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High: 48 Low: 35 Precip: 30%	High: 46 Low: 34 Precip: 0%	High: 48 Low: 37 Precip: 10%

IN BRIEF

Bank robbery suspects caught after shootout

BOISE, Idaho — A married couple suspected of robbing a Boise bank and kidnapping two people has been caught after a shootout and brief car chase that ended on icy roads in northeastern Oregon.

Charles Benton Bagwell, 32, and Erin Marie Bagwell, 32, both of Redlands, Calif., ran off a road Tuesday night near Baker City with officers from the Oregon State Police and other agencies in pursuit.

The chase began at a Baker City convenience store, where officers reportedly saw the Bagwells in a car. They'd allegedly bought the vehicle earlier in the day with cash stolen in Monday afternoon's heist at a US Bank branch near Boise State University.

After being spotted, the pair opened fire, said Lynn Hightower, a Boise police spokeswoman. No Oregon officers were hit, she said.

"When officers saw them, (the Bagwells) fired, then got back in their car," Hightower said, relaying reports from Oregon authorities. "But the roads over there are slick. After a short pursuit, they crashed their car and were taken into custody."

Monday evening and all day Tuesday, Boise police searched the city for the husband and wife, who were considered "armed and desperate."

Charles Bagwell has a record of armed robbery, burglary, grand theft and weapons charges in Oregon, Hightower said.

Allawi meets influential Iraqis in Jordan

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's interim prime minister went to Jordan on Tuesday for meetings with tribal figures and other influential Iraqis in a bid to encourage Sunni Muslims to participate in the Jan. 30 elections, but he ruled out contacts with insurgent leaders and former members of Saddam Hussein's deposed regime. Insurgents targeted U.S. troops Tuesday in Baghdad and in and around Beiji, a city north of the capital, killing four Iraqi civilians and wounding at least 20 other people, including three U.S. soldiers. Three Iraqi children, aged 3, 4 and 5, were killed when two mortar rounds struck their neighborhood in Baqouba, the U.S. military said.

Stocks fall lower on consumer confidence

NEW YORK — Stocks sagged Tuesday as sliding consumer confidence trumped the latest report on the nation's gross domestic product, which grew at a faster pace than expected. Still, the major indexes ended November with their best monthly performance for the year.

After a modest opening weekend to the holiday shopping season, a fourth straight monthly decline in consumer confidence was the last thing investors wanted to see. But analysts weren't overly alarmed by the selling, noting that it seemed relatively controlled and was typical of the sort of pause stocks often see after Thanksgiving and ahead of the seasonally strong month of December.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 47.88, or 0.46 percent, at 10,428.02, slipping back into negative range for the year.

— The Associated Press

Mozambique citizens to vote on new president

Among the five presidential candidates, those from the Frelimo and Renamo parties stand as main contenders

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MAPUTO, Mozambique — There is a European flavor to this seaside capital with its soft pastels and crumbling Mediterranean architecture. But the squalor along its dirt strewn boulevards is typically African.

Poverty is at its worst in Africa, and in Mozambique it is nearly as bad as it gets. Yet the world keeps telling Mozambicans how good they have it. Their country is hailed as a success story, at least in Africa. It defied the odds, maintaining peace after a devastating civil war — and began to grow.

On Wednesday and Thursday, Mozambique's ragged poor will deliver their own verdict on the country's blessings, failures and promise when they vote for a new president.

President Joaquim Chissano, the man who has led Mozambique since the death of independence hero Samora Machel in 1986, is stepping down after two elected terms and positioning himself to become another of Africa's growing number of revered elder statesmen.

His people will decide between embracing what the governing Frelimo party calls three decades of progress or reaching out to an opposition that promises a fresh start and economic salvation.

"There is a strong sentiment that it is time for change," said political analyst Tomas Viera Mario. "There is a feeling it is time for a new experiment, to give others a chance and see what they can do for the country."

Mozambicans are desperately poor. More than two-thirds of the country's 19 million people live on less than a dollar a day. On the U.N. Human Development Index, which measures income, education and longevity, Mozambique ranks a miserable 170 out of 175 countries. Many feel neglected by development policies that have been unevenly applied.

There are 17 political parties running for Parliament and five with candidates for president. The main contenders are Chissano's hand-picked successor, Frelimo candidate Armando Guebuza, and former rebel leader Afonso Dhlakama of the main opposition Renamo party.

The wild card with perhaps the power to decide who wins is Raul Domingo, a former deputy to

Dhlakama who bolted from Renamo in an internal dispute and formed his own Party for Development, Democracy and Good Governance. His popular candidacy might deny any candidate a majority, forcing a runoff.

"Frelimo is a tired party and has ruined the country for 30 years," Dhlakama told a final campaign rally Sunday in his party stronghold, the central port city of Beira. "Vote for me and for my party so that I can rescue you from suffering."

He doesn't mention that Renamo, a former right-wing guerrilla movement, waged a 16-year civil war against the Frelimo government after independence from Portugal in 1975. The war-killed a million people, created 5 million refugees, and along with Frelimo's failed experiment with Marxist rule, hopelessly impoverished Mozambique's people.

Guebuza is remembered as the Frelimo negotiator at the talks in Rome that ended in the 1992 peace accord. But he is remembered even more as the interior minister who implemented the Marxist government's hated relocation program in the 1980s, when urban unemployed were arrested and moved to remote areas in the north.

He is portrayed as a tough man capable of making hard decisions. He told his final campaign rally in the capital only a vote for him and his party could consolidate the gains of a decade.

Ten years ago, World Bank per capita income figures showed Mozambique was the poorest country on Earth. Since then, Mozambique's economy has grown at a remarkable rate, averaging more than 7 percent a year.

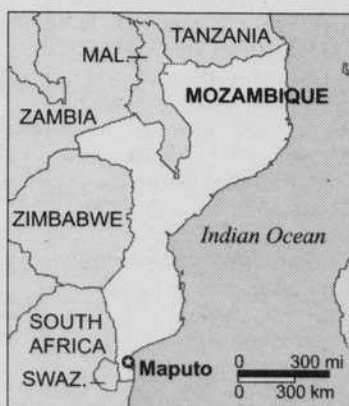
But in the decaying and dusty neighborhoods of the capital, beyond the tree-line boulevards named for Lenin, Mao Tse Tung or Ho Chi Minh, little benefit trickles down to the indigent who fear that economic growth has served only to line the pockets of the rich and powerful.

David Pottie, who will observe the election for the Atlanta-based Carter Center human rights group, said that feeling of neglect and exclusion is heightened in remote northern Mozambique, the least developed area of a vastly underdeveloped country.

Mozambique to elect new leader

On Wednesday and Thursday, Mozambique will elect a new president to replace Joaquim Chissano, the man who has led the country since 1986.

- Area: 309,495 sq. mi.
- Population: 18,811,731 (July 2004 est.)
- Life expectancy: 37.1 years
- HIV/AIDS adult prevalence: 12.2%
- Infant mortality rate: 199.0 per 1,000
- Unemployment rate: 21%
- GDP per capita: \$1,200
- Religions: Christian 30%, Muslim 20%
- Ethnic groups: Indigenous tribal groups 99.66% (Makhuwa, Tsonga, Lomwe, Sena, others), Europeans 0.06%, Euro-Africans 0.2%, Indians 0.08%
- Indigenous beliefs — 50%
- Internet hosts: 3,249 (2003)
- Internet users: 50,000 (2002)
- Television sets: 5 per 1,000



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