackson St. 100-400 Blk. Quincy

ROUTE 833
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ROUTE 845
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ROUTE 846
100-300 Blk. Caswell Ave. 500-700 Blk. Monroe St. 500-700 Quincy St.

ROUTE 853
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North
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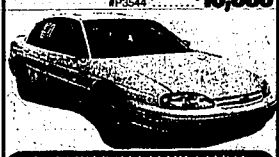
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