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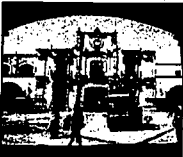
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Plane was under review

Eight Cessna Caravan crashes since 2001 have killed 37 people

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY—The type of plane that crashed when high snow was falling in Idaho earlier this week, killing two men, is under review by U.S. and Canadian authorities for its vulnerability to accumulate ice on its wings, The Salt Lake Tribune reported Friday.

The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board and Canada's Transportation Safety Board are investigating eight

separate accidents involving the Cessna Caravan since 2001 that have killed 37 people, the newspaper reported.

In each case, the Caravan, also known as the Cessna 200B, lost airspeed and crashed in weather conditions known to cause icing, according to the NTSB. A safety recommendation letter is expected to be released next week, said NTSB spokesman Paul Swan.

Pilot Fred Villanueva, 60, of Farmington, Utah, and co-

worker Raymond Ingram, 32, of Salmon, died Monday morning when their Cessna 200B crashed south of Bellevue.

NTSB investigators were on the scene of the crash this week investigating the cause.

A preliminary report, expected to be released soon, will not conclusively link the crash to ice buildup on the wings, said Debra Eckrote, an NTSB spokeswoman.

Icing conditions were reported at the time of the crash, Eckrote said.

The National Weather Service reported clouds, light snow and temperatures in the low 20s at the Salmon airport Monday morning.

Cessna spokeswoman Jessica Myers called the crash "tragic," but said she couldn't comment while it was under investigation.

The plane was purchased new in 2001, said Salmon Air president JoAnn Wolters. It was the first plane the Idaho-based company purchased new and was its only Caravan.

Salmon Air is a passenger and cargo service that operates its 11-plane fleet in Idaho and Utah.

"We are just a mom-and-pop operation that has grown up over 24 years," Wolters said. "This has been a blow to the great people that work with us."

Jurors retire without verdict

Deliberations in shooting trial will reconvene Monday

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

HAILEY—Jurors deciding the case of David Leroy Santistevan will reconvene Monday to continue deliberations.

After nearly five hours of discussion Friday afternoon, jurors told 5th District Judge Robert Elgert they needed more time to think about the case.

Santistevan, 47, of Bellevue, faces two counts of attempted second-degree murder in connection with the shooting of Bellevue teens John Marshall Hooten and Tyrel Peck last March.

The day began with prosecutors rebuttal to the defense's assertion Thursday that there may have been more than three shots fired the night in question, Santistevan testified that he fired warning shots at the teens before bullets hit Peck and Hooten.

Three Bellevue residents who live near the scene of the incident testified Friday they were certain they heard only three shots.

During closing arguments, Blaine County Prosecutor Jim Thomas called the shooting "a senseless act of violence," adding that the defendant is a man who sees himself as a victim of society.

"Did Marshall's actions justify the fury unleashed on him by the defendant? There is no reasonable justification for what this defendant did," Thomas said.

Keith Roark delivered the defense's closing arguments.

"Those of us who live out here east of Eden are flawed, imperfect humans," Roark said. "The world is not black and white. The world is not populated by heroes and villains, but by people who have emotions—people who are often unable to be rational."

And despite the severe injuries suffered by the teens—Hooten is in a wheelchair after nearly dying—Roark said it wasn't his client who went looking for a confrontation; he reacted to a threat posed by the aggressors.

"I'm kind of a sentimental old fool anyway," Roark said. "Marshall's testimony moved me."

But that testimony, and Hooten's injuries, should have no bearing on jurors' judgment of what happened during the confrontation, Roark said, and what he had to do to defend himself, Roark said.

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Richfield students explore sea



Richfield School eighth-grader Michael Henson listens to a teleconference between his class, 10 other classrooms around the United States and the research vessel Atlantis Friday. The school was chosen to interact with a University of Delaware project, Extreme 2004: Exploring the Deep Frontier, on a 21-day mission to explore the Pacific Ocean's depths.

Eighth-graders link up with research vessel

By Lorraine Caveron Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD—Students at Richfield School went on an ocean voyage Friday—via telephone.

The school—the only one in Idaho to participate—was connected to the 274-foot research vessel Atlantis from Mazatlan, Mexico, on a conference call, along with a number of schools throughout the United States.

The eighth-grade Earth science classes as well as junior and senior chemistry classes and the junior advanced biology class participated in the event, which was called Extreme 2004: Exploring the Deep Frontier.

"I want you to see what's available, and that you can be a

part of this kind of research," said science teacher Lisa Love. "The world is wide open."

The expedition—which began Nov. 30—is being led by University of Delaware marine biologist Craig Cary. During the 21-day mission exploring the ocean's depths 1,200 miles west of Costa Rica, the scientists will board the submersible Alvin and plummet to one of the most demanding environments on Earth—super-hot hydrothermal vents more than a mile deep on the seafloor.

Earth is 70 percent covered with seawater to a depth of about 1,000 meters, Cary said. "It's one of the last great frontiers, and we have visited less than 5 percent of that area," he said.

The unusual creatures that



A Web site has been set up so that students and others interested can follow the project.

Inhabit this terrain include various bacteria, tube worms, and the Pompeii worm—one of the most heat-tolerant animals on the planet. The creature lives

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New digital calorie counters can measure meals on the go

The Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif.—It may soon no longer be considered quite so gauche, in the midst of a restaurant meal, to reach into one's pocket or purse for a cell phone.

Not if tracking calories is the goal. The most popular dieting brands are now weighing in with calorie counters and nutritional guides designed for personal digital assistants and combination PDA-mobile phones.

Just in time for the season of bountiful temptation, Weight Watchers International Inc. released this week a program for Palm-based gadgets that works hand-in-hand with the company's online services. It helps record a dieting disciple's progress, eliminating the need for carrying a weekly logbook and shrinks the 25,000-

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item food database that normally fits into a two-inch-thick reference book into a pocketable gizmo. Devotees of Atkins Please see CALORIE, Page A2

U.S. funds aided groups that joined opposition in Ukraine

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON—The Bush administration has spent more than \$65 million in the past two years to aid political organizations in Ukraine, paying to bring opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko to meet U.S. leaders and helping to underwrite exit polls indicating he won last month's disputed runoff election.

U.S. officials say the activities don't amount to interference in Ukraine's election, as Russian President Vladimir Putin alleges, but are part of the \$1 billion the State Department spends each year trying to build democracy worldwide.

No U.S. money was sent directly to Ukrainian political parties, the officials say, in most cases, it was funneled through organizations like the Eurasia Foundation or through groups aligned with Republicans and Democrats that organized election training with human rights

Candidate alleges poisoning.

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forums or with independent news outlets.

But officials acknowledge some of the money helped train groups and individuals opposed to the Russian-backed government candidate—people who now call themselves part of the Orange revolution.

For example, one group that got grants through U.S.-funded foundations is the Center for Political and Legal Reforms, whose Web site has a link to Yushchenko's home page under the heading "partners." Another group funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development brought a Center for Political and Legal Reforms official to Washington last year for a three-week training session on political advocacy.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy with rain and snow showers... Tonight: Mostly cloudy with rain... Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with rain.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Includes icons for weather conditions and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

Table listing weather for various locations like Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

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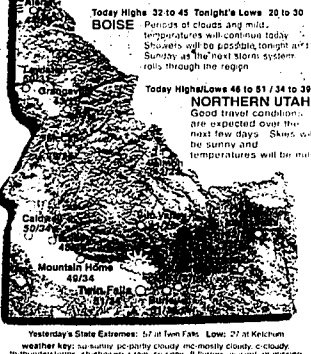
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REGIONAL FORECAST

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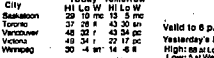
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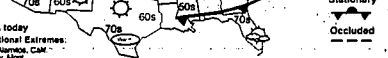
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Trial

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Roark also tried to make more of the defense's own testimony that he did not call police or report to anyone that he shot two people.

"If what he did was reasonable, it matters not one whit what he did after leaving that alleyway," Roark said.

And if he intended to kill Hooten, Roark asked, why did he leave him on the ground when he was clearly not dead?

In a nod to the speaking skills possessed by Roark, Justin Whatecot, Blaine County deputy prosecutor, told jurors they needed to focus on the evidence.

"Even Mr. Roark, with his great oratory skills, cannot change the facts, or that you, the members of our community, decide what happened that night," Whatecot said.

"How can you claim self-defense if you shot someone in the back?" he added, speaking of Peck's injury.

After closing arguments, Judge Edge told jurors Friday morning that it was the state's burden to prove the crime beyond a reasonable doubt.

In order to find the defendant guilty, jurors must determine that Santestevan "did some act which was a step toward causing the death of John Marshall Hooten (and Tyrel Peck)," the judge said, with malice and forethought, and that Santestevan intended to cause their deaths.

The judge also told jurors that mental illness is not a defense to any criminal act.

Thursday, a defense witness, psychiatrist Dr. Richard Worst, said Santestevan suffered from acute stress disorder, making him incapable of rational decision-making.

Worst added that the defendant probably didn't have the ability to form an intent to kill.

In order for a guilty verdict to be rendered in an attempted murder charge, prosecutors must prove intent. Without it, Santestevan cannot be found guilty of the charge.

However, if jurors do not think Santestevan had intent, they have the option of finding him guilty of the lesser included offense of aggravated battery, Thomas said.

Both crimes have a maximum punishment of 15 years in prison.

Jurors will also decide, if they find Santestevan guilty, whether the defendant should face a breath enhancement for his crime. Such an enhancement would add another 15 years to the sentence.

If Santestevan is found guilty of a crime, a judge will decide his sentence. If a judge gives Santestevan the maximum penalties for all charges and orders them to run consecutively, Santestevan could face 45 years in prison.

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Calorie

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Nutritionals Inc. will have to wait a little longer. The company says it will begin offering early next year Atkins 2Go, a carbohydrate guide and weight-loss tracker for cell phones along with mobile software developer Digital Postcard Inc.

The mobile version for Palm-based PDAs, developed by NoviMedia, is expected to debut in January.

Other diet purveyors, including the South Beach diet, hope to offer similar nutritional guides and weight-tracking services for mobile devices soon.

"We think of it as a global positioning system for dieting without long journeys," said Scott Parlec, director of product development at WeightWatchers.com.

"They can check how many points they've earned on the spot, whether at the gym or at a restaurant. It allows them to stay on course."

Mike Brezonick now has breakfast, lunch and dinner with his digital handheld every day.

His no-nonsense, 48-year-old magazine editor is married, has friendly co-workers, travels often on business and works out regularly at the gym.

That right now is his steady meal company hunter, the Weight Watchers On-the-Go. He started using an early test version of the mobile program in June after complaining that he needed easy access to all the food-point and restaurant data and tracking requirements.

It's helped Brezonick decide on pasta primavera over meat entrees. When traveling abroad, his reduced nutritional guesswork or excuses for veering off plan.

"Knowledge is power, and no matter where I am now, I can find out whether what I think is healthy to eat is bad, or whether what looks bad to eat is actually good," said Brezonick of Elm Grove, Wis.

Without it, he wouldn't have been able to lose 59 pounds in 10 months, said the trimmer, 167-pound Brezonick.

Maintaining a regimen is hard enough as it is.

Thousands of the more tech-savvy long ago turned to handhelds for help. Mobile applications already on the market can keep track of your fat intake, gauge how many calories you just burned or chart the proximity to your target weight.

Bush's homeland security choice withdraws his name

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a surprise move, former New York Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik abruptly withdrew his nomination as President Bush's choice to be homeland security secretary Friday night, saying questions have arisen about the immigration status of a housekeeper and nanny he employed.

Kerik's decision caught the White House off guard and sent Bush in search of a new candidate to run the sprawling bureaucracy of more than 180,000 employees merged together, from 22 disparate federal agencies in 2003 to guard the nation against terrorist attacks.

Kerik's nomination had been widely praised by Democrats and Republicans alike. A former military man, he became widely known for his role in helping direct the emergency response to the Sept. 11 terrorist strikes against the Twin Towers.

Kerik informed Bush of his decision to withdraw in a telephone call at 8:30 p.m. EST. "I am convinced that, for personal reasons, moving forward would not be in the best interests of your administration, the Department of Homeland Security or the American people," Kerik said in a letter to the president.

The White House said Bush accepted Kerik's decision. Kerik is not the first prominent official to fall victim to the "nanny problem." Similar issues killed the nomination hopes of three candidates for top administration posts in the Clinton administration.

One administration official helping prepare Kerik for Senate confirmation, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Kerik's unexpected decision shocked senior leaders at the Homeland Security Department. This official said Kerik still had not filled out all his ethics filings and said the FBI background investigation of Kerik was incomplete.

But the only moderately troubling information uncovered about Kerik so far had been news that Kerik had earned \$2.2 million by exercising stock options he received from Taser International, which did lucrative business with the Homeland Security Department, this official said.

Army moves to boost armored Humvee production

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - The Army moved Friday to boost production of armored Humvees for American troops in Iraq by 100 a month, abandoning recent assertions by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld that soldiers could not be equipped with safer vehicles because Pentagon officials could not procure them any faster.

Steps to increase production came two days after Rumsfeld bluntly told troops being sent to combat that assembly lines installing armor on the vehicles were already operating at maximum capacity.

The developments could further embarrass the Bush administration, which has struggled for more than a year to provide equipment to protect U.S. troops from a deadly Iraqi insurgency that war planners failed to anticipate.

Pentagon officials confirmed that the Army had entered negotiations to secure more armored Humvees but they did not explain why officials didn't realize before Friday that production could be increased.

Meeting with troops in Kuwait on Wednesday, Rumsfeld was asked by a Tennessee National Guard member why troops were forced to rummage through scrap yards to find metal to protect their vehicles.

Guam, as well as Canada, Iran, Mexico, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and Uzbekistan.

Students and the public can log on to the expedition Web site at www.ocean.edu/education/2004/ as the scientists' latest discoveries via video clips, photos, interviews, and journals that will be relayed daily back to shore.

Piper asked, "The submersible does not use fuel but runs on electricity generated with batteries, answered an engineer about the sub thousands of miles away.

After questions were answered about work on the submersible, Richfield students discussed the project.

Miranda Hall said she was very interested in marine biology and it was possible that she would study it in the future.

"Ryley Palmer had another moment when he was interested in the expedition."

"I want to drive the boat," he said.

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As certification nears, doubts linger about integrity of election

The Associated Press

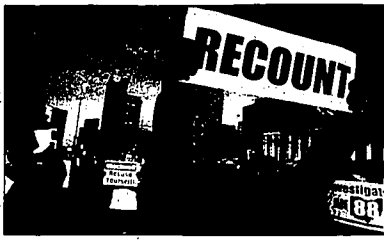
As the Electoral College prepares to elect President Bush's reelection, on Monday, concerns persist about the integrity of the nation's voting system — particularly in Ohio, where details continue to emerge of technology failures, voter confusion and overcrowded polling stations in minority and poor neighborhoods.

Even mainstream politicians dispute Bush's victory, as the incumbent's 3.5-million-vote margin nationwide was wider than any of the reported problems, which included insufficient or incomplete provisional ballots and, in some places, brazen partisan shenanigans.

But that is not stopping a disparate assortment of personalities — prominent among them Democratic congressman John Conaway Jr. of Michigan, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and presidential candidates of the Green and Libertarian parties — from questioning the accuracy of certified results and demanding investigations.

Of greatest concern is the extent of disenfranchisement in the critical swing state of Ohio, whose 20 electoral votes guaranteed Bush's victory.

"It's critical that we investigate and understand any and every voting irregularity anywhere in our country, not because it would change the



Melissa Hedden holds a sign during a rally to draw attention to irregularities and possible fraud in the way elections officials counted the votes that gave President Bush a slim victory, at the Statehouse in Columbus, Ohio, on Dec. 4.

outcome of the election but because Americans have to believe that their votes are counted in our democracy." John Kerry said this week, after calling for a statewide recount in Ohio.

The nation's voting system, despite improvements since the 2000 Florida fiasco, remains a locally administered patchwork whose lack of national uniformity distinguishes the United States from many other democracies.

Although most complaints have come from Democrats and the third-party candidates, Republicans and bipartisan groups acknowledge problems.

The Government Accountability Office is investigating election problems. Rep. Bob Ney, R-Ohio and chairman of the House Administration Committee, will oversee an inquiry next year.

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission, created in 2002, is also scrutinizing the outcome. It plans to publish in January the government's first report on the voting, which will serve as the basis for congressional recommendations and reforms.

"We definitely did not have a glitch-free election," said EAC chairman DeForest Soaries Jr., a Bush appointee.

Bush names 'problem solver' to Cabinet

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush picked a new energy secretary, Friday and dubbed him "a problem solver" — a talent Samuel W. Bodman will need as he deals with high oil prices, nuclear waste and a Congress unwilling to pass the president's long-term energy plan.



Samuel Bodman

The announcement filled one of the last two vacancies in Bush's second-term Cabinet, leaving only the secretary of health and human services. Bush is replacing nine of his 15 Cabinet members.

The selection of Bodman came as a surprise to most in the energy field and to many in Congress, but it was widely applauded.

Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee that will consider Bodman's

nomination, predicted a "swift and smooth" confirmation. Over the past four years, Bodman, 66, has been the No. 2 official at the Commerce Department and, more recently, the Treasury Department. He replaces Spencer Abraham, the former Michigan senator. Bodman is a former president of Fidelity Investments and the former chairman and chief executive officer of Cabot Corp., a chemicals and specialty materials company. He has degrees in chemical engineering and taught at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In 2001 he joined the Bush administration as the deputy secretary at Commerce, and a year ago he moved over to the Treasury Department with the same title. Outgoing Commerce Secretary Don Evans, a longtime Bush friend, recommended him strongly for the energy job.

Bush praised Bodman's management skills and noted his scientific background. "In academics, in business and in government Sam Bodman has shown himself to be a problem solver who knows how to set goals and he knows how to reach them," said Bush.

One of Bodman's major challenges will be to sell Congress on Bush's energy priorities, including one of the president's longtime goals of opening the Arctic wildlife refuge in Alaska to oil drilling.

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NATION

U.S. commercial plane lands in Vietnam

It's the first time since end of war

HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam (AP) — A U.S. passenger jet landed in Vietnam on Friday, the first since the Vietnam War ended nearly 30 years ago.

United Airlines Flight 869, from San Francisco, arrived in Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon, at shortly after 10:00 p.m. Friday (6 a.m. MST).

The flight — carrying 260 people, including some Vietnamese who fled their country after the war — was first U.S. commercial plane to touch down at Tan Son Nhut International Airport, serving the wartime capital of South Vietnam left to the communists in 1975.

VNs emerging from the blue and white plane were greeted by Vietnamese women wearing traditional white tunics or ao dais, and holding lotus blossoms and silk lanterns.

U.S.-Vietnam relations have improved considerably in recent years. The two countries established diplomatic ties in 1995, and in 2001 they signed a landmark trade agreement, followed by an aviation pact



Vietnamese women prepare to welcome passengers of United Airlines Flight 869, which on Friday became the first U.S. commercial plane to touch down in Ho Chi Minh City since the Vietnam War ended nearly 30 years ago.

last year. In November 2003, the first U.S. Navy ship since the Vietnam War docked on the Saigon River.

Among the flight's passengers was 62-year-old Vietnamese-American Bernard Lang, who said he left on the last military flight out of Saigon when it fell on April 30, 1975. "I love it. I wanted to be on

the first flight because of history," said Lang, of Falls Church, Va. "We should do whatever we can to better relations with Vietnam."

Also aboard were American actor David Hasselhoff and his wife, Pamela, who celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on the flight. The trip was "really about bringing the world back together through people,"

he said. "There was a big buzz on the plane."
Hasselhoff was bringing 36 wheelchairs to Vietnam from a U.S.-based charity.

Another passenger was Van Trinh, 48, one of the tens of thousands of Vietnamese who fled the country in boats after the war.

"I'm excited to see Vietnam now because 30 years is too long," she said before boarding the Boeing 747-400.

United Airlines, which filed for bankruptcy two years ago, is betting the daily flight to Vietnam will be a big moneymaker — some 1 million ethnic Vietnamese live in the United States, the largest population outside Vietnam, and many visit their homeland every year.

The country is also a popular destination with American veterans who want to see how it has changed.

"We think it's very important market, both from the economic as well as tourist standpoint," said Martin White, United Airlines' senior vice president of marketing. "We're very proud to be the first U.S. carrier to come in here in nearly 30 years."

Use of terror watch lists expands to cruise ships

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anyone who works at an airport or aboard a cruise ship will have his identity checked against government watch lists, just like commercial airline passengers.

The change, included in the intelligence bill passed by Congress this week, means hundreds of thousands of additional names will be compared with those on two lists — one for people suspected of terrorism, the other for people the government says require additional scrutiny for some other reason.

Cruise passengers, but not crews, already are checked against the lists within 15 minutes of a ship's departure. Once President Bush signs the bill into law, it will require passengers and crews to be checked before the ship sets sail. The procedures must start within six months after the bill becomes law.

Supporters say the changes add another layer of security for the traveling public, but critics of the lists contend they provide greater opportunity for innocent people to be mistakenly banned.

The lists are wrapped in secrecy. The government doesn't disclose criteria for placing people on them, how many

names are listed or any of the identities.

In a number of well-publicized incidents, people with names similar to others on the lists were stopped from boarding planes. One that happened to is Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

"To expand the use of something that's already so error-prone is shocking," said Marcia Iloffmann, attorney for the Electronic Privacy Information Center, a Washington-based advocacy group.

There's no formal procedure for people to correct misinformation that caused their names to be added to the lists. The intelligence bill orders the Homeland Security Department to establish procedures for names to be removed as well as added.

The bill also requires the newly created Director of National Intelligence to set standards for placing people on the list and to report those criteria to Congress.

Tim Edgar, an American Civil Liberties Union lawyer, is skeptical.

"The government is more effective and efficient at getting people on the watch list than off it," he said.

Ex-financier Frankel sentenced to 16 years in prison for fraud

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Former financier Martin Frankel will receive a lifetime after bilking seven insurance companies out of more than \$200 million, was sentenced to more than 16 years in prison Friday.

Frankel, 50, had pleaded guilty to 23 federal charges of fraud and racketeering. He admitted plotting to loot seven insurance companies in Arkansas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Missouri and Tennessee that mostly sold funeral policies to the poor.

He had faced more than 20 years. U.S. District Judge Ellen

Burns sentenced him to 16 years and eight months.

— In a rambling more than 45-minute speech to the court, Frankel quoted from the Bible, and St. Patrick and alternated between apologies and justifications.

"Everybody looks at me as if I'm a devil genius," Frankel told the judge.

He apologized for the scheme but said he began stealing to help his girlfriend's children, who he said were being abused.

When Burns questioned why Frankel needed \$200 million to help the children, Frankel said things got out of hand.

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Cleric with links to Iran leads candidate list in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)—A cleric with links to Iran leads the candidate list of a powerful coalition of Iraq's mainstream Shiite Muslim groups for next month's election, an aide said Friday. The list also includes former Pentagon favorite Ahmad Chalabi and some followers of radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

Abdel-Aziz al-Hakim—the head of Iraq's largest Shiite party, the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution—would stand to take a central position in the assembly that will create Iraq's next government and constitution, if

the coalition takes most of the parliament seats in the Jan. 30 vote.

Backed by Iraq's top Shiite cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, the coalition—called the United Iraqi Alliance—hopes to draw the bulk of the vote from Iraq's Shiite majority. U.S.-backed interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, also a Shiite, has not joined the group and is planning up his own candidate list.

The coalition's framework, which has not been finished, will include a call for working toward the withdrawal of U.S.

and other foreign troops in Iraq, members said.

"There must be a timetable for this," said Hussein al-Mousawi, an official of the Shiite Political Council, an umbrella group that has some parties represented in the alliance.

For now, troops are arriving in greater numbers, part of a U.S. plan to bolster security ahead of elections. In the southern city of Basra, Iraqi security officials reported that American soldiers ordered to Iraq had crossed the border with Kuwait on Friday.

A U.S. military spokesman in Baghdad declined to comment on the reported troop movement, citing security concerns. There are about 130,000 U.S. troops in Iraq, Washington announced the 12,000-troop increase last week, which will bring the U.S. military force to the highest level of the war, including the initial invasion in March 2003.

A U.S. helicopter crashed into another chopper on the ground Thursday night, killing two soldiers and wounding four others from Task Force Olympia, based in the northern city of

Mosul, the military said. The AH-64 Apache struck the UH-60 Black Hawk. Lt. Col. Paul Justings said, adding that the accident is under investigation.

Also Thursday, a U.S. Marine was killed in action in volatile Anbar province west of Baghdad, a region insurgents targeted. Iraqi National Guard patrols in separate roadside bomb attacks Friday in Tikrit and Baquba, wounding nine Iraqi soldiers, U.S. military spokesman Maj. Neal O'Brien said.

Military hears more complaints

By Tom Raux
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON—Soldiers always gripe. But confronting the defense secretary, filing a lawsuit over extended tours and refusing to go on a mission because it's too dangerous elevate complaining to a new level.

It also could mean a deeper problem for the Pentagon: a lessening of faith in the Iraq mission and in a volunteer army that soldiers can't leave.

The hubbub over an exchange between Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and soldiers in Kuwait has given fresh ammunition to critics of the Bush administration's Iraq policy.

It also highlighted growing morale and motivation problems in the Iraq theater.

Analysis
The 21-month-old war that even some administration supporters say must be addressed to get a slippery slope that could eventually lead to breakdowns reminiscent of the Vietnam War.

For thousands of years, soldiers have grumbled about everything from their commanders to their equipment to shelter and food. But challenging a defense secretary to his face is rare. So is suing the military to keep from being sent back to a combat zone.

"We are seeing some unprecedented things. The real fear is that these could be tips of a larger iceberg," said B.J. Crowley, a retired colonel who served as a Pentagon spokesman in both Republican and Democratic administrations and was a White House national security aide in the Clinton administration.

The real issue is not any one of these things individually. It's what the broader impact will be on our re-enlistment rates and our retention," Crowley said.

Several Iraq-bound soldiers confronted Rumsfeld on Wednesday at a base in Kuwait about a lack of armor for their Humvees and other vehicles, about second-hand equipment and about a policy keeping many in Iraq far beyond enlistment contracts. Their pointed questions were cheered by others in the group.

The episode—the questions and Rumsfeld's evasive responses—were captured by television cameras and widely reported—did not raise new issues. Complaints—about— inadequate protection against insurgents' roadside bombs and failed duty extensions have been sounded for months. But not so vividly.

President Bush and Rumsfeld offered assurances that the issues of armor and equipment were being dealt with, and that their unspoken expression of concerns by soldiers was welcome.

"I'd want to ask the defense secretary the same question," Bush said, if he said were a soldier in overseas combat. "They deserve the best," he added.

The display of brazenness in Kuwait came just two days after eight U.S. soldiers in Kuwait and Iraq filed a lawsuit challenging the military's "stop loss" policy, which allows the extension of active-duty deployments during times of war or national emergencies.

In October, up to 18 soldiers from a unit based in South Carolina refused orders to drive unarmed trucks on a fuel supply mission along attack-prone roads near Baghdad, contending it was too dangerous. The Pentagon is still investigating the incident.

"Tensions obviously are rising," said Anthony Cordesman, a military analyst at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

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Officials urge stockpiling vaccines

Health ministers brace for possible bioterrorism attack

PARIS (AP) — Mindful of the threat of a biological attack by terrorists, health ministers from developed countries joined forces Friday to press for the creation of a rapid-reaction center and the stockpiling of smallpox vaccines.

Ministers from the Group of Seven nations, plus Mexico, ended up a two-day conference in Paris, which discussed for the first time the threat of a biological attack.

"The threats to health security on the planetary scale are

more than ever a reality," Health Minister Philippe Douste-Blazy of France told a news conference. "The mission of the broadened G-7 is thus clear: think about the unthinkable."

A plan by Douste-Blazy to create an international task force on bioterrorism in Ottawa, Canada — already home to the G-7's secretariat for health — will be discussed by the ministers next year, he said.

The United States, which helped set up the meeting after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist at-

tacks, will make available 20 million doses of smallpox vaccine to the World Health Organization, according to a joint statement issued at the end of the meeting. France, Germany and Britain are to contribute 11 million more.

WHO estimates its needs 200 million doses of smallpox vaccines for countries that do not have it. The United States has 400 million doses, officials said.

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, who first championed such meetings, also praised the creation of a communications line to keep ministers in contact in the event of bioterrorism or epidemics.

"We have developed a com-

munication system ... in which we can call each other," he said. "We are setting up information rooms in our respective countries so we can communicate, if need be."

Thompson, who bid adieu to the group before he steps down next month, said one of his worries was about a potential outbreak of pandemic flu.

"The flu virus has been around for a long time, and really doesn't get the notoriety, the publicity it deserves," he said, citing WHO estimates that up to 100 million people could die worldwide in the next pandemic outbreak.

"Someday, we are going to have a pandemic flu again, like we did in 1918 with the Spanish flu that killed millions."

Gunman sentenced for attempt to assassinate French president

PARIS (AP) — A French court convicted a man who tried to shoot President Jacques Chirac during a national Bastille Day parade in 2002 and sentenced him Friday to 10 years in prison.

Maxime Brunerie, 27, could have received life imprisonment for the July 14, 2002, assassination attempt on Paris' famed Champs-Élysées, in which he pulled a rifle out of a guitar case and fired a shot before being subdued. He told authorities he conceived the

plot because he wanted to go down in history with a "shocking" act.

Defense lawyers argued that Brunerie has psychological problems and deserved treatment rather than a criminal conviction.

They requested a suspended sentence.

The state attorney general asked requested a sentence of six to eight years, saying Brunerie was in a "borderline" mental state at the time of the attack.

Candidate feels more certain of poisoning

Yushchenko will undergo more tests

Los Angeles Times



Ukrainian presidential contender Viktor Yushchenko, with his face disfigured by illness, speaks to the media on Nov. 19 during a news conference in Kiev.

KIEV, Ukraine — Presidential contender Viktor Yushchenko said Friday he was increasingly certain that he had been poisoned in an effort to assassinate him during the summer, and he temporarily left the campaign trail to spend the weekend at a private clinic in Vienna, Austria, where he will undergo further medical tests.

Yushchenko, widely viewed as a pro-Western democratic reformer, is due to face Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich in a Dec. 26 runoff ordered by the Supreme Court, which ruled their late November runoff invalid due to fraud.

With parliamentary approval Wednesday of electoral law changes designed to prevent cheating, the focus of political energy here has shifted back from street protests to campaign activities. Both men said Friday they were willing to debate each other. But Yushchenko later interrupted his activities to fly to Austria for the tests and treatment.

The opposition leader said at a news conference early Friday that forensic tests concerning the mysterious illness were underway and results might be available soon. "The illness struck him suddenly in September, affecting several internal organs and leaving his face dis-

figure with pockmarks and cysts.

"I don't just believe, but this belief is growing and growing, that what happened to me was an attempt to politically destroy a politician with opposing views," Yushchenko said. "The aim was to kill me."

Yushchenko has raised the poisoning allegation before, and authorities have denied it, with some pro-government politicians ridiculing the idea. Doctors at the clinic have said they have been unable to either prove or rule out the possibility that Yushchenko was poisoned. But in recent days they have stressed that facial symptoms

like his could be caused by dioxin poisoning, and have said this is one possibility under examination.

Nikolai Korpan, the doctor at Vienna's Rudolfinerhaus clinic who oversaw Yushchenko's treatment, told reporters Wednesday that doctors were working on three different poisoning theories, including one involving dioxin.

Yushchenko said that "dozens, even more than 100 persons, were tested for."

"I'm in good physical shape," he added. "I'm on my way to full recovery."

Clinic director Michael Zimpfer said doctors fitted a de-

vice to Yushchenko's back in October to inject painkiller to numb overpowering back pain. Zimpfer said he had then traveled with Yushchenko to Ukraine to ensure that no problems would arise.

Yushchenko no longer needs that device but reportedly is taking other medication.

Speaking at his own news conference in Kiev on Friday Yanukovich accused Yushchenko of seeking to impose the desires of his supporters on the whole country. Yushchenko is strongest in western Ukraine, and Yanukovich is popular in the east, which has a close cultural affinity with Russia and is largely Russian-speaking.

The Yushchenko camp's approach to the Dec. 26 rematch amounts to "all-out totalitarianism on behalf of voters in western Ukraine," Yanukovich charged.



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The bomb, which was hidden on a bicycle, blew out windows, shredded the truck's canvas cover and left bloodstained debris over a wide area of the

market in Quetta, the main city in Baluchistan province, said police chief Rehman Ullah.

The dead included one soldier and 10 vendors and passers-by, senior police official Pervez Bhatti told Pakistan's private Gco television. Several of the 27 injured people were in critical condition, he said.

A little-known group, the Baluchistan National Army, claimed responsibility hours after the blast but said it never wanted to kill civilians. "Our tar-

get was the army truck and the soldiers," said the group's spokesman, Mir Azad Baluch, in a telephone call to a journalist in the city.

Baluch said the group was also behind previous such attacks and warned to "continue to target military personnel until federal government abandon plans to set up news garrisons in Baluchistan, and give people of our province their due share from the resources."

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The youths, who were found to be in Mexico without proper travel or residency documents, were handed over to U.S. consular officials and then taken to Los Angeles, the Interior Department, which oversees migratory issues, said in a press statement.

The statement bore the title: "The Immigration Institute rescues 74 U.S. youths with supposed behavioral problems." U.S. consular authorities were not immediately available for comment on the where-

abouts of the students.

The Interior Department said the schools — which it identified as the "The Mission" school in Ensenada, Baja California, and the "Abundant Life Academy" in the town of Chapala in Jalisco state — were raided because they "did not comply with sanitary regulations."

"It is important to stress that none of the raids involved violence, and the human rights and personal safety of the youths were fully respected," the Interior Department press statement said.

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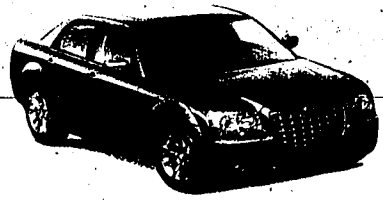
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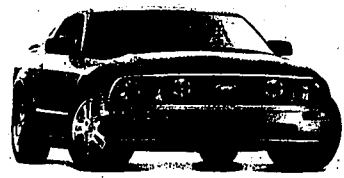


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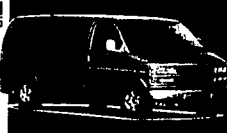
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Saint-Joseph's coach Phil Martelli, after Drexel beat Saint Joseph's 57-49, the Dragons' first win over their cross-town rivals since Dec. 13, 1987, a span of 14 games.

TRIVIA QUESTION:
 The Louisiana Tech women's basketball team fell from the top 25 this week, ending a string of 221 consecutive poll appearances dating to the 1991-92 season. Which team holds the record for appearances and how many weeks has it been ranked?
...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- HS Boys Basketball**
 Hagerman at Oakley, 6 p.m.
 Filer at Glenns Ferry, 6 p.m.
 Castelford at Raltt River, 7:30 p.m.
 Wood River at Bonneville, 1 p.m.
 Valley, Carey, Dietrich at Moutaugh Tournament
 Magic Valley Christian at Idaho City Tournament
HS Girls Basketball
 Glenns Ferry at Filer, 6 p.m.
 Idaho Falls at Twin Falls, 6 p.m.
 Ducto at Burley, 6 p.m.
 Skyline at Wood River, 6 p.m.
 Shoshone at Gooding, 6 p.m.
 Minico at Preston, 6 p.m.
 Valley/Carey/Dietrich at Moutaugh Tournament
HS Wrestling
 Minico at Timberline Invite
 Jerome at La Grande, Ore., 4 p.m.
College Women's Basketball
 CSI at Colorado Northwest, 6:30 p.m. MST
College Men's Basketball
 CSI at North Idaho College, 8:30 p.m. MST

IN BRIEF

Gooding girls hoops team sells fruit
GOODING — The Gooding High School girls basketball teams are currently selling apple and orange holiday gift packs with proceeds going to benefit the girls basketball program.
 There are approximately 20 apples or oranges per gift pack, with four arrangements to choose from: delicious apples, Fuji apples, Fuji and red delicious combination, or oranges.
 The gift packs will be delivered from Dec. 17th through the 19th. For more information, contact Chris Knostock at 934-4831 or 934-5324.

Dietrich boys plan taco/potato feed
DIETRICH — The Dietrich Blue Devils boys basketball team will be hosting a taco/potato bar dinner at the Dietrich-Shoshone girls basketball game on Thursday, Dec. 16 in Dietrich.
 Cost for the dinner will be \$2 per person or \$10 per family with proceeds to benefit the boys basketball program. Dinner will be served from 5 p.m. through 8:30 p.m. with the junior varsity game scheduled for 6 p.m. and varsity at 7:30 p.m.
 Delivery in the Dietrich area will be offered at no additional cost. For more information on delivery, call 308-4218.

TRIVIA ANSWER:
 Tennessee, with 344 consecutive appearances.

Burley standout returns to title game

Jed Thomas is part of Carroll's 1-2 punch

By The Helena (Mont.) Independent Record and The Times-News
HELENA, Mont. — Carroll College running backs Jed Thomas and Ilyan Grosulak are the thunder and lightning that has sparked the defending NAIA champion Saints into today's title game against St. Francis (Ind.).
 It would be easy to envision Grosulak, at 220 pounds, only being able to pick up the tough yards between the tackles in short-yardage situations.
 And area 4A football fans can remember how "Jed" Thomas, at 6-foot-1, 200 pounds, did most of his damage on toss plays and sweeps, gaining yards on the outside.
 Both have proven that they can do it all

NAIA Football Championship
Hardin County, Tenn.
 St. Francis, Ind. (13-0) vs. Carroll, Mont. (11-2), 11 a.m. MST.

this season as they have headed up a Saints running game that has worn down opposing defenses. Returning from injury only last week, the shakker has fallen on tailback Thomas to shoulder the rushing burden.
 "The offensive linemen love to block for guys like Jed and Ilyan because all they need is a crease and they are through there," Carroll College coach Mike Van Diest said in a recent Helena Independent-Record article.
 Thomas has been running through creases and around defenders for most of the season.
 Despite the fact that the pair has divid-



Heyburn's Jed Thomas runs for yardage against Frontier Conference foe Rocky Mountain College earlier this season. Thomas forms part of the defending NAIA champion Carroll College Saints' 1-2 punch in its backfield.

ed up their carries, Thomas has taken over games at times this season. Against Central Washington—Thomas rushed for the winning score against the Division II Wildcats. He took a delay that

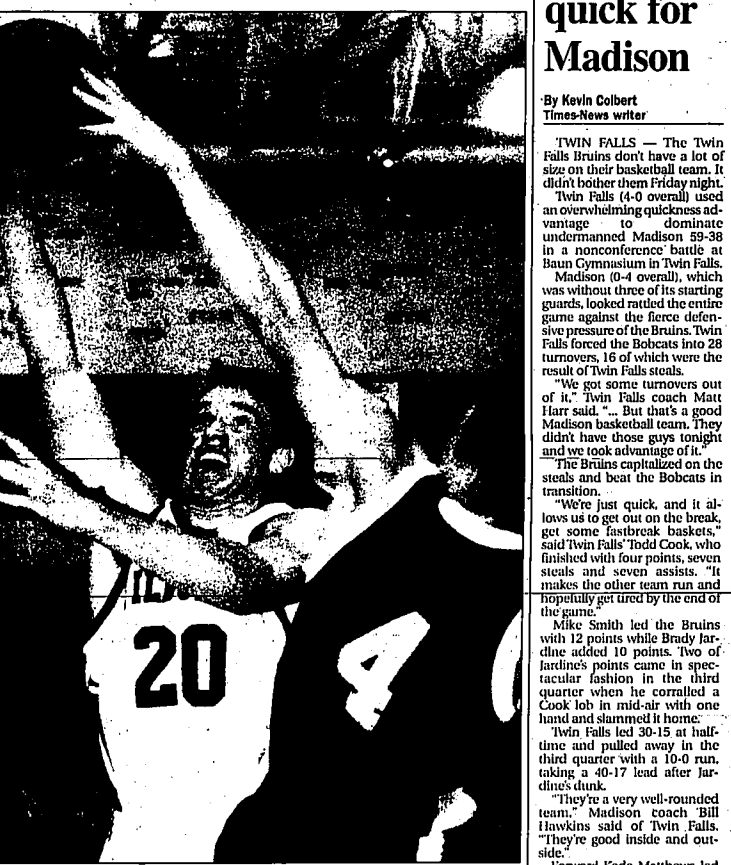
Wendell boys fell Filer in road win

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

FILER — Wendell junior point guard Zac Davis made sure to put his fingerprint all over the Trojans' 50-42 nonconference road win over the Filer Wildcats Friday night at Filer High School.
 Davis epitomized the role of floor leader Friday night, leading all scorers with 17 points — including four 3-pointers — and adding five rebounds, five assists, and five steals. The junior ran the 4-0 Trojans' offense with poise and darted in and out of the Wildcat passing lanes, making life miserable for 2-1 Filer.
 But that's just what Davis does.

"I tell you, we have a great team leader in Zac," Trojans head coach Allen Kelsey said. "I wouldn't trade him in the world for anybody."
 Davis may have been the standout, but it was the entire Wendell defense that wreaked havoc during the game. Filer couldn't find uncontested shots from the perimeter and was forced to try for their points in the paint. Though the Class 3A Wildcats had a size advantage — as evident by their 36-to-32 rebounding advantage — Wendell's defense made life tough even for the Filer bigs.
 "They're really a fine team," Wildcats head coach Loyd Garey said. "They're really quick and it was tough for us to adjust to that. I'm not sure we ever really got adjusted. We figured we matched up against them better inside, but they're so quick that they'd double down or get deflections when we'd try to go inside."
 The Wildcats kept the game close, narrowing the deficit to only five points with 2:38 left in the game after Paul Gerrish took a David Ryan pass and deposited it in the hoop. An ensuing Jared Denton foul put the Wildcats in the bonus and the Trojans on the free-throw stripe. Wendell scored its last six points from the line to clinch the victory.
 "We press some, but our focus now is to play solid half-court defense," Kelsey said. "We have to work pretty hard on the boards because we're not very tall. We don't have that 6-foot-8 post to rely on anymore. Everybody has to chip in a bit."

Junior Matt Myers chipped in 11 points and 8 rebounds for Wendell. The Wildcats were led by Dan Ramseyer's 14 points while Paul Gerrish added eight. The Wildcats head to Glenns Ferry to take on the Pilots Saturday while hosts Hagerman Thursday.

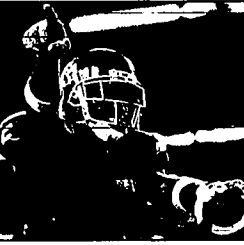


Filer guard Dan Ramseyer, 20, has his shot blocked by Wendell guard Michael Chandler during the second quarter of the Trojans' 50-42 win Friday night.

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USC's Bush starts coming off the bench



Southern California running back Reggie Bush celebrates his touchdown against Virginia Tech during the fourth quarter of their 24-13 win, in this Aug. 28 photo in Landover, Md.

The Associated Press
LOS ANGELES — In some ways, Reggie Bush is the most unlikely Heisman Trophy finalist.
 He doesn't start for No. 1 Southern California, and ranks second on the team in rushing and receiving.
 He's a sophomore, and the previous winners have all been juniors or seniors.
 Finally, he's often been overshadowed by teammate Matt Leinart, also a finalist for the award.
 They'll be joined at Saturday night's ceremony in New York by Oklahoma's Adrian Peterson and Jason White and Utah quarterback Alex Smith. Bush's former high school teammate from near San Diego.
 All that being said, Bush doesn't think of himself as a long shot.
 Please see **BUSH**, Page B4

CSI women try to avoid letdown

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — What looked like an invincible College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team early in the season showed a hint of vulnerability last weekend.
 The second-ranked Golden Eagles remained undefeated at 14-0 while picking up two road victories to open the scenic West Athletic Conference season. But the signs exist that CSI may be ripe for an upset soon, according to head coach Randy Rogers.
 "I think we are because we've had a lot of games this year where we've taken it to some teams, but I don't think they realize what it's like in this league," Rogers said. "All the games, you get in this league

- CSI Men's Leaders**
 Points — Jamal Brown, 18.8
 Rebounds — Mohamed Kone, 8.7
 Assists — Brown, 9.2
- CSI Women's Leaders**
 Points — Sidney Orndoff, 12.0
 Rebounds — Denise Svarova, 7.1
 Assists — Nakeya Isabell, 5.1

and all the teams bring their game up another notch. I think it's easy to forget that it's like when you're 12-0 going into league."
 The Eagles received a harsh reminder of what SWAC play is. Please see **CSI**, Page B4

SPORTS

Valley advances to title game



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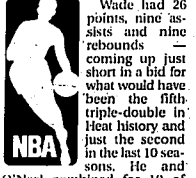
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Wizards knock off Knicks

WASHINGTON — Brendan Haywood atoned for two missed free throws by converting a three-point play off the Wizards' 27th offensive rebound with 7.1 seconds remaining Friday night, giving Washington a 106-104 victory over the New York Knicks.

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Local sports

boys topped Sheridan, Wyo. 47-38 in tournament play on the roads Friday night. Minico had gotten off to a quick start, leading 11-3 after the first quarter, but Sheridan made it a game in the second, scoring 19 to bring it to 26-21 at the half...

Lighthouse Christian 56, Twin Falls Christian Academy 37
LIGHHOUSE CHRISTIAN — The boys basketball team from Lighthouse Christian Academy defeated Twin Falls Christian Academy 56-37 in a game Friday night.

Hagerman 60, Castelford 24
HAGERMAN — Senior guard Shannell Knight had the hot hand with a game-high 21 points as Hagerman defeated Castelford 60-24 in a regular Valley Conference game Friday night.

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Boys basketball American Falls 61, Kimberly 52 0T
AMERICAN FALLS — Kimberly lost to American Falls Friday night in overtime 61-52 as American Falls tossed in a running halfcourt shot at the buzzer to tie the score at 48 at end of regulation.

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LAS VEGAS (AP) — Trevor Brazile of Decatur, Texas, won his third straight world all-around title Friday night in the eighth round of the National Finals Rodeo.

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CSI offers winter baseball camp

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho will be holding its 22nd annual southern Idaho baseball camp...

Baseball, softball programs sell fruit today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School baseball and softball teams are selling oranges and grapefruit for their annual fruit sale fund-raiser...

Utah State and 5 p.m.

LOGAN, Utah — Brent Guy was hired to coach Utah State on Friday after spending the last four seasons as an assistant with Arizona State...

NTSB: Pilots checked Ebersol jet for ice

DENVER — Pilots of the private jet carrying NBC Sports chairman David Ebersol's plane checked the wings for ice after it crashed on takeoff and killed three people...

Rodman makes brief debut with OC Crush

IRVINE, Calif. — Dennis Rodman didn't play much in his debut with the Orange County Crush, making a few trips down the court before leaving the game for good early in the first quarter...

Sprinter Michelle Collins suspended for doping

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Sprinter Michelle Collins was suspended for eight years and fined \$100,000 for doping...

Bob King, former New Mexico coach, dies

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Bob King, the architect of New Mexico basketball who never had a losing season while coaching the Lobos for 10 seasons, died Friday at 81...

SCORES AND STATS

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Basketball schedule: Louisville at Florida, ESPN, 10 a.m.; Utah at Arizona, FSPT, 11 a.m.; Indiana at Kentucky, CBS, 11:30 a.m.; Oregon at Illinois, ESPN, noon; Stanford at Michigan, ST, noon; DePaul at Notre Dame, ESPN2, 3 p.m.

Football

Football schedule: NCAA Division I-AA semifinal, Sun Houston State at Montana, ESPN2, noon; NCAA Division II championship, 7 p.m.

NBA scores: Phoenix 97, Sacramento 84; Los Angeles 101, Golden State 95; Portland 101, San Antonio 80; Denver 101, Toronto 79.

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Section C

YOUR WEEKEND

Roofers race to finish library roof

By Chip Thompson
The Times-News

BURLEY — Heavy rains this week were welcomed by farmers and water watchers but they caused concern for patrons of the Burley Public Library, which is in the process of getting a new roof.

Library Director Julie Woodford said several small leaks in the roof, which is covered in tarp paper, during the rains caused no damage to library materials.

But Woodford wasn't taking any chances. Plastic sheets were tacked up to protect the library's historical book collection because it's located in a room that has experienced leaks in the past. Other materials were covered as leaks were detected.

Mike Telleria, who is supervising the roofing project for

Ileyburn's Walton Construction, said work began Nov. 18 and the shingling should be finished by Dec. 17 if the weather holds.

"This rain basically cost me four days," Telleria said, adding that windy conditions earlier in the week also caused him to halt work for safety reasons. "The project went out to bid earlier in the year but none of the bids were within the city's budget," Telleria said. The city decided to obtain materials on its own and Walton had the winning bid for labor only saving the city as much as \$8,000. The total cost of the project was originally estimated at \$78,000.

The flat roof of the library has historically allowed standing water on the roof that led to leaks, Telleria said. Drains were installed to clear the water but most didn't work.

The building is now getting a

gabled roof to correct the problem, Woodford said. While an attic is being created as part of the new roof it will only be used for utility access because the library has a basement adequate for storage.

Woodford said she's been told the roof has been replaced five times since the building was constructed 50 years ago and she hopes the new design will correct the problem.

Another feature of the new roof is that it's built with an eye toward expansion of the library to the south, Woodford said. The gable could be extended easily if a new wing is added in the future. While no materials were damaged due to leaks, Woodford said the roofing has been a loud endeavor.

"For the past few weeks we haven't been able to slush one customer," she said.



Workers from Walton Construction rush to get shingles installed on the roof of the Burley Public Library during a break in the weather Friday.

'Nutcracker' in Burley

What: Jennifer Sager Centre Stage Studios of Dance and Performing Arts will present Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker."

Where: King Fine Arts Center, Burley.

When: 2 p.m. today.

How much: General seating is \$8 and reserved seats are \$10 and \$12. Tickets may be purchased by calling 678-4117 or from the cast members or are available at the door.

Songs of the season

What: The Magic Valley Chorale will perform on Robert Shaw's "The Many Moods of Christmas."

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

When: 7:30 p.m. tonight and 4 p.m. Sunday.

How much: Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and senior citizens, are available at the CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Welch Music in Twin Falls, from Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, or at the door.

Parade in Buhl

What: Buhl's Good Of Country Christmas, featuring a parade and a chili feed, will be held today.

Where: The chili feed will be at the West End Seniors Center; the parade starts at the vacant lot located between the Valley Country Store and Buhl Visitor Center on U.S. Highway 30 east of Buhl. The parade will go west on Highway 30 then left on Fair Street for one block, then right on Sprague for one block passing in front of the Snake River Rehabilitation and Living Center. At Robertson Street, the procession will turn right for one block, then right on Burley Avenue for one block to Broadway. Entries will travel down Broadway, turn left at Main Street past Lincoln Courts, right on 14th Avenue for two blocks, then right on Maple for two blocks back to Main Street, where it will disperse. The Buhl Jazz and Select Choir will perform after the parade at the Eighth Street Center.

When: The chili feed will run from 5 to 8 p.m.; the parade starts at 7 p.m. The Buhl Jazz and Select Choir will sing at 8 p.m.

How much: The cost of the chili feed is \$4 for adults, \$3 for children 5 to 12 years old. Children 5 and under will be admitted free.

New kind of festival

What: Shoshone's second annual Festival of MisFit trees will be held today. Organizers are hoping for an assortment of unusual Christmas trees and other decorations. The festival will also feature a variety of entertainers, food booths and craft booths.

Where: Old Shoshone High School gym, located on U.S. Highway 93 across from the Snack Shack.

When: 1 to 8 p.m.

How much: It's free.

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	3 season peak
Upper Snake River	90%	90%
Hwy Fork/Teton	100%	99%
Big Lost	106%	96%
Little Lost	97%	96%
Salmon	94%	82%
Big Wood	107%	100%
Little Wood	102%	100%
Snake Falls	127%	118%
Oakley Basin	143%	138%

As of Dec. 10

A comparison of basin snowpack, for this day, with a 3-year average. An indicator of basin snowpack for this day, with a 3-year average.

ASPIRING CAROLERS



Three-year-old Kierynn Hardin, left, sings Christmas songs with other children from the College of Southern Idaho Child Care Center on campus Friday. Twenty-eight students ages 2 to 5 sung songs such as "Jingle Bells" and "Feliz Navidad" during the performance.

Car accident prompts driving concerns

Lunch hour is dangerous time for teen drivers

By Loraine Cavenor
Times-News correspondent

PAUL — It was about noon on a Monday seasonal weeks ago when Randy Sutton got the call. "It's either a high school kid or a beet truck," Sutton, the West End Fire Department chief, remembered thinking at the time.

He was correct. On both accounts. When Sutton and other fire and rescue personnel arrived at the scene on 100 South where it intersects with 500 West, they found a critically injured Minko High School student. The young man's truck had been

Teen drivers

In Idaho, teens 15 to 19 accounted for one out of every four vehicle accidents in 2003, even though they're only 7.1 percent of the state's driving population. Idaho teens are more than twice as likely to be involved in crashes as all other drivers.

Car crashes are the No. 1 killer of teens in America, although most parents think drugs and alcohol pose a bigger threat, according to a recent survey by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In the survey, 56 percent of respondents named drug abuse

as the leading health threat teens face, with only 13 percent identifying teen driving crashes as the No. 1 risk, in reality, more teens sustain fatal and serious injuries in motor vehicle crashes than through any other high-risk activity. More than 6,000 teens die each year of injuries resulting from car crashes, according to the NHTSA.

More information is available for teen drivers at www.xtr4.com. Source: Idaho Transportation Department Office of Traffic and Highway Safety

when he landed on the exhaust pipes of his pickup during the crash.

The accident was eerily similar to one six years earlier, and it was an alarming reminder of the disproportionate number of high school drivers who are involved in motor vehicle accidents, said Mindoko County sheriff's Deputy Vic Watson.

In November 1998, a student was killed two miles from that location on 100 South where it intersects with 300 West. Like Gransbury, she turned in front of a beet truck near the high school. The tragedy sparked concerns within the community about the dangerous intersection, and students responded by launching a safety project.

Groups offer a class for arthritis sufferers

The Times-News

STUDIES have shown that physical activity can help alleviate arthritis pain and walking is a wonderful exercise for people with arthritis, the news release said.

A regular walking program can help a person with arthritis feel less pain, move more easily, do more activities, feel more energetic and positive and keep muscles, bones and joints healthy.

The sessions will include warm-up and cool-down periods, a variety of activities and music. When the weather improves, there will be the option of walking outside.

For more information, call Susie Beem at South Central District Health at 734-5900, Ext. 246 or Jensen at 732-3374.

TWIN FALLS — South Central District Health and the First Christian Church are partnering to offer a free indoor walking class for people with arthritis.

The class will be held from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Tuesday at the First Christian Church at 601 Shoshone St. N. Anyone is welcome to attend the class, but people who have arthritis are especially encouraged to participate, according to a news release from South Central District Health.

Pedometers provided by the Utah/Idaho Arthritis Foundation will be given to the first 50 people attending the class.

Fairfield turns to former employee for guidance

Man will help train his replacement

By Amy Ballard
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD — City Council members voted Thursday to hire former public works employee Tony Dallon on an hourly basis to train his replacement.

Dallon, who agreed to the arrangement, is currently employed with Camas County's road and bridge crew.

Dallon resigned in July to accept the county position after 17 years with the city.

"Those 17 years make him the only person suited" to train the new city workers, Mayor David Hanks said Thursday.

"You could learn a lot from Tony in 20 hours," he added.

Ray Bourn, the new full-time public works supervisor, and John Lockwood, a part-time public works employee, started work in November.

A heavy snowstorm this week left them little leisure to learn the art of plowing the streets of Fairfield.

Councilman Terry Lee said on Thursday that while Bourn and Lockwood are quick starters, Bourn had requested some direction.

Dallon will be paid at the same hourly rate he received before his resignation. In addition to insight on snow removal, Dallon will train Bourn to maintain the well house and

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Group will perform the 'Nutcracker' at center

The Times-News

BURLEY — Jennifer Sager's Centre Stage Studios of Dance and Performing Arts will do a production of "The Nutcracker" today at the King Fine Arts Center.

Macy Broadhead, 13, daughter of Glen and Tammy Broadhead of Paul, has been chosen to play the leading role of Clara.

She has been rehearsing in Utah with the guest artists, who will be the Cavalier and the Sugar Plum Fairy along with re-hearsals with the rest of the cast who are members of Centre Stage.

The holiday production will be presented at 2 p.m. today. Also starring in "The Nutcracker" will be CAnn Carpenter as Fritz, Steve Floyd as Herr Drosselmeyer, Jessica Huffell as the Scottish Grandmother, Wendy Morrison as Mother Ginger, and Brianna Luxton and Whitney Goodrich as the Snow Queens, Koryl Wadsworth and Alyssa Bales as the Soldier Dolls, Mattie Washburn and Cam Van Tassel as the Dew Drop Soloists, and Paige Washburn and Whitney Liz Goodrich as the Columbine Dolls, Jamie Fox and Cam Van Tassel as the Harlequin Dolls and Taylee Miller and Katie Nelson will be Muscovite Kings.

Guest artists are Nathan Cartman from Buffalo, N.Y., as the Cavalier and Jessica Washburn from Orem, Utah, as the Sugar Plum Fairy.

Although the theme of the production remains the same, the scenery, costumes and choreography are constantly changing.

Proceeds from the performances go towards new scenery, costumes and scholarships for the arts. General seating is \$8 and reserved seats are \$10 and \$12. Tickets are available by calling 678-4117.

Tickets are also available at the door or from the cast members.

WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Jerry Donald Powell.
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Description: 5-foot-10, 160 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes.
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Original charge: Felony possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of a firearm.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Moore's whereabouts to call 735-1911 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

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Bradford B. Jones

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2004, Bradford Brent Jones returned to his Heavenly Father. Brad was born Feb. 27, 1939...



He is survived by his mother, Gladys, his father, Brent (Honian) of Burley, two brothers, Rex (Nichole) Jones and Thaddeus Jones...

Lucinda 'Cindy' Kay Hansen

Our beloved Lucinda Kay (Cindy) Hansen, 66, of Filer, joined her Lord and Savior on Dec. 8, 2004. Her faith and optimism throughout her courageous battle with cancer inspired the lives of many...



Kansas music also became a big part of her life. She enjoyed playing the dulcinet and the guitar but was well known as a very talented pianist. She was an active member of P.E.O. Chapter AH and the Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene...

Ronald Edward Hobbey Darling

Ronald Edward Hobbey Darling, 57, a resident of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004, at his home peacefully among family and friends in Twin Falls. He was born on Dec. 15, 1946...



He is survived by his wife, Edith Pauline Brooks, 86, of Twin Falls, who passed away Monday, Dec. 6, 2004, at Desert Rose Retirement Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Edith Pauline Brooks

Edith Pauline Brooks, 86, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, Dec. 6, 2004, at Desert Rose Retirement Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho. Edith was born Feb. 18, 1918, in Bart, N.M., the youngest of four children born to Chester and Carrie Mae Clason Garrett. She grew up and attended school in Walters, Okla., until her father's death when she was age 14.



Edith was a wonderful daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Surviving Edith is her daughter, Susan Horn of Boise, Idaho, two grandchildren, Marcella Blass and Hockey Sliagar both of Twin Falls, Idaho; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and two nephews, Stan (Kay) Garrett of Oklahoma and Phil (Nellie) Garrett of Arkansas.

Andy Steven Conklin of Jerome, funeral at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Lighthouse Assembly of God, 25 E. 100 S. Jerome; visitation one hour before the service Saturday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary).

Allice Cooke, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Amazing Grace Fellowship (White Mortuary).

Donnie Miller of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday in a.m. Saturday at the Hagerman Cemetery (DeMayary Funeral Chapel).

SERVICES

hour before the service Saturday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary).

Carroll Lee Dowd, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel).

Beverly N. Clark of Gooding, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at DeMayary's Gooding Chapel, Gooding.

Truman F. Clark of Bull, viewing from noon until 4 p.m. Sunday at Serenity Funeral Chapel, 2158 Fourth Ave. E. Twin Falls. Funeral at noon Monday at Rock Creek Com-

munity Church on Grandview Drive with a viewing at the church one hour before the service.

David W. Preckel of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Nelda Marie Schiffer of Lakewood, Colo., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls.

Ethel B. Ward of Almo, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Almo Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Friends may call from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home).

Case against teen accused of making threats moves forward

ST. CLAIR SHORES, Mich. (AP) — The case against a teenager accused of planning an attack on his high school is expected to move forward despite a claim by his lawyer that the judge overseeing the case was being swayed by a community outcry.

assistant prosecutor. A date had not been set Friday. "My client and I are very disappointed by the denial to be appointed by the denial to be disqualified Judge Davis," Legghio said.

of the charges directly dealt with the alleged plot. "Osantowski told police about explosives Queeny kept in his Clinton Township home. Osantowski, 17, is charged with threatening terrorism against Chippewa Valley High School, where he started school on Aug. 31. Authorities arrested the teen Sept. 16 after receiving a tip from an Idaho girl with whom he had been exchanging Internet messages.

UVSC sees \$200,000 drop in donations

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah Valley State officials estimate they have lost about \$200,000 in donations since inviting controversial filmmaker Michael Moore to the Orem campus.

plished that. "It started out negative, but as people began to digest it, it turned into a real positive," he said. "We came to a general consensus that the issues like freedom of speech and academic expression were out."

happy about hundreds of e-mails sent to the school, containing threats to withdraw donations, physically injure students who invited Moore and even boycotting grandchildren's graduations. Sederburg said those threats didn't foster civil discourse.

President William Sederburg said those who withdrew their money or pledges weren't true members of UVSC, and instead want the school to be just like Brigham Young University, owned by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in neighboring Provo. "The people we have lost are people who really want to be BYU," Sederburg told the "Deseret Morning News." But these are people who, down the road, would have probably pulled away.

Moore arrived on campus Oct. 29, applauding student leaders who took heat for inviting him. Nine days earlier the college had invited Sean Hannity, a conservative Fox News Network commentator, to balance Moore's criticism of President Bush and the war in Iraq. Many people took issue with Moore's \$40,000 fee. Student leaders who invited the director of "Fahrenheit 9/11" noted that no one objected when former first lady Barbara Bush commanded and received the same fee four years ago during a visit to Orem.

Sederburg says he believes the role of a publicly funded institution of higher education is to provide a forum for diverse ideas, and Moore's visit accomplishes that.

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GOOD PIGGY



Lindsey Licher, from Arcadia, Calif., holds Daisy, a piglet, as she takes a photo with Santa Claus during "Pot's Night with Santa," an annual fund-raiser for the Charles Cherniss Tournament of Toys, held Thursday in Old Pasadena, Calif.

Mormon author faces church trial for book

SANDY, Utah (AP) — Grant Palmer was raised to believe in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and has spent most of his life in its service.

He has gone on a mission, for years attended regular services and worked more than three decades as a church-funded Mormon educator.

But about 20 years ago, he began to doubt the way Mormon scripture characterizes certain parts of its early history.

After years of study, he finally rolled those doubts together and published a book.

Two years and 281 pages later, the gray-haired, balding and bespectacled 64-year-old man faces excommunication from a church he says he still loves. On Sunday, he's scheduled to appear in an apostasy trial judged by church leaders for failing to obey the gospel by publishing a book that questions whether

founder Joseph Smith presented his authority as a prophet and revised church scripture to his advantage.

Palmer's book, "An Insider's View of Mormon Origins," suggests that Smith didn't actually translate the Book of Mormon as LDS faithful believe, "by the gift and power of God" from an ancient set of golden plates. Instead, it suggests Smith penned it himself, leaning heavily on the King James Bible, emotional Methodist tent revivals, Masonry and other personal experiences in a highly superstitious era of American history.

Palmer suggests the plates themselves might never have physically existed, and that Smith rewrote the story of how

he was ordered by heavenly spirits to found the church to make himself seem more legitimate when Mormons faced credibility problems or were losing key leaders.

"I, along with colleagues ... find the evidence employed to support many traditional claims about the church to be either nonexistent or problematic," Palmer writes. "In other words, it didn't all happen the way we've been told."

Latter-day Saints believe the Book of Mormon — one of four key spiritual texts — is a literal record of Jesus Christ's dealings with the ancient inhabitants of the Americas.

Palmer culled material for the book from documents in the church archives, which contain a vast collection of letters, diaries, and papers from church presidential administrations.

Palmer's work has kindled a firestorm in Mormon academia, including five scathing reviews published by FARMS, the Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies housed at Brigham Young University.

"They don't feel he takes a balanced look at the evidence," said Daniel Peterson, a BYU professor and FARMS review editor. "He argues against certain books that I see as fundamental to Mormonism, and I don't think he does so particularly well."

Peterson said the book is damaging for the church because Palmer has written it for a lay audience and his long history as a church member and educator assign it particular credibility.

Official: Bush wants increased thinning

COBURG DALENE (AP) — The Bush administration plans to double efforts to thin fire-prone Western forests and will emphasize the cutting of trees that can be sold to help pay for the work, Agriculture Undersecretary Mark Rey said.

Along with increased thinning, the administration wants to reform the Endangered Species Act, streamline national forest management and give states more power in managing roadless areas, said Rey, who directs the nation's forest policy.

But Rey, speaking at the annual meeting of the Intermountain Forest Association, did not offer any details on exactly what type of Endangered Species Act reforms the president would support. Last week the administration proposed cutting 80 percent of the federally designated critical habitat for threatened and endangered salmon in the Northwest.

"We're going to be active," Rey told the private gathering of about 75 Idaho political leaders and timber company officials. "We're nowhere near the end of what we want to do."

Congress will also likely attempt again to drill for oil in Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Rey said.

He expects the efforts to spark lawsuits and strong opposition from Democrats and environmental groups. The Bush administration has already been sued on many of its environmental initiatives, and Rey joked that he holds the "indoor world record on being named a defendant in environmental litigation."

The administration's proposal to update the national forest management planning process will be unveiled by the end of December, Rey said. He did not offer specifics but said the reforms would include substantial cost savings on

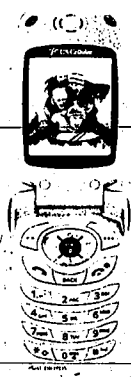
planning and analysis. Since Bush took office in 2000, there has been a fourfold increase in the amount of national forest acreage treated to prevent wildfire. Last year about

4 million acres were treated with prescription burning or mechanical thinning, and the president wants to double that amount over the next couple of years, Rey said.

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Test shows chemotherapy won't benefit all

New genetic testing can predict the risk of breast cancer returning and identify which patients would benefit from chemotherapy. Half the patients in the study were classified as being at low-risk of recurrence and may not need chemotherapy.

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SOURCE: National Institute of Health

Gene test sorts out those who need chemo

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A genetic profiling test already on the market accurately predicts which breast cancer patients will benefit from chemotherapy and which won't, giving women a powerful tool to help decide whether to undergo the ordeal, scientists report.

The test could help about 80,000 women a year make better choices about how to treat their disease, said federal officials who helped fund the study and conduct it. Half could safely skip chemo, they said.

"It outperformed all known prognostic factors for predicting response," said Dr. Soonyung Park, a University of Pittsburgh physician who presented the research Friday at a breast cancer conference in Texas. Part of it also was published online by the New England Journal of Medicine.

Most breast cancer cases that haven't spread to lymph nodes will not recur after surgery, but doctors have no good ways to predict which ones will. They guess, based on the size of a tumor and the woman's age, but they know that they are giving many women chemotherapy who don't need it.

The new test, made by California-based Genomic Health, measures the activity of 21 genes to classify women as high, low or medium risk for recurrence.

Previous studies have established the test's ability to predict this. With this latest study, doctors extended those findings to show that chemotherapy helps high-risk women a lot and low-risk ones not at all.

The researchers looked at 651 women with early-stage breast cancer that had not spread to lymph nodes and whose growth was affected by the hormone estrogen — a situation that applies to nearly half of all cases diagnosed in the United States. Currently, chemotherapy is recommended for nearly all such women.

Court gets involved in international debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed Friday to hear the appeal of a Mexican national on death row in Texas, stepping into an international debate over the legal rights of foreigners in capital punishment cases.

The World Court at The Hague ruled earlier this year that the United States violated the rights of 51 Mexicans on death row, including Jose Medellin, whose appeal will be heard at the Supreme Court next spring.

The world court, which is the United Nations' highest judiciary, had determined that American officials should give the inmates "meaningful review" of the convictions and sentences now on grounds that the U.S. government failed to inform their home countries of their arrests and trials. The world court is charged with resolving disputes between nations, but cannot force the United States to follow its decisions.

Lower U.S. courts had blocked appeals by Medellin, and justices will decide whether those decisions were wrong.

The announcement broadens the Supreme Court's inquiry into capital punishment this term. Justices are already considering a case that will decide if it's unconstitutional to execute killers who committed their crimes as teenagers.

Medellin was supported in his Supreme Court appeal by dozens of countries, legal groups and human rights organizations, as well as former diplomatic leaders and the European Union.

They argued that U.S. officials have disregarded the 1953 Vienna Convention which requires an "arresting government" to notify a foreign national of the right to talk with the detainee's consulate or embassy, and says foreign governments can arrange legal help for their nationals. It applies to Americans abroad and to foreigners arrested in the United States.

About 6,000 Americans are arrested and detained each year in other countries and need consular help to "navigate and understand an unfamiliar, and perhaps hostile, legal system," justices were told by a coalition of former diplomatic leaders and nonpartisan groups. They said Americans would suffer if the United States does not set a good example.

Texas attorneys had argued that it was too late for Medellin to bring the challenge, because he did not file objections at his trial — that the Mexican government was not told of his arrest and allowed to help in his defense.

Peterson jurors go without verdict

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Jurors deciding whether Scott Peterson should live or die for his crimes wrapped up their second day of deliberations Friday without a verdict.

The jury will be sequestered over the weekend in a hotel until deliberations resume Monday.

At about 3:30 p.m. Friday, Judge Alfred A. Delucchi called lawyers for both sides, meeting them in the hallway between his courtroom-and-his-chambers. He could be seen putting his hand on the shoulder of one of the prosecutors as he spoke.

Shortly after, he told a courtroom packed with reporters that the jury had requested to leave early.

Peterson, 32, was convicted Nov. 12 of murder in the deaths of his wife, Laci, and her fetus. Prosecutors say he strangled or smothered his wife on or around Christmas Eve 2002 and dumped the body in the San Francisco Bay.

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MORNING BREAK

Lugosi took vampire cape to his grave

Bela Lugosi was buried in that cape he wore as Dracula. Hopefully, not for long. This day in history: On Dec. 11, 1919, the town of Enterprise, Ala., unveiled a monument honoring bug weevils. The destructive bug had wiped out the town's cotton crop, so the town was forced to diversify into a new crop, peanuts, which made the local farmers much more prosperous than before. The dot that appears on the top of a "j" and "i" is called a "tittle." The warriors of ancient Sparta were proud of their ruthless tactics in war. Spartan students took courses in subjects like deception, stealing and killing.



RANXOM KINDS OF FACETINESS
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

Australian aborigines preferred that their boomerangs not come back to them. The aborigines used them mostly as hunting weapons, and a returning boomerang means it didn't make contact with anything. Auto maker Henry Ford was a hero to outlaw Clyde Barrow of Bonnie and Clyde fame. Barrow drove hot-wired Fords

whenever he could. He once wrote a fan letter to Ford saying, "While I still have got breath in my lungs, I will tell you what a dandy car you make." A month later he was shot to death in a stolen Ford V-8. In ancient Egypt, it took about 2 1/2 months to turn a corpse into a full-fledged mummy. The process also took about half a mile of cloth strips. Why did railroads of old insist that patrons not use the restrooms while the train was in the station? Because the trains didn't have holding tanks — the "toilets" were simply holes in the bottom of the car that let waste dump directly onto the ground.

Yes, you can train a zebra to pull a horse wagon. Robert Louis Stevenson had a dear friend who complained that she never got a real birthday because she was born on Christmas. When the author died, he willed her his birthday. "Idiot," "moron" and "imbecile" are now just insults, but they were once legitimate medical classifications. Morons were said to have the emotional and mental capacities of 9-year-olds; imbeciles, 5-year-olds; and idiots, 2-year-olds. Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at www.bathroomcompanion.com.

Colleague puts young woman ill at ease
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Old friends may remind you of troubles, Capricorn

IF DECEMBER 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... Recent turmoil may have forced you to shed old skins and emerge with little protection from the arrows of fate. Have faith that fresh cosmic protections are forming and that in the coming year you will develop new and more beneficial motivations and find joy in a different set of values. March and April may test your courage as you pay the piper for past mistakes that need to be rectified but in June and September you will be rewarded for your efforts and free to explore exciting new ground.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The new moon in Sagittarius brightens the sector of your life that has to do with service or work. During the next few weeks you may have extra details and duties to handle. It is likely that you may be involved in a more intense schedule than usual and need to adjust routines.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Today's new moon highlights joint finances. If you have been careful to be up front and aboveboard, small doubts and suspicions can be quickly banished. The aura of true love counteracts negative input or worry about meeting obligations. Expect help from

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Jeraldine Saunders

a partner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Suspicion and criticism can cloud interpersonal issues and create barriers. Use your powers of discrimination to tackle bad work, not people. The new moon in your opposite sign can illuminate partnership issues and powerful ambitions that seem to be all-consuming.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The new moon in Sagittarius brightens the sector of your life that has to do with service or work. During the next few weeks you may have extra details and duties to handle. It is likely that you may be involved in a more intense schedule than usual and need to adjust routines.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The new moon falls in your solar fifth house of pleasure and creativity, so count on having the necessary resourcefulness when challenged to entertain or called upon to provide some homespun goodie for a gift basket.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Wave your magic verbal wand over troubled waters and make sensible explanations. Others are willing to listen to the truth and can provide a crucial piece of the puzzle to

solve nagging problems.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This new lunar cycle could mark a time when pressure is brought to bear that causes you to change your mind about an important issue. You can always win by being fair and generous. Give others the benefit of the doubt and let your charm shine where relatives and in-laws are involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The ups and downs of your internal voice could be focused on money or possessions as the new lunar cycle begins and illuminates a voracious appetite for luxury. A temptation to take drastic measures should be sidestepped, as crucial information could be inaccurate or misleading.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A new moon in your sign of the zodiac marks a time when you will be more self-conscious about your appearance and more easily swayed by emotions. You may become obsessed with attaining personal ambitions during the next several weeks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Emphasis falls on matters that are going on behind the scenes. Hidden doubts could surface and make you doubt the truth. Count on helpful, charming friends to encourage you and raise your spirits. Old friends could show their merit but remind you of past troubles or embarrassments.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

This new moon could mark the beginning of important transitions involving joint goals and dreams. Faithful partners may give good advice to those unwilling to accept it. Well-meant input could be perceived as interference or a power play. Wait a few days for serious discussions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The new moon highlights your career and marks a new short-term phase in the thrust of ambitions or your ability to receive recognition. Doubting Thomases in the home or intimately connected with you could hold you back in some minor way or give you poor advice sometimes today.

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Flu worries prompt city official to stop shaking hands

SOUTHURBY, Conn. (AP) — No matter what the dead don't shake on, this city official to shake on it.

First Selectman Mark Cooper held a news conference Thursday to announce that he won't be shaking hands with people until flu season is over sometime next year.

"As a man who shakes many hands... I don't want to be a vector for the transmission," he said. "I certainly don't want to be associated with, 'Oh sure, didn't I shake Cooper's hand last week? Now I've got the flu.'"

Cooper said if anyone offers their hand, he will politely decline and give them a brochure on how to stay healthy this winter. He says he wants to set an example by limiting his contact with people.

"This season has started, and I don't want to pass along those germs," he said.

The Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention no longer recommend that people sneeze into their hands because that makes it easier to spread germs. People should sneeze into the crook of their elbow or a tissue, health officials say. The problem is most people can't grab that tissue in time," Cooper said.

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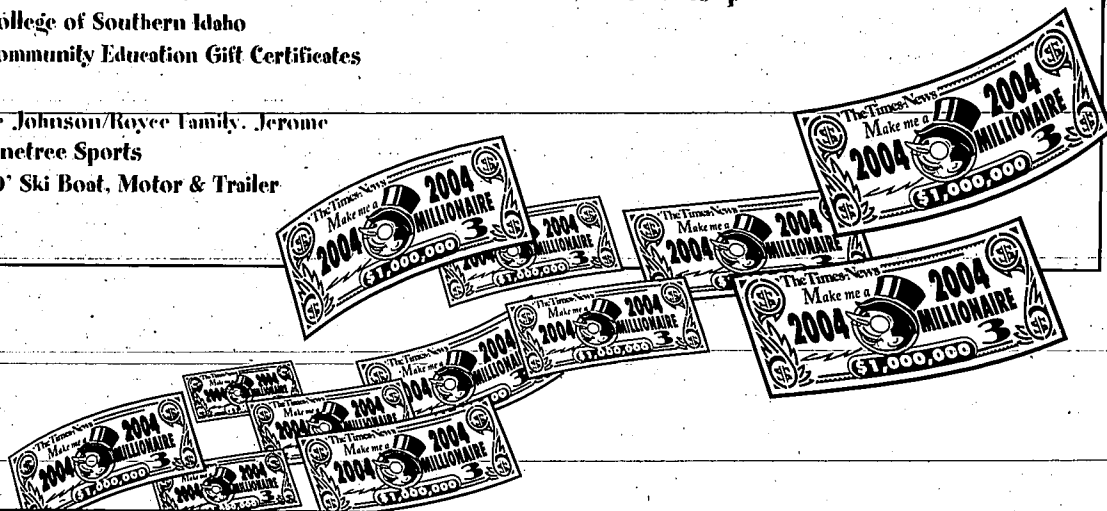
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

IdaCorp offers new stock shares

BOISE — Utility company IdaCorp Inc. made 3.5 million new shares of its common stock available to buyers on Friday.

Company officials said they expected the offering to generate more than \$100 million. Some of that money will be used to pay down short-term debt and help cover future capital expenses at its subsidiary, Idaho Power Co.

Two credit agencies have downgraded IdaCorp's rating in recent months, citing a weakened financial position. The lowered ratings force IdaCorp to pay higher interest rates if it needs to borrow money.

Though the company noted the downgrades in its prospectus — the document that potential investors must review before buying new stock — it did not indicate whether the stock offering was in response to the downgrades.

Company officials also said they may ask state regulators in 2006 to approve another general rate increase for Idaho Power customers. But the timing and amount of the proposed increase have not been decided, a company spokesman said.

Idaho Power has struggled with five consecutive years of drought that reduced hydropower production and forced the company to purchase electricity. Also, officials said, the company expects to spend more than \$600 million in the next three years to upgrade equipment and keep up with customer growth.

The stock offering could increase the company's outstanding shares by more than 10 percent, reducing future earnings per share.

Longview Fibre declares dividend

TWIN FALLS — Longview Fibre Co., the Washington-based operator of a Twin Falls container plant, on Friday declared a quarterly cash dividend of 2 cents per share on its common stock, payable Jan. 10 to shareholders of record on Dec. 24.

"Today's decision by the board to declare a modest regular quarterly dividend meshes well with our continued emphasis on reducing long-term debt and improving the operating profitability and cash flow we generate from our three operating segments," Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer R. H. Wollenberg said.

In fiscal 2004, the company paid an annual dividend of 5 cents per share, following dividend payments that totaled 4 cents per share and 3 cents per share during 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Coors, Molson set date for merger vote

DENVER — After six months of scrutiny, a proposal to merge Adolph Coors Co. and Canada's Molson Inc. into the world's fifth largest brewer will go before shareholders of both companies next month.

The Jan. 19 vote was announced Friday after the Securities and Exchange Commission completed a review, and the companies hope to finalize the merger by Jan. 28. Coors' brewing business has eleven and restaurant operations in Magic Valley and buys barley from local growers.

The two breweries will hold separate shareholder meetings in Quebec and in suburban Golden, Colo. Those eligible to vote were shareholders of record as of Nov. 22. Montreal-based Molson said its option holders will vote the day before.

If the merger is approved, Molson will submit the proposal to the Quebec Superior Court for final approval.

Representatives of both companies were optimistic that the merger will be completed despite "early speculation about a potential rival offer and an initial lukewarm response from shareholders and investors."

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Urban Renewal will discuss measures

By Megan Hinds The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency on Monday will consider approving a number of initiatives it has mulled for months. The agency will consider a set of new incentive guidelines that would allow the agency to give a portion of incentive money to eligible businesses sooner than the agency's current guidelines recommend, said Dave

McAlindin, the city's economic development director.

The guideline changes were proposed months ago when downtown business owner Janet Goringe approached the group to request money for renovating a building for her new retail store, which has since opened. A potential grant for that project also will be discussed at Monday's meeting, McAlindin said.

"It's been five months — I think it's about time to make a

decision on that," he said.

Also on the docket is an update on the progress of Indiana trailer manufacturer Jayco Inc.'s planned expansion to Twin Falls. The company is on track to occupy the former Norco building on Washington Street South, with plans to open for business Jan. 10, McAlindin said. The first travel trailer is slated to roll off the line Feb. 5.

The agency also will discuss the fate of a house the U.S. Department of Housing and

If you go... Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency will meet at noon Monday in the City Hall conference room, 321 Second Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

Urban Development sold to the city for \$1 in 2002. The house is now owned by Urban Renewal, and the agency will discuss donating it to the United Way for use as an office, McAlindin said.

The agency also will consider refunding a number of 1998 Series A tax increment bonds. The bonds are set at a variable interest rate, and the agency will discuss changing the bonds to a fixed interest rate.

"We'll be locking in a good interest rate for the next 20 years," McAlindin said.

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CULTURAL OPPORTUNITY



A building with a facade that is a replica of Guadalajara Palacio de Gobierno in the Plaza Mexico in Lynwood, Calif., is shown Oct. 13. Plaza Mexico attempts to replicate a traditional Mexican downtown in a strip mall formerly anchored by a Montgomery Ward department store.

Latinos mine market for all things Mexican

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — When hundreds of immigrants celebrated Mexico's Independence Day at an Anaheim, Calif., parking lot, they transacted the nation's largest outdoor village carnival.

Vendors sold "shrits with images of revolutionary Emiliano Zapata and his latter-day mimesque, the Zapatista Revolutionary Army. Food stands hustled tacos and churros, sugary fried dough. The crowd cheered as an announcer called out the names of Mexican states.

On that Orange County street corner, everything was alien per cent Mexican — 100 percent Mexican. Everything, that is, but the man singing the event.

Ted Holcomb doesn't speak Spanish. He has never been to Mexico. Yet he has learned to put on carnivals across Southern California that mirror the annual festivals that Mexican villages hold to honor their patron saints.

"I have a closet full of (Spanish) books and tapes," Holcomb



Stained glass windows and huge wooden doors are shown at Plaza Mexico on Oct. 13 in Lynwood, Calif.

said. "I just don't have time to study them."

Over the last decade, Holcomb has carved a sizable business niche by offering an echo of home to thousands of Mexican immigrants.

He is not alone. The buying power of Southern California's 5 million or so Spanish-speakers, most of whom are Mexican, is meas-

ured in the billions. But most of the largest enterprises selling

cherished parts of Mexican culture are owned by Koreans, Lebanese, Iranians, Israelis and nonimmigrant English-speakers, people who have built their own American dream on Mexican immigrant dollars.

"You have these clever entrepreneurs who have seen an opening and they've really gone

after it," said Waldo Lopez, a business consultant to the Tomas Rivera Policy Center at USC.

Among the more notable examples:

El Gallo Giro, a seven-restaurant chain that resembles a typical Mexican taqueria, selling birria, atol, pozole and beef tongue tacos, is owned by Charles Bonaparte, a Frenchman.

La Caracua, the largest Southern California department store aimed entirely at Latino immigrants, is owned by Jerry and Tom Azarkian, brothers who came to the United States from Israel in the early 1970s. They started out selling electronics door to door in immigrant neighborhoods.

La Caracua also imports the West Coast franchise for Pollo Campero, a wildly popular Guatemalan fried-chicken chain that is the reason that Guatemala is one of the few countries in the world with no Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants.

The world's largest producer

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Researcher sees end to beef ban

The Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. — A beef researcher speaking to the Montana Stockgrowers Association this week said he expects live cattle exports across the Canadian border to resume in 2005.

Dave Weaver of Denver-based Cattle Fax, the research and analysis arm of the U.S. cattle industry, said he expected about 300,000 head of fed cattle would move into this country when the border reopens.

The border has been closed to live imports since May 2003 when a single cow in Alberta was found with bovine spongiform encephalopathy or mad cow disease.

"U.S. exports to other countries have been on hold since Christmas 2003 when a BSE-infected dairy cow was found in Washington state and later traced to Canadian origin.

The border situation, and many other factors, has the vast

majority of Montana's cattlemen — the cow-calf operators — at the top of the market now. In 2003, cash receipts from Idaho cattle and calves totaled \$1.06 billion, with 1.18 million animals taken to market, according to the most recent annual statistics report.

Weaver said he expects feeder calf prices to remain above \$1 a pound into 2005.

Feeder calves at 550 pounds, coming off the range going to the feeder, will bring \$1.21 to \$1.29 a pound for ranchers this year, although the market may drop a bit in 2005, he said.

The origin of the meat supply has taken on new urgency since the BSE incidents and heightened concern for security from terrorists, said John Paterson, a beef specialist at Montana State University in Bozeman.

A push toward individual animal identification is driven by a desire to create a disease surveillance system, Paterson said. "It is to trace, detect and elim-

inate disease," he said. The ID implementation is not a food safety program.

Individual identification is voluntary now but will become mandatory with an estimated cost of \$50 million over five years. Paterson said the estimated cost of \$8 per animal seems high to him.

The information on each animal would be stored in a national database controlled by the government.

He said cattle men fear the information could be accessed by private third parties who could use it in a competitive situation, so strict confidentiality of the information must be maintained.

Paterson said the national plan would require identification of specific ranches, as well as an individual ID for each animal. The ID will have to be scanned, read and recorded at all levels of movement of the animals from ranch to feedlot to packing plant, he said.

Starbucks prepares to add hot food to menus

Knight Rider News Service

NEW YORK — Care for a premium-priced bacon-and-egg sandwich with that latte?

Starbucks, the upscale coffee chain with a shop in Ketchikan, is speeding up its hot food experiment on the West Coast and is poised to roll out the new menu nationally.

A test program it began last year in 20 Seattle stores has now quadrupled to 80 stores after positive results.

"We've been pleased with the test results so far and our customers have responded favorably. We continue to believe our food program is an opportunity for growth going forward," said Starbucks spokeswoman Valerie J. Iwango.

The coffee giant — whose breaded offerings are also available inside a Twin Falls

bookstore — got 12 percent of its \$4 billion in sales through food last year, mostly with cold items like cookies, muffins and salads.

But ideal spots for more restaurants are dwindling after a sizzling pace over the past decade led to 6,300 U.S. locations along with 2,400 abroad.

So hot food, including breakfast and lunch sandwiches, is where Starbucks hopes to find its next big wave of sales growth, which has averaged 31 percent over the past five years.

The egg and muffin sandwich, with bacon, sausage or spinach, go for \$3 out West, nearly a dollar more than a McDonald's Egg McMuffin.

"The reviews aren't all good. Wall Street analysts have sampled a few, and new items are skeptical. Please see STARBUCKS, Page D3

MONEY

Stocks edge lower as investors worry

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors' concerns over the economy and potential inflation outweighed a sharp drop in oil prices, sending stocks slightly lower Friday. All three major indexes were lower for the week as Wall Street's customary year-end rally stalled.

Wall Street was rattled somewhat by the Labor Department's latest Producer Price Index report, which shows a surprise increase in the index. The PPI rose 0.5 percent in November, far less than October's 1.7 percent rise, but still a troublesome indicator of price inflation.

The sour mood overshadowed a surprising drop in crude oil futures, which came after OPEC agreed to cut oil production by 1 million barrels per day.

The move was expected to keep prices steady, although a dip with Friday's drop, they remain at historically high levels.

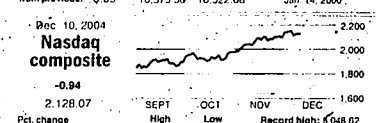
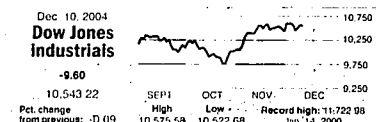
A barrel of light crude was quoted at \$40.71, down \$1.82, from the New York Mercantile Exchange.

"A lot of the run-up in oil was speculation, and some of that froth has been taken out," said Chris Wilkes, senior director of large cap growth and equity investment for the Armada Funds.

"The Dow Jones Industrial average fell 9.60, or 0.09 percent, to 10,543.22.

Broader stock indicators narrowly lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was down 0.1 or 0.1 percent, at 1,189.00, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 0.94, or 0.04 percent, to 2,128.07.

The week's trading was marked by wide swings in oil prices, a mix of economic data, and a great deal of investor uncertainty that left stocks lower.



For the week, the Dow fell 0.34 percent, the S&P dropped 0.27 percent and the Nasdaq was down 0.93 percent.

The rise in wholesale prices has not yet filtered down to consumers — to any great degree which has left many companies with tight margins.

"The company also reduced its fourth quarter earnings forecasts to reflect the cuts and lower sales. Delphi lost 34 cents to \$0.30.

A pair of potential acquisitions, while generating plenty of discussion among analysts and traders, did little to help stocks.

Johnston & Johnston lost \$1.06 to \$30.25 after the Wall Street Journal's online edition reported that it is near an agreement in principle to acquire medical device maker Guidant Corp.

The wholesale report convinced many investors that the Federal Reserve would move to raise the benchmark interest rate higher by a quarter percentage point at its meeting on Tuesday.

Rates currently stand at 2 percent, but with a weak dollar, the Fed might be considering a hike.

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of traditional Mexican cheeses. Cacique, was started by Gilberto Cardenas, a Cuban immigrant. In the 1970s, he started making cheeses from Mexico's ranchero culture, including Chihuahua and Poblano. Cacique, which is based in La Puente, has 600 employees, 13 regional offices nationwide and a chorizo sausage plant in Utah.

Profiting from Mexican immigrants' love of drinking tap water, virtually all the water stores in Southern California are owned by Asian and Middle Eastern immigrants.

Wateria, the largest water-store franchise with 24 outlets, is owned by Un Suk Kim, a Korean. His office walls are decorated with census maps that show Southern California cities with populations that are 80 percent or more Latino.

With 600 stores, the shopping district around Pacific Avenue in Huntington Park has one of the highest concentrations of Mexican-oriented businesses in Southern California.

On the strip is a clothing store called The Hermanos, the same name as a nationally known chain of shoe stores in Mexico. The store, which also uses the same red, white and green logo, is owned by brothers from Lebanon.

These entrepreneurs meet a need unmet by the large Mexican companies, which, despite broad name recognition and capital, haven't dared enter the intensely competitive Southern California market.

Only two nationally known Mexican retailers — Gigante supermarkets and Mambo furniture — have opened stores in the area.

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more effectively than Mexicans themselves.

Most Mexican immigrants, meanwhile, come here with little education and virtually no business experience. Many are illegal. They are from a country where the ruling political party spent decades demonizing entrepreneurs and where banks cater only to the wealthy.

"I think that the regular Mexican guy, he just wants to work," said Raj Haster, a Mexican American music promoter in Pico Rivera.

They don't want to take a risk. They want to come to a country where the ruling political party spent decades demonizing entrepreneurs and where banks cater only to the wealthy.

Those who do start businesses often want to grow only large enough to employ family members.

"They start a business, but then they're afraid to try something big," said Jose Luis Gonzalez, owner of Patamount-based Calzadita Diana, which distributes shoes and clothing nationwide.

"I think people say 'I have this little business, I'll just do this. If I do something else I might lose everything.'"

Thousands of local Mexicans have small businesses that serve their compatriots: bakeries, markets, restaurants, clothing shops and record stores. Mexican immigrants also own several large independent stores in Phoenix, Northgate, Glendale, El Tapatio and Vallarta among them.

Yet these are more the exception than the rule, which seems to be: Immigrants from elsewhere mine the potential of one of the world's wealthiest Mexican consumer markets more effectively than Mexicans themselves.

One high-profile example is Plaza Mexico in Lynwood. Plaza Mexico attempts to replicate traditional Mexican downtown in a strip mall formerly anchored by a Montgomery-Ward department store.

The plaza resembles Monte Alban, the ancient Indian ruins in Oaxaca. Its shops have the bold colors of a typical provincial town, and there is a shrine to the Virgin of Guadalupe.

The plaza's facade is the government palace in Guadalajara. The stone and the lamps that light the plaza are imported from Mexico. Even the tiles on the plaza contain occasional figures from Isteria, a Mexican children's game.

The governor of the state of Nayarit donated a statue in honor of Mexican mothers that stands at one end of the plaza. And other Mexican governors make appearances there when visiting Southern California.

Plaza Mexico's developer is Donald Chae, a Korean immigrant who has labored to make his shopping center distinctly Mexican in the same way Chinatown is distinctly Chinese.

He hired Luis Felipe Nieto, an archaeologist and restoration expert from San Miguel de Guanaxtlan, to advise on Mexican designs and colors.

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The wholesale report convinced many investors that the Federal Reserve would move to raise the benchmark interest rate higher by a quarter percentage point at its meeting on Tuesday.

Rates currently stand at 2 percent, but with a weak dollar, the Fed might be considering a hike.

Profiting from Mexican immigrants' love of drinking tap water, virtually all the water stores in Southern California are owned by Asian and Middle Eastern immigrants.

Wateria, the largest water-store franchise with 24 outlets, is owned by Un Suk Kim, a Korean. His office walls are decorated with census maps that show Southern California cities with populations that are 80 percent or more Latino.

With 600 stores, the shopping district around Pacific Avenue in Huntington Park has one of the highest concentrations of Mexican-oriented businesses in Southern California.

On the strip is a clothing store called The Hermanos, the same name as a nationally known chain of shoe stores in Mexico. The store, which also uses the same red, white and green logo, is owned by brothers from Lebanon.

These entrepreneurs meet a need unmet by the large Mexican companies, which, despite broad name recognition and capital, haven't dared enter the intensely competitive Southern California market.

Only two nationally known Mexican retailers — Gigante supermarkets and Mambo furniture — have opened stores in the area.

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Cheese

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He added that pursuing high-quality menu items would be the most sense for a restaurant that needs to increase afternoon traffic.

But it's tough because they're stuck with the real estate they have there, isn't yours for a McDonald's-style kitchen, he said.

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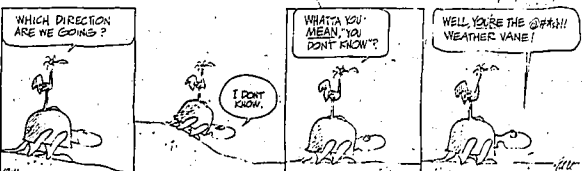
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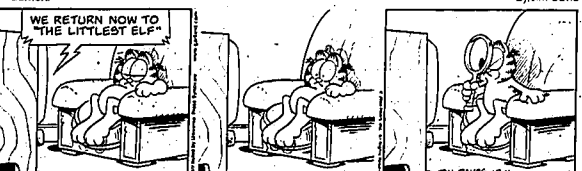
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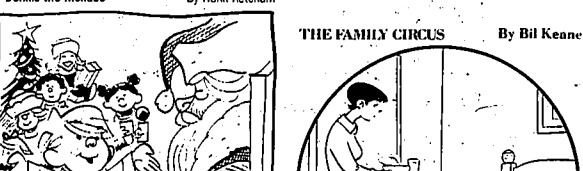
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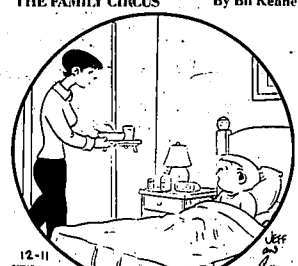
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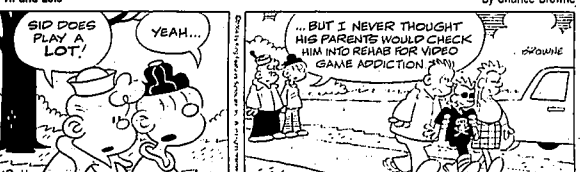
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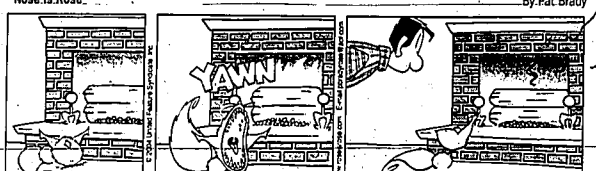
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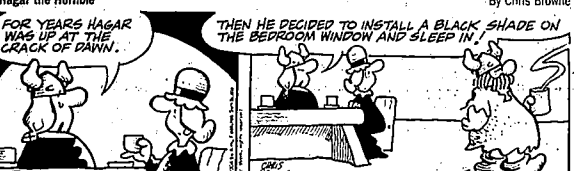
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RELIGION

Church presents 'The Gift'

TWIN FALLS — "The Gift," a Christmas pageant telling the Christmas story with music, costumes, a choir and more, will be presented at 7 p.m. today and 6 p.m. Sunday at the First Assembly of God Church, 189 N. Lincoln.

The musical drama designed around the Christmas story was written by Dave Bolster, who also serves as technical director. It includes costumes, a present-day setting, a manger scene, and children's choirs and soloists.

Admission is free; offerings will be accepted.

St. Nicholas will hold six-day Advent Mission

RUPERT — Father Antoninus Wall from California will present a six-day Advent Mission this week at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 E. St. Sessions will be held during 5:30 p.m. Mass today and at 7 p.m. Sunday through Thursday.

Weekday themes are centered on reconciling relationships, aspects of the Catholic Church, year of the Eucharist and priesthood and vocations. The event concludes Thursday with a memorial Mass for the late Father Robert Keller, who served in Rupert.

For more information, call 878-5104.

Burley church sponsors Advent celebration

BURLEY — An Advent celebration will be held at 10:55 a.m. this Sunday and Dec. 19 at Burley First Christian Church, 1401 Oakley Ave.

First Presbyterian will hold Christmas music

TWIN FALLS — Special Christmas music will be presented during 10 a.m. worship Sunday at

Congregation, minister transform dying church

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — When he heard that the Rev. Diane Presley was coming to pastor his church, John O'Glece was anything but thrilled.

"I said, Oh no, not that goody-two-shoes," he recalled. "I thought, Who in the world would want to come here?"

But today, he calls her a miracle worker. Not only did Presley lead Oak Cliff United Methodist Church from the brink of extinction, she has energized its tiny congregation.

Presley, 56, started simply. "Four or five of us sat down

Church news

The First Presbyterian Church of Twin Falls, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Sunday school classes will sing "Let There Be Peace on Earth," "Mary had a Baby" and "Father, I Adore You." Additional music will be provided by the Light Children's Chorus and student musicians from the congregation and congregational singing Pastor Al Fry will deliver a special sermon for children and their families.

A candlelight Christmas Eve service is set for 8 p.m. Dec. 24. It will feature a spoken message and music from the adult Chancel Choir, Adult Quartet and Hallelujah Handbells.

Bliss Community holds Christmas celebration

BLISS — The Bliss Community Church will hold its Christmas celebration at 6 p.m. Sunday.

A program by the AWANA clubs will be followed by a Christmas musical, "Bethlehem's Light," performed by the choir. Refreshments will be served. The public is invited; admission is free.

Liberty Quartet performs at Hagerman center

HAGERMAN — The Liberty Quartet will present "A Southern Gospel Christmas" in music at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Hagerman Christian Center, 2750 S. 900 E.

The Boise-based men's group travels thousands of miles each year to perform at churches, conventions, prisons and other ministries.

Admission is free; offerings will be taken. For more information, call 837-6140 between 10 a.m.

Christmas festival will take place in Rupert

RUPERT — A Christmas musical festival, "A Night of Wonder," will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Rupert LDS West Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W.

The evening of music and a Christmas message is open to the public. For more information, call 436-1198.

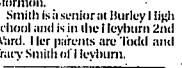
Reyburn woman earns recognition award

REYBURN — Taryn Smith recently received a Young Womanhood Recognition award.

To earn the award, Smith completed projects in church and community service and personal growth. Smith's projects included life guarding, cheerleading, quilting, participating in the Junior Miss Pageant and reading the book of Mormon.

Smith is a senior at Burley High School and is in the Reyburn 2nd Ward. Her parents are Todd and Tracy Smith of Reyburn.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomsson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Treva Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.



Taryn Smith

Get into the outdoors
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Sunday, December 19th
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259 Main Avenue East
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Sunday, December 26th
WORSHIP SERVICE & BIBLE STUDY
Roper Auditorium at 10:00 a.m.
For more info. call 737-4667

"Diane gets more out of these 45 people than we did back when we had 3,000 members," O'Glece, 75, said.

The church was on life support when Presley arrived in June 2002. Its building, completed in 1915, was in disrepair; funds had dwindled to just enough to stay open three more months.

"But today, he calls her a miracle worker. Not only did Presley lead Oak Cliff United Methodist Church from the brink of extinction, she has energized its tiny congregation."

"When I first got here, the walls of the church looked so sad," she said. "The church was really lonely. Now the walls look happy."

and just started praying," she said. "It was beyond anything we could do. We knew that if the church were to survive, God would have to do it."

Presley began by proposing to borrow \$100,000 to renovate the church's Youth Memorial Building, erected in honor of young members killed in World War II.

Member Maria Perez says the church feels very different from when she joined five years ago.

"When I first got here, the walls of the church looked so sad," she said. "The church was really lonely. Now the walls look happy."

MISSIONARIES

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

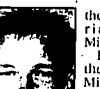
Called to serve:

Elder Kent Douglas Wade will serve in the Oklahoma Oklahoma City Mission. Wade is a 2003 graduate of Kimberly High School and is in the Kimberly 1st Ward. His parents are Gerald and Donna Wade of Kimberly.

Elder Zachary Andre Nye will serve in the Argentina Nequen Mission. Nye is a 2004 graduate of Taft River High School, where he participated in football, basketball and track and was vice president of his senior class, a member of the National Honor Society and a member of the Seminary Council. He is in the Malta 1st Ward. His parents are D. Andre and Carol Nye of Malta.

Returned from serving:

Elder Jacob Blauser served in



Jacob Blauser

the Brazil Florianapolis Mission. Blauser is the son of Michael and Lesli Blauser of Declo and the late Lesli Blauser. He is in the View 1st Ward.

Elder Austin Trent Ridenour served in the Tennessee Knoxville Mission. Ridenour is the son of George Fredric and Vermone Ridenour of Elba and is in the Elba Ward.

Elder Kacy E. Krieger served in the New York New York North Spaenishing Mission. Krieger will continue his education in engineering. His parents are Berry and Pam Krieger of Kimberly.

The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries, which is published free of charge. Send information to Ellen Thomsson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Treva Tegan, The Times-News Burley Bureau, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

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Traditionalists won latest round

Methodist gay dispute is far from over

PUGHTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Last week's defrocking of a United Methodist Church pastor who broke church law by living openly with her lesbian partner was a victory for the denomination's conservative wing. But more broadly, did it signify a decisive turn for the denomination?

Conservatives hope so. The church-trial verdict shows "we will not surrender to the popular culture on matters of social ethics," they say. The denomination of Mark Tooly, the Methodist specialist at the conservative Institute on Religion and Democracy.

Liberals, however, saw the result against the Rev. Irene Elizabeth Stroud of Philadelphia as a case of the UMC "shamefully" caving in to "cultural prejudice" against gays and lesbians.

Those are the words of the Renewing Ministries network, an alliance of 192 congregations and other Methodist groups that favors "full participation of people of all sexual orientations and gender identities." The network branded Stroud's ouster as sin

and blasphemy.

American society's ongoing cultural war over gay relationships undoubtedly affects churches, but the Stroud case was shaped more by internal Methodist dynamics.

With 8.3 million members, 35,000 congregations and \$5 billion in annual proceeds, the UMC is the monolith of mainline Protestantism. On most matters, both theological and temporal, it follows mainliners' lead. But on the gay clergy issue, forces that break traditional Christian teaching against gay sex have been winning.

Among other mainline groups, the United Church of Christ and Episcopal Church are more welcoming of openly gay, partnered clergy, though a minority of Episcopalians fiercely disagree with that stance, with backing from fellow Anglicans overseas. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is sharply divided over its gay ban, which covers both clergy and lay officeholders, and awaits a crucial report late next year and

a 2006 showdown.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America could also erupt, depending on recommendations that a panel is polishing this weekend for release Jan. 13 and action at a convention next August.

The UMC's struggle originated at the 1972 legislative General Conference, where an official committee to re-examine overall social policy proposed language of acceptance toward gays and lesbians. But delegates inserted a phrase specifying that same-sex practices are "incompatible with Christian teaching."

The 1984 Methodist conference followed up with the law Stroud violated, forbidding "self-avowed practicing homosexuals" in the ministry.

National UMC rules are applied by regional clergy juries. The one in eastern Pennsylvania readily agreed that Stroud broke the law, but the vote of 7-6 on the penalty of defrocking was the minimum necessary. It's anguishing for clerics to oust fellow ministers, and with

Stroud — who will retain many of her duties with her supportive congregation even the prosecution praised her pastoral devotion.

Though narrow, the verdict was significant because, only last March a Methodist court in Washington state acquitted another minister living with a lesbian partner, finding a loophole that was closed at last May's General Conference.

Stroud could offer little more than a character defense and plead for mercy, because the bishop who presided — and who personally opposes the Methodist policy — disallowed the plan of Stroud's side to challenge denominational law as discriminatory. Those preparing to testify were theologians from Emory and Southern Methodist Universities; New England's retired bishop; the pastor of Foundry United Methodist Church in Washington, D.C.; a psychiatrist and a Pennsylvania lay leader.

However, their arguments were entered into the trial record and will re-emerge if Stroud appeals to the Northern Jurisdiction and, beyond that, the national Judicial Council.



Rev. Irene Elizabeth Stroud, left, hugs her partner, Chris Paige, in Pughtown, Pa., in this Dec. 2 photo. Stroud, a lesbian minister in the United Methodist Church, was found guilty of violating a church ban on actively gay clergy and defrocked.

One of world's leading atheists now believes in God, more or less

NEW YORK (AP) — A British philosophy professor who has been a leading champion of atheism for more than a half-century has changed his mind. He now believes in God — more or less — based on scientific evidence, and says so on a video released Thursday.

At age 81, after decades of insisting belief is a mistake, Antony Flew has concluded that some sort of intelligence or first cause must have created the universe. As such, intelligence is the only good explanation for the origin of life and the complexity of nature, Flew said in a telephone interview from England.

Flew said he had labeled a deist like Thomas Jefferson, whose God was not actively involved in people's lives.

"I'm thinking of a God very different from the God of the Old Testament, but more like the God of Islam, because both are depicted as omnipotent Oriental despots, cosmic Saddam Husseins," he said.

It could be a person in the sense of a being that has intelligence and a purpose, I suppose.

Flew first made his mark with the 1950 article "Theology and the Scientific World," based on a paper for the Society for the Study of Oxford religious form led by writer and Christian thinker C.S. Lewis.

Over the years, Flew proclaimed the lack of evidence for God while teaching at Oxford, Aberdeen, Keele, and Reading universities in Britain, in visits to numerous U.S. and Canadian campuses and in books, articles, lectures and debates.

"I don't see a moment of change but a gradual conclusion over recent months for Flew, a spry man who still does not believe in an afterlife.

Yet biologists' investigation of DNA has led to a new understanding of the complexity of the arrangements which are needed

to produce (life), that intelligence must have been involved," Flew says in the new video, "Is Science Discovered God?"

The video draws from a New York discussion last May organized by author Roy Abraham Varghese's Institute for Metascience Research in Garland, Texas. Participants were Flew; Varghese; Israeli physicist Ger-

ald Schroeder, an Orthodox Jew; and Roman Catholic philosopher John Haldane of Scotland's University of St. Andrews.

The first hint of Flew's turn was a letter to the August-September issue of Britain's Philosophy Now magazine. "It has become increasingly difficult even to begin to think about constructing a naturalistic

theory of the evolution of that first reproducing organism," he wrote.

The letter commended arguments in Schroeder's "The Hidden Face of God" and "The Wonder of the World" by Varghese, an Eastern Rite Catholic layman.

This week Flew finished writing the first formal outline of his new outlook for the introduction to a new edition of his "God and Philosophy," scheduled for release next year by Prometheus Books.

Prometheus specializes in skeptical thought, but if his belief upsets people, well "that's too bad," Flew said. "My whole life has been guided by the principle of Plato's Socrates: Follow the evidence, wherever it leads."

Last week, Richard Carrier, a writer and Columbia University graduate student, posted new material based on correspondence with Flew on the atheist website www.infidels.org Web page. Car-

rier assured atheists that Flew accepts only a "minimal God" and believes in no afterlife.

Flew's "name and stature are big. Whenever you hear people talk about atheists, Flew always comes up," Carrier said. Still, when it comes to Flew's reversal, "apart from curiosity, I don't think it's like a big deal."

Flew told The Associated Press his current ideas have some similarity with American "intelligent design" theorists, who see evidence for a guiding force in the construction of the universe. He accepts Darwinian evolution but doubts it can explain the ultimate origins of life.

A Methodist minister's son, Flew became an atheist at 15.

Early in his career, he argued that no conceivable events could constitute proof against God for believers, so skeptics were right to wonder whether the concept of God meant anything at all.

STRENGTH AMID THE STRUGGLE

Many Catholics remain strong in their faith

The Orange County Register

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Stan Espenshig is a devout Catholic. He's also a businessman. So he looks at the growing real-estate settlement between the Diocese of Orange and 87 alleged victims of clergy sexual abuse with almost cold detachment.

The Catholic Church is so different from the United Methodist (UMC) — it's an organization headed up by people, and unfortunately, people sometimes make mistakes," said Espenshig, 63, an eight-year member of Holy Family Cathedral in Orange, Calif.

"This is a situation that we needed to deal with as a community, and I think Bishop (Todd D. Brown) has done it proactively," said Espenshig.

"I think the church gets criticized for being too touchy-feel, and not knowing how to run an operation, but he (Brown) went out and said, 'I now do go out and solve this?'"

For many Orange County Catholics, faith in the church's tenets and devotion to their parishes remain strong as they struggle to put one of the most troubling chapters in the church's history behind them.

They say the scandal has not shaken their belief in the church's mission and their desire to financially support their parishes, even though they remain angry at the errant priests and church leaders, in some cases resigning them, hoping the ugly truth would go away.

It didn't, culminating in last week's groundbreaking settlement between the Diocese of Orange for an amount estimated to be at least \$100 million.

During an early evening Mass at Holy Family Cathedral in Orange on Saturday, the Rev. Donald Romito didn't mention the settlement. A number of parishioners declined to talk about how the settlement changes their relationship with the church.

But Michael Keller, a parishioner at Holy Family since the early 1970s, said the allegations and the settlement are "on his mind" as he worships now. It's as though the debauchery of the secular world has infiltrated his religion, he said.

"It's the same feeling when a loved one dies, an inner pain that it's among us, and it's a reality," said the 57-year-old general contractor, who lives one house away from the Bishop Brown in Santa Ana.

The settlement provides a sense of closure that priests and devout churchgoers say they need.

"God is not a god word, because this isn't a happy thing," said Meg Waters, a Ladera Ranch mother of two and public-relations specialist who helped the Diocese of Orange craft an announcement in 2002 about the ouster of the Rev. Michael Pecherich.

Pecherich was booted from San Francisco Solano in Rancho Santa Margarita after admitting a sexual affair with a boy more than 19 years earlier.

Some are just unsure about the whole scandal.

"I sort of feel a little bit of standing in front of his while on Central Avenue in Santa Ana on Saturday, Walter Marlow said he was "somewhat perplexed" by the whole controversy.

While some of the lawsuits may have merit, Marlow, 79, said he thought many did not. "I'm suspicious of a lot of these cases," he said. "I believe that all the news coverage on the sexual abuse allegations has caused lawyers to see a big payday."

He also believes a few allegations are getting a lot of attention.

"I sort of feel a little bit of standing in front of his while on Central Avenue in Santa Ana on Saturday, Walter Marlow said he was "somewhat perplexed" by the whole controversy.

For the Rev. Arthur Holquin, pastor of Mission Basilica in San Juan Capistrano, the settlement provides an end to a sense of "suspended animation" he feels was shared by priests and parishioners in Orange County.

"We all want to get on with the work of the church — work that we feel has been put on hold," Holquin said. "There is a collective sigh of relief... The individuals who have been most critical (about the scandal) and the church's response mostly have been those who are no longer active in the Catholic faith. Whatever issues they had, I wish we could talk to them.

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Community Editor: Pat Marcanonio — 735-3288

SOMEONE NEEDS YOU Order of the Eastern Star hosts visit

Helping patients — Idaho Home Health and Hospice needs volunteers to visit with patients or relieve caregivers. Training will be provided with hospice orientation. Office help is also needed. Call Susan at 734-4661 or visit the office at 826 Eastland Drive.

Mentor — The Building Excellence — In Academics, Character and Health Club is an after-school mentor program at Central Elementary and Jerome Middle schools in Jerome. Mentors who can volunteer at least one hour each week are needed. Pre-service training is provided. Call Joy Karavadas at 324-3386, ext. 2831, or Millie Cavthra at 324-4286.

Respite — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteers to give respite to elderly homebound clients so their main caregivers can take a break. Volunteers are needed in the Coeur d'Alene, Jerome, Rupert and Burley areas. Call Edith at 735-2122, ext. 320, or Kitty at 878-0727.

Reading — The America Reads Program needs volunteers age 55 and older to help children in kindergarten through third grade with their reading skills at all elementary schools in the Magic Valley. Call Shirley Busham at 735-2122, ext. 325.

Drivers — The College of Southern Idaho Office of Aging needs volunteer drivers age 55 and older to take clients to medical appointments and grocery shopping in all Magic Valley towns. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call Edith at 735-7464 or Kitty at 878-0727.

Tax assistance — The Internal Revenue Service and AARP Foundation needs volunteers of all ages, backgrounds and skill levels to provide free income-tax assistance for the elderly, disabled, non-English

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 735-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to rotan request.

speaking and those with limited incomes. Volunteers will receive free training at their choice of class sessions: Saturdays starting Dec. 11, or weekdays starting Jan. 3. Volunteers are reimbursed for program-related travel expenses. Computer experience is helpful. Contact Bob Mandel at 437-6178 or helpid@earthlink.net. Fred Ripley at 543-6544 or frip-ley@aol.com; Vicki Wonacott at the IHS in Boise 387-2829, ext. 340, or victoria.wonacott@irs.gov.

Volunteers — First Choice Hospice needs volunteers to sit with patients and give their primary caregivers time out to do holiday shopping for a couple of hours a week. Training is provided. Call Patti Ficus at 735-0900.

Clothing — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs families from European countries. Training for men, women and children is needed. Couches, strollers and car seats in good condition are also needed. Drop items at the center 1525 Addison Ave. E. between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (closed from noon to 1 p.m.) Monday through Friday. Call Aleksandra at 735-2166.

Drivers — The Twin Falls Senior Center is in need of volunteer drivers to help deliver meals to homebound seniors. Call Karen at 734-5084.

BURLEY — The Rupert Chapter 39, Order of the Eastern Star, welcomed Worthy Grand Matron Nancy Ross of the Grand Chapter of Idaho for her official visit on Oct. 15 at the Burley Masonic Temple. A school of instruction for the Rupert officers was held in the afternoon, followed by a no-host dinner. The evening meeting was opened with Worthy Matron Melba Merkey and Worthy Patron Albert Klink, presiding with all chapter officers. Other special guests were past Grand Matrons Mayue

Crawford, Martha Klink, Veda Shufeldt, Zola McFarland, Melba Merkey and Mel Merkey, all of Rupert 39, and past Grand Patron Virgil Fenon, E-dah-ho 77. Janet Annis, Rupert chapter treasurer, was presented a gift. The Shining Star Award was presented to Martha Kienzie, chapter secretary. The chapter special projects for the year are breast cancer research and a scholarship fund. A skit was presented by Heather Noss, Keith Brooks and the officers, Barbara Noss, accompanied by Jeanne Craw-



Rupert Chapter 39 officers are, from left to right: second row: Associate Pat Joe Merkey; Adah, Elaine Lamun; Associate Matron Elaine Gordon; Martha, Peggy Hess; treasurer, Janet Annis; Sentinel, Clyde Annis; and organist Barbara Noss; third row: Conductress, Leela Miller; Chaplain, Martha Klink; Ruth, Mild Brooks; secretary, Martha Kienzie; Esther, Jeanne Crawford; Warder, Ruth Ross; Associate Conductress, Heather Noss; and Electa, Dorothy Stanley; with, front row: Worthy Grand Patron Dave Call, Hugh Duncan 2 of Salmon; Worthy Patron Albert Klink; Worthy Matron Melba Merkey; and Worthy Grand Matron Nancy Ross, Ruth 3 of Pocatello. Not pictured is Marshal, Pamela McClung.



Escorts to grand officers were, from left, back row: Tyke Carr, Mizpah 6; Sondra Cullen, Radlett 61; Lucille Whistler, E-dah-ho 77; Hazel Sutton, Ruth 3; and Kathleen Call, Hugh Duncan 2; with, front row: Worthy Grand Patron Dave Call, Worthy Patron Albert Klink, Worthy Matron Melba Merkey and Worthy Grand Matron Nancy Ross.



Grand officers attending were, from left, front row: Worthy Grand Patron Dave Call, Worthy Patron Albert Klink, Worthy Matron Melba Merkey and Worthy Grand Matron Nancy Ross; back row: Grand Ruth and Guardian of Bethel 18 Jobs Daughters, Jane Joosten, E-dah-ho 77 of Paul; Associate Grand Patron Jim Carr, Mizpah 6 of Horseshoe Bend; and Grand Organist, Lois Gross, Radlett 61 of Pocatello.



From left, front row: Worthy Grand Patron Dave Call, Worthy Patron Albert Klink, Worthy Matron Melba Merkey and Worthy Grand Matron Nancy Ross with Grand Representatives, from left, back row: Peggy Hess, Rupert, 39, to Washington; Leland Sabn, E-dah-ho 77, to North Dakota; and Mizal Brooks, to West Virginia; and Pamela McClung, to New Brunswick, all of Rupert 39.

Man finishes internship

Morgan B. Tomlinson, formally of Jerome, has completed his internship with Skywest Airlines in St. George, Utah. He will graduate from The State University College of Engineering with a Bachelor's degree in Science in aviation technology professional pilot on Dec. 18. Tomlinson will graduate summa cum laude and as valedictorian of the College of

Engineering and be a speaker at the commencement exercises.

He will relocate to Portland, Ore. with his wife and their two children when he will fly cargo on a flight instructor. He graduated from Jerome High School in 1998. He is married to Angela Bingham, also from Jerome and a 1998 graduate of Jerome High School.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly winners. Nov. 27: first, Riley Burion and Bobette; second, Herb and Ada Jurgess; and third, Dick and Mary Cook. Dec. 1: first, Mary Tucker and Leona W. Wagner; second, Doris Finney and Betty Sabo; and third, Milo Pearson and Duane Schneberger. Flight B: first, Don and Shelley Montgomery; second, Doug Suran and Tom Wagner. Nov. 30: first, Betty Grant and Maxine Watkins; second, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfefferle; third, Dick and Carmen Kovarn and fourth, Enid Cook and Doris Finney. Dec. 1: first north/south: first, Harold Bulcher and Riley Burton; second, Veeta Roberts and Maxine Watkins; and third, Ruby Grimes and Doris Watts. East/west: first, Evelyn Meyer and Polly Mulliner; second, Joyce Astorguia and Jessie Lingnav; tied for third and fourth, Tom and Mary Schmidt with Beverly Burns and Bobette Pfefferle; and fifth, B. Patti Coopuz and Sue Skinner. The club meets at 7 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays and 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Magic Valley Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

Ten Association holds a Christmas party

RUPERT — The 4-H Ten Association Christmas Party will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the McGregor Center, 85 E. Baseline Road. All 4-H teens ages 13-19 are invited and should bring a \$5 gift for the gift exchange and treats to share. There will be a business meeting prior to the party. For more information, call 436-7184.

Retired teachers hold lunch meeting in Burley

BURLEY — The Mini-Casella Regional Teachers will hold its regular-lunch meeting at 11:30 a.m. Monday at Pric's Cafe. Special guests Alan Hale and Lori Wilson will present a Christmas program and lead members in caroling. The event is open to anyone involved in education. For more information, call 438-5917.

Brew Master's Club will meet Tuesday

KIMBERLY — The Rock Creek Brew Master's Club's holiday meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Werts' Brewery. Guests should bring a cov-

Blood drawings take place around area

American Red Cross blood drawings will be held around the Magic Valley. Twin Falls — 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the College of Southern Idaho health fair at the CSI Gym. Call Sheldon Amos at 431-9633. Rupert — Noon to 6 p.m. Monday at the Civic Building, 624 E. S. Call Ann Dewald at 436-1344. Kimberly — 2 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at the middle school gym. Call Heather Hopkins at 423-5541, ext. 3324. Burley — 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the high school auxiliary gym, 1600 Park Ave. Call Craig Mills at 878-6606. Jerome — 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday at St. Jerome's Parish Hall, 216 Second Ave. E. Call Karen Lopez at 324-5602. Buhl — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the Moose Hall, 1101 Main. Call Judy Quillen at 546-8229.

T.F. Senior Center plays bingo today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone W., will play bingo from 1 to 3:30 p.m. today. Cards are \$1 each or four for \$3. For more information, call 734-5084.

Moms on the Run hosts 'Holiday Fun'

TWIN FALLS — The Moms on the Run group will share ideas for easy Christmas gifts (cookie mixes in a jar) from 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the First Church of the Nazarene Sawtooth Room, 1231 Washington St. at its "Holiday Fun" program. The cost is \$5 for refreshments and to cover costs. Special guest Pat Smith will share her experience of changing from life in a city to the wilderness. She is a freelance writer and manages a trout hatchery. For more information or for complimentary child care call Josie at 324-1233 or Mardal at 734-1926.

Shoshone Public Library will host holiday sale

SHOSHONE — The Shoshone Public Library, 209 S. Railroad St. W., is having its first holiday book sale. Shoppers can look through a collection of books ranging from current best sellers to clas-

Relay for Life fund-raiser takes place in Wendell

WENDELL — An American Cancer Society Relay for Life fund-raiser will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18 at Simerly's 280 S. Idaho. Pictures with Santa Claus will be taken for \$5 each. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. For more information, call 536-6651.

Old Time Fiddlers will perform at meeting

TWIN FALLS — Chapter 1959 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road. The Idaho Old Time Fiddlers will entertain and officers for the coming year will be in-

Meriwether Lewis visits T.F. Public Library

TWIN FALLS — Tim McNeil will portray Captain Meriwether Lewis in period costume for "Meriwether Lewis Letters Home" at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E. The presentation is free. McNeil has performed thousands of magic shows, hundreds of speaking engagements and dozens of community theater plays, the library reported. "This has been a challenging process for me," McNeil said. "I've sifted through hundreds of pages of the expedition's journals to find just the right words and events which capture the beauty, excitement and sometimes-danger-of-this-unending exploration. This wasn't a summer canoe-trip but an 8,000 mile wilderness journey, made accessible to us through their daily journals. The program is supported in part by a grant from the Idaho Humanities council, a state-based program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, call 735-2964.

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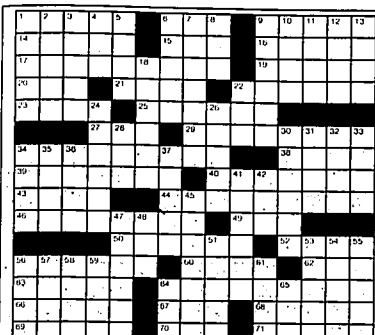
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BJ Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

RUPERT — The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club has announced the results of American Contract Bridge League-sanctioned open pairs play for Dec. 7. North/south: first, Bill Novasell and Pat Stephens; second, Vera Mai and Nanette

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Creepy colleague makes young woman uneasy

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 25-year-old recent college graduate who just started a new job. I love it here because I'm doing something I care about and earn decent money. I like all of my co-workers with the exception of one. This person, "Jim," interrupts my work a lot, says things like "Hey, beautiful!" and calls me things like "baby girl." The other day he said, "It's too hot outside." I replied cheerfully, "Sorry, I had nothing to do with it," and he said, in a creepy manner, "You have a lot to do with it."



DEAR ABBY
 Jeanne Phillips

This is bothersome because I think Jim is a nice person, but he makes me uncomfortable. He has worked here a lot longer than I have, I don't want to say anything to the boss because I'm the new girl. I have been here only a few weeks, and I don't want to make trouble.

At the same time, I'm tired of Jim walking into my office, sitting down, talking for long periods and making off-color remarks. If I close my door, I'll appear anti-social, but I'm tired of being badgered because he's bored or because I'm the only young female in the office. I don't want to get anyone in trouble — I just want it to stop. What should I do?

the only thing that is preventing us from going to the next level. What should I do?

—HELPLESS
 IN WASHINGTON
 DEAR HELPLESS: Call your ob-gyn and ask if the tubal ligation can be reversed. It is sometimes possible to reverse the procedure. (The same is true of a vasectomy.) If it is not possible, consult an infertility specialist. These days, there is more than one way to skin a cat or become a mother.

DEAR ABBY: Our son is married to a sweet girl whom we love. My only problem with her is that she has no pictures of us in her house. She has wedding pictures on display, and some of her family and friends — but none of my husband and me.

They have a new baby, and I go there and take care of him one day a week. She has a baby book with photos, and there are no pictures of us in there, either.

We haven't said anything to her or our son, but each time we go there it bugs me. I came home upset the other day, and my husband said to let it go. I'm afraid if I speak up, my son will say I'm overreacting. What should I do?

—SAD IN AKRON
 DEAR SAD: Have a nice photograph taken of yourself and your husband, autograph and frame it, and give it to your son and daughter-in-law for Christmas.

TRAPPED IN

NORTH CAROLINA
 DEAR TRAPPED: You are entitled to be comfortable in the workplace and free from unwanted conduct. State and federal laws guarantee you the right to be free of unwelcome talk based on gender. Ideally, you should tell this man that he is making you uncomfortable. However, if you cannot bring yourself to do it, I urge you to document what is going on and bring your concerns to the attention of your boss or the person who handles human resources at your company.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 26-year-old female in the Navy. I have been divorced for two years and have two beautiful little boys.

Last February, I met a man and I have fallen head over heels. He's great with my boys and wonderful to me. He has expressed that although he loves my kids, he also wants children of his own. My problem: I had a tubal ligation after my youngest was born, and now I regret it. I think this is,

Neighbor: Display was too scary for kids

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — The boo birds said Chris Birkett's Halloween display was too scary, and now he's in trouble with the law.

Birkett, who stages elaborate holiday displays at his home, was charged with disorderly conduct this week following an Oct. 30 police report over his Halloween display, police said Thursday.

Birkett's neighbor told police she has small children who were frightened and couldn't sleep because of the ghostly sounds.

Officers attested that they could hear the noise from the neighbor's home and submitted their report to prosecutors, police spokesman Sam Bailey said. Another neighbor called police recently about Birkett's winter display. That neighbor complained about the noise from crews working to put up the display and traffic and debris left by sightseers.

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Utah officials clarify pet law

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Residents can now officially mix and match their family pets.

City Council members voted unanimously Tuesday to replace the word "or" with the word "and" in existing city code, which means residents can now own up to two cats — and — two dogs at the same time.

The problem was discovered when Susan Sewell and her family went to the Utah County Animal Shelter in Spanish Fork to adopt a kitten in August. The family already has a cat and a dog.

They chose a kitten and began filling out the adoption paper-

work. But when shelter staff learned of their existing pets, the family was told they couldn't have the new animal because Provo only allowed residents to have cats or dogs, not cats and dogs.

"I don't think people will abuse the law just because it gets changed," Sewell told the council.

She said the family will be returning to the shelter after Christmas to try again to adopt a kitten, but knew she might have a fight on her hands.

"The kids will be begging us tonight, I'm sure," she said after the council meeting.

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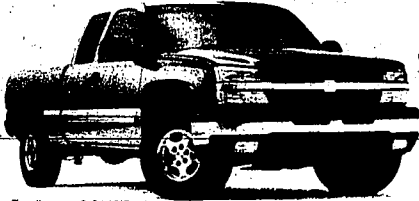
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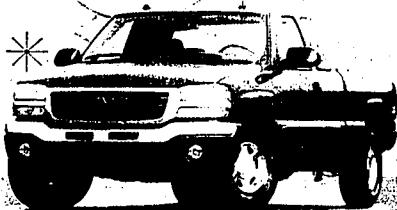
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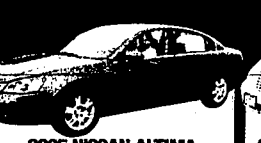
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 Latham Discount-\$4332
 Factory Invoice**\$31258
 Factory Rebates & Incentives*-\$5500
YOUR \$ PRICE 25788



'04 DODGE 2500 REG CAB DIESEL 4X4
 Stock #41034, Color: Silver
 RETAIL PRICE\$36750
 Latham Discount-\$4208
 Factory Invoice**\$31254
 Factory Rebates & Incentives*-\$4250
YOUR \$ PRICE 27034



'04 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 4X4 SPECIAL EDITION
 Stock #40C402, Color: White
 RETAIL PRICE\$36105
 Latham Discount-\$4303
 Factory Invoice**\$31802
 Factory Rebates & Incentives*-\$5500
YOUR \$ PRICE 26302



'04 DODGE 2500 QUAD 4X4 DIESEL
 Stock #47000, Color: Almond
 RETAIL PRICE\$39510
 Latham Discount-\$6120
 Factory Invoice**\$33394
 Factory Rebates & Incentives*-\$4250
YOUR \$ PRICE 29134



1998 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY
 WAS \$8525
NOW \$4988



1994 FORD F-150 4X4
 WAS \$11210
NOW \$6988



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 WAS \$18475
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1998 CHEVY 3500 CREW 4X4
 WAS \$19150
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 WAS \$20290
NOW \$13988



2000 FORD F-250
 WAS \$20975
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2003 CHEVY 8-10 CREW 4X4
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