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A DIFFERENT KIND OF RANCH

Disease concerns dog growing elk farming industry

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

GLENN'S FERRY - Growing numbers of people, including some veteran beef ranchers, have started raising elk in captivity because they say the big game animals bring better prices, require less labor and produce more enjoyment.

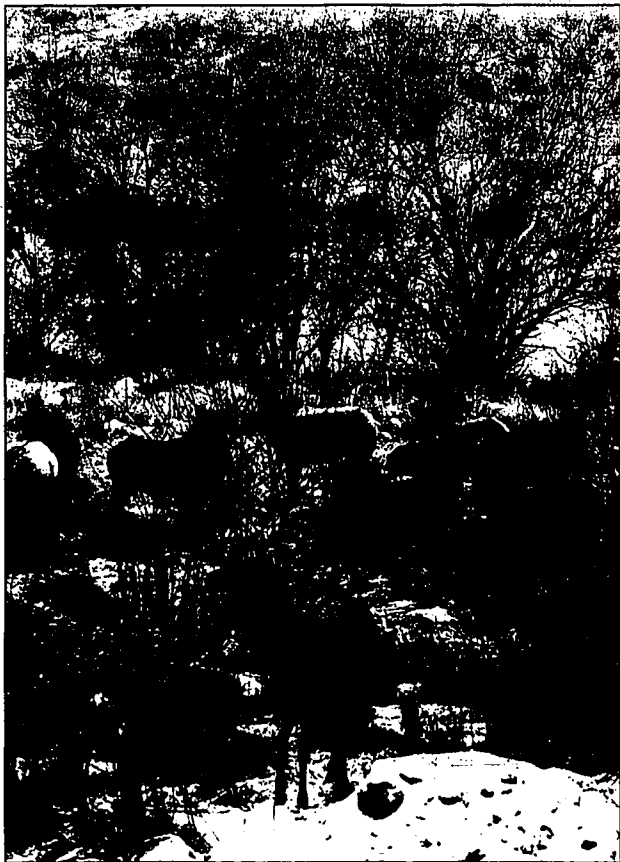
But elk ranching is an industry eyed warily by people opposed to farming big game animals. The potential spread of disease to wild herds - particularly the latest scare over chronic wasting disease - is among the concerns.

"The only thing we're worried about more is public opinion," said James Martell, owner of Little Valley Elk Ranch LLC in Glens Ferry.

No conclusive evidence has shown that chronic wasting disease can be spread to other animal species or humans. But public concern is high enough that the slaughter of 50,000 white-tailed deer is under way in Wisconsin to determine where the disease is present and offer confidence to hunters concerned about safety. Chronic wasting disease was detected in the south-central region of Wisconsin nearly a year ago.

Martell began elk ranching as a hobby a few years ago. But like many things he starts, he said, it turned into a full-blown business. Today he owns a herd of nearly 100 elk.

The number of domestic Please see ELK, Page A2



These aren't free-ranging elk. They're part of a 100-head elk herd owned by James Martell of Little Valley Elk Ranch LLC in Glens Ferry. Dozens of elk ranches have sprung up in Idaho over the past six years, including several in the Magic Valley.

To learn more ...

Find information about elk ranching, wild elk and chronic wasting disease at these Web sites:
• North American Elk Breeders Association, www.naebk.org
• Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance, www.cwda.org
• Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, www.rmf.org

Bush limits glitz, favors lower-key White House

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Less Hollywood glitz. Rare formal state dinners. Fewer playings of "Hail to the Chief."

It's the barely-any-frills White House.

With changes big and small, President Bush has sought to shape White House life in a way that suits him, his preferences and his political agenda.

The buttoned-down Bush administration says the result is a more honorable and respectable White House.

"It comes down to the personal views and personal styles of each president," Bush deputy press secretary Scott McClellan said. "He believes it is important to give the highest elected office in the land the respect it commands."

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President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair get into Bush's pickup truck after arriving at the Bush ranch in Crawford, Texas, April 5.

Study: Wyoming water use may slide

Could mean more water for Idaho users

The Times-News and The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS - As much as 100,000 acre feet of water annually could become available to southern Idaho users and others over the next 30 years because of declining agricultural use of Upper Snake River Basin water, according to a recent study.

That prospect would be welcomed by downstream users, said Vince Alberdi, general manager of the Twin Falls Canal Co.

"Obviously, if consumption goes down there, there would be a benefit here," said Alberdi, who noted that he hadn't yet seen the study. "It certainly would be a good thing for us and the whole Snake River Basin."

A surplus of that much water - equivalent to about 32 billion gallons - would be enough to grow about 30,000 acres of potatoes, by some accounts. The Twin Falls Canal Co. serves about 222,000 acres of irrigated land and uses stored water from Wyoming's Jackson Lake, among other sources.

The new study was done by Denver-based RBC Research & Consulting for the Wyoming Water Development Commission and a citizens' advisory group, which are developing a \$330,000 water plan for the Upper Snake.

Ryan Erickson, an analyst with Southern Exposure, said RBC's water study is the first of a recent spate of studies.

Drawing from economic and demographic trends, the group has estimated that, under any scenario, agriculture will decline in Wyoming's Upper Snake River and Salt River basins - located upstream of Palisades Reservoir - over the next 30 years.

Even the consultant's most robust scenario predicts that agriculture will increase only by a few thousand acres or animals. An exception is horse numbers, which are expected to remain stable or increase as second homes and tourism increase.

Recreation-related jobs and population growth are also expected to increase under all scenarios, shifting overall water use from agriculture to municipal and residential uses, which require far less water.

About 373,000 acre feet of water is annually put to use in the Upper Snake River and Salt River basins. Under two of three scenarios outlined by the consultant, that consumption is expected to decline - to 328,000 acre feet, or even to as low as 273,000 acre feet, according to the study.

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Company claims birth of first human clone

The Associated Press

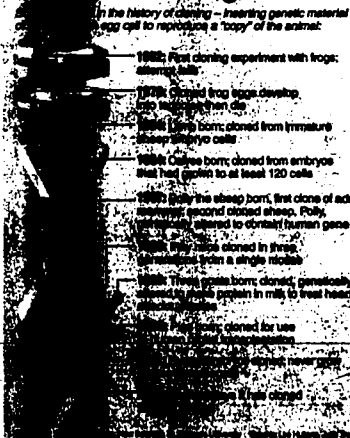
HOLLYWOOD, Fla. - Ushering in either a brave new world or a spectacular hoax, a company linked to a religious sect that believes in space aliens announced Friday that it has produced the world's first cloned baby.

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A healthy 7-pound girl, nicknamed Eve by scientists, was delivered by Caesarean section Thursday somewhere outside the United States, said Brigitte Boisselier, chief executive of Clonaid. Boisselier said the girl is an exact genetic copy of the American woman who gave birth to her.

At a news conference, Boisselier offered no scientific proof, provided no photographs and did not produce the mother or child. She said proof - in the form of DNA testing by independent Please see CLONE, Page A3

of cloning



In the history of cloning - treating genetic material as egg cell to replication a "copy" of the animal:
1982: First cloning experiment with frog: identical twins.
1996: Cloned frog eggs develop, 250 million than do.
1997: First baby born: cloned from immature monkey embryo cells.
1998: Cloned cow born: cloned from embryo that had grown to at least 120 cells.
1999: Baby the sheep born: first clone of adult mammal produced cloned sheep. Fully developed embryo transferred to surrogate human gene.
2000: First human cloned in test tube.
2001: First human born: cloned genetically identical twin to a woman in test tube.
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North Korea demands end to nuclear inspections

Knight Ridder News Service

BEIJING - North Korea on Friday demanded the withdrawal of U.N. inspectors from its Yongbyon nuclear complex and said it would reactivate a facility there that reprocesses used reactor fuel into plutonium for nuclear weapons.

The Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency replied that it would not pull its inspectors out of Yongbyon for now.

The White House denounced Pyongyang's demand for the inspectors' departure as an expulsion and an attempt to "advance North Korea's nuclear weapons program."

Friday's developments were significant because North Korea's actions have been viewed up until now as a bid by the impoverished, starving nation to coerce the United States into holding talks on humanitarian aid and diplomatic relations. The United States has

U.S. denounces move - A4

some 37,000 troops in South Korea.

But by demanding the withdrawal of IAEA inspectors, Pyongyang put itself on a collision course with the United Nations that could leave it more isolated and under more pressure - including international sanctions - to reverse its plans.

The nuclear crisis erupted last weekend when Pyongyang announced that it was no longer bound by the 1994 pact, known as the Agreed Framework, because the United States had reneged on providing fuel oil components that North Korea desperately needs.

President Bush halted the shipments following North Korea's admission in October that it had undertaken a secret effort to enrich uranium for nuclear weapons.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Windy with scattered rain showers and low clouds. Highs near 40. Tonight: Windy with mixed showers developing. Lows near 30. Tomorrow: Colder with a chance of snow. Highs near 33.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Rain and wind expected. Highs in the 40s. Tonight: Very windy. Rain or snow expected. Lows in the upper 20s to middle 30s. Tomorrow: Continued windy with steady temperatures in the 30s. Snow likely.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Very windy. Valley rain and mountain snow showers expected. Travel conditions will deteriorate as most shower activity turns to all snow overnight. Today Highs: 28 to 40. Tonight's Lows: 18 to 28. BOISE Breezy to windy and comfortably mild. Rain showers expected. Rain continuing tonight, turning over to or mixing with snow on Sunday.

NORTHERN UTAH Windy with increasing rain. Slight chance for rain surfacing today. Increasing in likelihood and changing to snow on Sunday. Today Highs: 28 to 40. Tonight's Lows: 18 to 28. NORTHERN UTAH Windy with increasing rain. Slight chance for rain surfacing today. Increasing in likelihood and changing to snow on Sunday.

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United: Unions agree to wage cuts

The Washington Post. United Airlines has tentative cost-cutting agreements with most of its unions... Bush Wayne also sees a sharp contrast between the stylistic adjustments that scale down the White House's public face and Bush's unapologetic efforts to protect executive-branch court...

Bush

Stephen Wayne, a Georgetown University government professor, said fans and fuss are just not the preferred style of a man who likes to think of - and portray - himself as having more in common with regular guys from Texas than intellectual elites. "There is respect for the presidency but some discomfort with some of the ceremony," he said.

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Twin Falls: Today (High 48, Low 30), Tonight (High 30, Low 20), Sunday (High 33, Low 22), Monday (High 31, Low 18), Tuesday (High 37, Low 22), Wednesday (High 37, Low 20).

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac table: Temperature (Yesterday High 48, Low 28), Precipitation (0.05"), Humidity (Yesterday High 92%, Low 55%), Barometric Pressure (69.9), Sunrise and Sunset (Sunrise: 8:07 AM, Sunset: 5:12 PM).

Moon Phases

Moon phases table: Jan. 2 New Moon, Jan. 10 First Cr., Jan. 18 Full Moon, Jan. 25 Last Cr.

Moisture and Moonset

Moisture and Moonset table: Today (Moonset: 2:08 AM), Tomorrow (Moonset: 3:25 AM), Sunday (Moonset: 4:41 AM), Monday (Moonset: 5:58 PM).

Snowpack

Snowpack table: Snake R. above Falls: 67%, Snake R. at Lewiston: 84%, Snake R. at Burley: 84%, Snake R. at Rupert: 84%.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Lewiston, Pocatello, and other areas.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for various cities including Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Phoenix, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington.

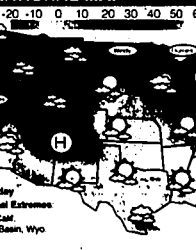
WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for various international cities including London, Paris, Rome, Tokyo, Sydney, and others.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table for various Canadian cities including Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal, and Winnipeg.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Elk

Continued from A1. Cervidae ranches - animals of the deer family, including elk - has more than doubled in Idaho since 1996. Licensed ranches grew from 38 that year to 89 today and range in size from a couple of animals to several hundred, says the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

Nationally, the North American Elk Breeders Association reports more than 1,800 members. It promotes elk ranching as a means for family farms and ranches to diversify and stabilize their incomes. The organization estimates the industry infuses the U.S. economy with about \$932 million.

The elk business

Idaho elk ranchers wanted oversight by the Ag Department, said Clint Evans, a board member of the Idaho Elk Breeders Association. The industry supports regulation as a livestock industry, rather than continue to fall under the jurisdiction of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. The Ag Department offers expertise with livestock disease control and livestock marketing, Evans said.

Elk

Evans said. Ranchers who sell their elk to restaurants are seeing prices at \$150 a pound, compared with beef at 80 cents a pound, Evans said. To top it off, elk are much more efficient than cattle, Evans said. Two to three elk can survive on the forage that it takes to feed one beef cow, he said. Elk are more intelligent, and they are "natural birthers" - no calf-pulling required.

Disease worries

Evans said the industry is unfairly targeted over issues such as the spread of disease. The elk industry asked the federal government for support in eliminating entire domestic herds where chronic wasting disease is detected, Evans said. Ranchers are compensated for their losses. In October 2001, the state destroyed 37 elk on a Salmon, Idaho, herd. The herd had been exposed to chronic wasting disease while on an elk farm in Colorado, the Ag Department said.

Brain tissue sampled from the destroyed Salmon herd tested negative for the disease, the Ag Department reported. The disease has not been detected at

Elk

all in Idaho. The Fish and Game Department, under then-director Rod Sando, announced increased monitoring of the state's big game herds around the Salmon ranch. "Our concern about this incidence and the potential for introducing CWD among wild herds is obviously lessened at the moment by them not being here, but it will not go away," Sando said.

The potential for wild game to approach fenced animals and "rub noses" or otherwise mix is chief among concerns when it comes to the potential for disease to spread between domestic and wild herds. It is among the reasons Wyoming prohibits big game farms.

Without the import and export of animals across state boundaries, the disease which is migrating slowly in the wild would not have spread to other areas, contends Harry Harju, assistant chief for the Wildlife Division of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. The disease is endemic to northern Colorado, southeastern Wyoming and northwestern Nebraska. It was first detected in captive mule deer in the 1960s. More recently, it has been diagnosed in private elk herds, although it was a limited problem.

The endemic areas spread outward into wild game populations from the Colorado research facility and from a Wyoming research facility that regularly traded animals with Colorado, before the disease was discovered, Harju said. Elk ranchers object to being pinpointed as sources for the spread of disease and note strict importation, vaccination and quarantine regulations as industry precautions.

Martell's elk ranch in Glenns Ferry had two elk escape. It was a mistake that won't happen again, he said. He hated to do it, he said, but he shot them before they had

Water

Continued from A1. Only under the consultant's maximum-growth scenario would water use increase, to about 401,000 acre feet per year. An acre foot is the amount of water needed to cover one acre of land with water to a depth of one foot. Barry Lawrence, a river basin planner for the Water Development Commission, said

Weather table for various Idaho cities: Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Lewiston, Pocatello, Rupert, and Starbuck.

U.V. INDEX

U.V. Index table: Today (Low 1, High 2), Tomorrow (Low 1, High 2), Sunday (Low 1, High 2), Monday (Low 1, High 2), Tuesday (Low 1, High 2), Wednesday (Low 1, High 2).

Forecast and Map

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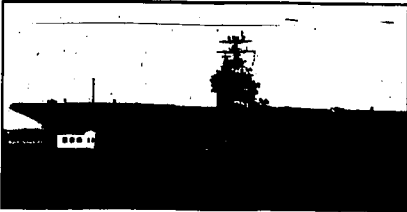
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NATION

Pentagon moves military forces to Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Pentagon has ordered a major military force to the Persian Gulf in preparation for a possible war with Iraq.



The aircraft carrier USS George Washington approaches the pier at Norfolk Naval Station Dec. 20 in Norfolk, Va. The Pentagon has ordered the Navy to prepare two aircraft carriers and two amphibious assault vessels for possible action in Iraq, defense officials said Friday.

Thousands of troops, two aircraft carrier battle groups and scores of combat aircraft have received orders since Christmas to ready themselves to head to the region in January and February, defense officials said Friday. Military personnel will go to Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain, among other locations.

The Bush administration waited until after the holiday to issue the orders, which alert units across the United States and possibly overseas to prepare for deployment to the Persian Gulf, officials said. Officials said tens of thousands of military personnel will receive orders to go to the region, but a precise figure was unavailable.

Some of the units being sent to the region are combat-ready, including infantry units, warships and strike aircraft, officials said.

Many more are logistics, engineering and support teams, which will prepare for the arrival of even larger combat units in the months

ahead, officials said. They will add to the 50,000 U.S. military personnel already in the region.

"We don't comment on specific unit deployments. However, forces will be flowing to the region to be in place should the president decide to use them," said Jim Wilkinson, a spokesman at U.S. Central Command, which would oversee operations in Iraq.

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said last week such deployments will "reinforce diplomacy." The Bush administration hopes the threat of military action will increase the pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to fully disclose his efforts to acquire chemical, biological and nuclear weapons.

The Pentagon ordered the Navy to select and prepare two aircraft carrier battle groups and two amphibious assault groups to go to the region, defense officials said.

Clone

Continued from A1
experts - will be available in perhaps eight or nine days.
"You can still go back to your office and treat me as a fraud," she told reporters. "You have one week to do that."
Cloning experts were skeptical or reserved judgment on the announcement, which is certain

to touch off fierce ethical, religious and scientific debate. In Washington, the Food and Drug Administration said the agency will investigate whether the experiments violated U.S. law.

The United States has no specific law against human cloning. But the FDA contends that its regulations forbid human cloning

without prior agency permission. And the agency has no intention of giving the OK.

"The very attempt to clone a human being is evil," said Stanley M. Hauerwas, a professor of theological ethics at Duke University. "That the allegedly cloned child is to be called Eve confirms the godlike stature

these people so desperately seek."

Boisjelle would not say where Clonaid has been carrying out its experiments.

She described the mother as a 31-year-old with an infertile husband. The couple has decided not to face the media now, she said.

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NATION/WORLD

Internet connects U.S. Navy officers

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) - When Lt. Cmdr. Michael Crockett was promoted to executive officer of the guided missile destroyer USS Porter, he naturally sought advice from fellow officers on other ships.

But he didn't pick up the phone. Crockett posted a query for "XO pearls of wisdom" on an Internet discussion list for U.S. Navy surface warfare officers, or SWOs - the 10,000 or so junior officers who command a ship's sailors and lead them in combat. He received many responses, from words of encouragement to suggestions on how to streamline tasks.

The discussion list is just one feature of the Surface Warfare Officer Network, which debuted a year ago. SWONET is a web portal where SWOs can receive counsel from colleagues stationed worldwide. They can air their grievances, meaning documents and stay in touch with family and friends.

"It's virtual mentoring," said Crockett, who reported to the Norfolk-based Porter a few months ago. "In this business, we have, it's not to be able to log on to something and when someone else has the time, they can give you some free advice."

The site - most of which is off-limits to the public - appears to be a hit, especially its discussion groups. There are 13,500 separate conversation threads like Crockett's on the site.

Since July 2001, traffic to the groups has jumped from 17,000 page views, to 665,000 a year later, to 1.2 million by Nov. 1, said SWONET program manager Tom Hart, who works for Intopic Corp., the Chantilly, Va.-based company that developed the site under contract with the Pentagon.

SWONET arose from the Navy's desire to find a better way to communicate with junior officers, said Lt. Cmdr. John Fuller, who manages SWONET as part of his Pentagon responsibilities overseeing the surface-warfare community.

"There's a lot of information that doesn't get out because ships spend a lot of time at sea," Fuller said. "There wasn't a dedicated forum like this before. This gives people the opportunity to talk about things outside the warroom, outside the waterfront."

EPA: WTC site shouldn't create health problems

NEW YORK (AP) - Only people exposed to high concentrations of airborne pollutants in the first days after the World Trade Center attacks are likely to suffer long-term health problems, the Environmental Protection Agency said Friday.

Citing measurements taken in and around the collapse zone, a new EPA report says that people in surrounding neighborhoods were unlikely to suffer ailments caused by contaminants such as PCBs, dioxins or asbestos.

The agency noted that the first tests were done on Sept. 14, 2001, so no conclusions could be drawn about contaminants in the first three days after the Sept. 11 attack.

The EPA report came a week after a team of private researchers and scientists said the chemical composition of the dust near ground zero appeared to be less toxic than initially feared.

That study, to be published in the February issue of Environmental Science & Technology, also found that the particles collected were too large to lodge deep in people's lungs and cause long-term illness.



U.N. weapons inspectors talk to an Iraqi official at the Al-Hasser al-Adem plant, which produces container tanks, steam boilers and filters, in Baghdad Friday. Inspectors continued their search for the weapons of mass destruction. Iraq insists it is hiding no biological, nuclear or chemical weapons.

Inspectors talk to Iraqi nuclear expert

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - U.N. arms experts said they interviewed a scientist possibly linked to a clandestine Iraqi nuclear program Friday. Baghdad officials said the inspectors also searched sites for signs of suspected weapons of mass destruction.

Officials from the U.N. nuclear watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency, quizzed Kazem Mojlal, a metallurgist from the state-run Al-Raya company.

Inspections team spokesman Hiro Ueki said Mojlal gave U.N. officials details about an unidentified Iraqi military program that "has attracted considerable attention as a possible prelude to a clandestine nuclear program."

"The answers will be of great use in completing the IAEA assessment," Ueki said in a statement, a copy of which was faxed to The Associated Press in Baghdad.

A senior source for Iraq's National Monitoring Directorate, the Iraqi body that deals with inspectors, said U.N. officials interviewed Mojlal for an hour at Baghdad's state-owned Al-Rashid hotel. An Iraqi official was present during the interview.

"For sure, I have no relationship with the nuclear program," Mojlal said on state-run television later Friday.

"I became upset during the meeting because they emphasized (providing) names of people," he said. "I'm specialized in minerals and have no relation with the previous (nuclear) program."

In their first session with an Iraqi scientist, U.N. inspectors quizzed a former member of Baghdad's nuclear program on Tuesday. While weapons inspectors have spoken to engineers and experts at sites they have searched, it was the first request to interview a scientist privately.

Under the toughened U.N. inspections regime that resumed Nov. 27, inspectors can speak privately with scientists and workers associated with Iraqi weapons - and even take them abroad for interviews. U.S. officials have said they hope the privacy will prompt scientists to reveal hidden weapons programs.

Friday marked the end of the first month of resumed U.N. inspections in Iraq after the last group of weapons experts left Iraq in 1998 before U.S. and British warplanes bombed Baghdad for failing to cooperate with the arms inspectors.

Inspectors visited the al-Near al-Athem State Company in Baghdad, a plant for chemical-processing equipment that used to be known as the State Heavy Engineering Company, the Iraqi

Information Ministry said. The visit was a follow-up to one on Dec. 15. The inspectors, who resumed work in Iraq on Nov. 27 after a four-year break, had checked out the site during their inspections in the 1990s.

"The company undertakes a wide range of metal working for both civilian and military purposes," Ueki said in his statement.

Ayad Mohammed Hussein, assistant director of the company, told reporters that al-Near served the oil and electricity industries. "We do not have hidden weapons of mass destruction," he said.

In their second visit Friday, the inspectors went to al-Assriya Company, an old Baghdad factory that produces arak - an anise seed-based spirit that is virtually the national alcoholic beverage of Iraq, the Information Ministry said.

The inspections are being carried out under U.N. Security Council Resolution 1441 that entitles the inspectors to visit any facility or property at any time. The resolution warns Baghdad of serious consequences if it fails to comply with the inspections.

Also Friday, U.S. defense officials said the Pentagon has ordered the Navy to prepare two aircraft carriers and two amphibious assault vessels for possible action in Iraq.

deadly germs and toxins and loading some of them in bombs, missile warheads and rockets. The weapons included anthrax, the germ that killed seven people in last year's U.S. mail attacks; botulinum toxin, nature's most deadly poison; Clostridium perfringens, a flesh-eating bacterium that causes gas gangrene; and aflatoxin, a fungal poison that causes liver cancer.

In late 1998, frustrated by Iraq's refusal to cooperate, the inspectors withdrew shortly before the United States and Britain began "Operation Desert Fox," a bombing campaign to compel compliance by Iraq. Saddam refused to let the inspectors return.

U.S. denounces N. Korea moves

CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) - President Bush's spokesman denounced North Korea's expulsion of U.N. nuclear inspectors Friday and called on Pyongyang to shut down its nuclear weapons program.

"We will not respond to threats or broken commitments," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said. But the presidential spokesman said the administration is not contemplating military action to stop North Korea from reactivating a nuclear power plant, and will seek the help of other friendly countries in the region.

"We seek a peaceful resolution," McClellan said. "For now we need to let the discussions happen between our friends and allies about the next steps."

U.S. officials said an envoy, perhaps Assistant Secretary of State James Kelly, would likely be sent to the region next month to confer with allies.

Kelly had gone to Pyongyang last fall with the message that North Korea must suspend its nuclear program before serious talks could start.

North Korea ordered the expulsion Friday and announced it will reactivate a laboratory that the United States claims can produce enough weapons-grade plutonium for several atomic bombs.

On Friday, the U.S.-U.N. command overseeing the 49-year cease-fire between North and South Korea accused the North Koreans of placing light machine guns inside the demilitarized zone between the two countries six times during the last month.

On several days in December, South Korean troops saw North Korean soldiers setting up the machine guns, but taking them down at night, according to a statement from the U.S.-U.N. command sent an inquiry to North Korea about the guns, but the North Koreans refused to accept it.

Intelligence officials at the Pentagon have said they have noticed no major increase in operations by North Korea's massive conventional military forces. McClellan dismissed North Korea's suggestion that there was an innocent reason for restarting its nuclear plant.

"These actions are not designed to produce electricity but rather" to bolster North

YONGBYON NUCLEAR FACILITY

Conflict over North Korea plant

Friday's move by North Korea to expel U.N. nuclear inspectors comes just days after the country removed seals and disrupted cameras at a plant for reprocessing spent fuel rods, a key step toward producing plutonium for nuclear weapons.

Reprocessing facility



Connecting underground pipes Nuclear waste storage



Reprocessing facility U.N. inspectors were denied access to this facility, which they say is for reprocessing spent fuel. North Korea maintains it is a radiochemical laboratory.

SOURCES: Center for Nonproliferation AP Studies; Global Security.org; Spacewatch Asia; ISIS.

Korea's nuclear weapons capability, he said.

The actions are certain to escalate tensions over Pyongyang's plan to unfreeze nuclear facilities shut down in a deal with the United States in 1994.

U.S. officials were trying to determine how far the reclusive regime was willing to go in what they view as an effort to extract concessions from the United States. The Clinton administration gave North Korea fuel oil in exchange for promises to end its nuclear program.

Officials say Iraq's improved bioweapons are a serious threat

WASHINGTON (AP) - Biological weapons are among the few capabilities Iraq has improved since being defeated by a U.S.-led coalition in the 1991 Persian Gulf War, government officials say.

Working under the noses of U.N. inspectors from 1991 to 1998, President Saddam Hussein's government probably developed mobile germ warfare labs and processes to create dried bacteria for deadliest and longer-lasting weapons, U.S. officials and former weapons inspectors say.

Pentagon officials say Iraq's biological arsenal could do the most damage, physical and psychological, if it were used to retaliate immediately against a U.S. invasion rather than in later stages of battle.

Although U.S. troops are being vaccinated against anthrax and smallpox and have protective gear, a biological attack cannot be detected until after exposure. Even if a biological attack did not kill U.S. troops, it could kill many civilians and create a logistical mess that would slow an American advance and strain the military's medical capabilities.

"The most frightening thing is Iraq's biological program," said David Kay, a former chief weapons inspector for the United Nations. "Even in my inspection days, it was the program we knew the least about."

What inspectors eventually learned was disturbing. After the 1995 defection of Saddam's son-in-law, who ran the germ weapons program, Iraq acknowledged brewing thousands of gallons of

deadly germs and toxins and loading some of them in bombs, missile warheads and rockets.

The weapons included anthrax, the germ that killed seven people in last year's U.S. mail attacks; botulinum toxin, nature's most deadly poison; Clostridium perfringens, a flesh-eating bacterium that causes gas gangrene; and aflatoxin, a fungal poison that causes liver cancer.

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Iraq claimed it destroyed all its biological weapons. U.N. inspectors concluded in 1999 that probably was a lie, because Saddam's scientists could have made thousands of gallons of biological weapons without declaring them. U.S. officials say Iraq's latest weapons declaration does not clear up discrepancies.

"Before the inspectors were forced to leave Iraq, they concluded that Iraq could have produced 26,000 liters of anthrax. That is three times the amount Iraq had declared," Secretary of State Colin Powell said recently. "Yet the Iraqi declaration is silent on this stockpile, which alone would be enough to kill several million people."

The omissions, U.S. officials and former inspectors say, are strong evidence that Iraq has retained at least some of its biological arsenal.

Iraq's development of anthrax-drying technology makes that arsenal even more dangerous than it was during the Gulf War. Its earlier biological weapons efforts relied on a liquid slurry of anthrax, which let the spores clump together and made it difficult to get the fine aerosol needed to get the germs into people's lungs.

U.N. inspectors in the late 1990s found Iraq had drying machines that could be used to make a powdered form of anthrax.

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YOUR WEEKEND

Ketchum comedy

What: Comedian/hypnotist Steve Bayner will present adults-only shows.
Where: Ketchum's nextStage Theater.
When: 9 p.m. today.
How much: Tickets, which are \$15, are available at the door.

The Lamphouse Theatre

What: "Auto Focus" will be shown.
Where: The Lamphouse Theatre, 223 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
When: 4:30, 7 and 9:15 p.m. today and Sunday.
How much: \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors and students and \$4 for matinees.

Planetarium show

What: The Faulkner Planetarium will present "Steamrolling Through the Holidays."
When: 8:15 p.m. today.
Where: Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.
How much: Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children 4 and under are not admitted.

Herrett Center art

What: The Herrett Center for Arts and Science will host "The Albertson Figures, a collection of art from Albertson College of Idaho that includes works by Goya, Hogarth, Lichtenstein, Picasso and Andy Warhol."
Where: The Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.
When: 1:30 p.m. today.
How much: Admission is free.

Barn dance

What: Dusty and the Nomads play.
Where: Spanbauer's Barn on U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome.
When: 8 p.m. to midnight today.
How much: The cover charge is \$7.

Karaoke contest

What: Karaoke contest will be featured with cash prizes.
Where: Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome.
When: 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.
How much: No cover charge.

Rockin' at the Oasis

What: Rockin' Horse will play.
Where: The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.
How much: No cover charge.

Cobalt Blue

What: Cobalt Blue will play.
Where: Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.
How much: The cover charge is \$3.

High Mountain Karaoke

What: High Mountain Karaoke will be featured.
Where: The Sagebrush Lounge, 325 Main St., Hazelton.
When: 8 p.m. to midnight today.
How much: No cover charge.

Brewpub entertainment

What: Midline will play.
Where: Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls.
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.
How much: The cover charge is \$3.

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Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak
Upper Snake River	67%	25%
Salmon Falls	72%	25%
Balmain	68%	22%
Blackley	63%	20%
Big Wood	87%	30%
Big Wood	100%	30%
Sagevay Fork/Teton	86%	22%
Big Lost	86%	23%
Little Lost	70%	28%

As of Dec. 27. A comparison of peak snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average. Source: U.S. Department of the Interior.

Teens face charges in T.F. shootings

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Christmas morning shooting spree apparently intended to rattle members of a Twin Falls family has left three 16-year-old boys and a Rogerson man facing felony charges, according to police and court records.
Police at about 3 a.m. Wednesday responded to a report of shots being fired from a vehicle at occupied homes on Jackson Street and Fourth Avenue West in Twin Falls, said Twin Falls police detective Curtis Gambrel. The houses were struck by

several rounds — and in one case, a slug went completely through one of the homes and hit a neighboring house, he said.
"Nobody was hit, we were extremely lucky."

Police later arrested the three teen-agers and Federico Perez, 20, Gambrel said. They were found to be in possession of a semi-automatic assault-style rifle and a 9 mm pistol, he said. The guns apparently came from the home of one of the juveniles, Gambrel said.
The boys were charged with aggravated assault, but their cases were in closed juvenile court Friday and their names could not

be released, Twin Falls police Capt. Bob Hodge said. The boys were held Friday in the Snake River Juvenile Detention Center in Twin Falls. There might be a hearing next month to determine if their cases should be moved into open adult court, Gambrel said.
Perez was arraigned Thursday on a charge of aiding and abetting aggravated assault and faces a preliminary hearing Jan. 3, 2003, according to court records. He was held Friday in the Twin Falls County Jail in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

The attacks apparently were aimed at the members of the family of twin brothers Francisco and Victor Cuelar, Gambrel said.
But Wednesday's attacks were not connected with that shooting, Gambrel said, although the exact motive wasn't yet clear.
The suspects told investigators that they hadn't been trying to hit anybody, but rather had shot at the houses as an act of intimidation, Gambrel said.

The brothers were involved in an April 6 shooting in Hansen that left Victor Cuelar, 19, dead and Francisco hospitalized for several days. Rolando Gurza, 17, later pleaded innocent to charges of second-degree murder and aggravated assault stemming from that shooting. He will face a trial next month.

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STEPPING OFF THE BENCH



Senior Judge William Hart, right, makes 5th District Magistrate Judge R. Michael Redman laugh by telling stories about him at his retirement ceremony Friday at the Twin Falls courthouse. Redman is retiring after 24 years of service in Idaho.

Outgoing judge says he wants to focus on writing

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After 24 years of weighing the balance of the law, R. Michael Redman said he's ready to start writing about it.

"I'm retiring because I can," Redman said Friday. "It's an opportunity to — while I'm still young enough — do some of the things I always wanted to but never had the opportunity to do."

Redman served as a 5th District Magistrate Court Judge in Twin Falls. He was honored during a brief ceremony at the Theron Ward Judicial Building.

He also celebrated his 57th birthday Friday.

Redman will be replaced next month by Twin Falls attorney Randy Stokes.

He said he plans to focus on writing legal textbooks, including one on proper evidence procedures. He also wants to compile a book of strange and amusing legal terms, names and anecdotes he's encountered during his years on the bench.

"It's not meant to make fun, but to allow people to laugh at themselves," Redman said. "For example, in police jargon, nobody ever 'gets out of a car,' they always 'exit the vehicle.'" Redman said that during his

service he's seen the court system in Twin Falls grow increasingly busy.

He said there's still the same number of magistrate judges in Twin Falls — three — as there were when he started in 1979. But the population and number of cases have grown continually since then. Judges are brought in from other counties sometimes to help ease the strain, but the courtrooms are still often swamped, he said.

"It's less human than it was, and that causes more isolation," Redman said.

Even so, Redman has always kept a friendly, open demeanor, said Idaho State Police Capt.

David Neal. Neal said he's often been called as a witness in Redman's court, and also went to the judge for advice on administrative matters.

"He's always willing to sit down and listen," Retired District Court Judge William Hart presented Redman plaques from the 5th Judicial District and the Idaho Supreme Court.

It's estimated that during his tenure, Redman handled at least 100,000 cases, Hart said.

Times-News reporter Mark Heinz can be reached at 735-3238 or by e-mail at mheinz@magicvalley.com.

Police say hit-and-run victim was apparently intoxicated

The Times-News

JEROME — A man who was struck and killed by a car in Jerome early Dec. 14 was apparently intoxicated at the time, according to reports.

The results of forensic laboratory tests indicate Daniel-Fraga, 52, had a blood-alcohol content of .22 when he died, said Jerome police detective Sgt. Dan Chatterton.

That might have been enough to

impair his walking and judgment.

"We kind of figure into the equation that the victim might have stepped into the path of the vehicle," Chatterton said.

Fraga was struck and killed at about 1:30 a.m. near the Spears Manufacturing plant on South Lincoln Street in Jerome. Investigators have concluded the vehicle involved was a white or light-colored GM sedan made between 1975 and 1985.

The car probably sustained minor

front-end damage and heavy damage to its windshield upon impact.

The search for the car's driver has been frustrated by sketchy information, and at least one person interviewed by police later admitted to lying about some of the details, Chatterton said.

There have been rumors that Fraga was struck on purpose, but police have found no solid evidence to back those claims, Chatterton said.

The case is being handled as a homi-

cide, he said, but that's standard procedure for any death that hasn't been fully explained.

"There's a lot of things that point to this accident just being a case of somebody being in the wrong place at the wrong time," he said.

Anyone with information should call Chatterton at the Jerome Police Department, 324-4238, or through Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, 324-1911.

S.V. entrepreneur suffers stroke, is in SLC hospital

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — The rag-toriches entrepreneur whose name is synonymous with two of the West's most celebrated ski resorts, and who owns the 2,600-station Sinclair Oil gasoline chain, has been struck down by a stroke.

R. Earl Holding, 76, is in the University of Utah Medical Center in Salt Lake City, reportedly paralyzed on one side but able to speak, according to a knowledgeable source associated with Holding.

True to Holding's lifelong aversion to personal publicity and his

passion for privacy, his Sinclair Oil headquarters in Salt Lake City is noncommittal ("No comment," a spokesman says).

Executives at the Sun Valley Co. are just as tight-lipped (also officially "no comment").

But the source, who requested anonymity, said Holding was in Flagstaff, Ariz., where one of his Little America hotels is located, when he suffered the stroke last week.

Listed in 2001 by Forbes magazine as one of America's 400 wealthiest men, Holding is a hands-on manager of his properties throughout Western states, using his Gulfstream jet to hop between the four states — Idaho,

Utah, Wyoming and California — where he has interests.

As he and his wife slowly made new investments enlarging his business empire, Holding developed a reputation for absolute frugality. Sun Valley legends including tales of how he and his wife even worked at housekeeping chores at the Sun Valley Resort after he acquired it in 1977.

In addition to the resort, with its world-known Sun Valley Inn and Baldy ski mountain, Holding also owns Snowbasin in Utah, a lavish new ski resort developed just in time for the 2002 winter Olympics as the venue for downhill races.

His hotel chain — the Grand America and Little America in Salt Lake City, the Westgate in San Diego, and the three Little America hotels (two in Wyoming, one in Arizona) — plus his Sinclair Oil refining, pipeline and retail operations also have made him a political power.

When the U.S. Forest Service rejected his proposal for a Utah land swap that would give him ownership of Snowbasin in exchange for tracts that critics said were relatively worthless, Holding persuaded two of Utah's congressional delegation to introduce legislation forcing the land swap.

Robbery cases pile up in court

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A recent spate of burglaries and robberies in Twin Falls has led to a bogging array of cases in local courts, but police say there's no clear reason for the spree.

Nor did any of the criminals make off with significant scores, said Twin Falls Police Capt. Bob Hodge — who heads up the department's detective division.
None of the takes in any of the recent crimes apparently amounted to more than a few hundred dollars, Hodge said. It's likely many of the suspects were trying to get money for drugs or to pay off drug-related debts, he said.

And many of the heists were apparently random and coincidental, although police say they think at least three of the suspects recently arrested were working together.

"Business burglaries have dropped to nothing since we got those guys in jail," Hodge said. None of the takes in any of the recent crimes apparently amounted to more than a few hundred dollars, Hodge said. It's likely many of the suspects were trying to get money for drugs or to pay off drug-related debts, he said.

It's also thought that one of them was involved in an exchange of gunfire Nov. 21 with Twin Falls police officer Tom Fleming — who confronted a suspect while investigating an apparent burglary in progress at Standard Plumbing.

Hodge said investigators hadn't cracked that angle yet.

"Nobody's willing to 'fess up to it — to take the credit or the blame,'" he said.

Roberts faces burglary charges, and a preliminary hearing.

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Jerome County three-car crash kills two

The Times-News

JEROME — Two people were killed Friday evening in a Jerome County crash on U.S. Highway 93, the Idaho State Police reported.

The identities of the deceased were not available Friday night, nor were the details of the crash, which occurred around 7:30 p.m. The accident involved three vehicles, an ISP dispatcher said.

DEATH NOTICE

Anna Downard Jensen
IDAHO FALLS — Anna Downard Jensen, 96, of Idaho Falls and formerly of Hailey,

died Sunday, Dec. 22, 2002, at her daughter's home in Idaho Falls.
The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, 2002, at

the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Hailey.
The viewing will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the church.

OBITUARIES

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JEROME
W. Brian Peters, 35 years old, died on the 19th of December, in St. Petersburg, Florida, of a brain aneurysm. Brian was born February 28, 1967 in Pocatello, Idaho. He spent his childhood in Pocatello, Idaho, Denver, Colorado and California. He attended and graduated at California State University in Sacramento, California, where he met and married his wife Nancy. They were married for 11 years.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy DuBois Peters, Clearwater, Florida, his mother, Vicki Brink, Redwood City, California, his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Peters, his half-sisters, Iliana and Gabriela Peters of San Antonio, Texas, his paternal grandparents, Ralph and Blanche Peters, Jerome, Idaho; his maternal grandfather, Jake Brink, Boise, Idaho; and aunts, uncles and many cousins in Idaho, Wyoming, Virginia and California.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Ruth Brian Jerome, Idaho, and his paternal great-grandparents, Tom and Fern, Grant of Rogerson, Idaho.
He will be remembered as a loving, very gentle, compassionate man who was generous, hard working and liked everyone he ever met.
A memorial service was held in Tampa, Florida on December 23rd. Memorials may be made to any organization that is helping children.



Clloyd William 'Andy' Gardner, a longtime Wood River Valley resident, died at the age of 93 on Monday, December 23, 2002 at the Blaine Manor in Hailey.

Clloyd was the first child born to William Edward and Nancy Evaline Stone Gardner in Salem, Utah on November 28, 1909. The family moved to Blackfoot when he was an infant. Clloyd and his siblings were raised and attended school in the Blackfoot area, while helping his parents with the many tasks on the family farm.

Bill was born to Delbert Allen and Hazel Cleo Vaine Mead on June 12, 1933, in Douglas, Kansas. In August 1937, he moved with his family to Idaho. In 1941, they relocated to various townships in Wyoming and Oklahoma, returning to Idaho in May of 1949. Bill served in the Navy on a LST during the Korean Conflict. Afterwards, he spent a short time in Colorado, California, Montana, Oregon and Wyoming returning to Idaho to make his home. Bill married Velia Johnson in 1955 to his wife. They had five children: two sons and three daughters. He was divorced in 1966. He married Della Harris in 1966. They had five children together. He raised his five children along with one born to their union and a grandson who he adopted at a young age. Bill was a ranch hand, landscaper and tree trimmer but the love of travel brought him to long haul truck driving for Cady Auto, Montana Express and others. This was the job he loved the most. After a massive heart attack in January 1986, he was forced to discontinue his various occupations.

Bill loved horses and cars. He enjoyed riding, hunting, fishing and spending time in the mountains at the lamb shippings his sister and brother-in-law had. He traded cars, leased, jacked and visited over 40 states.

Bill is survived by his wife, Della of Jerome; sons, Delbert, Bill and Tom of Spokane, WA; Lacey of Sacramento CA; Catherine of two daughters, Marshelle Delange Earhart of Keystone Heights, FL; Shannon (Rick) Ottum of WA; and aunts, Florence Andrews of Burdick, MO; 26 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews and many cousins and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one stepdaughter, Etta and a stepson, Jesse.
Funeral services will be held on Monday December 30, 2002, at 11 a.m. at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Pastor Gene Kissinger officiating the service. A viewing will be held on Sunday, December 29, from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

and sang in many choral events in Twin Falls. She was an assistant at Dudley Studio, and in recent years Fairfield led young readers at the MorningSide School.
Vanila is survived by her children, Carl Helms of Scarborough, Maine, Rick Helms of Honolulu, Hawaii, Jerry Ann Dairditch of Magna, Utah, and Jon Helms of Rock Springs, Wyoming, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Hwy. 200 East, Twin Falls, on January 1st, or January 7, 2003, with Rev. Dan Reike officiating. Interment will be at the Soldier Mountain/Mt. View Cemetery above Fairfield on the countryside he loved and where she felt she belonged.
In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the pipe organ fund at the new Our Savior Lutheran facility or for the Luther Heights Bible Camp at Alturas Lake.

Services will be held on Monday, December 30, at 1 p.m. at the LDS Church in Hailey, where he was a member. Family and friends may call at the Wood River Chapel in Hailey on Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and at the LDS Church one hour prior to the services on Monday. Burial will be at the Hailey Cemetery.

The family suggest memorial contributions be sent to either the Senior Center of Blaine County, P.O. Box 28, Hailey, ID 83333 or the Blaine Manor, P.O. Box 927, Hailey, ID 83333.



William E. "Bill" Mead entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, December 24, 2002, at the age of 69 at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.
Bill was born to Delbert Allen and Hazel Cleo Vaine Mead on June 12, 1933, in Douglas, Kansas. In August 1937, he moved with his family to Idaho. In 1941, they relocated to various townships in Wyoming and Oklahoma, returning to Idaho in May of 1949. Bill served in the Navy on a LST during the Korean Conflict. Afterwards, he spent a short time in Colorado, California, Montana, Oregon and Wyoming returning to Idaho to make his home. Bill married Velia Johnson in 1955 to his wife. They had five children: two sons and three daughters. He was divorced in 1966. He married Della Harris in 1966. They had five children together. He raised his five children along with one born to their union and a grandson who he adopted at a young age. Bill was a ranch hand, landscaper and tree trimmer but the love of travel brought him to long haul truck driving for Cady Auto, Montana Express and others. This was the job he loved the most. After a massive heart attack in January 1986, he was forced to discontinue his various occupations.

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He is survived by his son, Robert (Kathryn) Gardner, two granddaughters, Sarah Gardner (Ron Hanson) of Gannett and Julie Cord (Michael) of Hailey; two great grandchildren, Gardner and Lauren Cord; three sisters, Mrs. Arvet (Zola) Hanson of Reubun, Mrs. S. Doyle (Lucile) Jones of Blackfoot and Mrs. Clarence (Marcine) Jones of Pocatello; one sister-in-law Mrs. Ivan (Jean) Gardner of Blackfoot; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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SERVICES

Raymah Jarvis of Kimberly, memorial graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Sunner Memorial Park (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Dorothy Knapp Gardner of Twin Falls, service at 2:30 p.m. today at Larkin Mortuary, 250 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. Family will greet friends from 12:00-2:15 p.m. today; burial will follow at the Salt Lake Cemetery.

Wanda Loveland Stalker of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Parke Ave.; burial in Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 10:10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Felix Cantu of Heyburn, service at 2 p.m. today at St.

Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; burial will be in the Paul Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary, Burley Chapel).

Joel Crandall Peterson of McCleary, Wash., and formerly of Clifton, service at 2 p.m. today at Webb Funeral Home, 109 E. Oneida; Preston; friends may call from 12:30-1:30 p.m. today at the mortuary; burial will be at the Preston Cemetery.

Investigator says doomed airtanker flew for the CIA

RENO, Nev. (AP) — The investigation of a firefighting tanker crash in the Sierra this summer has been hampered by missing records — partly because the C-130A flew spy missions for the CIA, a federal investigator said.
"Those kind of airplanes basically don't exist records-wise. That could be the reason why we don't have a good history on this airplane," said George Pettersson, an air safety investigator for the National Transportation Safety Board.

"Apparently this ... airplane at one point in time was set up along with a few others for electronic surveillance — as in CIA territory — somewhere in the world," he told The Associated Press in the first such admission by a government official.

As a result, the NTSB cannot determine the flight history of the ex-Air Force cargo plane built by Lockheed in 1956. Investigators are unsure whether the C-130A had flown as little as 3,000 hours or more than 20,000 hours with the wing assembly that broke off its fuselage in June, sending all three crew members to their death near Walker, Calif.

The Air Force modified many of its C-130As with new wing parts in the early- to mid-1980s, Pettersson said, though he can't tell whether the crashed plane was one of them.

"The modifications were being done because they were having problems with the airplanes' wings cracking," Pettersson said. The NTSB investigator has identified fatigue cracks — one more than a foot long — in the wings of the plane that crashed in June and he suspects the same structural failure in a 1994 airtanker crash that killed three crew members north of Los Angeles.

The Air Force indicated the records of the wing modifications have been destroyed, Pettersson said.

The company that performed the modifications, Aero Corp. in Lake City, Fla., "kept the records for many, many years, but they since have been disposed of," he said.

"It would help make the fatigue cracking a little more understandable" if the plane had flown more than 20,000 hours than it if it was only 3,000, he said.

Aero Corp. no longer exists. Michael Moore, general manager of the company that acquired it, Timco Aviation Services of Greensboro, N.C., refused comment.

An Air Force Reserve spokesman at the Pentagon said paperwork typically accompanies surplus military aircraft to the new owner, but he had no information on the plane.

Pettersson is the first government official to publicly acknowledge that the C-130A that crashed in the Sierra had been used previously on spy missions. Critics of the Forest Service fire-



A sequence of images taken from television shows a C-130A aircraft losing its wings and crashing while battling a wildfire near Walker, Calif., last June.

fighting fleet have alleged that planes on contract to the agency were being used in covert operations after they left the military and were in the possession of private contractors.

This plane — Tanker 130, Serial No. 56-0538 — was one of nearly two dozen the Air Force resealed to private contractors in the late 1980s and early 1990 under an aircraft exchange program that resulted in federal indictments in 1996 and sent two men to federal prison.

Hawkins & Powers Aviation Inc. of Greysburg, Wyo., received seven of the C-130As, including

the one that crashed in June. The head of aviation at Forest Service headquarters in Washington said the lack of documentation is a major concern.

"We know some aircraft that were part of the aircraft exchange act ended up flying overseas. I don't know for what agency. If he says CIA, he might be right," said Tony Kern, national aviation official.

"We also are aware there are gaps in the records of these aircraft, not just for that period of time, but records that never were transferred across from the military.

Five state laws go into effect with New Year

BOISE (AP) — Five new state laws passed during last winter's legislative session take effect Wednesday. The issues range from insurance to a civiltax change to a new class of youth hunting licenses.

The new insurance law will come as good news to many Idaho residents suffering financial setbacks during the current recession. The new law will prohibit companies from canceling coverage or raising an individual's premium based primarily on his or her credit rating.

The change is aimed at personal insurance policies for homeowners and drivers, said Jim Genetti, bureau chief of consumer services for the Idaho Department of Insurance.

Policyholders whose insurance is canceled or whose rates are increased may file a complaint with the department if they believe the decision was based on credit information.

"I expect we're going to get a lot of calls," Genetti said. "We'll see the biggest part of it in the homeowner's market."

However, companies may still use "credit scoring" as one mechanism for determining coverage or rates, Genetti said.

A change is also coming in the Idaho judicial system that will allow parties to a civil lawsuit of less than \$25,000 to agree to mediation services.

Republican Sen. Bart Davis, an Idaho Falls attorney and sponsor of the legislation, said the law is aimed at reducing legal fees and unclogging court dockets.

The Legislature may consider increasing the maximum amount above the \$25,000 cap.

Also new this year, Idaho hunters will be able to hunt with their children at an earlier age. Under previous rules, youth hunters had to be at least 12 years old. Last winter, the Legislature lowered the age to 10 with hopes of attracting more hunters to the sport.

"Fewer and fewer people are starting to hunt all over the country. By the time kids are 12, they're already involved in soccer and computer games," said Idaho Fish and Game spokesman Jack Trueblood.

"This is an effort to recruit some of those potential new hunters at an earlier age."
The licenses are for small-game and upland birds only. Hunting safety classes are being set up for youths age 10 and 11. Trueblood said.
The cost is \$8.

Vanita May Josephine Helms
Vanita May Josephine Helms passed away on December 24, 2002, in Twin Falls.

Vanita was born January 13, 1920, in Fairfield, Idaho, the oldest child of Hugo and Eva Olson. She attended Gooding College, met Glenn Dosssett, and was married to him during the late 1930's and into the early 1940's. They lived in Idaho and California. They had two sons, Carl and Roy, in Twin Falls she met Collins Helms. They were married from the late 1940's to the early 1960's. A third son, Jon, was born in 1952, and she cared for Collins' daughter Jerry Ann. Vanita was an active member of Our Savior Lutheran Church for over 50 years — serving, among other duties, as choir member, soloist, Sunday School Teacher and quilter. She was a member of the "Decoratives

Water masters will read M.V. meters Assessors oppose subdivision tax cut

TWIN FALLS - State water masters and hydrographers will begin reading flow meters from wells used by several Magic Valley commercial and irrigation water users Monday.

About 300 meters from wells used by commercial water users that report to the West Measurement District, North Snake Ground Water District, Water District 130 or directly to the Idaho Department of Water Resources will be read over the next week.

These meters are installed primarily on dairy wells in Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, Twin Falls and Cassia counties.

Irrigation flow meters in the West Measurement District and the North Snake Ground Water District will also be checked as well as officials said. Those readings may continue through January.

The readings are being done to secure year-end meter readings that can be used to audit water-use readings and reports

Magic Valley in brief

required annually of the water users.

District staff will only be reading meters that are part of the measurement program and are already required to report annual diversions.

Water Resources says the audit does not relieve any affected water users of the responsibility to report their water use.

If you have questions or need a reporting form, call Cindy Yenter with Water Resources' Southern Region Office at 736-3039.

Idaho girl dies in northern Nevada car accident

JACKSPOT, Nev. - A 4-year-old Idaho girl was killed when the van she was riding in drifted off a rural highway and overturned, the Nevada Highway Patrol said.

Susana DeLaRiva Sanchez, of Caldwell, was not properly

restrained and was thrown through the window of the 1989 Chevy van, the patrol said.

The accident occurred Wednesday on U.S. Highway 93, about 30 miles south of Jackport. The patrol said the driver of the southbound van, Antonio Rosales Lopez, drifted off the west edge and overcorrected, causing the van to rotate clockwise.

The van skidded across the travel lane and off the road. A trailer being pulled by the van disconnected.

Lopez and his other passengers, Jose L. DeLaRiva, 31, Ma Guadalupe Sanchez, 37, and Maria F. DeLaRiva Sanchez, 5, all of Caldwell, were seriously injured, the patrol said.

None of the passengers were wearing safety belts, troopers said.

Car accident seriously injures Heyburn man

BURLEY - Heyburn resident

Steven Harrison remains at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise after a Friday morning accident.

Harrison, 20, was thrown from his vehicle after an accident about 8 a.m. Friday near the Ruppert-Heyburn exit—on Interstate 84, according to a press release from the Idaho State Police. He was listed in critical condition at the hospital late Friday afternoon.

Harrison was reportedly driving east on I-84 on an icy roadway, the release states. He lost control of the automobile and went off the right side of the road.

The vehicle rolled several times, going through a fence before stopping in a field.

Harrison was not wearing a seat belt, the state police reported. Harrison was taken to Boise by air ambulance.

The crash remains under investigation, the release states. — compiled from staff and wire reports

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Idaho assessors want to see a law giving a tax cut to subdivision developers repealed.

"It's not a good law - it really isn't," said Minidoka County Assessor Marc Vaughn, Vaughn is president of the Idaho Assessor's Association.

Lobbyists have asked Rep. Dell Raybould, R-Rexburg, to sponsor legislation allowing more subdivision to gain agricultural property exemption. The Idaho Assessor's Association opposes that suggestion, saying it would shift property taxes from developers to other taxpayers. Raybould could not be reached this week for comment.

When land is subdivided and is no longer used for farming, the assessed property value increases significantly. Under the law - 63-602FF - passed in the last session - when someone creates a subdivision on land used for agriculture outside a city, each lot is assessed at its agricultural value until construction begins on that lot.

Sen. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, thinks the state should assess subdivisions as farmland until the lots sell.

"Particularly in these small rural areas subdivisions are plotted out but don't sell fast enough," Stevenson said. "These subdivisions are taxed right out. We'd like to see them plotted so there's some kind of organization when they build."

If the state does not provide a market for rural developers, it will be too costly for people to organize subdivisions, he said.

But developers should only have their land assessed as agricultural ground if it actually is used as agricultural ground, Vaughn said. Legislators want to give developers a tax break.

they should make a partial tax exemption for subdivisions rather than squeezing the subdivisions into the agricultural category.

"It convolutes the ag exemption," Vaughn said.

The proposed changes to the law would only make the confusion worse, Vaughn said. Under the proposed changes, subdivision plots would be defined as farm land as long as the land was used for agriculture sometime after 1980. The land could not be used for other purposes, or it would lose the partial exemption.

If the legislature made these changes, some \$1.6 million in taxes would shift from developers to other Idaho taxpayers, said Cassia County Assessor Marty Holland. Holland serves on several state assessor's committees. The tax shift is not significant if most of the Magic Valley, but Twin Falls County would see \$318,000 tax shift in 2003, according to a study by the Idaho Tax Commission. Blaine County would see a \$49,549 tax shift. In 2004, Blaine County schools would lose \$34,500 in revenue, while Twin Falls County schools would lose \$15,526.

The Idaho Tax Commission has made a rule to narrowly interpret 63-602FF, giving fewer developers the partial exemption. Developers have filed four lawsuits disputing the rule in Teton, Fremont and Madison counties, said Carl Olsson, deputy attorney general for the tax commission. The four lawsuits will be consolidated into one. The parties are working on an agreed statement of fact, Olsson said.

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Interior Dept. will cut water from California

SAN DIEGO (AP) - The Interior Department said Friday that next year it will begin taking away from California enough Colorado River water to supply roughly 1.4 million people annually, ensuring allocations for six other Western states.

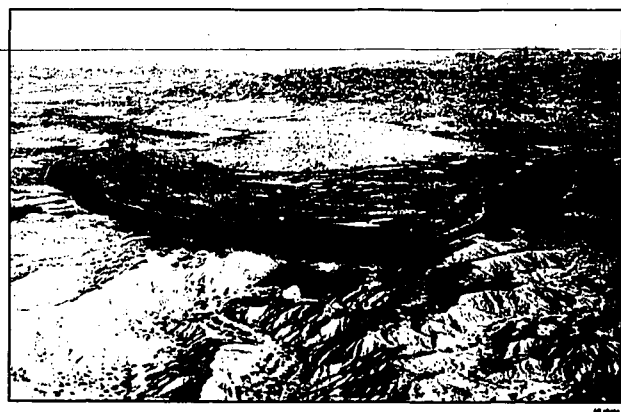
The cut amounts to 13 percent of the total water that California has been taking from the river.

Interior Secretary Gale Norton warned of a cutback earlier this month after the collapse of a long-term deal aimed at curbing California's overdependence on the river. But it was unclear exactly who would be affected and by how much until the Interior Department approved 2003 orders for Colorado River water Friday.

Interior officials did, however, give California a way out. The state can avoid the cutback if Southern California water agencies restrict a 75-year deal to transfer Colorado water from desert farms to cities by Dec. 31. The deal collapsed Dec. 9 when the Imperial Valley refused to sell a drop of its massive share of Colorado River water to coastal cities.

If no deal is reached, the cuts will fall hardest on Los Angeles and San Diego, the nation's second- and seventh-biggest cities, and farmers in Imperial County, California's poorest.

The Metropolitan Water District, which supplies 17 million people in Southern California, will lose enough water for more than 800,000 people in 2003. The district has said it has enough reserves to make up the shortfall for at least the



The Colorado River winds through the Chocolate Mountains in eastern Imperial County near Brawley, Calif. In this section of photo taken in 2002.

next two years. The Interior Department is also cutting back water to Imperial Valley farmers in California's far southeast corner. They are losing enough water to supply 400,000 people, roughly 7 percent of the trillion gallons of water they use to grow \$1 billion worth of food in the desert each year.

The reduction will be achieved by holding back water behind Hoover Dam.

Under water-sharing agree-

ments that date back to the Great Depression, farmers in the Southern California desert have had a greater claim to California's Colorado River water. But Congress made the interior secretary the "master" of the lower Colorado, endowing the office with sweeping powers to allocate water.

Nevada also stands to lose enough surplus Colorado River water to supply some 60,000 people unless California can revive the water transfer.

The impending cuts will increase the pressure on water officials in the Imperial Valley. An Imperial Valley water board has scheduled a meeting for Monday, following several days of intense discussions with other Southern California water agencies aimed at reviving the deal.

"We're working really hard to make a long-term regional solution happen," said Sue Giller, a spokesman for the Imperial Irrigation District. "That's our focus right now."

remove some heating vents to destroy evidence, but that there was too much blood.

Gallion then tried to dig a grave but hit a water pipe, Dunn said.

Prosecutors said the gun belonged to the murder weapon recently was stolen from an unoccupied taxi.

Gallion told police that he knew the gun was stolen but that he did not take it, Dunn said.

Police dispute suspect's claim he shot roommate accidentally

BOISE (AP) - A man accused of killing his roommate and stealing a truck to dump off his body faces a Jan. 9 preliminary hearing.

James Gallion on Thursday told Magistrate Christopher Biert he accidentally shot Kurt Peterman from about 15 feet away, Ada County prosecutors said.

But forensic reports indicate Gallion shot Peterman, 45, at close range on Tuesday after

assaulting him first, Deputy Prosecutor Shawna Dunn said during the hearing on a first-degree murder charge.

Gallion, 29, also is charged with using a firearm in the commission of a felony and with grand theft of a semi-tractor. He is being held in the Ada County Jail without bond.

Dunn said Gallion confessed to police, stating he was about 15 feet from Peterman when the gun accidentally discharged. But

evidence indicates the gun was about 2 feet from Peterman's head when it was fired, she said.

There also were signs of a fight before the shooting, including a shoe print on one side of Peterman's head, Dunn said.

Boise police said someone killed Peterman, then stole the truck and left it and the body in a church parking lot a few miles away.

Dunn said Gallion tried to rip up carpet in the house and

Smoking 'ban' on street raises enforcement questions

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - No smoking signs that disappeared from Main Street plaza sidewalks after a court ruled the Mormon church couldn't control speech and behavior there are back.

Nobody, not even church officials, knows why. Nor is it clear how a smoking ban, would - or could - be enforced, especially given ongoing debate over the extent of public access on the plaza.

The metal signs, bearing the familiar circle and slash over an image of a cigarette, were removed after an October appeals court ruling overturned free-speech and other restrictions the church placed on the block of Main Street they had purchased from the city.

Church officials on Friday evening said they have no intention of enforcing the ban.

"The signs' changing location doesn't in any way represent any reassertion of the church's rights on the plaza," said church attorney Von Keetch. "It's really the center of the plaza where the church is most concerned about the atmosphere and peaceful nature."

The signs reappeared this week, surprising city and police

officials who asked how the rule could be enforced, and under what authority.

Josh Ewing, spokesman for Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson, said Friday he was unaware the signs were posted. "The city attorney and city were not consulted beforehand," he said.

But Ewing added that it was the legal opinion of the city attorney that smoking has no expressive component - that is, no connection to freedoms of speech - and could be controlled by the church, the property's owner.

Keetch agreed. "I cannot remember a single question (in trying the case) that had to do with any of the non expressive activities including smoking," he said.

The issue is part of a plaza dispute that started in April 1999, when then-Mayor Deede Corradini and church president Gordon B. Hinckley announced the sale of one block of Main Street to the church for \$8.1 million.

City leaders insisted on public access. The church in turn demanded that there would be no smoking, sunbathing, bicycling, "obscene" or "vulgar" speech,

timber sales. Bosorth started with the agency as a forester near Avery, Idaho, in 1966.

"What we are after is trying to simplify the process, so people can be engaged," he said. "When it takes eight or 10 years, how does the normal person stay engaged?"

Bill Mulligan of Three Rivers Timber Co. in Kamiah and a member of a citizens group pressuring the forest service to improve elk habitat, said the revisions are overdue.

The Clearwater, he said, has been using a broken plan. A lawsuit by several environmental groups forced the agency to revise the targeted timber cut in the Clearwater plan from 173 million board feet a year to 80 million board feet.

The 1987 forest plan never carried promised improvements to timber harvest. The revised cut of 80 million board feet a year has never been met, he said.

But many conservationists dislike revising forest plans without an agreed-upon environmental impact statement.

Proposed preserve angers sportsmen and officials

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Sportsmen and Idaho Department of Fish and Game officials are upset about Terretson sheep rancher Jeff Siddoway's proposal to fence off his land for a private hunting preserve.

But no one has thought up a way to stop him from using prop-

erty that has been in his family for a century.

The former Fish and Game commissioner may fence more than 8 square miles of critical deer winter range on his private land where people pay to shoot trophy elk.

Biologists worry that will cause

the demise of the migrating Idaho Park deer herd, about 2,000 strong.

"For years, we have talked about the value of habitat," said Brad Compton, state big game manager. "This has the potential to be a stark realization about the importance of habitat."

Finally in court Friday, a teenage Meridian boy arrested Dec. 3 after a robbery at the Key Bank branch on Blue Lakes Boulevard also saw his preliminary hearing delayed.

Peter Curtright, 16, is charged with robbery and now faces a preliminary hearing on Jan. 10, 2003. Police meanwhile had no solid leads in any of the several other bank robberies that took place in Twin Falls during 2002, Hodge said. The FBI was also investigating those cases, he said.

"We don't know if it was locals or guys passing through with guns and moving on."

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Robbery

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delayed set Friday for him was arrested until Jan. 10, 2003. Alesia faces a preliminary hearing Jan. 3, 2003, and Clayton faces one on Jan. 17, 2003.

Meanwhile, cases also started rolling against three Twin Falls men who investigators say staged a robbery at a Twin Falls pizza restaurant.

Roman Vela, 19, Jerardo Avila, 21 and Wayne Lawrence, 19, were arrested and charged with burglary in connection with a Nov. 19 "Papa John's Pizza on Blue Lakes Boulevard, according to court records.

Police say that robbery was faked with the help of an employee at the restaurant. Lawrence on Friday waived his

right to a preliminary hearing, and will likely face an initial appearance in District Court Jan. 6, 2003. Twin Falls County Chief Deputy Prosecutor Suzanne Craig. Avila will probably also face a District Court appearance on that day after waiving his preliminary hearing. Craig said. Vela faces a preliminary hearing Jan. 10.

And two men charged in connection with a robbery Thursday at North's Chuck Wagon at 1859 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls were arraigned Friday.

Shawn Gary Bradshaw, 29, of Filer and Billy Gene Criss, 46, of Twin Falls each face a count of robbery and are scheduled for preliminary hearings on Jan. 3, 2003.

Jobless workers lose benefits Saturday

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal unemployment benefits will get cut off Saturday for almost 800,000 jobless workers because Congress failed to pass an extension before adjourning for the year.

There's little holiday hope for those unemployed workers, and the 95,000 each week thereafter who start losing state benefits. Congress won't reconvene until Jan. 7.

"Regrettably, the House Republican leadership turned their backs on those families and refused to act, and the administration chose not to intervene before Congress adjourned," Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle said Friday. "This inaction by Republicans was unconscionable then and it is even more so now."

The Democratic-led Senate approved a comprehensive benefits extension costing anywhere from \$2 billion to \$5 billion that would have covered people affected by Saturday's cutoff and another 1 million who already had exhausted all benefits. The House passed a more modest \$900 million plan for five extra weeks for workers in a few states with high unemployment rates. But the two sides failed to resolve their differences.

President Bush, after weeks of criticism from Democrats, ended his silence on the issue in his

radio address last week and said extending benefits for the unemployed should be the "first order of business" for the new Congress. But he failed to say how many people should be covered and for how long, or which plan he favors.

Democrats and groups supporting an extension complained again Friday that Bush's refusal to press Congress was to blame for Saturday's cutoffs.

"The president's announcement was too little, too late for the unemployed," said Maurice Emswiler, public policy director for the National Employment Law Project, an advocacy group for the jobless.

The expiring federal benefits package — up to 13 weeks — was passed in March to help workers who were starting to run out of their state benefits, which in most cases allow up to 26 weeks. Jobless workers who haven't exhausted their entire 13-week federal extension still will get cut off Saturday.

GOP leaders claimed the government could not afford the \$5 billion price tag on the Senate plan. They also said the economy is improving. The nation's unemployment rate climbed to 6.0 percent last month, while in previous recessions, the rate was much higher — 10.8 percent in 1983 and 7.8 percent in 1992.

Associated Press names ultimatums to Iraq as top news story of 2002

The Associated Press

Even with the outcome uncertain, the threat of and demand for disarmament directed at Iraq's Saddam Hussein riveted the world's attention in 2002.

Looking back 2002 2001 2000

The ultimatums from the U.S. government and the U.N. Security Council were voted the top story of year in the Associated Press' annual survey of its American members. The story also was voted No. 1 in a separate survey of AP subscribers outside the United States.

The showdown with Iraq received first-place votes from 132 of the 262 AP newspaper and broadcast members who voted in this year's survey.

In second place, with 83 first-place votes, was the deadly series of sniper shootings that terrorized the Washington, D.C., area. The sex abuse scandal that rolled the Roman Catholic Church was No. 3.

Last year, the Sept. 11 terror attacks were the unanimous choice of AP members as the top story. The first anniversary of those attacks was voted the No. 10 story in this year's poll.

Here are the top 10 stories of 2002, as ranked by AP members:

1. **ULTIMATUMS TO IRAQ:** In January, President Bush denounced Iraq as part of an "axis of evil," and pressure on Saddam mounted steadily thereafter. U.S. forces expanded their presence around Iraq; Congress authorized the use of force, if necessary, to rid Iraq of weapons of mass destruction; and the Security Council demanded that Saddam comply fully with arms inspections or face dire consequences.

2. **SNIPER KILLINGS:** Residents of the nation's capital and its Maryland and Virginia suburbs were terrorized for three weeks in October by sniper attacks that struck victims randomly at malls, gas stations, even a schoolyard. Two suspects were arrested and accused of killing 13 people.

3. **CATHOLIC SEX ABUSE SCANDAL:** The scandal surfaced early in the year in Boston, with revelations that Roman Catholic leaders had sheltered priests who were known to have abused children. By year's end, Cardinal Bernard Law had resigned as Boston's archbishop, and at least 35 priests nationwide either quit or were dismissed from their duties

DISARM OR ELSE



Iraqi President Saddam Hussein shows a sword given to him as a gift before being sworn in as president for the next seven years in Baghdad in this Oct. 17 file photo.

because of the scandal.

4. **CORPORATE SCANDALS:** Numerous companies were battered by financial scandals during the year, including WorldCom, Tyco, ImClone and Adelphia. Martha Stewart, homemaker-in-chief for many Americans, became entangled in the ImClone insider-trading case.

5. **U.S. ECONOMY:** Markets seessoared wildly, the jobless rate climbed to its highest level since 1994, and state governments across the country confronted huge deficits that prompted talk of cutbacks and tax hikes.

6. **U.S. ELECTION:** Defying predictions, Republicans rode Bush's popularity to a strong election performance, recapturing the Senate and gaining seats in the House.

7. **WAR ON TERROR:** With arrests in several U.S. cities and military strikes abroad, America and its allies pursued a vast, often frustrating campaign against global terrorism.

8. **MIDEAST CONFLICT:** Palestinian militants escalated their campaign of suicide bombings of Israeli targets, with often devastating results, while Israel responded with tough crackdowns on Palestinian areas. Prospects for peace seemed remote.

9. **MINE RESCUE:** After a 77-

hour ordeal that transfixed the nation, nine Pennsylvania coal miners were rescued from an underground shaft.

10. **SEPT. 11 ANNIVERSARY:** With bell-rings, recitations of names, and moments of silence, America commemorated the first anniversary of Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

In the poll of AP's international subscribers, the Middle East conflict placed second, followed by the deadly hostage-taking at a Moscow theater and the terrorist bombing of a nightclub in Bali. The U.S. corporate scandals placed fifth and the expansion of the European Union sixth.

Green movements grow steadily on campuses

BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) - The University of Vermont's embrace of the environmental movement has turned nearly everything on campus green — even John Orr's 1985 blue Mercedes.

When Orr fuels up the diesel car, he tops off the tank with five gallons of recycled vegetable oil from local restaurants. The bio-fuel additive is part of a class project aimed at improving air quality.

The effort is just one example of how Vermont and a growing number of schools are employing cutting-edge technology to protect the environment.

"It's a movement that is very practical and very important in terms of walking our talk," said Vermont environmental studies professor Stephanie Kaza.

At Vermont, the movement is evident in a big composting program, the 500 solar panels on top of the campus heating plant, the vegetable oil experiments by Orr and other student-chemists.

"Where the whole campus is involved, more and more ideas can spring up," Kaza said. "And you're like the nut who ate some strange crunchy-granola kid."

Next fall, Warren Wilson College will open an "EcoDorm" on its Asheville, N.C., campus.

On the Net
University of Vermont Environmental Council:
<http://www.est.uvm.edu/envcncl/>
Warren Wilson College:
<http://www.warren-wilson.edu>

The \$1.2 million residence hall is built almost entirely with reusable and recycled materials, such as wooden farm fences that were turned into siding.

Solar fuel cells will convert sunlight into electricity and heat. Runoff from the roof, funneled through a converted 100,000-gallon railroad tank car, will provide water to the building and grounds. The dorm will also feature composting toilets and waterless urinals.

Best of all for students hit with sudden hunger pangs, all the property's shrubs and other plants will be edible.

Jared Zyskowski recently spent a year living in an environmentally compatible home on the campus of Humboldt State University in Arcata, Calif. A highlight of the student's stay at the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology was the stationary bicycle that powered the blender that mixed his almond-milk breakfast concoction.

George Roy Hill, director of 'The Sting,' dies

NEW YORK (AP) - George Roy Hill, the independent-minded former Marine pilot who directed Paul Newman and Robert Redford in both "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" and "The Sting," died Friday. He was 81.

Hill died at his Manhattan apartment of complications from Parkinson's disease, said Hill's son, George Roy Hill III.

The Redford-Newman films brought Hill awards — "The Sting" won the Oscar for best picture and director — as well as the distinction of being the only director to have two films among the all-time top-10 moneymakers of all time.

His ability to communicate the sense of what he wanted to do was unique, said Edwin S. Brown, his business manager for 35 years. "He took all of the world's seriously except himself."

"Butch Cassidy" and the Sundance Kid" (1969) instilled new life to the fading western genre and added a fresh twist to the familiar Hole in the Wall Gang saga.

His ability of playing Butch (Newman) and Sundance (Redford) as tough outlaws, Hill and screenwriter William Goldman made them free spirits for whom robbing banks was a lark. The film received the nominations for best picture and best director, and it won four awards, including best song, "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head" by Burt Bacharach and Neil Young.

"The Sting" (1973) reunited Newman and Redford as con men who devise a complicated plot to fleece a vicious gangster (Robert



File director George Roy Hill displays the Oscar he received April 2, 1974, for Best Achievement in Directing for his film, "The Sting," at the annual Academy Awards in Los Angeles. "The Sting" also earned Best Picture of the Year that year.

Shaw). The film was highly stylized, especially with the regime plans of Scott Joplin, as interpreted by Marvin Hamlisch. The nearly forgotten Joplin was restored to national prominence.

Hill later commented that he sought "a Saturday Evening Post style — so I put in chapter headings and the pages turning, and Saturday Evening Post graphics. ... The other thing was I consciously tried to imitate what the flat

camera style they used in the old Warner Bros. gangster movies. They shot very flat, and there was very little camera movement."

"The Sting" was nominated for 10 Academy-awards and won seven, including best picture, director, original screenplay by David S. Ward, and score. In accepting the Oscar, Hill gave his fellow directors advice: Hire the same people who worked with him on "The Sting."

CDC takes inventory of nation's polio virus stocks

ATLANTA (AP) - The federal government is taking an inventory of polio strains in labs around the country as part of an effort to prevent the virus from accidentally escaping and causing outbreaks once the disease is eradicated.

All 31,000 institutions that have polio virus stocks — including health departments, hospitals and private companies — have until Tuesday to submit a report to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC is also asking labs that no longer need to work with the virus to destroy any stocks they have.

Slightly more than half of the 31,000 institutions have already submitted reports. Many have asked for extensions.

Federal officials have said polio could be eradicated worldwide within two years.

Health officials learned a lesson from what happened with the smallpox virus. That disease was eradicated from the world in 1977, but less than a year after the self-congratulatory ceremonies, two smallpox cases emerged from a lab in the United Kingdom.

"When polio is eradicated, every effort must be made to ensure that wild polio virus is not

similarly transmitted from the laboratory," the CDC said.

Polio, which can cause paralysis and death, is not thought to be as dangerous as smallpox as a bioterrorist weapon because fewer than 1 percent of those infected with polio develop symptoms.

People around the world also have been vaccinated against polio for decades.

Matinee Today

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GAMES OF NEW YORK

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Twin Cinema 12

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Should U.S. nationalize corporations that betray public trust?

Yes

Private-sector malfeasance lingers on

MOSHE ADLER

painfully show, Stigler's analysis applies to private firms just as much as it applies to government.

Auditors are all too willing to cook the books on behalf of managers of firms for the same reason that regulators are willing to serve the industry that they are supposed to control.

Why? Because the benefits of cooking the books are concentrated, while the costs are diffused among all the shareholders. It seems that managers know that auditors can be bought off and therefore they put their energy into defrauding shareholders instead of producing goods and services.

If auditing is bound to fail because auditing the auditors is bound to fail, and if firms that require auditing are bound to fail because auditing is bound to fail, what can be done? The inescapable conclusion from Stigler's theory, it appears, is that capitalism falters when companies become big.

When a firm is so large that it must have a large number of shareholders in order to provide the necessary capital, only government ownership can change the incentives that are at the root of the problem.

When shares of a firm cannot be sold at inflated prices to gullible investors because no shares are issued, the malfeasance of the sort that we are witnessing now simply could not exist.

Of course, government-owned firms, the post office being the

prime example, have their own problems. But as we are perhaps learning, these problems may be smaller in magnitude.

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No

Nationalization will trigger corruption

AMY RIDENOUR

As Winston Churchill observed, democracy is the worst political system in the world - except for the others. The same is true for capitalism.

Some argue that recent scandals at WorldCom, Enron and elsewhere are proof that capital-

ism doesn't work. They argue that business, especially big business, should simply be nationalized.

These folks want to throw the baby - the capitalist engine that has made the United States and this era the most prosperous nation and time of any in the world - out with the bathwater.

Ironically, if they succeeded, we'd not only be economically

poorer, but our economy would be more corrupt as well.

There are two words for anyone who believes business scandals can be avoided by a government takeover of industry: political scandals.

Fans of nationalization should be asked: Ever heard of them? The rest of us have. In fact, political scandals are more common than business scandals.

Just open a newspaper. Corporations today are supervised by accountable boards of directors watched by private accountants and government regulators who are joined by the unofficial supervision of Wall Street financial analysts, the scrutiny of stockhold-

ers and the informal oversight of the business press.

A nationalized business would be run by government, which reports to the government. The news media cover government, but when government doesn't want them to, it simply classifies something as secret. So much for checks and balances, scrutiny and oversight!

Big business might not be perfect, but no cure for business scandals can be found in turning over industry to the same government that not too long ago had a huge bank scandal in the House of Representatives.

If politicians are so much more honest and competent than businessmen, why are the same folks who push nationalization always calling for campaign finance reform? How is it that the federal government has failed - simply misplaced - literally billions of taxpayers dollars over the years? Why is it that some federal government agencies are in such financial shambles that no accounting firm - no matter how expert - could audit them?

We need not go far to see what happens when business is nationalized.

Our neighbor to the north, Canada, nationalized its health-care system. Now, more than 2.85 percent of the total Canadian population of 30.8 million waits in line for medical treatment. That appalling figure is nearly 3 percent to start chemotherapy for cancer is considered a short wait. In Saskatchewan, the typical wait is 10 weeks, and it is 12.6 weeks in Newfoundland.

Yes, over the last few years some observations have been made about nationalized health care in America's telecommunications, energy trading and cable television industries, among others. However, if we nationalize those industries, we'll still have scandals.

What we'll also get is a poorer economy. Care to wait 12 weeks for a dial tone, anyone?

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In his celebrated article "The Theory of Regulation," the late economist and Nobel laureate George Stigler argued that attempts to protect the public through industry regulations would not only fail but also make things worse.

One cannot help wonder what Stigler would have had to say about the recent shenanigans involving Harvey Pitt and William Webster.

Stigler pointed out that malfeasance by a regulator could result in huge profits to an industry that would therefore be willing to invest substantial amounts of money to influence policy.

Of course, the loss to the public might well be equally great, but since this loss would be spread among so many people, the loss to each would be simply too small for anyone to act. When the benefits from malfeasance are concentrated and the costs are diffused, Stigler argued, malfeasance is inevitable.

Stigler would have no doubt chuckled over the nomination of William Webster instead of the "too aggressive" John Biggs to head the new Accounting Oversight Board of the Securities and Exchange Commission, for his theory predicted it. But his theory predicts much more.

First of all it predicts that the resignation of a Harvey Pitt won't make a difference, and that the Accounting Oversight Board will fall regardless of who heads it.

More important though, the theory also predicts that both accounting firms and the firms they audit will continue to fail in just the same way that Arthur Andersen and Enron did. As these colossal scandals

Family dinner helps ward off social diseases

The repetitive nature of family meal times is the perfect conduit for the type of predictable but unstructured communication that leads to better parenting and healthier kids. One therapist in Connecticut even prescribes family dinners to the children she treats.

But as a society, do we follow this sage advice? Of course not. An ongoing study at Harvard estimates that less than half of children ages 9 to 14 eat with their families every night. Other research shows a one-third drop in regular family meals during the last 25 years.

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Have you heard the latest from the purveyors of persuasion so adept at convincing American consumers that something they never much liked is something they now must have?

No longer content with gourmet kitchens for those who rarely touch the stove, and bathroom spas for those who don't have time to bathe, the frightened at the Whirlpool Corp. are now luring us into believing that the laundry room will become the next family room in American homes.

The new "Family Studio" will be unveiled next month at the National Association of Home Builders show, catering to an ever-expansive suburban lifestyle in which there are too many soiled soccer uniforms to clean and, obviously, too much time and money on everyone's hands.

These high-end rooms cost as much as \$10,000 to outfit, with a dry-cleaning unit fancier than anything found at the neighborhood cleaners and enough exorbitantly scented laundry soap to fill a Martha Stewart room.

Right. Next they'll tell us that playing Scrabble on the ironing board and reading Harry Potter in between wash cycles will cure all social diseases.

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It's as if we're Dorothy, relentlessly searching for what already exists in our own backyards.

The key to family time is not creating castles of cleanliness. The Minnesota room of three quoted recently in the New York Times who transformed her dining room into a designer laundry room has her priorities in the spin cycle.

She should have kept the table and chairs. She should have realized something that too many Americans have forgotten: Dinnertime is the best time to provide the stability and communication so essential to healthy family life.

If more proof was needed, it came in a major review of 50 years of research published in the December issue of the American Psychological Association's Journal of Family Psychology. The review found that family routines and rituals are associated with happy marriages, healthy children, a sense of personal identity among adolescents, academic achievement and stronger family relationships.

And chief among the routines is dinnertime. The repetitive nature of family meal times is the perfect conduit for the type of predictable but unstructured communication that leads to better parenting and healthier kids. One therapist in Connecticut

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The reasons for the disappearing dinner are so obvious they don't need re-enumerating, but in truth, they are not reasons so much as excuses. Somehow we've lost touch with the fundamental value of breaking bread together. Communal meals are sanctified in so many religions because something else besides eating is going on.

"We know that families are busy, but we also know that most mealtimes only last about 20 minutes," Barbara H. Flese, a Syracuse University psychologist, said in an introduction to the APA study. "Three or four family meals a week is about one hour - considerably less time than a weekly televised sport event or movie."

Twenty minutes. About the time it takes to do a load of laundry. I know which one I'd choose.

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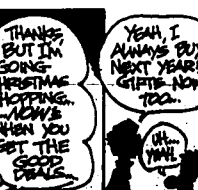
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Cloning claim spawns skepticism

Scientists offered skepticism and ethicists expressed concern at the risks to children after a company claimed Friday it had produced a baby girl through cloning.

"I'm still a skeptic," University of Georgia cloning expert Steve Stice said after the announcement, which took place during a sometimes surreal news conference at the Hollywood, Fla., Holiday Inn.

Brigitte Boisselier, a Ph.D. chemist and the CEO of a mysterious company set up by a sect that believes aliens created life on earth,

stood at the podium and proclaimed the birth of a 7-pound girl cloned from the skin cell of a 31-year-old American woman.

Boisselier, chief executive of the human cloning company Clonaid, promised DNA tests would confirm her claim.

"It sounds like they're trying to get it done properly," said Mark Westburn, a professor at Texas A&M University who has cloned cattle and was first to clone a house pet, a cat.

"The same kind of DNA tests that are used to identify bodies or to raise suspicion in a case would be sufficient to determine whether the mother and child really do have identical genes."

"It will all be done by the book," said former ABC news science editor Michael Guillen, who will line up the DNA testing experts for Clonaid. Guillen, who holds a Ph.D. from Cornell University and taught physics at Harvard before going into television journalism, said, "I'm just trying to get to the bottom of this story."

But DNA confirmation that the baby is indeed a clone would



Michael Guillen, a former science editor at ABC-TV, speaks to the media at a press conference while Brigitte Boisselier, a chemist and the CEO of Clonaid, watches in Hollywood, Fla., Friday. Boisselier claimed that her company has produced the world's first human clone, a baby girl born Thursday by Caesarean section.

hardly be the end of it. Many ethicists argue that cloning people would compromise their freedom and individuality, that it is tantamount to manufacturing humans.

"The very attempt to clone a human being is evil," said Stanley M. Hauerwas, a professor of theological ethics at Duke University. "That the allegedly cloned child is to be called Eve confirms the godlike stature these people so desperately seek."

Sandra Carson, president of American Society for Reproductive Medicine, cited the lack of evidence from Clonaid and expressed disbelief.

"Based on the current state of knowledge, we do not believe taking a clonal pregnancy to term would be possible in humans," she said.

Even those who support human cloning in principle do not condone Boisselier's efforts because in animals the technology often produces extremely unhealthy individuals. At 5 years old, Dolly the sheep, the first mammal ever cloned from adult DNA, is overweight, aging rapidly and suffering from arthritis.

"There is good reason to believe it is very risky for the resulting child," said Ronald M.

Green, a bioethicist at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H.

The high failure rate of the cloning procedure also raises ethical issues for some. Even in cattle, where the technology has become most efficient, only one implanted embryo in seven survives to birth. The rest are spontaneously aborted because of genetic or other defects.

No matter what religious beliefs motivated the human cloning effort, Green said it would be unethical to bring a person into the world using such a demonstrably unsafe technique.

Religious movement wants to clone humans

The Associated Press

If you are a Raelian, human cloning is a no-brainer. You would believe that cloning is your path to immortality, a chance to live forever.

"Cloning," says Rael, the movement's leader, "is the key to eternal life."

So perhaps it should be no surprise that the Raelian religious sect would try to lead the way in human cloning. On Friday, Clonaid, the company founded by the sect claimed it had produced a healthy baby girl — called Eve by the scientists — using DNA taken from the skin cells of her 31-year-old American mother.

No proof was presented and experts worldwide are skeptical, but Clonaid's chief executive, who also is one of Rael's bishops, promises genetic evidence of the breakthrough will be provided within about 10 days.

Cloning humans is at the heart of the Raelian theology of "scientific creation," which the movement describes as an alternative to both Darwinian evolution and the creation dogma of some religions.

To most people, the group's creation myth sounds like an X-Files storyline.

Rael claims life on earth was created by extraterrestrials through genetic engineering. The leader says the ET race is even given a name in the Bible — Elohim — a word he says has been mistranslated as the word "God."

The Raelians also contend Jesus was resurrected using an advanced cloning technique performed by the Elohim.

The next step, according to Rael, "will be to directly clone an adult person without having to go through the growth process and

On the Net

The Raelian Movement:
www.rael.org
Clonaid: www.clonaid.com

to transfer memory and personality in this person."

"Then, we wake up after death in a brand new body just like after a good night's sleep."

Rael was christened Claude Vorilhon 56 years ago in France, conceived on Christmas day, he says. He became an auto racing journalist. One day in 1973 while touring the crater of a French volcano, he met little green space aliens on a flying saucer visit.

The extraterrestrials told him they created human life on Earth through genetic engineering. Now the bearded Rael wears flowing white robes.

Brigitte Boisselier, the chemist who made Friday's cloning announcement, is both a Raelian bishop and Clonaid's chief executive.

At the news conference she appeared to be wearing the Raelian silver medalion combining the Star of David and a snowflake, symbolizing infinite time and space.

The group claims 55,000 devotees worldwide and operates its own theme park, UFOland, near Montreal. During the 1990s, Quebec granted religious status to the movement. Its representatives have conducted condom distribution programs aimed at Canadian teenagers, while also promoting open sexual expression reminiscent of the free-love days in the 1960s.

Rael launched Clonaid, the first human cloning company, in 1997 after the birth of Dolly the sheep, the first mammal to have been cloned from an adult.

The Government Printing Office wins budget contract

WASHINGTON (AP) — The charts, graphs and endless numbers that comprise the next \$2.7 billion federal budget will be produced, as before, by the Government Printing Office.

Behind that simple fact is a break with 81 years of tradition.

For the first time since the initial budget was printed in 1921, the nation's public printer had to earn the job through competitive bidding.

The Government Printing Office won with an offer of \$37,000, the Office of Management and Budget announced this week, a sharp reduction from the more than \$500,000 the GPO charged last year. Based on a comparable amount of work, the estimated savings are \$118,370, the budget office said.

The White House budget office and the printing office have been feuding over the need for competition, with Bush administration officials arguing it would save money and the GPO insisting the bidding was unnecessary.

After the announcement, both sides claimed victory. The administration touted the savings; the printing office said the competition proved that nobody could beat its price.

The budget for the upcoming fiscal year is to be released Feb. 3. The GPO will print at least four of the five volumes; one might be handled by a private printer if, as last year, the White House wants special color technology.

The GPO also makes the budget available on compact disks and over the Internet.

The printing office was founded in 1861 to separate the government's printing work from political patronage.

The budget work bidding won't end the dispute between the White House and GPO.

Mitchell Daniels Jr., the director of the Office of Management and Budget, announced in May

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GPO: <http://www.access.gpo.gov/>
OMB: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/>

the administration would require competitive bids for executive branch printing of all types, which now costs \$650 million a year.

He estimated the change would save taxpayers \$50 million to \$70 million annually in surcharges that agencies now pay the printing office.

Printing office spokesman Andrew Sherman has disputed those numbers, pointing out the GPO already subcontracts 75 percent of its work to private companies that must bid for the jobs.

Each federal agency would have to hire its own experts to handle the competition now consolidated at the centralized printing office, Sherman said.

Daniels' spokesman, Trent Duffy, said the bidding for the budget "proves competition works. This represents the potential and opportunity for massive savings across the government when competition is introduced in the contracting process," he said.

Sherman said the GPO's competitive victory shows his office has "the most efficient way to get it done." Only the printing office has a distribution system to send copies to all federal agencies, members of Congress, the courts and 1,200 designated libraries where the public can view the documents, he said.

"No private printer could do that," he said. Asked how the GPO could now do the job for less, Sherman responded, "We sharpened our pencils and re-engineered our processes to give them a better price."

Duffy said OMB, by law, could not reveal the bids of GPO's competitors.

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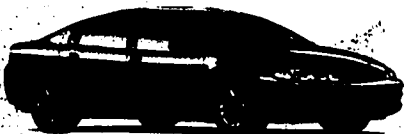
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SPORTSQUOTE

“I was trying to break some NFL records when I came into the league, but hopefully not that one.”

”
Houston Texans quarterback David Carr, after being sacked a 73rd time Sunday, breaking Randall Cunningham's NFL record set in 1986.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school boys basketball
The Community School at Jackpot, Nev., 5:30 p.m.
Wendell Holiday Boys Basketball Tournament
Clenna Ferry vs. Melba, 1 p.m.
New Plymouth at Wendell, 2:30 p.m.
High school girls basketball
American Falls at Burley, 1 p.m.
Minico at Twin Falls, 6 p.m.
New Plymouth at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.
High school wrestling
Oakley Invitational, 10 a.m.

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

UCLA has a losing record of 5-7 in the Rose Bowl. What is the Bruins' combined mark in postseason games other than the Rose Bowl?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Vandal coach ponders UCLA offer

BOISE - University of Idaho football coach Tom Cable says he has a standing offer to become UCLA's offensive coordinator. But the coach on Thursday stressed he is committed to the Vandals.

"I've already decided that I have the best job in the world. We're about to win a lot of football games, and that's pretty cool," he said.

But Cable could still change his mind and go to work for an old friend.

The new Bruins coach is Karl Dorrell, the wide receiver coach with the Denver Broncos until this week. He and Cable worked together at Colorado in 1996 when Dorrell was the offensive coordinator and Cable the offensive line coach.

Cable called Dorrell to congratulate him after UCLA made its announcement Dec. 18. Dorrell returned the call later that day, and when the phone conversation ended, Cable said he had an offer to become the Bruins' offensive coordinator.

Colorado tight ends coach Jon Embree and Washington quarterback coach Steve Axman join Cable as potential candidates to lead the Bruins' offense.

Cable is 8-26 in his three seasons in Moscow, and has one year remaining on a contract that will pay him about \$19,000 this season.

Idaho athletic director Mike Bohm said Thursday that his coach is not seeking the UCLA job, and that's a very different scenario," Bohm said.

Burley announces girls hoops time change

BURLEY - The American Falls-Burley girls basketball game time for Saturday changed. Tip off is 1 p.m., not 6 p.m. as many schedules show.

Filer alumni games will take place tonight

FILER - The Filer High Alumni Basketball Games will be held tonight at the school's gym with the women's game beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the men at 7 p.m. The event is a fund-raiser for the FHS basketball programs. Tickets available at the door.

...on the floor.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

With Wednesday's Las Vegas Bowl victory, the Bruins improved their non-Rose Bowl postseason bowl record to 7-4.

Coach balances religion with violent sport

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press writer

NEW ORLEANS - Mark Richt couldn't help himself: After Georgia clinched a spot in the Southeastern Conference championship with an improbable fourth-down touchdown pass, he blurted out his thanks to God.

"I was overwhelmed by the journey God had taken me on," Richt recalled Friday. "By no means was I saying, 'Thank God for letting us win.'"

Even so, some people were miffed that Georgia's deeply religious coach - he once fasted for 40 days - had chosen to go public with such a personal issue. Indeed, the con-

nection between faith and football can be tenuous at times.

Just listen to one of Richt's players, All-American defensive end David Pollack. Around campus, the sophomore wears a bracelet with the letters "WWJD" (What Would Jesus Do). Adorned with pads and helmet, he's morphing into a trash-talking, swaggering player who wants to put a hurtin' on his opponent.

"You've got to balance the two," Pollack said. "I'm nuts on the field. Off the field,



Mark Richt

I'm pretty calm. You've got to have a switch you can flip on and off."

Certainly, he can't be worried about tenets such as forgiveness and love that follow man when going mano-a-mano with some 300-pound offensive lineman.

"I guess you could be soft on the field, but you're not going to be a very good player," Pollack said. "Like I was saying, you've got to be able to flip that switch on."

While Richt's religious faith is well known, he rarely talked about it publicly during third-ranked Georgia's run to the Sugar Bowl, where the Bulldogs will meet No. 16 Florida State on New Year's Day.

The exception came on Nov. 16, shortly

after David Greene threw a fourth-down, 19-yard touchdown pass to Michael Johnson that beat Auburn 24-21 and clinched the SEC East.

Clearly overwhelmed by the moment, Richt started his postgame news conference with comments that seemed better suited for the pulpit than the gridiron. Afterward, he received a few letters complaining it was an inappropriate time to bring up religion.

"I knew we had done something special," Richt said, standing on the field at the Superdome before a morning practice. "But I offended some people. The last thing I wanted to do was offend anyone. I

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Absolute dominance

Stellar season earns Williams honor as top female athlete of 2002

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press writer

Serena Williams is a model of serenity at championships during her matches: Hands clasped over her lap, eyelids shut. Occasionally, she'll glance at a little piece of paper with notes she's jotted, reminders such as "Look at the ball."

As if she needed the help, Williams was a model of consistency in 2002, bringing her stunning power and breathtaking athleticism to every match on every surface against every opponent (including, finally, her older sister Venus). She was simply dominant, winning three of the four Grand Slam titles and 56 of 61 matches overall, rising to No. 1 in the WTA Tour rankings in July.

On Friday, Williams was honored as The Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year in a vote that was about as close as many of her matches. She received 53 first-place votes and 351 points from AP member newspapers and broadcasters across the country. Golfer Annika Sorenstam was next, with 27 first-place votes and 193 points, followed by Olympic champion figure skater Sarah Hughes (12 first-place votes, 158 points).

"My game has matured, and mentally, I've just matured to another level," said Williams, 21. "That is a major factor in it. Some people mature really late."

One telling set of statistics makes quite clear the transformation Williams underwent in the past year in redefining herself to her sport: She had a complete turnaround against her predecessors atop the rankings: Jennifer Capriati and Venus Williams. Serena went 0-4 against that pair in 2001 but 9-0 against them in 2002.

Besides her 2001 winning percentage, Williams claimed a tour-best eight titles (in only 13 tournaments played), and took home a record \$3.6 million. She was a runner-up twice and never fared worse than the quarterfinals.

Williams went 21-0 on her sport's biggest stages, beating Venus - who was fifth in the AP balloting after finishing second twice in a row - in the finals of the French Open on clay, Wimbledon on grass, and the U.S. Open on hard courts.

She didn't lose a set at the All



Serena Williams celebrates her win over Lindsay Davenport in the semifinals of the U.S. Open in New York Sept. 6. The Associated Press Friday named Williams Female Athlete of the Year.

England Club or Flushing Meadows en route to becoming just the sixth woman to win tennis' final three majors in a year (she dubbed it a "Serena Slam"). It might have been a Grand Slam sweep, but an ankle injury forced her to skip the Australian Open.

Williams had a season-best 21-match overall winning streak. "Everyone has their year, and this is her year, and next year could be her year, also - I don't know," said Venus, who is 15 months older.

The younger Williams' game

features overwhelming power (with serves topping 115 mph, her 53 aces at the U.S. Open were more than twice as many as any other woman) and a disheartening ability to track down opponents' apparent winners and smack them back over the net to a corner. She also keeps getting better at constructing points.

There were some trying moments this year: Her parents completed their divorce, and she had to deal with a stalker who followed her around the world and was arrested during

Wimbledon and the U.S. Open.

Her burgeoning fame landed her new endorsements and TV appearances.

And then there were her tennis outfits, including a green-and-yellow getup with knee-high socks at the French Open, and a snug black cat suit at the U.S. Open.

"I'm really excited," Williams said. "I smile a lot, I win a lot, and I'm really sexy."

Others agree. A recent survey of the public relations industry deemed Williams and Tiger Woods the most attractive spokespersons among athletes.

AP picks Patriots as 2002's top story

By Howard Uman
Associated Press writer

The football flew through the flares and between the uprights in the wintry New England night. Long-snapper Lonnie Paxton flopped on his back and carved a snow angel in the field.

That celebration of the winning field goal in the Patriots' first playoff victory of 2002, in overtime over Oakland, wiped away a legacy of mediocrity.

Two weeks later, Adam Vinatieri kicked another last-play winner - this one in the warmth of the Superdome in the Super Bowl.

The Patriots' improbable rise from a 5-11, last-place team the previous season to Super Bowl champions was voted The Associated Press' Story of the Year by member newspapers and broadcasters.



New England Patriots players celebrate after winning the Super Bowl on Feb. 2.

It beat the story of baseball's labor dispute that ended with a new contract for players. The AP voted, the Patriots received 15 first-place votes and 496 points overall.

The baseball labor strife that ended Aug. 30, just 3.5 hours before a strike deadline, received

the most first-place votes, 18, and 387 points, largely because the Patriots had a 19-7 edge in second-place votes.

Ten points were awarded for first place, down to one point for a 10th-place vote.

The flurging-skating judging scandal at the Winter Olympics

finished third, followed by the first World Series victory for the Anaheim Angels, who beat the San Francisco Giants in seven games.

Rounding out the top 10 were Lance Armstrong winning a fourth straight Tour de France; the death of Ted Williams and the family dispute over whether the former Boston Red Sox slugger's body should be cryonically frozen or cremated; Emmitt Smith breaking Walter Payton's NFL rushing record; Serena Williams winning three Grand Slam tennis titles; Tiger Woods winning six golf tournaments and becoming the first player in 30 years to win the first two Grand Slams; and the World Cup in which the U.S. soccer team's quarterfinal appearance was its best showing since 1930.

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Philadelphia star breaks Chamberlain's scoring mark

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - Wilt Chamberlain's Philadelphia high school career scoring record was broken Friday when Maurice Rice sank 34 points with 1:52 left in a tournament consolation game.

Rice, an 18-year-old senior at Strawberry Mansion High School, finished with 44 points, pushing his four-year total to 2,209. Chamberlain had 2,206 during his three-year varsity career, which ended in 1955.

Rice, a 6-foot-1 guard, was tied for the mark when he made his 35 pointer. Afterward, students and teammates mobbed him, and his father was given the game ball during a brief ceremony.

"A lot of good players have come through the Public League, and didn't break it," Rice said. "It feels great."

Strawberry Mansion beat Olney High 76-63. Strawberry Mansion dropped into the consolation bracket after losing to Berwyn on Friday in the semifinals of the Olney Christmas Tournament. Rice scored 25 points in that game.

Rice averaged 32.1 points as a junior, and the Knights won the Public League title for the second time in three years. He scored a school-record 63 points against Bodine on Jan. 31 - tied for seventh most in city history.

Chamberlain has three of the top four games led by a 50-point performance during his senior year at Overbrook High.

The Knights are 8-3 this season, including an 85-47 defeat to St. Vincent-St. Mary High of Akron, Ohio, and its 88-68 win over LeBron James, last weekend.

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Iowa State QB gets another shot in Boise

By Chuck Schaffner
Associated Press writer

BOISE - Five weeks have crept by since Seneca Wallace's last pass of the regular season fluttered harmlessly to the ground in a humbling loss to Connecticut.

Five weeks to ponder what went wrong after such a promising start, why his season degenerated into an agonizing series of interceptions and fumbles, why his Iowa State team, once ranked ninth in the country, is now barely over 500.

As it turned out, that was just good enough to give Wallace one more chance. He'll lead the Cyclones (7-6) against No. 18 Boise State (11-1) in the Humanitarian Bowl on Tuesday and, for that, he is grateful.

"It doesn't matter what the conditions are or whatever, just going out and playing again, that's what we want to do," Wallace said. "Just to finish strong and not have that sour taste in our mouth."

You remember Wallace. He's the quarterback who made one sparkling play after another while leading Iowa State to a 6-1

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New Hawks coach wins first game

ATLANTA (AP) — Jason Terry hit a fallaway jumper at the buzzer to give coach Terry Stotts a victory in his debut as the Atlanta Hawks beat the San Antonio Spurs 81-79 on Friday night.

Stotts, a longtime assistant who joined the team this summer, took over for Lon Kruger, who was fired Thursday. After Tim Duncan tied it with a hook from in close, Terry took an inbound pass with 4.3 seconds left and dribbled past Tony Parker and Bruce Bowen. He hoisted an off-balance, line-drive 18-footer just before the final horn, and the ball swished through. Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 27 points and 11 rebounds for the Hawks, who won for only the second time in eight games. Tim Duncan had 20 of his 27 in the first half for the Spurs, who'd won four in a row.

Pacers 113, Cavaliers 89
CLEVELAND — Reggie Miller made three 3-pointers in a 56-second span of the fourth quarter to restore Indiana's lead, and the Pacers rolled to a win over Cleveland.

Ron Artest and Al Harrington each scored 23 points and Mitch Richmond had 17 in 23 minutes for the Pacers, who were again without leading scorer Jermaine O'Neal. Zydrunas Ilgauskas scored 21 points and Ricky Davis 17 to lead the Cavs, who dropped to an NBA-worst 6-25 and were hooded during stretches of the fourth quarter by the Gund Arena crowd.

Grizzlies 99, Magic 86
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Mike Baise scored 13 points, including eight in the fourth quarter, as the Grizzlies reserves led a fourth-quarter comeback against Orlando. Gordan Giricek scored 18 points to lead Memphis. Stromile

Swift added 13, and Pau Gasol and Jason Williams each scored 12. Gasol also had 10 rebounds.

Tracy McGrady, who scored 46 against Detroit on Wednesday, led the Magic with 35 points.

Heat 90, Celtics 70

MIAMI — Eddie Jones scored 28 points and reserve Vladimir Stepania had 14 points and 14 rebounds as Miami beat Boston.

Travis Best added 13 points, and Brian Grant had 12 rebounds for the Heat, who beat the Celtics for the second time in nine days.

Paul Pierce had 19 points and Antoine Walker 16 as the Celtics shot just 27.8 percent from the field.

Walker was 5-of-21 from the field, and only 1-of-8 from 3-point range. He's in a 3-for-26 3-point shooting slump.

Nets 110, Bucks 90

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Kenyon Martin got New Jersey going with two fastbreak dunks early in the third quarter and the Nets rolled to their 12th straight home win.

Lucious Harris scored a season-high 25 points, and Martin added eight of his 21 points in the big third quarter as the Nets won for the 17th time in 18 games at the Continental Airlines Arena.

Former Net Sam Cassell had 25 points for the struggling Bucks, who had a two-game winning streak. Ray Allen was limited to 13 points on 6-for-14 shooting in 27 minutes.

Knicks 99, Rockets 83

HOUSTON — Charlie Ward scored all nine of his points during a key fourth-quarter run as New York crushed the Houston Rockets 99-83. Ray Allen was limited to 13 points on 6-for-14 shooting in 27 minutes.



The Atlanta Hawks' Glenn Robinson drives past San Antonio's David Robinson Friday in Atlanta.

In the final period to open up an 82-62 lead, New York's largest of the night.

Steve Francis had 27 points, while Yao Ming added 17 as the Rockets lost their season-high third in a row.

Timberwolves 113, Bulls 100

CHICAGO — Kevin Garnett had his third triple-double of the season, and Rodolav Nesterovic scored a season-high 23 points for Minnesota.

Garnett finished with 25 points, 15 rebounds and 10 assists. All five Minnesota starters finished in double figures, with Troy Hudson scoring 23, Kendall Gill 17 and Gary Trent 10.

Jamal Crawford was one of the few highlights for the Bulls with a career-high 20 points.

Suns 108, Clippers 95

PHOENIX — Stephon Marbury scored 26 points and rookie Casey Jacobsen added a career-high 19 as the Suns won their fourth in a row.

Jacobsen made five of seven 3-pointers for the surprising Suns, who have won eight of nine, six straight at home and are tied with San Antonio for the third-best record in the Western Conference at 18-11.

Shawn Marion, averaging 20.6 points and 10 rebounds for Phoenix, was helped from the court after spraining his left ankle with 10:59 left in the third quarter. X-rays were negative, but he did not return.

Despite foul trouble, Elton Brand scored 29 points in 31 minutes for Los Angeles after missing two games with a strained right calf.

Caps' Jagr, Bondra blitz New Jersey

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jaromir Jagr and Peter Bondra scored 53 seconds apart in the second period to lead the Washington Capitals to a 3-2 win over the New Jersey Devils on Friday night.

Olaf Kolzig made 29 saves and Steve Konowalchuk also scored for the Capitals, who have now won four straight. It's Washington's longest winning streak of the season and put its record over .500 for the first time since Oct. 26.

Jamie Langenbrunner and Sergei Brylin each scored power-play goals for the Devils, who had a three-game unbeaten streak snapped.

Senators 3, Canadiens 2

OTTAWA — Marian Hossa scored 50 seconds into overtime, while Mike Fisher scored with 45.7 seconds left in regulation.

Zdeno Chara also scored for the Senators, who are 5-0-1 since a 3-2 loss to Montreal on Dec. 16. Ottawa has lost just twice in its last 23 games (16-3-4).

Yanic Perreault scored goals 52 seconds apart late in the second period for Montreal, which was outshot 39-12 overall while losing its second straight.

Thrashers 5, Hurricanes 2

RALEIGH, N.C. — Brad Tapper redirected a shot from Andy Sutton early in the third period as Atlanta won in Don Waddell's

first game as coach. Ilya Kovalchuk scored two goals for the Thrashers, who came in with an NHL-worst 21 points and a 2-12-1-2 record in road games. But they rallied from an early two-goal deficit and won for just the second time in their last 11 games.

Waddell, the team's general manager, took over after firing Curt Fraser on Thursday.

Lightning 5, Bruins 2

TAMPA, Fla. — Martin St. Louis and Fredrik Modin scored two minutes apart midway through the third period for Tampa Bay.

Modin added another goal while Dave Andreychuk and Vaclav Prospal also scored for the Lightning. Coupled with Carolina's 5-3 loss to Atlanta, the Lightning took a two-point lead over the Hurricanes for first place in the Southeast Division.

Lee Goren and Glen Murray scored for Boston, which is 1-6-1 over the past eight games.

Stars 4, Panthers 0

SUNRISE, Fla. — Ron Tugnutt made 23 saves and Jere Lehtinen scored two goals.

Manny Malhotra and Scott Young also scored for Dallas.

It was Tugnutt's first shutout for Dallas and the 22nd of his career. His last shutout was March 2 at Los Angeles when he played for Columbus.

Dallas broke a five-game winless streak, its longest since Nov.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Shaquille O'Neal marries longtime girlfriend
LOS ANGELES — Shaquille O'Neal is a married man. The Los Angeles Lakers' center wed longtime girlfriend Shaunie Nelson in a private ceremony at The Beverly Hills Hotel. The couple exchanged vows Thursday night before friends and teammates. A TV news helicopter captured video of O'Neal standing with his bride as they prepared to take their vows. O'Neal and Nelson have two children together and two from prior relationships. They are expecting a boy in May.

NASCAR's Gordon will host SNL on Jan. 11
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Live from New York ... it's Jeff Gordon!
The four-time Winston Cup champion will become the first NASCAR driver to host "Saturday Night Live" when he headlines the Jan. 11 show. Gordon, one of auto racing's most popular drivers, has appeared in numerous commercials and is an occasional fill-in host on "Live with Regis and Kelly."
A number of athletes have hosted "SNL." Fran Tarkenton was the first in 1977. Others include O.J. Simpson, Wayne Gretzky, Chris Evert, Michael Jordan and Derek Jeter.

Concussion sidelines Bears QB Chandler
LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Concussion-plagued quarterback Chris Chandler will not start for the Chicago Bears in Sunday's regular-season finale against Tampa Bay.
The 27-year-old Chandler played during the second quarter of last week's 24-14 loss to Carolina with the fifth concussion of his career.
Former CFL player Henry Burris, who replaced Chandler last week, will make his first NFL start Sunday.
Chandler started the year behind Jim Miller, who is now an injured reserve with a knee injury.
Chandler, who was in the first year of a three-year contract, finished his season 103-for-161 for 1,023 yards with four touchdowns and four interceptions.

Rams' Jamie Martin misses practice again
ST. LOUIS — Quarterback Jamie Martin missed his second straight practice with a bruised

left knee Friday as the St. Louis Rams prepared for their season finale.
Coach Mike Martz said Martin, a former Weber State University standout, should practice on Saturday and likely will start against the 49ers on Sunday night. But backup Scott Covington, who's been with the team two months and was the third-stringer before Marc Bulger injured his back last week, asked to take all the reps with the first-string offense on Friday.
Martz said he has been impressed with Covington, who was cut by the Bengals at the end of the preseason.

Mets reach agreement with shortstop Sanchez
NEW YORK — The New York Mets found their temporary replacement for shortstop Ray Orton, agreeing to the structure of a one-year deal with free agent Rey Sanchez on Friday.
Sanchez's deal will be finalized after he passes a physical Monday.
He will serve as a caretaker at shortstop until top prospect Jose Reyes is ready to take over the job at some point next season.
Sanchez hit .286 with one homer and 38 RBIs in 107 games last season for the Boston Red Sox. He played most of the year at second base, but has predominantly played shortstop in his career and is considered a strong fielder.
In 2001, he committed only six errors in 148 games at shortstop for Kansas City and Atlanta.

Lions fire director of player personnel Tobin
ALLEN PARK, Mich. — The Detroit Lions fired executive director of player personnel Bill Tobin on Friday, less than two years after he was brought to the team with high hopes.
When Tobin joined the Lions in February 2001, Millen said the experience he was bringing to Detroit would help the team recruit quality players.
Detroit is 0-16 on the road in the two seasons since Millen took over the team and hired coach Marty Mornhinweg. The Lions have won just five of 15 home games over that span.
The Lions close out their season Sunday, hosting the Minnesota Vikings.

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SCORES AND STATS

Kansas State rallies past Arizona State

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Kansas State Wildcats were saved by the Ell...

On the verge of what would have been a shocking loss, quarterback Ell Robinson rallied the sixth-ranked Wildcats with three fourth-quarter touchdowns, including a 10-yard pass to Derrick Evans with 1:15 to play for a 34-27 Holiday Bowl win over Arizona State on Friday night.

Kansas State (11-2), the highest-ranked team to be snubbed by the BCS, was favored by 8 1/2 points.

Roberson also scored on sneaks of 2 and 1 yards in the fourth quarter to add to the Holiday Bowl's history of wild finishes. He also scored on a 32-yard run just before halftime.

Arizona State had one last shot at the upset, but Andrew Walter's desperation pass on fourth-and-15 from his 49 was knocked down inside the 5-yard line.

Kansas State trailed 20-14 entering the fourth quarter. By then, Roberson was well on his way to leading a 16-play, 65-yard drive that took 7 minutes, 13 seconds.

Walter was thrown out of the game on a 32-yard punt pulled the Wildcats into a 20-20 tie with 12:36 left in the fourth quarter, but they blew the extra point because of a low snap.

ASU made a late 14-6 to go ahead 27-20 on Walter's 10-yard

misdirection screen pass to Mike Williams, when the quarterback rolled right and threw left. Walter was 6 for 7 on the drive.

But Roberson came back and led an 80-yard drive that he finished with 1-yard sneak for a 27-27 tie with 6:41 left.

All-American cornerback Terrence Newman, used as a wide receiver, set up the winning score with a 34-yard punt return. Once a 10-yard holding penalty against K-State was

marshaled off, it started the winning drive on its 41.

Kansas State won its sixth straight game. It was the fifth time in six seasons the Wildcats finished with 11 wins, Arizona State (8-6) lost for the fourth time in five games.

Roberson completed 11 of 28 passes for 215 yards and one TD, and rushed 18 times for 63 yards and three scores.

Walter was 28-of-57 for 293 yards and two touchdowns, with one interception. The Wildcats had only 17 yards rushing on 26 carries.

Kansas State's Darren Spoles rushed 21 times for 118 yards and a score.

Arizona State All-American defensive end Terrell Suggs harassed Roberson for most of the game. He was replaced by Dustin Almond, who ran 13 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter.

IN THE BLEACHERS.

By Steve Moore



"Sorry, but this is what we're doing now on to players who talk trash."

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

Football Continental Tire Bowl, Virginia vs. West Virginia, at Charlotte, N.C., ESPN2, 9 a.m.

Alamo Bowl, Colorado vs. Wisconsin, at San Antonio, ESPN, 6 p.m.

NFL Eagles at Giants, Fox, 11:30 a.m.

NFL Chiefs at Raiders, CBS, 3 p.m.

Basketball College men, Kentucky at Louisville, ESPN, 10 a.m.

College men, Sugar Bowl Classic, Oklahoma vs. Mississippi St., FSPT, 11 a.m.

College men, Michigan at UCLA, Univision, 10 p.m.

Women's College Basketball Auburn vs. South Carolina, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

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Ole Miss' Manning lights up Nebraska

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Eli Manning threw for 313 yards and a touchdown as Mississippi ended Nebraska's 40-year streak of winning seasons with a 27-23 victory Friday in the Independence Bowl.

Nebraska managed just one offensive touchdown on Jammal Lord's pass to Matt Herian in the second quarter. Josh Brown kicked three field goals and DeJuan Groce had a punt return for a score.

The Cornhuskers (7-7) had finished above .500 every year since 1961, when they went 3-6-1.

Their seven losses this year were their most since going 3-7 in 1978.

Manning was 25-of-44 for Ole Miss (7-6) and became the school's career passing leader with what could be his final college game. The highly touted junior has said he will take some time after the season to decide if he will enter the NFL draft.

Nebraska was No. 8 in the country after a 3-0 start this season. The Cornhuskers' starting demise prompted coach Frank Solich to make sweeping changes to his coaching staff after the regular season.

Solich fired his defensive coordinator and two other defensive assistants and said he will hire an offensive coordinator next season. Solich has acted as his own offensive coordinator since taking over for Tom Osborne in 1998.

Nebraska had its option working in the first half with 262 total yards, 207 on the ground.

But Ole Miss adjusted in the second half and held Nebraska to 97 yards and no touchdowns. Darren Suggs rushed 32 yards rushing and Lord had 176 total yards.

The win enabled the Rebels to avoid their first losing season since 1996.

Ole Miss took its first lead of the game four plays after a curious play by Nebraska.

On a fourth-and-12 from their own 35, the Cornhuskers faked a punt, letting upback Judd Davies throw a pass that fell incomplete. Todd Sanford went over the top for his second 1-yard touchdown run of the game moments later to give Ole Miss a 24-20 lead with 3:24 left in the third.

Brown's third field goal of the game, a 29-yarder, tied it 24-23 with just under eight minutes left.

But Jonathan Nichols made a 43-yarder with 4:30 left and Nebraska never threatened after that.

Oklahoma St. knocks off Southern Miss, 33-23

HOUSTON (AP) — Rashawn Woods caught nine passes for 164 yards and a touchdown, and Tatum Bell's 22-yard score with 8:07 to play gave Oklahoma State the lead for good in a 33-23 Houston Bowl victory over Southern Mississippi on Friday.

Bell had 160 yards on 13 carries, and Luke Phillips kicked two of the four field goals in the decisive fourth quarter for the Cowboys (8-5).

Trailing 20-13 at the half, Southern Miss (7-6) took its only lead of the game on a 29-yard touchdown run by James Walley and a 30-yard field goal by Curt Jones, his third of the game, in the third quarter.

The Cowboys pulled even on the first play of the fourth quarter. Phillips' 28-yarder gave Josh Fields three for 310 yards, and his 33-yard pass to Billy Bajema set up Bell's go-ahead touchdown, which put Oklahoma State by in front 30-23.

Following a punt by Southern Mississippi to the Oklahoma State 2-yard line, Bell broke off a career-long 88-yard gain to the Green Eagles 10.

Phillips kicked a 24-yarder with 5:15 to play. He also connected from 46 and 52 yards. Woods, voted the most valuable player and offensive player of the game, highlighted Oklahoma State's first half with a

51-yard touchdown catch from Fields with 1:38 left in the second quarter.

Woods was double-covered on the play, but Southern Mississippi defenders Greg Brooks and Antoine Cash collided, allowing Woods to sprout untouched into the end zone.

Woods had his ninth 100-yard receiving game of the season and joined former Cowboys receiver Hart Lee Dykes as the only receivers to surpass 3,000 career yards. Wood's touchdown catch was his 17th of the season.

The Cowboys took a quick 100-lead on Fields' 3-yard touchdown pass to Mike Denard and Phillips' 46-yarder. The field goal was set up by an interception by Darrent Williams at the Southern Mississippi 31.

Phillips' 52-yarder in the second quarter tied his career long. Williams' interception was thrown by Golden Eagles quarterback Micky D'Angelo, who started the game despite rib injuries. He was replaced by Dustin Almond, who ran 13 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter.

The Golden Eagles also played without starting running back Derrick Nix, whose injury condition forced him to give up football last week.

Broken bones don't stop McCaffrey

Receiver returns from injury to post solid numbers

By John Moorman
Associated Press writer

DENVER — The road back from his injury has been a grueling one, his lengthy rehabilitation more difficult by nagging doubts about whether he would ever recover fully.

But Ed McCaffrey has responded with a productive season for the Denver Broncos.

Showing steady improvement throughout the year after breaking both bones in his lower left leg early in the 2001 season, the wide receiver has caught 62 passes for 793 yards during Sunday's regular-season finale against Arizona. And he's gained admiration from his teammates and coaches.

"He's had a great year," coach Mike Shanahan said Friday. "There were some questions going into summer camp if he'd be able to make it through, but he's played well."

Although he still limps occasionally, McCaffrey said his injured leg "feels pretty good."

Sometime during this season, McCaffrey changed his attitude — from being a receiver coming off a major injury to being a receiver in period.

In 2000, McCaffrey had his third straight 1,000-yard season for the Broncos, catching a team-high 101 passes.

Primed for another big year, his season ended abruptly in the opener on Sept. 10, 2001.

Catching a pass over the middle in a Monday night game against the New York Giants, McCaffrey collided with safety Shaun Williams and broke the tibia and fibula in his left leg — an injury that could have ended his career.

McCaffrey faced an arduous recovery, rehabbing almost daily for 11 months. His regimen included riding a stationary bike, walking on a treadmill and jogging on a treadmill until he began running outdoors last April.

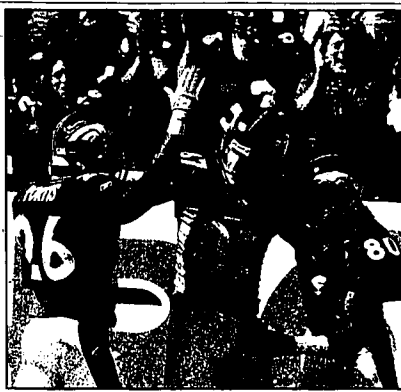
Tireless in his workouts, McCaffrey surprised many of his teammates by joining them at training camp in July.

Slowed by a strained quadriceps muscle during the preseason, he also battled a neck springer during the regular season. But he battled on.

In an emotional return to the lineup in this year's opener, he caught two passes for 50 yards, including a 23-yard TD catch in the fourth quarter that proved to be the game-winner against the St. Louis Rams.

"Having Eddie back was a huge lift for our team," fellow receiver Rod Smith said.

In the fourth game, he had eight catches for 50 yards, then had six catches for 113 yards the following week. He had eight receptions for 116 yards against New England on Oct. 27, and seven for 126 against San Diego on Dec. 1.



Denver wide receiver Ed McCaffrey (87) is congratulated by teammates Clinton Portis, left, and Rod Smith after McCaffrey's 69-yard touchdown catch Oct. 6 against the San Diego Chargers in Denver.

McCaffrey, who will be 35 next season, is impatient with those who suggest he might be in the twilight of his career, and that his injury might hasten his retirement.

"You see guys like Jerry Rice and Darrell Green still out there playing at 41, 42, at skill positions," he said. "Steve Buehler and Rich Gannon — there are a bunch of dudes who are a lot older than me. I don't

think age has anything to do with it.

"Coming back from a broken leg was hard, I'm not going to lie to you. It was no joke. It was a difficult rehab, a lot of extra work every day for a whole year. Going through the season takes a little extra rehab and icing to get through. But I love the game of football. It's been a dream come true for me to play."

Despite turbulent year, Browns remain alive

By Tom Withers
Associated Press writer

BEREA, Ohio — Like a giant, dangling crowd, the playoffs are right there in front of the Cleveland Browns.

"This is it," cornerback Corey Fuller said. "We've waited for this kind of game for four years. This is what we wanted, playing for something at the end of the year."

With a win over the Atlanta Falcons on Sunday, and some help from Oakland or Denver or Miami or the New York Jets, the Browns (6-7) can clinch a spot in the AFC playoffs for the first time since 1994.

"I feel good about where we are," quarterback Tim Couch said, "like our chances."

Those chances will increase dramatically on Saturday if the Raiders beat the Kansas City Chiefs (8-7), one of 12 AFC teams who enter the weekend still alive in the playoff hunt.

But none of the complicated formulas, scenarios or possibilities will matter much if the Browns don't win their home season finale.

Indianapolis is just 2.5 this season at home, where Browns fans have endured one disappointing loss after another.

"I think a win this week at home will give us the momentum we need to get a lot of fans back on our side," Couch said, "a lightning rod for abusive Browns fans all season. I don't blame them for being upset for the way we played at home."

There's no excuse."

For Fuller, beating Atlanta with a playoff spot on the line has added meaning.

As a member of the Minnesota Vikings in 1999, Fuller was on the Falcons in one of the NFL's most memorable championship games when Morten Andersen's 38-yard field goal in overtime sent Atlanta to the Super Bowl.

With an offense that set season-high totals, Fuller wants to get over that game mentally and physically, Fuller said. "That's how much I put into it."

The Vikings went 15-1 that season, with an offense that set season-high totals. But none of that mattered once Andersen's kick split the uprights.

Fuller approaches this game with as much fervor, but he's not on any one-man crusade for revenge.

"I have been here three years and got my head kicked in," he said. "That's enough motivation right there."

Fuller is one of only 10 players remaining from Cleveland's 1999 expansion team, which went 2-14 and then 3-13 in 2000. He has lived through the bad times with the Browns, and now that they're on the verge of something special, Fuller doesn't want to see it wasted.

And at 31, the nine-year veteran knows he won't have many more chances.

"This week, it's as important as going to the Super Bowl or the playoffs," he said. "It ain't just no other game for me. It's big."

McNair is MVP, at least to Titans

By Dave Goldberg
Associated Press writer

The Tennessee Titans are using the snub by Pro Bowl voters to motivate them for a run at the Super Bowl. For what it's worth, here's some disincantive.

Steve McNair is the MVP.

Anyone can make a case for Rich Gannon, Michael Vick, Ricky Williams, Brett Favre, Priest Holmes and several others. But McNair has been the main reason the Titans have won nine of their last 10.

"That's our Superman and our Pro Bowl star," says safety Lance Schullers, who might have made the Pro Bowl himself.

Forget stats. McNair's passer rating of 85.1 tied with Kerry Collins below Jeff Garcia and Brian Griese.

But that doesn't measure value. Two weeks ago, in a 24-7 win over New England, he was just 11-for-24 for 136 yards, but ran six times for 49 yards and two TDs and basically won the game for Tennessee.

His passer rating for that game was a dismal 46.5. Who needs passer ratings? McNair is the MVP.

Other winners: Coach of the Year: Andy Reid, Philadelphia. No contest given how the Eagles reacted when Donovan McNabb went down.

Defensive Player: Marvin Harrison, Indianapolis. Again, no contest. His interceptions total is mind-boggling.

Defensive Player: Jason Taylor, Miami. Pler Derrick Brooks, Tampa Bay, and Brian Dawkins, Philadelphia. Very close, but Taylor's pass-rushing presence gives him the nod.

Offensive Rookie: Clinton

Commentary

Portis, Denver over Jeremy Shockey, Giants. Close, but a rookie runs for more than 1,000 yards.

Defensive Rookie: It should be Julius Peppers of Carolina. But getting suspended knocks him out. So make it Roy Williams, Dallas, followed by Ed Reed, Baltimore, both safeties.

Comeback Player: Tommy Maddox, Pittsburgh. Two-time comeback, once from nowhere (insurance business and the NFL) and the second time from a scary concussion and neck injury. Honorable mention: Drew Bledsoe, Buffalo. Special mention: Robert Edwards, Miami, who overcame an almost totally wrecked knee.

All-Pro WR: Marvin Harrison, Indianapolis; Terrell Owens, San Francisco. Special mention for a guy who's been totally ignored, Amani Toomer of the Giants. He's third in the league in yards received.

TE — Jeremy Shockey, Giants. Todd Heap of Baltimore is coming on. Lots of good young TEs on the way.

T — Tr Thomas, Philadelphia; Lincoln Kennedy, Oakland. Kennedy was a disappointment early in his career (weight problems), but is now a sure thing.

C — Alan Faneca, Pittsburgh; Will Shields, Kansas City.

C — Casey Wiegmann, Kansas City.

QB — Steve McNair, Tennessee.

RB — Ricky Williams, Miami; Priest Holmes, Kansas City. No brainer.

FB — Fred Beasley, San Francisco. How Mike Alstott, who's

not a fullback, annually makes the Pro Bowl at this position defies logic.

K — Adam Vinatieri, New England (right-footed), and David Akers, Philadelphia (left-footed). Depends on which way the wind is blowing.

KR — Michael Lewis, New Orleans, and Dante Hall, Kansas City. Depending on which side of the field the wind blows, Lewis is the better one.

DT — Warren Sapp, Tampa Bay; Casey Hampton, Pittsburgh. Hampton will never make an off-season tackle because he's a defensive tackle without stats. Sapp talks, but he also plays. Special mention: Darwin Walker, Philadelphia, a journeyman having a career year in Jim Johnson's system.

OLB — Derrick Brooks, Tampa Bay; Peter Boulware, Baltimore. Boulware's the only star left in the Ravens' defense and he's playing up to it.

MLB — Brian Urlacher, Chicago. For those who want two, add Zach Thomas, Miami.

CB — Pat Stratus, Miami; Troy Vincent, Philadelphia.

S — Brian Dawkins, Philadelphia, and Rod Woodson, Oakland, who may be having his best season in a decade at age 37.

P — Todd Sauerbrun, Carolina. One of the few punters who's not only good, but plays the ego and momentum game.

QB — Steve McNair, Tennessee. The only candidate for a candidate, but he's hurt now. Chris Gardner of Cleveland is a left-footer, but he's not having a good enough year for win punters.

Saturday, Dec. 28

NFL WEEK 17

Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants
12-3 9-6

There's plenty at stake for both teams — home-field advantage throughout the playoffs for the Eagles and a wildcard spot for the Giants. Michael Strahan has eight career sacks against Eagles QB Donovan McNabb. McNabb's replacement, A.J. Feeley isn't as mobile as McNabb. 11:30 a.m.

Kansas City at Oakland
8-7 10-5

With Priest Holmes listed as doubtful (hip), look for QB Trent Green to go to the air against a Raiders secondary without injured CB Charles Woodson. Oakland QB Rich Gannon needs 490 yards to reach 5,000 for the year against the worst pass defense in the league. A win gives the Raiders home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. The Chiefs still need plenty of help if they win. 3 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 29

Carolina at New Orleans
6-9 9-6

New Orleans QB Aaron Brooks has been nursing a bruised right shoulder. Panthers have 48 sacks, 37 by defensive line, second-most in NFL. Carolina's defense has gone from worst in league to their current ranking of fourth. New Orleans can clinch playoff berth with a win and a loss by the N.Y. Giants or Atlanta. 11 a.m.

Miami at New England
9-6 8-7

Miami can win the AFC East title with a victory or a tie. A Patriots' win and a Jets' loss or he would give New England the division. The Pats will probably use Pro Bowl cornerback Ty Law to shadow Chris Chambers, but the Dolphins will likely attack CB Leonard Myers, who was exploited in last week's loss to the Jets. 11 a.m.

Minnesota at Detroit
5-10 3-12

Wings are tied with St. Louis at minus-10 in takeaways. In receivers, the league's worst. Dante Cupper leads NFL OLBs with career-high nine TDs rushing and has rushed for career-high 575 yards, second in NFL among OLBs. Detroit has lost seven straight. The offense has been hindered 20 sacks, third lowest in NFL, after allowing an NFL-high 66 in 2001. 11 a.m.

Cincinnati at Buffalo
5-13 7-8

Buffalo's once-prolific defense is playing average. Cincinnati is trying to combine 30 points over last 10 quarters. But it is next-to-last in rushing defense. In two games on AstroTurf this season, Cincinnati RB Corey Dillon

Down to the wire

Twelve teams — nine in the AFC and three in the NFC — still have a chance to make the playoffs. Home-field advantage and first-round byes also have to be decided in both conferences.

All times MST

has gained 230 yards on 41 carries (5.6 average) with two TDs. 11 a.m.

Tennessee at Houston
10-5 4-11

The Texans meet the longest Houston Oilers — the Titans — in the final game of Houston's inaugural season. Beating the Titans could match thrill of beating the Dallas Cowboys in the season opener. Tennessee can clinch home-field advantage throughout the playoffs with a win and an Oakland loss or tie. 11 a.m.

Atlanta at Cleveland
9-5-1 8-7

The Browns haven't faced any QB as malnourished as Michael Vick this season. The closest may be New Orleans' Aaron Brooks, who the Browns harassed into throwing three INTs. Brooks hope to pressure Vick, who has been sacked 31 times. Atlanta can clinch a wild-card spot with a win or a tie or a loss or be by either N.Y. Giants or New Orleans. Cleveland can clinch a playoff spot with a win and help from Denver, N.Y. Jets and Miami and Kansas City. 11 a.m.

Dallas at Washington
5-10 6-9

Redskins' head coach Steve Spurrier hopes to deliver owner Dan Snyder a long-awaited win over Dallas. The Cowboys have beaten Washington 10 straight games, but losing their NFC East title may be enough to save Dave Campo's job. Smith needs 38 yards rushing for his NFL-record 12th consecutive 1,000-yard season. Lavett Arington ranks second in the NFL among OLBs with 10 sacks. 11 a.m.

Baltimore at Pittsburgh
7-8 9-5-1

Baltimore RB Jamal Lewis (1,241 yards, 6 TDs) managed just 16 yards on five carries against Steelers in October. Pittsburgh ranks first in rushing defense and can clinch home-field advantage throughout playoffs with a win and losses by Tennessee and Oakland. Baltimore can still clinch playoff berth with a win and losses by Oakland. Steelers can clinch playoff spot with a win or tie or a New England loss or tie. 11 a.m.

Jacksonville at Indianapolis
6-9 9-6

The Indianapolis Colts need a win to get into the playoffs. The Jacksonville

Jaguars may need a victory to save coach Tom Coughlin's job. Coughlin has had three straight losing seasons. 2:05 p.m.

Seattle at San Diego
6-9 8-7

The Seahawks have scored 143 points in their last five games, winning three of those contests. San Diego can still clinch a playoff berth with a win and a combination of losses by two of six teams. Their offensive line has allowed the second-lowest sacks in AFC (21). 2:15 p.m.

Green Bay at N.Y. Jets
12-3 8-7

Green Bay RB Ahman Green has 14 100-yard rushing games with the Packers and the club has won all of them. Green Bay is 17-2 (7-1 in 2002), when Green has 25 or more touches in a game. Taking Green out of the game gives the Jets a chance. Green Bay can clinch home-field advantage throughout playoffs with a win and a Philadelphia loss. They can clinch a first-round bye with a win or a tie or a Tampa Bay loss or tie. The Jets can clinch division with a win and a Miami loss. 2:15 p.m.

Arizona at Denver
5-10 8-7

Arizona has nine INTs over the last five games, while Denver OLBs have four TDs and 11 INTs over the last five games. Denver can clinch playoff berth with a win and losses by Cleveland, New England and N.Y. Jets or a win plus losses by Cleveland and Miami and a N.Y. Jets win. 2:15 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Chicago
11-4 4-11

Bucs are 0-20 when the game-time temperature is below 40 degrees. If the Bucs lose and San Francisco wins, they might have to visit cold-weather cities Philadelphia or Green Bay in the playoffs. Weathermen are predicting 35-degree temperatures in Champaign, Ill., for Sunday. Tampa Bay has clinched the NFC South division title. Bucs can clinch a first-round bye with a win and a Green Bay loss. 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 30

San Francisco at St. Louis
10-5 6-9

Rams' QB Scott Covington could start if the left knee of third-stringer James Martin doesn't improve. The Rams will miss the playoffs for the first time in four years. San Francisco could have something to play for on Monday. If Tampa Bay loses at Chicago on Sunday and the 49ers win, they would jump ahead of the Bucs for the No. 3 seed in the NFC playoffs. 7 p.m.

Giants offensive line may hold key to playoffs

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — When the New York Giants revamped their offensive line with four new starters this season, there was a running joke about how long quarterback Kerry Collins would survive.

Collins has not only survived heading into the final week of the regular season, but the new kids on the line are leading an offensive surge that has carried the Giants (9-6) within a win of a wild-card berth.

All that stands in the way on Saturday at Giants Stadium is archrival Philadelphia (12-3). It's the same team that beat the New York 17-3 this season and sent receiver the Hiltz to the sidelines for the season with a shoulder injury after a questionable hit by safety Brian Dawkins.

"This is one of those games where you just buckle your chin strap because they don't like us and we don't like them," Giants guard Jason Whittle said.

Not only are the Giants playing for a playoff berth, the Eagles have a lot at stake, too. They will fall down home-field advantage for the playoffs with a win and possibly knock New York out of the playoffs.

If they lose, the Giants can back into a playoff berth if

Carolina upsets the Saints (9-6) in New Orleans on Sunday.

It's crunch time in New York guard Rich Seubert said. "Everybody wants this one. There is no more tomorrow. We all understand that."

What the Giants also understand is that the Eagles aren't your ordinary defense. They are ranked second in the NFL in total defense and first in sacks with 55.

While the Giants gained 348 yards against Philadelphia in the first game, they only got three points, largely because of turnovers and penalties.

It was probably the low point of the season, a loss that dropped New York to 3-4.

Fassel took over the play-calling from offensive coordinator Sean Payton after that game and the offense woke up, particularly the line.

In six games since, New York has posted a 6-2 record, and the line has allowed eight sacks and paved the way for 12 rushing touchdowns and 13 TD passes. The Giants scored only two rushing TDs, three on the ground and allowed 16 sacks in their first seven games.

"We're more experienced now," said center Chris Bober, who like Seubert had never started an NFL game before this sea-

son. "We see things coming and we are in the right position to pick them up. That's half the battle, just staying calm and trusting your technique."

Coming into the season, tackle Luke Petitgout and center Dusty Zeigler were the only holdovers on a line that lost four starters. Ron Stone to free agency and tackle Lomas Brown and guard Glenn Parker to the salary cap.

A knee injury limited Zeigler to two games before going on injured reserve. That left Petitgout, who moved from right tackle to left tackle, to play with Bober, Seubert, Mike Rosenthal and Whittle, who began the season with a combined 14 starts.

"I think they've gotten better and better," Fassel said after the Giants practice on Friday, a workout in which tight end Jeremy Shockey was back after missing a day with a knee bruise.

"Every game I have emphasized two things: protect the quarterback and protect the ball," Fassel said.

The Giants' have done that exceptionally well over the past three weeks, scoring 108 points in wins over Washington, Dallas and Indianapolis. It's the most points scored by the team in a three-game span since 1968.

WORLD

Venezuela begs for gasoline, food

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Venezuelans formed mile-long lines at closing gas stations Friday, hoping promised supplies would arrive, as a nationwide strike aimed at toppling the president forced the world's fifth-largest oil exporter to import gasoline.

Motorists blocked an avenue in the western part of the capital to demand gasoline, as police watched over the long lines at service stations to keep order.

Elsewhere in Caracas, thousands of supporters of President Hugo Chavez rallied outside the Supreme Court, urging justices to ban a proposed referendum on his presidency. Opposition supporters canceled a scheduled protest of their own at the building — one intended to support merchant marine sailors arrested for joining the strike.

The nearly month-old strike has paralyzed Venezuela's all-important petroleum industry, which usually supplies the United States with 14 percent of its oil. Exports here declined from 3 million barrels a day to a trickle, depriving Venezuela of \$50 million a day in revenue.

Along with the fuel crunch, food supplies were running low. In deals that were once unthinkable here, Brazil announced Thursday it would ship 520,000 barrels of gasoline to Venezuela, while the Dominican Republic sent food as a partial payment for oil it has received in the past.

Venezuela is also negotiating with neighboring Colombia for milk and meat, said Agriculture Minister Efran Andrade.

The Brazilian shipment of oil was not due until Sunday. But the government promised that some domestically produced gas would be delivered Friday to stations around the country, bringing out lines of people seeking cooking fuel and gasoline.

Opposition leaders met with Brazil's ambassador Thursday to urge Brazil not to interfere by



Venezuelans sit on containers while they line up outside a gas station waiting to purchase gasoline in Caracas, Venezuela, Friday.

helping Chavez break the oil strike.

The strikers, who include oil industry executives and state governors, are fed up with the President Hugo Chavez' economic policies and political reforms they believe endanger democracy.

The two sides have been meeting for weeks without progress. On Friday, Chavez' economic president of the state-owned oil monopoly Petroleos de Venezuela, said he was finalizing a proposal to restructure the company through layoffs and other cost-cutting measures.

On Thursday, the government rejected opposition demands that striking oil workers be allowed to keep their jobs as part of any settlement, government negotiator Nicolas Maduro said.

Venezuela has lost more than \$1.3 billion in oil export revenue,

and it has 10 million barrels of crude waiting for shipment abroad, Rodriguez was quoted as saying by the state news agency Vprensa.

Venezuelans who once took pride in their country's cheap gasoline and natural gas, are now facing shortages. On Thursday, about 300 people blocked a Caracas highway to demand prompt cooking gas.

"We are desperate. We've been using charcoal and kerosene to cook for two weeks now," said Faustino Gonzalez, a 59-year-old taxi driver.

Fears that the strike could continue well into 2003, coupled with fears of war in Iraq, have helped push oil prices above \$32 a barrel, the highest in two years.

As the strike began biting into the savings of Venezuelan workers, one protest leader, Caracas City Councilman Enrique Ochoa

Antich, said the opposition should consider ending the strike and focus instead on the referendum.

"The fundamental outcome we wanted (with the strike), the president's resignation, or his compliance with a consultative referendum, has not been achieved," said Ochoa Antich.

But Carlos Ortega, head of Venezuela's largest labor confederation, accused Chavez of refusing to consider any electoral solution, and he vowed the strike will continue. "We won't allow this regime to install a dictatorship," Ortega said.

Venezuelan labor, business and political leaders launched the strike on Dec. 2 to demand that Chavez hold a nonbinding referendum on his rule on Feb. 2. The national elections council is organizing a vote over Chavez's objections.



The Chechen government compound is seen after explosions in Grozny Friday in this image from television. At least 46 people were killed and 70 wounded when suicide bombers drove trucks into the building, the Russian Emergency Situations Ministry said.

Suicide bombers attack in Chechnya

MOSCOW (AP) — Suicide bombers in the capital of Chechnya drove through Russian guard cordons and set off two explosions that shattered the headquarters of the Kremlin-backed administration and killed at least 46 people.

The blasts in Grozny dealt a severe blow to President Vladimir Putin's efforts to reinstate his people and the world that the southern republic is returning to normal after more than three years of war.

The government has tried to reinforce its claim by pressing refugees to go home and shepherding foreign journalists to Grozny on carefully controlled tours to examine reconstruction projects.

At least 46 people were confirmed dead in the blast and 70 wounded, said Viktor Shkareda, deputy head of the Emergency Situations Ministry in southern Russia. Witnesses were finding fragments of other bodies as they scurried through the heaps of broken concrete and shattered glass.

The ministry said many of the wounded would be sent to other republics for treatment because the hospitals in war-ravaged Grozny could not handle the catastrophe.

Among the seriously wounded were Chechen Security Council chief Ruldin Dudayev and Zina Batyzheva, a deputy Chechen prime minister, the Interfax news agency reported.

The explosions hit about 2:30 p.m. just after a lunch break. Imran Vagapov, Chechnya's main inspector, said the government headquarters was full of employees and visitors. About 200 people usually work in the building, officials said.

Television footage showed stunned and bleeding people stumbling out of the rubble. Others were dragged out by their hands and feet, while bloodied soldiers tried to establish order.

About 200 rescuers worked into the frigid night to search for survivors.

Blasts rock Grozny

Suicide bombers detonated two explosive-laden trucks outside of the Russian government headquarters Friday afternoon.



SOURCES: Associated Press, ESRI, AP

The blasts left a 20-foot-wide crater, destroyed one of the building's wings and left much of the main structure a shell, the emergency ministry said.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack, but Russian officials variously blamed Chechnya's rebel president Aslan Maskhadov or warlord Shamal Basayev.

Maskhadov broke ranks with Basayev last month after the latter claimed involvement in the October raid by Chechen gunmen on Moscow theater, in which 41 rebels and 129 hostages died.

A Maskhadov aide, Akhmed Zakayev, issued a statement from London denying Maskhadov's involvement. "Responsibility for the escalation of violence in Chechnya, including this act of terror, lies wholly with the Russian side," Zakayev said.

Palestinian attack kills four Israelis

OTNIEL, West Bank (AP) — Two Palestinians burst into this West Bank settlement Friday and opened fire on Jewish teeny students gathered for a Sabbath dinner in a communal dining hall, killing four Israelis and wounding eight, the army said.

The rampage, which left the two gunmen dead, ended a relative lull in Palestinian attacks. It came a day after Israeli troops killed eight Palestinians in arrest raids and hours after the Islamic militant group Hamas announced it would carry out more bombings and shootings.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack on Otniel, a small settlement near the Palestinian town of Hebron.

A leader of Hamas, Abdel Aziz Rantisi, said Friday that "it is

natural for the Palestinians to take revenge for every drop of blood shed by Israeli aggression," but stopped short of claiming responsibility on behalf of the group.

There had been no fatal shootings and bombings in Israel in the past month, though a rabbi was killed last week in a Palestinian roadside ambush in Gaza.

The attack on Otniel began at about 7:45 p.m. Friday, at a time when the dining hall of the Jewish seminary in the settlement was packed with students gathered for the festive Sabbath meal. The attackers sneaked into the hall through the kitchen, Army Radio said. Most of those killed and wounded were seminary students, TV

reports said.

One gunman remained holed up in the seminary's dining hall and was shot dead after a 30-minute firefight with security forces, Israel TV's Channel 2 said. A second assailant escaped, and Army Radio said he was later killed by troops pursuing him.

In the past 27 months of fighting, Palestinian militants have repeatedly targeted Jewish settlements, which are built on lands that Palestinians claim for their future state. On Thursday, Israeli officials said the military is erecting 300-yard-wide buffer zones around settlements to keep out militias. Palestinians complained that Israel was further expanding settlements with the fenced-in no-go zones.

Shootings escalate

A gunman attacked a Jewish settlement in the West Bank, following the death of eight Palestinians on Thursday.



New Year's flap brews over Japanese war shrine

TOKYO (AP) — The biting cold won't be the only thing causing a chill when Japanese ring in the new year at shrines with prayers for peace and happiness.

Ahead of the festivities, controversy is swirling around a minister legacy of Japan's native Shinto religion: Tokyo's Yasukuni war shrine, where nearly 2.5 million Japanese war dead, including executed war criminals, are worshipped as deities.

This week, the government unveiled a controversial plan to build an alternate memorial to the shrine, while Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi vowed to continue his visits there in 2003 despite the international furor they cause.

"It is an unwise move for the Japanese government to strain its ties with its Asian neighbors by repeatedly stirring up their painful memories of the past," China's official China Daily newspaper said that he fails to "grasp such a common sense idea."

The proposed alternative to Yasukuni would be a nonreligious memorial for dead "war victims," including those who died on inter-



Japanese men dressed in the uniforms of Zero fighter pilots and Imperial Army soldiers march in the precinct of the Yasukuni Shrine in Tokyo last August, marking the 57th anniversary of the end of WWII.

national peacekeeping missions. A panel submitted its final recommendations to Koizumi's Cabinet on Tuesday.

The panel left open the possibility of honoring foreigners who died in battle. Its report was vague on other details, however, such as whether it would also pay homage to the war criminals,

including wartime Prime Minister Hideki Tojo, venerated at Yasukuni.

Koizumi's spokeswoman Misako Kaji described the proposal as "more neutral in character so people of all faiths can feel free to visit and pay tribute to the dead."

But critics of the proposed secu-

lar memorial questioned the idea that foreigners would be worshipped and remembered there. Another trip to Yasukuni by Koizumi will certainly anger Japan's neighbors.

"We find it disturbing that the report states that 'there is no reason to treat foreigners and civilians differently from Japanese people,'" the Yomiuri Shimbun, Japan's largest daily, said in its Christmas Day editorial. It suggested that Soviet troops who died fighting the Japanese in Manchuria at World War II's end might also be honored.

Koizumi sparked outrage last year, especially in China and South Korea, when he made a surprise visit days before the Aug. 15 anniversary of Japan's World War II surrender. This year, he avoided the emotionally charged date by going in April.

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Yugoslav authorities allow war crimes investigators access to documents

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Seeking to improve cooperation with the U.N. war crimes court, Yugoslavia on Friday moved to declassify some of its secret documents on former President Slobodan Milosevic's rule.

Yugoslavia's new Defense Council — made up of President Vojislav Kostunica, the presidents of the Yugoslav republics of Serbia and Montenegro, as well as top military commanders — de-

clared that "a certain number of documents" requested by the Netherlands-based U.N. tribunal would be declassified.

"The documents will be forwarded to the (U.N.) tribunal," a statement said without revealing dates and details.

Milosevic is on trial at the court, based in The Hague, Netherlands. Serbian President Milan Milutinovic, who has been indicted for war crimes committed by

Serb troops in Kosovo in 1998-1999, was also present at the defense council's session.

Serbian authorities so far have refused to extradite Milutinovic, citing his immunity from prosecution as the republic's president. But the U.N. court has demanded prompt extradition following the expiration of his mandate.

A top-ranking Serbian official said that Milutinovic will be given "some time to arrange his return

der to the Hague court when he steps down.

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Kenyans vote in peaceful election, end president's rule

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Kenyan voters gave muddy roads and stood patiently in the rain Friday to vote in generally peaceful elections marking the end of the 24-year rule of President Daniel arap Moi and a fresh start for the once prosperous East African nation.

The two leading presidential candidates both promised to end the corruption that has crippled the former British colony's economy and scared off foreign investors and donors.

Despite reports of sporadic violence and accusations from both sides of vote-rigging in the final weeks of the campaign, Friday's vote was generally peaceful and fair, election officials and international monitors said.

Five people ran for president, but only two were given any chance of winning: front-runner Mwai Kibaki, leader of opposition coalition, and Uthuru Kenyatta, hand-picked by Moi.

A recent poll commissioned by the Washington-based International Republican Institute gave Kibaki a 47-point lead over Kenyatta. Early results for the presidency, 210 seats in parliament and 2,104 local council seats were expected Saturday.

In well-off neighborhoods of Nairobi, Kibaki's supporters gathered on the streets outside primary schools where residents cast their ballots.

At a ramshackle polling station south of Nairobi, voting was delayed because officials had trouble fighting their kerosene lamps. Voters had to climb the mile-long mud track on foot because heavy rains have made the road impassable for vehicles.

The election is "going to bring a great transition to this country," said 26-year-old Victor Kuntai, a Kibaki supporter, as he trekked up the muddy hill. "That's why we are turning out."

Election Commission spokesman Mani Lemaiyan said heavy rains delayed the opening of polls in two southeastern districts and voting would take place Saturday.

Kenyatta voted in a constituency north of Nairobi where he is seeking the parliamentary seat required for his presidential bid. Kenyatta flashed his party's one-fingered victory sign before speeding away in a Mercedes.

In addition to winning a seat in parliament, a candidate must get at least 25 percent of the vote in five of Kenya's eight provinces to win.

Kibaki, 71, injured an ankle in an automobile accident a month ago, and stayed in his own Mercedes while ballot boxes were brought out to him. Counting began soon after voting ended. Voters were tallied by lantern-light in the many places where there is no electricity.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Lee Enterprises claims 'huge year'

TWIN FALLS - Iowa-based Lee Enterprises Inc., parent of *The Times-News*, released an annual report on Friday that called fiscal 2002 "a huge and successful year" for Lee.

"We completed the largest acquisition, by far, in our 112-year history. At the same time, by continuing to focus on our key priorities, we delivered outstanding operating results," Mary Junck, chairwoman, president and chief executive, wrote in her letter to stockholders.

Earnings per share increased 35 percent in a reported 10 percent and 10 percent when adjusted for nonrecurring factors, Lee's annual report says. Revenue increased 23 percent, and operating income grew 41 percent.

Three-fourths of our newspapers and regional business units exceeded their internal operating plans - an impressive achievement in a tough economic year," Junck wrote. "We're driving revenue, increasing circulation, improving our news products, enhancing our online sites and carefully controlling expenses."

Junck said the 16 daily newspapers acquired from Howard Publications in April rapidly began making a positive contribution to operating results. Those papers include *The Times-News*.

"On the day of the (acquisition) announcement back in February, I described the purchase of Howard Publications as the opportunity of a business lifetime," Junck said. "In the time since, the publishers at those new papers have absolutely proved me right."

The annual report is available online at www.lee.net.

Stocks fall more than 100 points in light trading

NEW YORK - Wall Street pulled back Friday in light, uneventful trading as investors extended their Christmas holidays. Much of the day's activity was driven by company or industry specific news rather than any broader market trends.

The Dow Jones industrials fell more than 100 points, but analysts were unconcerned, noting that the lack of trading volume made the market's indexes more susceptible to fluctuations.

The Dow closed down 128.83, or 1.16 percent, at 8,303.78, its fourth straight losing session.

Broader indexes also retreated. The Nasdaq composite index lost 19.58, or 1.44 percent, to 1,348.31, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 14.25, or 1.5 percent, to 925.40.

For the week, the Dow fell 2.4 percent, the Nasdaq lost 1.1 percent and the S&P declined 2.3 percent - giving the markets their third losing week out of the past four.

The Dow's lackluster tone reflected the fact that many participants had yet to return to work following Christmas. Trading volume is also likely to be low next week in advance of New Year's Day.

Investors' net shares of 100 million of Microsoft up 80 cents to \$57.70 on Nasdaq had agreed to buy 48 F-16 aircraft in a deal worth \$3.5 billion.

But PepsiCo dropped 74 cents to \$41.67 on news that a federal appeals court had upheld the dismissal of the soft drink company's lawsuit against Coca-Cola. Pepsi had alleged that Coke illegally controlled the market for fountain drinks by requiring soda distributors to deal with selling their products to movie houses, restaurants and other retailers. Coca-Cola shares fell 68 cents to \$43.47.

McDonald's plans new beef patty and bun in 2003

NEW YORK - It's enough to make Ronald McDonald cry.

McDonald's is messing around with America's favorite fast food - its humble hamburger.

In a memo sent to franchisees, Mickey D's revealed that it's planning to roll out a new beef patty in the spring.

The memo says the updated McDonald's burger will have different seasonings. And it'll even come in a new bun.

Beyond that, its anybody's guess what it'll taste like.

Will the meat be spicy, perhaps with a hint of cayenne? Will the bun be toasted with a coating of sesame seeds? What's next - changing the special sauce?

McDonald's isn't saying, promising only to "improve the flavor of our meat."

Compiled from staff, wire reports

Business census compiles economic data

Study aims to measure firms' productivity

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Business people, fill out those 2002 Economic Census forms appearing in your mailboxes, and you'll help Uncle Sam measure the productivity of American businesses.

You'll enable the players in your industry to calculate market share and gauge the competition.

And you'll help Magic Valley understand itself a bit better - in terms of per capita sales, payroll and the like - and pitch itself to prospective employers.

This time around, Uncle Sam has made it easier to comply.

People who receive an economic census form will, for the first time,

have the option of responding over the Internet to the federal government's latest survey of American businesses.

More than 5 million businesses - 3,550 of them in Magic Valley - are receiving questionnaires mailed to them in recent weeks as part of the economic census taken every five years. Businesses can respond through the mail or online. The law requires answers to be submitted by Feb. 12.

"The first results will be released in early 2004, and the Census Bureau said answers would be kept confidential.

Federal officials use the data to help measure the health of the economy, while state and local agencies use it to develop programs

Who's getting it?

How many local businesses are receiving 2002 Economic Census forms?

Blaine County	790
Camas County	10
Cassia County	430
Gooding County	220
Jerome County	290
Lincoln County	40
Minkola County	270
Twin Falls County	1,500

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

that promote business development. Businesses can use the data to develop marketing and distribution plans; evaluate prospective

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Congressional impasse threatens business survey

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - As part of a national economic census conducted every five years, the Census Bureau last week mailed out more than 5 million questionnaires to businesses and gave them until Feb. 12 to respond.

But there is no money available to hire workers to answer questions that companies will have about how to respond, or to process the questionnaires when they come in, said Census Bureau

Director C. Louis Kincannon.

"We are acting on faith that Congress will appropriate the money," Kincannon said. He said he has assurances from leaders of the House and Senate appropriations subcommittees that handle the Census Bureau's budget.

The bureau, like other government agencies, has fallen victim to an impasse in Congress that has held up all fiscal 2003 appropriations

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PURSuing THE DREAM



At his nursery in Ashton, Kurt Eidam does last-minute clean-up in mid-November before winter arrives. Eidam is currently in Europe giving motivational talks while his nursery business sits quietly waiting for next spring.

Swiss-born entrepreneur finds amazing life in America, abroad

The Associated Press

ASHTON - To own one company that lets you earn money while working at something you love makes you lucky.

To own two such companies makes you even luckier.

And to own three - well, in Ashton, that makes you Kurt Eidam.

The 44-year-old native of Bern, Switzerland, immigrated to the United States as a teenager and now uses his skills in landscaping, speaking and skiing to feed his family.

Under the corporate umbrella of Swiss Precision Enterprises, Eidam grows and plants flowers, maintains and landscapes yards and installs sprinkler systems. He takes families, politicians and celebrities on ski vacations in the United States and Europe. And he travels to Eastern Europe, Russia and Latin America to deliver motivational speeches and build corporate and employee training programs.

Eidam is busy, he said, pursuing a Swiss version of the American dream.

"People ask me what I do for a living," he said. "I tell them I

plant flowers, I tell stories and I go skiing. They like how that sounds."

Then he tells them they can do the same thing.

"There's a magic in America," he said. "Some people say they don't feel it. But there's magic here."

Most of his work as a ski instructor, vacation planner and motivational consultant occurs outside the United States. Up to 70 percent of his business is in South and Central America.

To build business in the United States he has turned to a ready source of ideas and labor many are tapping - Brigham Young University-Idaho students.

He has hired three with marketing and communication experience to help promote his consulting work that focuses on helping companies and their workers find that same American dream.

"When it first comes up, even for me, I thought the American dream was how much money you

make," he said. "But as I get older, I realize that's not what the dream is about. The dream isn't a destination. It's a way of life. It's the way I live here."

In countries like Poland and Argentina with their own unique problems, Eidam says "people ask me if I've found the American dream. I tell them I rediscover it every day, and that's wonderful."

His favorite speech is about his own journey to the dream, one that outlines the pitfalls he has faced and what he has done to overcome them.

Eidam immigrated to Alaska when he was 19 with a few suitcases and \$100 in his pocket.

Alaska, he thought, would feel like home - mountainous, alpine and pristine. There he began using his master's degree in horticulture and landscape architecture.

Life led him from Alaska to the Lower 48, where he served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in San

Antonio, Texas. He learned Spanish, another language to accompany his fluency in French, English and German.

He and his wife settled in Ashton in 1981 to grow their plants, businesses and family.

"You can feel it in the people that Ashton is a wonderful place to live," he said.

In March, the family's home burned to the ground in an electrical fire. They moved into their new home just before Thanksgiving.

"This has been a real character-building year," he said. "But the help we got showed us the goodness of the people here."

He hears a lot from people who think they have what it takes to become motivational speakers. He encourages them but it is not easy. It took him four years to land his first paid assignment.

The secret comes in not giving up, no matter what you're trying, he said.

"A lot of people try, but they don't succeed," he said. "They quit before they know they have something. I like to teach people it's OK to dream if they work to realize their dreams."

Starbucks battles Viennese coffeehouses on their own turf

Knight Ridder News Service

VIENNA, Austria - It's been a well-cafeinated year since Starbucks splashed into the land of the traditional Viennese coffeehouse, with its silver trays, heavy cream and ruscinated indifference.

With eight new stores in the heart of European coffee culture, Viennese wags are talking about the "Starbucks effect," which to Christian Wurmadober, writer for the city magazine *Falter*, means "you can finally go into a coffeehouse and order a latte without

them scowling at you."

There's more spillover: The quality of coffee in the traditional coffeehouses has actually improved, said Wurmadober, a rare visitor to the 1,900 or so Viennese institutions, because, "unnary to popular belief, the coffee is not better."

But while Starbucks - which in Magic Valley has a Ketchum coffeehouse - has taught Austrians how to sip trappuccino, what has the arrival of to-go coffee done to the Viennese tradition of killing time?

"Apart from coffee cups, the

place has three vital ingredients: schoolbooks, laptops, cell phones. There is no one doing nothing," complained Roberto Simanowski, a German who lives in Berlin and who helped create a Web site called "Vienna 1900."

"Good coffee to go? This is like folic acid to take away."

Starbucks also is smoke-free, unlike nearly every other place in Vienna.

"Starbucks is everything a coffeehouse used to be," said Simanowski. "Office, seminar room and, thanks to the smoking ban, kindergarten, too."

Simanowski, in a phone conversation, lists more offenses, beginning with the music, which is so careful he has purchased a few Starbucks compilations. He just doesn't want it playing all the time, interfering with his reading.

The Starbucks servers' youthful cheer is another problem for Simanowski, 39.

"To work in a Vienna coffeehouse you need to be a certain age, because you need to understand your customers," he said.

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Little time remains for financial maneuvers

Knight Ridder News Service

It's down to the wire, but don't panic. There are still things you can do before the end of the year to make your financial life easier.

"The window's closing, no question about it," said Robert Trinz, an editor at *Federal Taxes Weekly*, *Adapt*, a publication for tax professionals.

The biggest opportunities are related to taxes. It's not too late to implement the tried-and-true methods of deferring income, accelerating charitable contributions and capitalizing on investment losses.

It's all in the timing.

"Depending on your employer, you might be able to ask your boss to defer that bonus until next year," Trinz said.

That way, you don't owe tax on it until the 2003 tax year, when you receive it.

Feeling generous? You should make any charitable contributions by Tuesday.

If you don't have enough cash, consider using your credit card to make the donation.

"You can deduct it now, even though you actually pay the credit card in the future," Trinz said. "Ultimately, what matters is that the money is used for the expense before the end of the year."

However, this is only a benefit if you itemize your deductions. Be sure to keep the credit-card receipt and the receipt from the charity.

Finally, you can look at the investment dogs you have and consider selling them before the end of the year to offset any investment profits. In order to parlay capital losses into tax savings, you've got to sell your investment and take the actual loss.

If you incur losses from the sale of investments, you may subtract those losses from your capital gains, which are profits on the sale of investments.

If your capital losses exceed your capital gains, you can deduct only up to \$3,000 of those losses in a tax year against ordinary income. Any excess will be carried over to the next year.

Be careful not to go overboard in harvesting your investment losses.

"One overriding concern that we have is that the tax issues should never overshadow the reality of the decision," said Ken Shibley, a certified public accountant at Shibley Co. in Dallas. "People should ordinarily not make a decision simply to pay less tax if the decision, absent the tax considerations, does not make sense. Make a charitable donation because you want to make the donation, not just because of the tax deduction."

While you're examining your investments, the year's end is as good a time as any to reorganize how you divvy up your money - known as "asset allocation."

With the stock market heading for a third straight losing year, your investment portfolio may

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MONEY

Cemetery plans for special Latino section

Cultural differences tend to stand out when families lose loved ones

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - When Len McKee, cultural project manager at Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park and Mortuary, noted a few graves inscribed with traditional Latino surnames he decided calling Latino leaders to find out why.

"There are Spanish speakers, but they don't have a grasp of the cultural differences. And during that time of stress, if there's a language barrier, it's difficult to bring your wishes out."

services counselor Elaine Vigil. "We have been accommodating, but unaware of the traditions," Vigil says. Now, the mortuary plans to remodel its rooms to suit larger families for longer evenings, with a better sound system and a more homey atmosphere.

New home sales see jump in November, hitting record

WASHINGTON (AP) - New-home sales jumped 5.7 percent in November to the highest monthly level on record as house hunters - motivated by some of the lowest mortgage rates seen in decades - turned into home buyers.

age was down 49 points and the Nasdaq was off 7 points in morning trading. New-home sales dropped by 4 percent in October to a seasonally adjusted rate of 1.01 million, but even with the decline sales were at a brisk level.

Coffee

Continued from B7 "You need to be in the same mood about life, and in Starbucks, you only need to work with the espresso machine."

just for one coffee and they will bring you another water, if you dare to ask," said Wirsmdohler, 36. He was making his point in the Cafe Ritter, a 103-year-old attraction a few steps from a pedestrian mall in a nontouristy part of Vienna.

brauner (milk on the side) and kapuziner (bit of milk, chocolate shavings). The writer Peter Altenberg spent so much time in Viennese coffeehouses that he had his mail delivered there. Back in the heyday - the latter 1800s and the beginning of the last century - Viennese life was anchored in these places.

"The deceased are important to every culture," he said. "The LDS wouldn't like it if we buried them with a big cross over them. By the same token, many Latinos wouldn't like being buried somewhere without a statue."

Finances

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literally get sick to their stomachs every time they see their old account statements," said Jeff Buckner, president of Plancorp in Chesterfield, Mo, an investment advisor firm.

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Impasse

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The Associated Press contributed to this report. "Last time around, for instance, the survey results demonstrated the regional draw of Twin Falls County retailers. As the shopping center of Nevada, Utah and northern Idaho, Twin Falls County's...

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund name, share price, and other details. Includes sub-sections for FUND NAME, SHARE PRICE, and OTHER DETAILS.

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Gemini: Focus on financial stability

IF DECEMBER 28TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you are an original thinker, your thoughts are on a universal scale. You are ready to travel at proverbial drop of hat. You are idealistic and romantic in love. Leo, Aquarius individuals play major roles in your life, could have these letters in names: A, S, J. Next year you have chance to fully express yourself in many areas, including love. January and August will be your most memorable, romantic months. ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Decision will be reached tonight concerning partnership or marriage. Relationship is red-hot; you can run, but you cannot hide. Courtship is over; you enter the realm of "real life." TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Let go of preconceived notions. Take cold plunge into future. The past is over; be ready for fresh start in

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new direction. Romantic relationship serious, will involve marriage. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around where you live and with whom. Focus on home, greater financial stability and marital status. You will be invited tonight to a gourmet dinner. ACCEPT-NOW! CANCER (June 21-July 22): Living quarters expand, become commodious. Focus on entertaining and being entertained. You will be interviewed concerning fashion trends. Speak your mind whether good, bad or indifferent. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): In matters of speculation, stick with number 4. Odds are against you in unique competition; you will beat the odds and win the game.

Handle details, don't be discouraged by minor matters. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Lost article recovered. You find unique way of increasing income potential. Filtration starts innocently but could lead to something big. Gemini, Sagittarius and another Virgo are represented. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You could hear sound of music; find your rhythm and dance to your own tune. You will help married couple settle their differences. However, do not lend money. Taurus, another Libra play roles. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Overcome temptation for temperamental outburst. Control emotions, protect self at close quarters. You don't have complete story where romance is concerned. Perhaps you will be told! SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Nothing will occur halfway. You asked for added responsibility

and more money - you get both. Pressure is on as result. Relationship is hot and heavy; tonight you decide where it will go. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Standing in community highlighted; people will rely upon you for leadership. You might say, "I did not ask for it!" Whether or not you did, you now have it. Aries plays paramount role. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Obtain hint from Capricorn message. Imprint style, make special appearances. Those who said you were ahead of your time will back down, and you will have major opportunity. Leo figures prominently. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Questions exist concerning money and how it got that way. Answers might be found in occult literature; utilize techniques of "ancient wisdom." You will love and be loved; toss aside inhibitions.

ABC will be alive with 'The Sound of Music'

Tribune Media Services Today "Mrs. Doubtfire" - An unemployed actor disguises himself as an elderly nanny in order to spend more time with his estranged family. (CC) (TV14) ABC, 7 p.m. "Cops" - Bizarre low-speed

compete, including Natasha Henstridge, Penn and Teller, Keshia Knight Pulliam, Matt Cedeno, Gena Lee Nolin and Barry Williams. Host: Joe Rogan. (CC) (TVPG) NBC, 7 p.m. Sunday "The Sound of Music" - A con-

vent-trained governess becomes part of the Von Trapp family and leads their brave 1938 flight to freedom. (CC) (TVG) ABC, 6 p.m. "The Hunt for Red October" - Soviet and American forces give chase when the captain of a Soviet nuclear submarine sets a course for the Maine coast. (CC) (TV14) TBS, 6 p.m.

Helping hands weed flowers out of garden

DEAR ABBY: I have a pet peeve I'd like to educate people about. As an amateur gardener, I take great pride in my garden. However, when friends and relatives come over to visit, they sometimes start "pulling weeds." Please understand, my garden is a NATURAL garden. Therefore, what may appear as "weeds" to others are my "flowers." Because of a stroke I suffered, I must use a cane. I know these folks think they're helping me by pulling weeds, but in reality they're destroying all my hard work. What can I say to them, Abby? - WATCHING MY GARDEN GROW IN TULSA



DEAR ABBY: when it is time to teach my child what to call the new love of Mommy's life?

- TORN IN DALLAS DEAR TORN: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your husband. Let me offer a word of caution. You suffered a great loss when your husband died, and he died at a time when you were particularly vulnerable. Since you still "cry" for him every day and talk to him every night, "do not rush into another relationship until you have gotten grief counseling (your doctor or clergyman can refer you). What your child should call your new love will evolve naturally.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl. When I was only 18 months old, I lost my mom. She was killed in a motorcycle accident. My father isn't around, so I live with my grandparents. They don't want me to see my dad, but I wouldn't mind seeing him once in a while. Grandpa and Grandpa say my dad's a bad guy - but he's still my dad and I love him. Do you have any suggestions about what I should do, Abby? Should I wait until I'm older to understand this better, or what? - NEEDING GUIDANCE IN INDIANA

DEAR NEEDING: At 14, you are old enough to learn the truth about your father. If you cannot make your grandparents understand, perhaps another adult could intercede on your behalf. Dad may not turn out to be the person you would hope - but you're not a little girl anymore, and you have the right to find out if he's worthy of your love.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 20-year-old single male who once enjoyed a beautiful life. Everything changed this past year when my husband - the father of my then-unborn child - died suddenly. After his death, I suffered severe emotional pain and did not wish to go on living. However, I knew I must - for the sake of our baby. Here's where it gets complicated: I met a young man and have fallen in love. Abby, please understand that I still love my late husband with all my heart. I cry for him every day and miss him terribly. I even talk to him late at night while I'm holding our child. But I can't help loving the new man in my life, too. The love and understanding he offers me is wonderful. Please help me know what I should do. P.S. Also, what should I do

Elephants can uncork champagne bottles

Elephants can uncork champagne bottles with their trunks. At least, some can. Q. The Lily is just another onion? A. When you're pessimistic. When you're optimistic, the onion is a lily. In early England, witnesses to a felony were required by common law to chase down the felon. The victim was called upon to yell - to raise "a human cry." The phrase wound up in the vernacular as "hue and cry." Q. Were there drama critics in Shakespeare's time? A. Indeed. One who came shortly thereafter, a Joseph Wharton, wrote that King Lear was marked by "considerable imperfections." According to the historical Wharton, drama critics were going into battle traditionally went to their beauticians to get



REVISITED L.M. Boyd their hair lacquered and curled. When the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton hired Albert Einstein, the directors asked him to name his salary. He said he had no idea, maybe his wife could come up with some figure. That way, she couldn't complain about money. It's said he never bothered to ask her about it, and never knew. Q. Long Island Sound, Puget Sound. Why's that word "Sound" in these names? A. Once meant "safe." As in safe harbor.

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Here's to 2003: A toast for the new year

As a teetotaler, New Year's Eve presents me with something of a paradox.

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Still, I'm going to try. I mean, what can it hurt? Feel free to raise your glasses with me, filled with... well... whatever.

Here's to the New Year - may it be filled with peace (I know that sounds futile, given the current state of blustery rhetoric between nations; but it's the dawning of a new year, and hope runs rampant).

Here's to the leaders of nations - may you be more anxious to find reasons NOT to go to war than you are in finding excuses to fight.

Here's to firefighters - may your hoses be clean, your trucks shiny and your fireproof gear under used.



VALUE SPEAK
Joseph Walker

Here's to police officers (including the one who gave me a speeding ticket last week) - may your guns stay holstered and may you not encounter "attitude" at every turn (and when you do, may you be as nice as that police officer was to me when I gave him a little of my "shouldn't you be out catching real criminals?" attitude).

Here's to teachers - may you feel loved and appreciated for the indispensable part you play in society even though society seems to place more value on people who can run fast, jump high and get into all sorts of legal trouble.

Here's to deep dish pizza.

Here's to Hollywood - may this be the year that you come to realize that your view of "reality" bears no resemblance whatsoever to real-world "reality."

Here's to the dedicated professional nursing homes and care facilities everywhere - Dad can't tell you "thanks," so please take it from me: thanks.

Here's to the guy in the white Honda Civic who I absent-mindedly cut in front of the other day - may you not encounter any more idiots on the road of life (but if you do, may I gently suggest you signal your displeasure with only one hand instead of two?)

You really should keep at least one hand on the wheel while driving.

Here's to the families of missing children everywhere - may the lost be found.

Here's to pistachios.

Here's to beat-up old cars that somehow still manage to get us from place to place - may you all find a good, honest mechanic like Tom Greenwood.

Here's to the people who make airplanes fly, trains run and buses go more or less on schedule - may it continue to be "news" when you're not on time.

Here's to mothers and fathers everywhere - may we find plenty of time this year for important things like hopscotch, Monopoly, checkers and Go Fish.

Here's to the brave soul who first dared to consider the possibility that shrimp might actually be edible.

Here's to visionary newspaper editors - may the year be filled with positive, uplifting things to write about and report.

And here's to you, dear reader - may 2003 bring to you and your loved ones peace, prosperity, happiness and joy.

Somewhere pass the Diet Sprite around to drink to that.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

Sign of the times

Billboard points the way to church building

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Describing how to get to the Rock Creek Community Church or the Seventh-Day Adventist Church used to be complicated - because the building they share is in an out-of-the-way spot on a hill. Recently, both congregations found a way to smooth the path to their door.

"You try to give all these directions: On the way to the golf course, on the way to the movie theater, across from the hospital, right across from the creek, all those landmarks," said Pastor Dale Metzger of Rock Creek. "Now we just say, 'Turn at the arrow.'"

Metzger is talking about a lighted billboard with a black arrow in the center. Across the top of the sign are the Adventist church's gold Bible and green lettering. At the bottom of the sign are Rock Creek's maroon cross and lettering. The sign is situated where the road goes up the hill off Addison, pointing the way to the shared church building at 131 Grandview Drive.



A billboard on Addison Avenue directs drivers to the top of the hill, and to the door of the Rock Creek Community/Seventh-Day Adventist churches' shared facility.

fit," Metzger said. "They're going to be able to find it easy, because it's right at the arrow."

After Rock Creek's people moved in with the Seventh Day Adventist group more than three years ago, the two congregations

began thinking about how best to mark the building to identify it occupants. Getting their proposal through planning and zoning was rough, but they finally were able

to erect a small sign out front, Metzger recalled. It did the job, but was not quite adequate.

"Then one of our parishioners said, 'Hmm, I wonder if a billboard down at the bottom of the

hill would work.' And everybody said, 'Wow, well let's see.'"

The billboard was already there, due to a grandfather clause. All that was necessary was to come up with a design and deliver it to Todd Jones, of Lamar Outdoor Advertising, in Twin Falls.

Metzger said the sign will be up until May, the time period after Christmas when people tend to look for a place to worship. There has been some discussion about leaving it up longer if each congregation can continue paying the \$350-a-month rent, which they now split between them. Total production and rent costs for each church for a six-month period totaled \$1,300.

Everything has run smoothly for the two churches since they began using the same facility, Metzger noted, with holding services on Saturday and the other on Sunday. The churches even hold some services together, such as those on Good Friday and Christmas Eve.

Metzger said he and Seventh Day Pastor Steve McCandless alternate preaching the Christmas Eve service, and everyone has enjoyed the arrangement and the opportunity to use musical talent from both churches.

Ministry pays kids to learn 10 commandments

By Bobby Ross Jr.
The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - George Kelley believes the nation has lost its moral conscience and he plans to do something about it - one child and \$10 at a time.

The 76-year-old retired flower shop owner has started a ministry out of his home that pays children \$10 each to memorize and recite the Ten Commandments. With the help of donations, Kelley said nearly 7,000 children nationwide have taken advantage of the offer over the past five years. He hopes eventually to provide 10 million children to participate.

"When I say 10 million, you say that's crazy," Kelley said, chuckling. "Well, if you have a small dream, nobody pays any attention to it."

Kelley's project was born out of disgust in 1997 after a part-time cook murdered seven workers at three Tennessee restaurants - a shooting each other or tennis shoes and jackets," he said.

With help from friends, Kelley and his wife, Marion, started the Ten Commandments Project. The Kelleys, both Presbyterians, felt children who memorized the Ten Commandments perhaps would think about them when tempted to lie, steal or get involved in other wrongdoing. At first the Kelleys were concerned about



George Kelley, with one of the many copies of the Ten Commandments that adorn his house in Nashville, Tenn., is responsible for nearly 7,000 children learning the Ten Commandments through his ministry that offers \$10 to every child 18 and under who can recite the commandments in order.

how they would fund the effort, but supporters started sending donations - from \$15 to \$10,000, and a wealthy friend promised to help when needed.

"It turned out, when our bank account got a little low, somebody would send some money in," George Kelley said.

To qualify for the \$10, children must be 16 or younger, live in the United States and recite the commandments to a pastor, rabbi, priest, teacher or other "authorized" adult witness. The witness then must sign an affidavit form they can download from the min-

istry's Web site - tencommandmentsproject.org - pledging that they heard the child's recitation.

Marion Kelley said she and her husband have not been concerned about fraud, partly because they write checks to individuals - instead of to groups of several children at a time. Fabricating affidavits "would be a lot of trouble for just \$10," she said.

Brian Runge, a Lutheran pastor in Houston, discovered the project while surfing the Web. He brought the idea to St. Mark Lutheran School, where more

than 100 students participated and earned their money during the fall. Many planned to donate the funds to needy children in Zimbabwe.

"The Ten Commandments are the basis of moral law for human beings, regardless of what your perspective is," Runge said. "The more kids that know them, the more they'll know how to live."

"We try to dream up ways to promote it," Kelley said of his project. "Marion thought we ought to get a couple of camels and donkeys and go across the nation as Moses."

Religion columnist dies at 64

By Stephen Scott
Saint Paul Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. - As the Pioneer Press religion writer, Clark Morphew wrote two decades worth of Christmas stories. As a Lutheran pastor, he preached countless Christmas sermons.

His own story came to an end on Christmas Eve. He died Tuesday at his South St. Paul home six months after learning he had lung cancer. He was 64. Morphew, who retired in 2000, built a reputation that reached far beyond St. Paul during his 18 years at the Pioneer Press.

His weekly religion column was distributed by Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service and appeared in dozens of newspapers throughout North America.

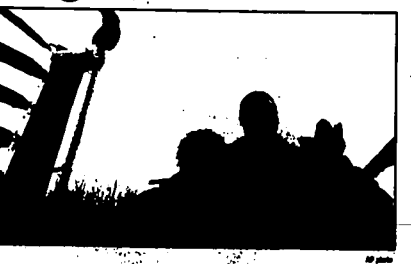
"His was the most popular religion column we ran for many



Clark Morphew

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Religious freedom? American Indian wants son to use peyote



Jon Fowler and his son, Ishbando, 4, are wearing traditional tribal attire of their home in Traverse City, Mich. Fowler, an Indian who belongs to the Native American Church of the Morning Star, says the courts are restricting his religious beliefs by prohibiting him from giving peyote which contains a hallucinogen - taken in his church as a sacrament - to his son.

**By James Pritchard
The Associated Press**

WHITE CLOUD, Mich. - Jon Fowler wants his 4-year-old son to have the right to take peyote with him. It's a matter of religious freedom, he says.

A member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Jon Fowler belongs to the Native American Church of the Morning Star, where the hallucinogen is taken as a sacrament. Fowler wants his son to join him in the rite, if the boy wishes.

But a judge may bar Fowler from doing so, in a case that pits the Constitution's guarantee of religious freedom against a mother's wish to protect her child. Fowler's ex-wife, Kristin Hanslovsky, a 31-year-old Montague resident who is not ap-

physical custody of the child to Fowler, prohibited him from allowing his son to be given peyote. The father appealed and after hearing arguments, the Michigan Court of Appeals returned the case to Dimkoff, directing him to determine whether his use of peyote could harm the child. The next hearing is set for March 21.

Peyote, a bitter-tasting cactus that grows in southern Texas and northern Mexico, has been a part of Indian culture for thousands of years. Those who ingest the plant - usually drunk as a tea or eaten as a greenish paste - believe it provides enlightenment and other spiritual and physical benefits.

American Indian, fears that peyote would harm his son and doesn't want him anywhere near it.

Fowler, a 35-year-old resident of Traverse City who earns a living by selling food and crafts at powwows, credits his use of peyote with helping him overcome alcoholism and forge a relationship with God. Judge Graydon Dimkoff, who two years ago gave

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RELIGION

Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship plans dance

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship will host a Contra Dance from 8:30 p.m. to midnight Dec. 31 at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 212 Blakes Blvd. N. Cost is \$5 per person.

This is a non-alcoholic event, but to toast to celebrate the new year will be held at midnight. Those ages 7 and up are welcome. Music

Church news

will be furnished by Strings Attached. David Quinley will be the caller.

Contra dancing is similar to square dancing; instruction will be provided by Quinley. Partners are welcome but not required.

Baptist church holds screening of new family film

JEROME—A new family film, "The Ride," will be shown to the public at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Jerome Bible Baptist Church, 132 Second Ave. E.

The show is about a champion bull rider's struggle to do right. Children must be accompanied by a parent or

adult guardian. Nursery will be provided for those under 3. For more information, call 324-2804.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegen, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturdays.

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.

Called to serve:

• Elder Justin Webb will serve in the Micronesia Guam Mission. Webb graduated from Declo High School and attended Idaho State University. He was president of the Declo Trendsetters and received his Duty to God Award. His parents are Mark and Kathi Webb of Declo.



Justin Webb



Matthew Garrison

• Elder Matthew N. Garrison will serve in the Tennessee Nashville Mission. Garrison is a 2000 graduate of Twin Falls High School. His parents are Bill G. and Cathy Garrison of twin Falls.

Returned from serving:



David Hunter

• Elder David C. Hunter, son of Karryn and Les Hunter of Twin Falls, served in the Michigan Detroit Mission.



Tiffany Quigley

• Sister Tiffany Quigley served in the Korea Pusan Mission in Seoul. Quigley is the daughter of Russell and Joyce Quigley of Twin Falls. She plans to attend Brigham Young University.



Duane Pearson

• Elder Duane Pearson served in the Canada Vancouver Mission. Pearson is the son of Ryan and Jackie Pearson of Burley. He plans to work and attend BYU-Idaho.

• Elder Seth Christensen, son of Val and Karen Christensen of



Seth Christensen



Blake Christensen



Austin Udy



Tyler Olsen



Cory Brown

Rupert, served in the Illinois Chicago Mission.

• Elder Blake Christensen served in the Argentina Buenos Aires Mission. Christensen plans to attend the College of Southern Idaho. His parents are Paul and Karen Christensen of Burley.

• Elder Dustin Wells King served in the Brazil Sao Paulo East Mission. King is the son of Cory and Vicki King of Burley. He plans to attend the Utah Valley State College in Orem, Utah.

• Elder Austin Udy, son of Lance and Kris Udy of Declo, served in the Australia Brisbane Mission.

• Elder Tyler Olsen served in the Micronesia Guam Mission. Olsen is a 2000 graduate of Twin Falls Kimberly High School and is the son of Stephen and Lana Olsen of Kimberly and the grandson of Eloise Olsen and Pete Peterson, both of Twin Falls.

• Elder Cory Brown served in the Philippines Manila Mission. Brown is the son of Greg and Marsha Brown of Twin Falls. He is an Eagle Scout and a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

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Christian karaoke music finds its niche

By James Prichard
The Associated Press

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—At least a decade before karaoke clubs caught on in America in the 1980s, performers in churches were belting out songs to instrumental recordings of religious music, called solo performance tracks or accompaniment music.

"So Christian karaoke music is 'not a big leap' for buyers of religious music," says Frank Bredend, president of the Nashville-based Gospel Music Association. "It's capitalizing on something that's already in existence ... a format of music that is, by its very nature, very conducive to singing alone."

Family Christian Stores Inc., with 325 stores in 39 states, released six karaoke CDs in October featuring Christian performers. John van der Veer, the company's music buyer, wouldn't disclose sales figures but said a second production run has been ordered.

The music is made for boom-box karaoke, the portable music players that display lyrics for singing along.

Christian music has been a fast-growing genre, having its best sales year ever in 2001 while overall music sales declined. It sold nearly 50 million albums that year, up 12 percent from 2000, according to SoundScan, which tracks sales for the industry.

Even before the Grand Rapids-based company started selling karaoke music, one of its stores, in Augusta, Ga., was holding monthly "karaoke nights," at which people sang with accompaniment.

"There's a lot of people who actually came up and sounded good," chuckles Rory Rezzelle, a store employee.

Family Christian contracted with a consultant to form a new company, Fuseic (pronounced FYOO-zik), and make the CDs. The first group of six CDs is targeted at girls age 8-16. They include music by 20Egic, Susie Orrico, Out of Eden, Plus One and Jump5, plus a compilation of artists.

Each CD contains three tracks and retails for \$12.98. The



Left, 3-year-old David Williams sings 'Gloria Gloria' during karaoke night at the Family Christian Bookstore in Augusta, Ga. Family Christian Stores Inc. has released a line of Christian karaoke music, just in time for Christmas. Below, Rory Rezzelle keeps singers sounding good by working the sound system during karaoke night at the Family Christian Bookstore.

'There's a lot of people who actually came up and sounded good.'

—Rory Rezzelle

karaoke CDs are being used by youth groups, at sleepovers and birthday parties.

"They're singing, they're having fun, but they're learning a little bit about God's word in the process and learning a little bit about some spiritual matters," says David Austin, of Family Christian.



• Elder Seth Christensen, son of Val and Karen Christensen of

Poll indicates Catholic church attendance declines

PRINCETON, N.J.—Churchgoing among Roman Catholics has dropped significantly as the crisis over priests who molest children has dragged according to a survey by the Gallup Organization.

The number of Catholics who said they had attended services in the last week fell to 41 percent, compared to 46 percent in the same period in 2001, according to the poll released Dec. 18.

The rate of Catholic church attendance is now lower than that for Protestants, who have lagged behind Catholics in worship rate in the decades since Gallup has been measuring

Religion news in brief

Attendance. The latest poll found 47 percent of Protestants said they went to church in the last week.

Gallup also found that four in 10 Catholics were less likely to donate to the church because of the clerical sex abuse crisis.

The scandal erupted when Massachusetts court documents released over the objection of the Boston Archdiocese showed church leaders had sheltered priests accused of sex abuse. Catholics nationwide demanded

to know if their own bishops had done the same.

Group restores former King personage, creates museum

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—The former Baptist pastor where a young Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. lived is undergoing \$300,000 in renovations to become a museum.

The project is scheduled for completion in 2004, a year before the 50th anniversary of the historic Montgomery bus boycott, which was galvanized by King's pulpit oratory at the church, now known as the Dexter Avenue

King Memorial Baptist Church.

"It was the scene of a lot of the hustle and bustle at the height of the civil rights movement," said Rev. Michael Thurman, current pastor of the Dexter Avenue congregation.

King and his family lived in the home from 1954 to 1960, when his preaching and leadership skills brought the burgeoning protest movement to a head. The Montgomery bus boycott was under way when the parsonage was bombed in 1956. King's wife, his young daughter and a church member were inside at the time, but all escaped injury.

—compiled from wire reports

Morphew

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years, said vent Bieman, KRT news editor in Washington, D.C.

That brought extra letters — of love and loathing — from readers not only in St. Paul, but from South Carolina to Saskatchewan.

"I think actually he was more liked than hated, but the conservatives he sure did know how to rattle them," said Jeanne Morphew, his wife.

Morphew was a columnist from the beginning, writing "On Religion" at the "We Worship" as a free-lancer for three years before joining the Pioneer Press and Dispatch full time in May 1982.

"I hope you don't take my word for it, but it is in a sorry state," Morphew wrote in an early column. "Most Sundays I hear preaching that has nothing to do with the world I live in."

After losing his newspaper with no place to debate the merits of a worship service, as if it were a movie review. Many later came to appreciate his candidness.

"He saved my career," said the Rev. Greg Ferguson of Kansas United Methodist Church in St. Paul, recalling an encounter in the early 1990s. "I was in a slump, and knew something was wrong. He said, 'You are a good preacher for the 1940s, but this is the 1990s and you've got to change.' He said, 'You have to be humorous. You have to be brief. You have to be creative. You have to be able to tell stories.'"

Such attributes served Morphew as a journalist, which was his third career. Once an elementary school teacher in his native Iowa and in California, Morphew then attended Luther Seminary in St. Paul and was ordained as a Lutheran pastor.

For 11 years, he served churches in Grand Forks, N.D., and Cottage Grove, Minn., before leaving the parish in 1978. After a year selling insurance for Lutheran Brotherhood, he became an editor at Augsburg Publishing House in Minneapolis. He began his free-lance work for

the St. Paul newspapers while at Augsburg.

"He came to newspapering and journalism late," said Deborah Howell, former Pioneer Press and Dispatch editor and now Washington bureau chief and editor of Newhouse News Service. "He came in as a mintsinger. Most journalists feel as if they're involved in a calling, but he had to switch denominations really quickly. Newsrooms are totally irreverent. He left reverent for irreverent."

Former church colleagues would sometimes say his newspaper career served as a new form of ministry.

"He did bristle at that," his wife said. "He did not see it as a ministry. He saw it as journalism."

After retiring, Morphew continued to write his column in syndication for several months and it was then published by the Minneapolis-based Metro Lutheran until he became ill.

He hoped to spend his retire-

ment pursuing his interests in woodworking, Civil War history, travel and old cars — in unwavering pursuit of a 1956 Oldsmobile convertible. Instead, he spent his final weeks helping to plan his own memorial service, which will be at 11 a.m. Jan. 4 at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis.

In addition to his wife, survivors include two children, Michelle Morphew and Nathan Morphew of St. Paul; four stepchildren, Bradley Linzie and Brian Linzie of North Oaks, Valerie Linzie of South St. Paul and Stacy Osborne of Champlin; two brothers, Larry Morphew of Estherville, Iowa, and Nolan Morphew of Nora Springs, Iowa; and four grandchildren.

"He said he wanted the service to reflect that he had faith in a God of second chances," said Rev. Gordon Brants of Central Lutheran. "And he wanted to stress the sense of humanity — that not only are we subject to the forgiveness of God, but we need to forgive one another."

County GOP removes link to Islam Web site after complaint

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP)—The Guilford County Republican Party revised its Web site Friday to remove a link to a site about Islam that a civil-rights group said misrepresented the Muslim world.

County party chairman Marcus Kindley said he also sent an apology to the Council on American-Islamic Relations, which had condemned the site. The council said the GOP link amounted to party approval.

"We apologize for the link to this Web site and have instituted safeguards against links to such sites in the future," according to a message posted Friday on the GOP site. "There is no room for hate in our society."

The link went to IslamExposed.com, which says it was set up "with one objective in mind — to expose one of the

greatest evils on our planet — Islam. We have the evidence and materials to prove that this false religion is nothing more than a barbaric occult invented by savages for savages."

The GOP earned about the site from a Web-based news service called WorldNetDaily, Kindley said. He said the party will begin thoroughly researching sites before linking to them. Linking to IslamExposed.com was "something that slipped through the cracks," Kindley said. "What we're trying to do educate people on the radical side of (Islam) and not to condemn" the entire religion, he said. The link was put on the Republican site in the fall with a disclaimer that said the party hadn't fully researched the Islam site and didn't endorse its opinions.

Peayote

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substance, and in most instances a person caught with more than 4 ounces faces the possibility of a 20-year prison sentence.

But during the last century, peyote's use in religious rites spread among Indians throughout the United States, including the upper Midwest. Congress recognized this sacramental use of peyote eight years ago by amending the American Indian Religious Freedom Act of 1978 to protect the practice in all 50 states. Fowler's attorney,

Thomas Myers of Michigan Indian Legal Services, said the case was about ensuring that "rights guaranteed to Native Americans by treaty or statute are secured, and I think that would include constitutional rights."

About 300,000 Indians belong to the Native American Church of North America, the nation's largest church for Indigenous peoples. Some members of these types of congregations do not believe children should take the substance.

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Preachers bring sermons back to earth

By Caryl Murphy
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — When the Rev. Wallace Charles Smith graduated from seminary in the mid-1970s, he took pains to fashion sermons that were "theologically correct." But when he climbs into his pulpit at Shiloh Baptist Church in Northwest Washington, D.C., these days, his preaching has a very different goal.

"Now I know that people don't give a hang about that," Smith said. "They want to hear biblical stories told in fresh, imaginative ways and applied to their own experience. People are concerned about paying their mortgages, about whether we're going to war or not, about families breaking up, about taxes. For preaching to be effective, it's got to move in that orbit. What a good sermon has to do is meet a human need."

Good preaching, religious scholars and pastors say, is more vital than ever as Americans, no longer inclined to stay moored for life to one denomination, explore a diverse and competitive spiritual marketplace in search of a meaningful experience.

And yet, these experts say, too many sermons do not meet the standard Smith describes. Lacking an overarching theme or dwelling on obscure biblical information, many sermons leave listeners uninspired, impatient and bored.

"A lot of times, sermons are answering questions that nobody is asking," said Smith, recalling how the legendary Protestant preacher Harry Emerson Fosdick once said that in all his years in pastoring, he had yet to see any place come to church on Sunday passionately concerned about what happened to the Jebucites."

Increasingly, however, pastors are getting help from such books, Web sites and workshops — some of them sponsored by mainline denominations and seminaries — to improve the caliber of their preaching. Most of these resources stress that good sermons link the best of the biblical text to people's daily experiences and challenge listeners to put their faith into action. Good sermons use contemporary cultural references to keep people's

attention. Above all, they leave people feeling that they have witnessed something that came from the preacher's own spiritual life.

Effective preaching requires personal disclosure by the preacher, said the Rev. Pierre Klemmt, rector of Alexandria, Va.'s Christ Church. "I'm not talking about Jimmy Swaggart open-your-heart-and-confess-your-sins-type preaching,"

Klemmt explained. "... But good preaching is being vulnerable to your community. If they don't sense that you struggle with the same things they struggle with, then they're not going to give you the ears to hear."

Some preachers, out of fear of offending the congregation, avoid taking strong moral or political stands. And several pastors say too many of their colleagues have a misguided belief

that sermons are primarily for enhancing their listeners' spiritual self-esteem.

The Rev. Charles L. Wildman, pastor of Rock Spring Congregational United Church of Christ in Arlington, Va., said he avoids Web sites and other published preaching aids because that means "you don't do your own struggle and you end up preaching canned material."



The Rev. Charles L. Wildman, left, an Arlington, Va., pastor, greets congregant Lambert Irons. Good preaching, religious scholars and pastors say, is more vital than ever as Americans explore a competitive spiritual marketplace in search of a meaningful experience.

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By Steven Ray
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Planes are crashing. Buildings are crumbling. Ships are sinking, brains derailling, houses burning. On city streets, people plaster makeshift posters of missing loved ones — so many children, so many parents — hoping that they are not dead. And in New York, at an emergency session of the Security Council beseeches the Secretary General to assume the mantle of leader for the terror-stricken globe.

"You're the one man the entire world would accept," pleads the head of the World Monetary Fund. And, with humility and reluctance, Nicolas Cage, with a smooth cookie with a Slavic accent, promises to end the chaos by, among other things, eliminating all "racial, political... and religious differences."

And so, Nicolas, a.k.a. the Antichrist, begins the seven-year reign prophesied in the Book of Revelation. Which is how "Left Behind II: Tribulation Force" sequel to the 2000 movie and best-selling video that depicted the catastrophic disappearance of 40 million people in a modern-day interpretation of the biblical Rapture gets started.

"Left Behind II," with Kirk Cameron again starring as an intrepid TV reporter ready to do battle with the forces of Evil, is already a phenomenon, like its predecessor and the other quiet successes of the burgeoning evangelical Christian entertainment market. Released on DVD and video two months ago, the low-budget "Left Behind II" earned the charts in the blockbuster company of the "Spider-Man" and "Black Hawk Down" home releases.

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In December 1931, Oswald Jacoby, who was born 100 years ago, made headlines as the enfant terrible of the celebrated Culbertson-Lanz match, an event to be marked around the country at bridge clubs in two weeks' time. Jacoby withdrew from the match after a falling-out with his partner, the veteran Sidney Levy.

Jacoby was my first mentor at the table. He has left lasting contributions to bridge theory, including weak jump overcalls, transfer bids and the two-no-trump response to a major suit to show a strong hand with a fit for the major. His last national title was the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams in 1983, a valiant effort when he was dying of cancer. It was a remarkable climax to a 55-year career in the game.

Jacoby's bridge was all play and defense and legion. On the diagrammed deal he sat West, defending three no-trump.

North-South would have had no trouble in four hearts; in fact, it would have made an overtrick. However, the no-trump game was more problematic. When the spade jack was led, South had to hold up his ace: Winning would have permitted the defense to take the heart ace and four spade tricks. Now Jacoby produced a devastating move. He found that his best chance was to find his partner with the diamond king and shifted to the queen of that suit. With North's diamond entry destroyed, South could no longer utilize dummy's hearts and failed by two tricks in three no-trump.

In the replay Jacoby's teammates, Cottler and Theodore Lightner, made two overtricks in the same contract on repeated spade leads.

NORTH 12 28 A
 ♠ 10
 ♣ K Q J 9 8 3
 ♦ A J 7
 ♠ 5 4

WEST ♠ J 3
 ♥ A 10 5
 ♦ Q 8 7
 ♠ 9 7 3 2

EAST ♠ K Q 9 8 2
 ♥ 6 4 2
 ♦ K 9 3
 ♠ 9 6

SOUTH ♠ A 7 6 5 4
 ♥ 7
 ♦ 10 5 2
 ♠ K J 10

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: North

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♥ 1♥ 1♠
 3NT Pass 2♥ Pass

Opening lead: Spade jack

BID WITH THE ACES

12 28 II
 South holds: ♠ K Q 9 8 2
 ♥ 6 4 2
 ♦ K 9 3
 ♠ Q 6

South West North East
 1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass
 3NT Pass 2♠ Pass

ANSWER: Bid three diamonds. This shows an invitational hand, and although you have only three trumps, your partner has promised 5-4 in the minors. Accordingly, your fitting minor cards make this the right call.

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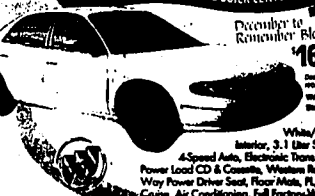


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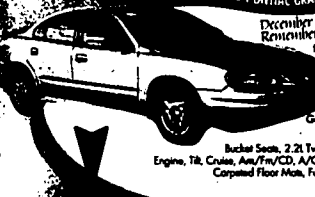
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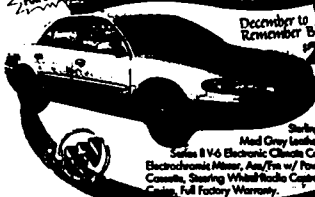


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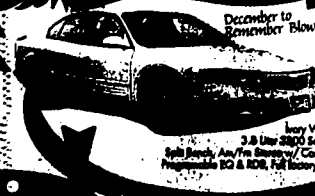
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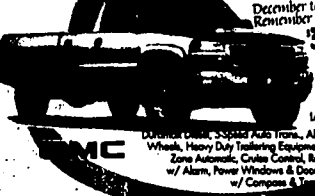


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