

Week in The Review

Arson Spree Arrest

A former Vancouver resident, Harry Burkhart, 24, is being held without bail as the main suspect in a string of arsons in Hollywood, Calif. and the surrounding Los Angeles area. Firefighters have battled 53 deliberately-set fires in the area in recent days, causing more than \$2 million in damage.

Electricity Rates Change

The New Year rang in new electricity rates for residential customers of PGE and Pacific Power. The rates went down about one percent for customers of Portland General Electric, but Pacific Power's customers saw rates increase by about 3 percent.



More Drunk Drivers

On this New Year's Eve, more people in Oregon were arrested for driving under the influence than last year. According to Oregon State Police, 47 drivers, up from 41 last year, were arrested for DUII between Saturday and Sunday.

Presidential Vote Begins

In the first statewide contest of the 2012 presidential election season, the race to win Iowa's caucuses kicked-off with voting on Tuesday. Each Republican presidential hopeful, including Mitt Romney Texas Rep. Ron

Paul and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum, spent much of the day trying to win the hearts of Iowan residents.



Occupiers Arrested

On New Year's Eve, 68 protesters of the Occupy Wall Street Movement were arrested as they tore down barricades surrounding New York City's Zuccotti Park, the former home of their encampment that was dismantled several weeks ago. 500 protesters gathered in the park, where

they brought in the New Year with songs and their now-familiar chant of "We are the 99 per cent."

Oregon Ground Rises

According to local scientists, volcanic activity is causing the earth to rise in Oregon, just west of the South Sister Volcano, which is one of the most prominent peaks in the central stretch of the Cascade Mountains. Although uplift has been confirmed, whether or not an eruption will take place remains uncertain.

Stocks Rise in 2012

Stocks rose sharply Tuesday in the first trading of 2012 as investors returning from the holiday season were encouraged by positive economic reports from the United States and around the world. January is known as a good month to help predict the year to come for U.S. stocks.

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