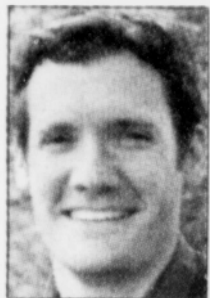


Week in The Review

New Vancouver Mayor

Tim Leavitt was sworn in as the new mayor of Vancouver Monday. The former city councilman who beat incumbent Royce Pollard last November said he anticipates respectful, candid and constructive discourse in local governmental affairs.



Cell Phone Ban Begins

Oregon State Police have begun stopping motorists for talking on hand-held cell phones, but most aren't being given traffic tickets yet, an official said Monday. The new law, which also bans text messaging while driving, took effect on New Year's Day.

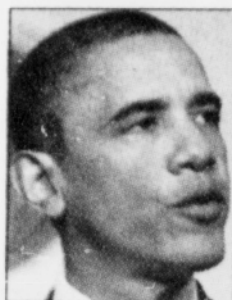
Bus Riders' Hair Cut

A southeast Portland man is accused of sneakily snipping a fellow passenger's hair as he sat behind her New Year's

Eve. A prosecutor said Jared Weston Walter, 22, is also a suspect in other incidents in which women riders have either had their hair cut or glued on TriMet buses.

Dots Not Connected

President Barack Obama asserted on Tuesday the government had enough information to foil the attempted bombing on a Christmas Day airline flight but intelligence agencies "failed to connect



those dots." Obama called that unacceptable.

Creek Cusina Folds

The Greek Cuisiana, a well-known downtown nightspot and restaurant closed Monday. Owner Ted Papas blamed City Commissioner Randy Leonard for targeting his business. Leonard said the building was in dangerous condition.

Woman Charged in Stabbing

A southeast Portland woman was charged Monday with trying to kill her boyfriend's 3-year-old daughter

after a domestic dispute. The baby girl was critically stabbed but is recovering from her injuries.

Freeman Voice Replaces Cronkite on Evening News

Nearly six months after Walter Cronkite's death, his voice is leaving the "CBS Evening News." His introduction of anchor Katie Couric was replaced Monday by a voiceover featuring actor Morgan Freeman.



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