

Storm topples giant oil rig; 84 die

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland (UPI) — Battered by 50-foot waves, the world's largest oil rig sank in the storm-tossed northern Atlantic Monday.

After an all-day search, rescuers abandoned any hope of survival for the 84 crew members, including 15 Americans.

Helicopter pilot Capt. Mike Clarke said there was no sign of life — "none other than sea gulls" — when he flew over the site where Mobil Oil Canada's 35-story-high Ocean Ranger sank in heavy seas 170 nautical miles southeast of St. John's.

Clarke said he saw only "a few

bodies floating around, a couple of life rafts and various debris." Other pilots said the only visible signs at the site of the world's second-worst oil rig disaster were marker buoys and an anchor.

"Mobil certainly cannot hold out much hope for survivors," Mobil president William Mason said after search aircraft returned to base at nightfall.

A Mobil supply tug got close enough to all three lifeboats for the crew to see through the side portholes. Two were empty and there were two bodies in the third, one of which was recovered before the heavy swell carried the craft out of reach, Mobil

said. It was the only body yet recovered.

Mobil said a "provisional breakdown" indicated the rig was manned by 52 Newfoundlanders, 16 other Canadians, 15 Americans and one British citizen.

Mobil said the drilling crew evacuated the \$50 million rig at 11:15 p.m. MST after sending a "Mayday" signal reporting a 15-degree list. Mobil operations manager Steve Romansky said a half-hour later "there were no sightings of the rig either on radar or visually."

The Ocean Ranger was the largest semi-submersible drilling rig in the

world, measuring 398 feet long, 262 feet wide and 357 feet high. One hundred feet of it floated above the water. It had been drilling for 14 months in the oil-rich Hibernia field.

It was the second worst oil rig disaster in history. On March 27, 1980, 123 workers died when an oil platform collapsed in the North Sea. Seventy crewmen were killed when a rig toppled into China's Bo Hai Gulf Nov. 25, 1979.

A fleet of planes, Coast Guard vessels and the bulk carrier "Gadus Atlantica" battled turbulent seas to reach the area, but Coast Guard Capt. Robert Alford said the rescue efforts

were severely hampered by the vicious storm that threw up 50-foot waves.

Within hours, Romansky said "three lifeboats and one raft and several bodies and debris were sighted" within a five-mile radius of where the rig was sinking an exploratory well, Hibernia J34, into the Grand Banks.

The rig had been equipped with about a dozen life rafts and three fiberglass lifeboats, torpedo-shaped vessels which had a covering hatch. Mobil said one of the lifeboats that was spotted "in a capsized position." Another one was "stern down," Mobil

said, indicating both had taken on water.

Mobil official Susan Sherk acknowledged the "Ocean Ranger" had "experienced a five-degree list last week." Romansky said the "list" when one of 16 supporting pontoons "went slightly out of balance, the water in or out."

Mobil executives insisted, however, there was no connection between what happened and the incident of last week. Romansky said the "list problem" last week was caused by "a valve was inadvertently opened." He said it was "a human error which was quickly rectified."



Guiding hearts

Kelly McMillan and Kurt Staples, left, and an unidentified couple led their "hearts" guide them while they

participated in the "Skate for Heart" skate-a-thon Monday afternoon. The event was a fund-raising drive for the

Twin Falls County Heart Association, which hopes to raise \$21,000 this year.

Security plan for governor passes House

By BRUCE HAMMOND
Times-News writer

BOISE — A bill to provide police protection for the governor and state legislators passed the House on Monday and was forwarded to the Senate.

"When I started in the Legislature 12 years ago, I never would have believed a bill like this would be necessary, let alone that I would be carrying it," said Rep. Jack Kennevik, R-Boise. "But times have changed."

The proposal would require the Department of Law Enforcement director to provide security and protection for the governor at all times and for both houses of the Legislature while it is in session.

It would provide money for three new investigators, plus a vehicle, at a cost of about \$109,000. Much of the investigators' work would be tracing telephone threats, Kennevik said.

House Speaker Ralph Olmstead, R-Twin Falls, a GOP gubernatorial candidate, was the only Magic Valley legislator who opposed the bill. It passed, 53 to 13.

"As a governor candidate, I can't really condone the expense of this program," Olmstead said after the vote.

"But if we're going this way, let's do it properly and not in this ineffective manner."

Olmstead said that most of the threats concerning Gov. John Evans have been directed at his family, such as last year's attempted kidnapping of his son in Burley.

"The governor has a very large family, and it would be tough to



protect them all, but I can't see funding it unless you're going to do it right," he said.

However, Rep. Dan Kelly, R-Mountain Home, argued that the plan for three full-time investigators was a fiscally sound method.

Perhaps the most compelling debate offered in favor of the bill came from Rep. Dan Emery, R-Boise, who has been the subject of threats in the past.

While arguing for a House bill to crack down on "drug pushers" several sessions ago, Emery said he was phoned on the floor by a man "who said, 'We'll kill your kid and leave him on the school grounds full of dope.'"

Emery said he had to move his family and consent to phone taps "three years in a row" to try and stop the threats.

"And what we're asking for here is only three people on an automobile," he said. "I'm afraid the times have forced us to this point."

But Rep. Gene Winchester, R-Kuna, countered Emery's presentation by saying the \$109,000 requested "is just too excessive."

Instead, Winchester claimed the Department of Law Enforcement should provide security for the governor by using existing staff members.

"We do need to protect the governor as the head of our state, but I simply can't see any need to protect the legislators at this time," he said.

Mud, snow-slide warnings widespread

Northwest's rivers reach flood stage

By United Press International

The most severe rain and windstorms since a January deluge that killed 37 pushed rivers in the Pacific Northwest to flood stage Monday.

The storms also prompted avalanche warnings in Washington and threatened Northern California with mudslides.

Northern California authorities, searching for the body of a 5-year-old boy swept away in the rain-swollen waters of the American River while on a camping trip, said prospects of finding him were bleak.

In Chicago, where temperatures warmed Monday past 40 degrees, police found a partially decomposed body of a 64-year-old man in his Northwest Side home. Police said Norman Axness, described as a recluse by neighbors, may have frozen to death two months ago during the deep freeze that engulfed much of the Midwest.

Officers said the heat in the house had been turned off and water pipes had apparently burst. They said there was no evidence of foul play.

Across the northern states, temperatures

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warmed into the 30s. For the first time since before Christmas — Dec. 22, 1981 — Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., recorded an above-freezing temperature, 33 degrees.

Two more inches of rain was reported in Quillayute, Wash., bringing to 10 inches the total rainfall that has drenched the area in the last five days.

The new storms set off snow and mudslides in Washington, burying one highway worker who had been clearing debris. Avalanche warnings were issued as rapidly rising temperatures melted more than 3 feet of snow that accumulated in some mountain areas since last Wednesday, making top layers unstable.

Heavy rains pounded Northern California and the National Weather Service predicted another 4 inches of rain in the already saturated area through the evening.

Worried homeowners in the San Francisco area,

still haunted by January's nightmare mudslides, jammed switchboards with calls to local authorities seeking information on evacuations as rain fell for a second straight day.

"Everything is stable right now," said a California Highway Patrol spokesman in Santa Cruz County, worst hit by the January storms that claimed 37 lives. "But the ground can't take too much more water."

Elsewhere, the Northeast had mostly cloudy weather with temperatures in the 40s, the southern Atlantic Coast warmed into the 70s and southern Florida hit the 80s. Mild temperatures and mostly cloudy skies covered the southwest.

The Gulf Coast was also doused with rain and thunderstorms as nearly 2 inches fell at Lafayette, La., and some street flooding was reported in Beaumont.

Much of the Midwest reveled under the illusion of spring prompted by gentle temperatures that ranged from the mid 30s to near 60 in southern Ohio. It was the first extended break in a winter blitzkrieg that broke 20th Century cold records and killed at least 600 people since the first of the year.

Idaho Housing Agency faces abolition drive

BOISE (UPI) — A move to abolish the Idaho Housing Agency got off the ground Monday by a 54 vote in the House Education Committee, after two members said the agency has not carried out its mission as the Legislature intended.

Rep. Michael Sharp, R-Nampa, said he proposed the measure to repeal the law that created the IHA because the agency has provided a "ball-out for savings and loans and mortgage brokers," rather than concentrating on providing loans for homeowners.

Sharp and Rep. Rachel Gilbert, R-Boise, both real estate agents, attacked the agency for operating an allegedly ill-conceived government assistance program that has evolved into little more than a vehicle for providing "food stamps for business," according to Gilbert.

Gilbert, who before she was elected to the Legislature lobbied fiercely

against a measure in 1980 to increase the agency's bonding authority, also labeled the IHA as an agency "top-heavy with heavyweight salaries."

She also alleged the IHA has concentrated on loaning money for apartment complexes, rather than granting loans for single-family homes.

Rep. Steve Antone, R-Rupert, said one possible result of the repeal would be that the state might be obligated to assume the responsibility of the agency's bonds.

The agency has been under fire from various legislators for the past few years. Legislation to increase the agency's bonding authority from \$200 million to \$400 million was hotly contested in the 1980 session, but it survived both the House and the Senate, and was signed into law by Gov. John Evans.

Ice-jammed river floods Salmon

SALMON (UPI) — Clogged by ice, the rain-swollen Salmon River backed up into the town of Salmon Monday night.

It caused some flooding of the city hall, skating rink, public library, and several businesses and homes, officials reported.

"They're sandbagging wherever they can to stop it. The whole city crew's out, all the city people are out," said Lemhi County Deputy Harvey Pierce. But Pierce said it was

unlikely the rest of the town was in danger of flooding because it was on higher ground.

Salmon Mayor William Miller said the river put about six inches of water into the city hall basement as of 7 p.m. Monday, and also had flooded the adjacent public library and a cheese factory. All three buildings are on low ground near the river, he added.

The river also covered with four feet of water the city's Island Park where the municipal pool and skating

rink are located.

Miller said city and county officials were "very concerned" about the possibility of more extensive flooding after another storm was predicted to hit this area early this morning.

Lee Krough of the Boise office of the National Weather Service said Monday the Coeur d'Alene River in the vicinity of Ennville and Cataldo had created three feet above flood level and the St. Joe River had created just below flood stage near St. Maries.



Good morning!

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Idaho Legislature Briefs

Stivers lambasts Gem fiscal agent

BOISE — The head of Idaho's Division of Financial Management was criticized for being "180 degrees out of phase with the truth," by a Twin Falls legislator on Monday.

"The newspapers, television and radio news all weekend carried at great length the statements of administrator Larry Seal concerning the distribution of the windfall-profit tax," Rep. Tom Stivers, R-Twin Falls, said in a prepared statement.

"He was quoted many times as saying that the return of the tax would only go to six states that were oil-producing states, and that Idaho would not receive any of the funds," Stivers continued. "Mr. Seal followed up with another unfounded statement that Idaho would either have to have additional economic growth or an increase in taxes to make up for the loss of federal funds."

As a subcommittee chairman on President Ronald Reagan's Commission on Federalism, Stivers said he has received all program printouts, charts and graphs outlining the distribution of the windfall-profit revenues.

"Nowhere is there even a suggestion that the windfall-profit tax will not be included in the trust fund that will be distributed to all the states," he said.

Quick execution proposal offered

BOISE (UPI) — Thomas Eugene Creech, a notorious killer convicted of four murders and claiming to have slain 26 people, says he wants to die.

A mandatory appeal of his death sentence to the Idaho Supreme Court has stalled the execution.

That situation has moved Rep. Rusty Barlow, R-Pocatello, to push legislation that would change Idaho's capital punishment law to allow a murderer under sentence of death to be executed without lengthy court appeals.

Barlow's proposal, approved for introduction on a 5-3 vote Monday by the House Judiciary Committee, would give a convict 42 days to appeal his conviction. If he did not enter the appeal in that time, there would be no possibility of appeal and the sentence would be carried out, Barlow said. No appeals could be filed without the convict's consent, he added.

Rep. Paul Keaton, D-Lewiston, tried to have the committee kill the bill, but his motion failed on a 3-5 vote.

Symms lauds right-to-work backers

BOISE (UPI) — Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, Monday commended state legislators who voted for the right-to-work bill voted by Gov. John Evans last week and told backers of the controversial legislation "there will come another day."

In a short address to the Idaho Senate, Symms said he was grateful for the unsuccessful attempt by 21 of the 23 Republican senators to override the veto, saying passage of the measure would have helped improve Idaho's employment situation.

Caldwell man flays Gem tuition plan

BOISE (UPI) — A volley of criticism was fired Monday at a plan to give Idaho's higher-education institutions tuition-charging power by a Caldwell man who railed at the "sheer incompetence" of state education officials.

Richard Renstrom, describing himself as a writer driven to protest the tuition plan because of his "love of humanity," called the proposed constitutional amendment an injustice to middle-income families.

Renstrom told the House Education Committee that charging tuition would combine with the Reagan administration's proposed educational

assistance cuts to make higher education unreachably for children of many middle-income families.

Rich people still would be able to attend college and the poor would continue to qualify for federal loans, Renstrom said.

The committee had been scheduled to hear testimony from several others on the proposed constitutional amendment, but Renstrom was the only speaker to show up. The committee will vote on the resolution at another meeting.

Renstrom recommended the Legislature force the state Education Board to sharply boost nonresident

fees to make Idaho's higher-education charges comparable with nonresident fees assessed in other states.

Renstrom said non-resident fees at Oregon's universities are three times greater than those at Idaho's four-year institutions. Washington state's out-of-state charges are twice as great as Idaho's, he said.

Rep. Dan Kelly, R-Mountain Home, prime sponsor of the tuition resolution, told Renstrom that state officials and legislators "backed to the wall" in their efforts to preserve the higher-education system.

"Would you rather have one institution where everything is free and

close down the others?" Kelly asked him.

Renstrom replied that he was aware of the financial problems facing the three universities, and Lewis-Clark State College, but he said other avenues were available to raise additional funding — such as boosting nonresident fees.

Kelly's resolution, which would require two-thirds support from both legislative chambers and a nod of approval from the voters, would give the Education Board and the Legislature power to establish tuition charges and set tuition rates.

Golf course tax exemption idea ends in rough

BOISE (UPI) — Gold and silver dealers deserve a state tax exemption, but golfers don't, a legislative committee indicated Monday.

The House Revenue and Taxation Committee cut down a proposal by Rep. Robert Seates, R-Post Falls, to shield non-profit golf courses from property taxation.

Supporters of the plan said eight golf courses across the state would save an estimated \$31,000 annually under the proposed exemption. The tax break would cover only land actually used for golfing, not buildings on the courses, they said.

But the plan went down in a hail of fire from committee members who objected to the persistent attempts in the Legislature to establish and expand property-tax exemptions.

However, the committee acted much more favorably to a bill that would specify a sales-tax exemption on direct investment of gold and silver.

The bill was sent out of the House floor with a recommendation that a minor amendment be made.

In floor action Monday, the Senate approved a bill which sponsor Sen. Mark Ricks, R-Rexburg, said would bring Idaho's corporate takeover law into conformance with federal statutes to avoid constitutional tangles in corporate takeover bids.

Passed and sent to the House bills granting fiscal year 1982 supplemental appropriations of \$3,400 to the Labor and Industrial Services Department, \$8,700 to state Dentistry Board and \$5,200 to the Public Works Contractors State License Board.

"Voted in favor of and sent to the chief executive a House bill that would allow the Idaho Tax Commission to siphon funds from the

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Confront USSR on chemical warfare

More and more evidence conclusively indicates the Soviet Union is conducting clandestine chemical warfare in its areas of conflict.

So why is much of the civilized world taking a nonchalant view of this horrifying development?

That's the question Secretary of State Alexander Haig is asking himself, and anyone who'll listen.

The use of chemical weapons is tough to prove, particularly when much of the suspected usage is occurring in isolated areas of Afghanistan, Laos and Kampuchea. Western experts have had a frustrating but not impossible job of analyzing the agents used on people in those regions. There seems to be no doubt the U.S.S.R. is waging some sort of chemical warfare campaign.

The trouble is, few people are believing the stories of "yellow rain," filtering out of those regions. They largely have been ignored or pushed aside, just as the death-camp stories coming out of Germany were in World War II.

The Soviets, of course, deny any violation of the biological weapons treaty. Other world leaders and administrations haven't exerted any backbone in dealing with the topic.

This indifference flies in the face of Soviet intentions.

Time and time again it has been proven how well Soviet troops are equipped to deal in chemical warfare. Their combat gear and even mechanized divisions have been designed for specific chemical applications. Their maneuvers indicate that chemical warfare is an integral part of defensive, if not offensive, military strategy.

Our own armed forces have reacted to the overwhelming evidence by reviewing and updating their own chemical warfare strategy, particularly within the NATO forces of Western Europe.

The international community must come to grips with this development by confronting the Soviets with the evidence. Moscow must not be allowed to brush aside the charges as if they were some Western invention for propaganda purposes.

It has been suggested the United Nations is the appropriate forum for undertaking an investigation of chemical warfare abuses. The Reagan administration should press for immediate U.N. action and encourage Haig to keep the issue alive — if for no other reason than to let Moscow know the United States won't turn the other cheek.



Letters to the editor

Watt is stacking the deck

Editor, Times-News:
On Sunday, Feb. 7, I noticed in the papers that Secretary Watt of the Interior Department had appointed Bill Swan and David Little to the Public Lands Advisory Council. This council is composed of 21 members from the western states and advises the BLM on land-use policy.
This is a classic case of the old axiom, "letting the foxes watch the chicken coop." Both men are past presidents of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association. These two appointments should fit in well with the policies of the current federal administration. There is no question that the viewpoints of the traditional resource users will be heard in Washington. Those of us that are interested in conservation, preservation and recreational use of the federal lands will have to wait for another day. That day will be a Tuesday in November 1994.
DARWIN H. PHILLIPS
Jerome

and senseless no-win wars since then. They came at low points in the economic cycle. Was their cause a need to stimulate the economy? In his book *Violins and Shovels*, Milton Meltzer quotes FDR as saying a dime is a narcotic, a subtle destroyer of the human spirit. I wonder how FDR would feel today looking at third generation welfare families? The politicians have profited and the people have lost. Every economic crisis in our history has been used to promote socialism. Much of it done with taxpayers' money. Radicals make their fastest progress in times of social or economic stress. They will miss no chances in the future. To learn in detail what they have done and how they did it, read *None Dare Call It Treason* by John A. Stormer.
Changes in the social and economic fabric of a nation should be made slowly and with great care. Under FDR and Hiller great changes were made feverishly. In both instances the people ultimately lost. It is dangerous to give a free hand to a super-salesman with radical ideas. What would you have a new pied piper bring to us?
LEON RICE
Jackpot, Nev.

good government demands the kind of people who, because of their religious faith and principles, have developed the nobility of mind and character required to retain those positions inimical to liberty. Consequently, the Founding Fathers praised religion on utilitarian grounds: that is, religion is good, because it can help to preserve domestic tranquility and order, and buttress both private and public morality.
Marsha Winters may be happy to know "St. Peter" is not going to let anyone pass through his gates who claims "good works" as his entrance fee. "By grace are we saved, through faith. It is a gift of God... not of works... lest any man should boast."
No, Marsha, there are no selfish motives in good works, as you claim, to save souls. Faith saves and good works are the fruit of that faith.
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Not another FDR, please

Editor, Times-News:
Here is a contrary opinion to your editorial, *Needed: The Magic of FDR Once More*. Truly President Roosevelt had great charisma and was an exceptionally able politician. In short, he was a super salesman. His talents were used to sell America a bad bill of government spending became a way of life. Today our economy staggers just from paying the interest on our trillion dollar national debt. The recent NBC TV show gave an example of one of FDR's deliberate outright lies to the American people. An example many other public figures have followed. Is it any wonder people do not trust the leaders from our labor unions? Under FDR were our country biased against owners of business and industry. They placed government in support of violence and destruction. The writers relief programs of the 30s did not merely furnish income to starving writers. The text books and history of our nation were rewritten along socialist concepts. Workers in steel mills, in the mines and in the navy without regard to productive output. One working, one boasting, one coming, one going and one watching was a common WPA joke.
It is true some historians say FDR flat out saved the nation. Many others say recovery would have come sooner and without war through the natural economic cycle. Look at the international crises

Washington and religion

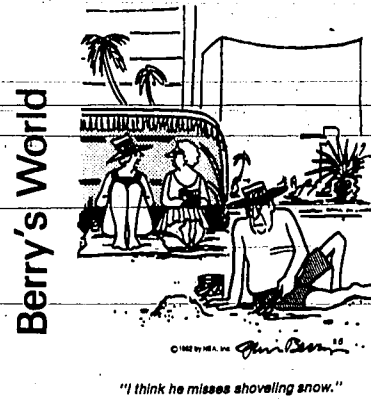
Editor, Times-News:
As we celebrate Washington's birthday, let us consider a few words from his farewell address, where he reiterated his firm support and approval of religion and the constructive role it can and does play in society.
"Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity" observed Washington, "religion and morality are indispensable supports." he concluded, "and let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."
Washington viewed religion from a political perspective, and recognized that a civil society founded on a purely humanistic basis of "the natural rights of man" could not sustain itself. Rather, a civil society demanded the support provided by religion in order to survive. For the sake of self-preservation, then, society and government must support religion in general, although, to be sure, not a particular religion.
In other words, the Founding Fathers believed that government cannot afford to be neutral between "believers and non-believers," because

Another way to mothball

Editor, Times-News:
Re: The "astronomical" price to mothball the "Trojan Horse" known as the WPPSS.
I suggest we call in the Israeli "rocket slingers" who "mothballed" the reactor in Iraq.
DAVE ANDERST
Hazelton

Religion in our schools?

Editor, Times-News:
Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Arp are concerned over the lack of religious training in our schools (Times-News, Feb. 10).
A quick tally of the local telephone directory shows at least 29 different denominational churches at 18 locations in Twin Falls. This compares with 25 academic schools from nursery and kindergarten through college, seven or eight of which have religious affiliation. This leaves only 18 or 19 public schools without some sort of formal religious influence. It seems then that there is ample opportunity in Twin Falls for children to be indoctrinated in a variety of religious persuasions.
I wonder which of these 29 or more persuasions the Arps would prefer to have taught in our public schools? It seems to me that the public schools have only two logical choices: (1) leave religious training strictly up to parents and churches, or (2) offer courses only in comparative religion taught only by unbiased teachers.
C.G. BUCKENSTAFF
Twin Falls



Ellen Goodman

Terkel came, maybe conquered his working critics

BOSTON — Last week, Studs Terkel went down to Girard, Pa. to defend his book against the banners. His performance in the school and at the open meeting was, I am told, vintage Terkel: intimate, winning, honest.
Those who know this man from Chicago could imagine the itch he felt to turn on his own tape recorder and capture the voices and the feelings of the people who had accused him of writing a dirty book.
Terkel is after all, a professional listener. He has listened to Americans who survived the Depression and listened to Americans who make it through life one working day at a time in a factory or a restaurant. He has a passion for words as they are really spoken — expletives not deleted. The folk of Girard, even those who challenged the school's right to assign "Working" to the students, are much like the people between the pages of his book. As Terkel put it, "The exquisite irony is that they are the heroes and heroines of his book."
What was unusual about this scene was that Terkel came and maybe even conquered. Although the final decision on "Working" won't come down from the school

board until Feb. 16, he ended the day with a standing ovation.
But without Terkel's star performance, it would have been another version of a stock play that has run in hundreds of other places with names as unfamiliar as Girard, Warsaw, Ind., St. Anthony, Idaho, Gardner, Kan., Drake, N.D., are only a few entries on the huge roll call of towns that have staged a censorship show.
The list of books that have been challenged or banned from school curricula and libraries in the last few years read like a Who's Who of American authors. The words of challengers read sometimes like a parody. It is tempting to repeat the lines of the parent from Richmond, Va., who criticized the school use of "Grapes of Wrath" saying, "You would never find a book like that in the Reader's Digest."
But the censorship incidents are real and growing. The American Library Association's Office for Intellectual Freedom, which keeps track of these things, tells us that in the last year, reported challenges have tripled nationally from 300 to 900. These come sometimes from the left and mostly from the right. But they almost always come from people who want limits: limits on what the

libraries can hold, limits on what the schools can assign, limits on what the students can read.
If Robert Doyle, the ALA's assistant to the president, had to pick the hottest issues for censoring they would be "language," sexual references, agnostic and atheistic viewpoints, and secular humanism. Not far behind would be protests against books without a strong moral viewpoint, in which good is not always rewarded and evil not always punished.
When you listen, censorship controversy is not really between liberal and conservative, left and right. It's between those who think that the business of books is to expand our vision and those who only want to read what they believe. It's between those who think the business of schools is to describe the world as it is, warts and all, and those who worry that the warts will spread unless they are removed from the pages, the shelves, the schools.
Maybe the library, even the school library, seems like an odd place for such a noisy conflict. Doyle says that, in fact, libraries try to maintain some political neutrality by "promoting the widest viewpoint." But in an era when the major intellectual struggle is against those who want to ensure a narrow viewpoint, this belief isn't neutral

any more.
The schools in particular are increasingly a focus for conflicting ideas, our investment in the future. All the regular procedures to approve textbooks, to define appropriate reading, have become more complex and more controversial. But there is a difference between an orderly review process and the lynch-mob censorship by which schools are busied by one.
Most of the time, as Doyle says, a book doesn't even get a day in court. Only 15 percent of the censorship challenges even make news. Most of the rest are handled quietly. In about half the cases, the ALA tells us, some form of censorship is imposed almost immediately. Sometimes this censorship is as informal as a magic marker in the hand of a teacher in Idaho who blacks out every damn and hell in the book.
Terkel did get his day in court... a public court. He defended his work against people who hunt for words instead of meanings. He defended the real world, the wide lands. He left Girard with a farewell that should, with any luck, stave off the censors of one more book for one more day: "I hope you have a long, decent life, work hard, and READ."

How they voted Idaho Legislature

House	A	B	C	D	E	F
STEVE ANTOINE (R-21)	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
MACK NEIBAUR (R-21)	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
DAN KELLY (R-22)	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
ARTHUR ISAAC (R-22)	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
GORDON HOLLIFIELD (R-23)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
JOHN BROOKS (R-23)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
NOY BRACKETT (R-24)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
LAWRENCE KNIGGE (R-24)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TOM STIVERS (R-25)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
RALPH OLMSTEAD (R-25)	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y
ERNEST HALE (R-26)	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N
WARD CHATBURN (R-26)	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Senate	1	2	3	4	5	6
JOHN PEAVEY (D-21)	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
WILSON STEEN (R-22)	Y	A	Y	Y	A	Y
KENNETH BRADSHAW (R-23)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
JOHN BARKER (R-24)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
LAIRD NOH (R-25)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
DEAN VANENGELN (R-26)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

A - Absent, P - Present, Y - Yes, N - No.

In the House:

A: Juveniles - HB475 - Amends existing law to increase the maximum period of commitment to jail from 30 to 60 days for a child subject to the Youth Rehabilitation Act. Passed Feb. 12, 60 to 4, with five absent, and sent to Senate.

B: Fish and Game - HB594 - Amends existing law to require reimbursement to the state for illegally taken salmon and steelhead. Passed Feb. 10, 59 to 9, with two absent, and sent to Senate.

C: Warehouses - HB531 - Repeals, adds to and amends existing law to provide for regulation and licensure of bonded warehouses. Passed Feb. 11, 65 to 3, with two absent, and sent to Senate.

D: Schools - HB596 - Amends existing law to clarify bidding requirements and the authority of school boards in purchasing and disposing of real property. Passed Feb. 8, 46 to 19, with five absent, and sent to Senate.

E: School buses - HB575 - Amends existing law relating to school transportation to provide mandatory payments to parents of students when transportation is not furnished. Passed Feb. 9, 55 to 8, with seven absent, and sent to Senate.

F: Public utilities - HB564 - An act appropriating additional money to the Public Utilities Commission for fiscal year 1981-82 for administrative purposes. Passed Feb. 10, 58 to 11, with four absent, and sent to Senate.

In the Senate:

1: Auto Insurance - SB1242 - Adds to existing law to provide a discount on auto insurance premiums for persons 55 years or older who have completed an accident-prevention course. Failed Feb. 8, 14 to 21, and held for amendment.

2: Cosmetology - SB1253 - Amends existing law to increase fees for cosmetology licenses to establish certification requirements. Passed Feb. 11, 28 to 5, with two absent, and sent to House.

3: Wage claims - SB1255 - Amends existing law to increase the dollar limit wage claims filed with the Department of Labor and Industrial Services. Passed Feb. 9, 33 to 1, with one absent, and sent to House.

4: Aquaculture - SB1273 - Amends existing law to add duties relating to encouragement and promotion of aquaculture to the Department of Agriculture. Passed Feb. 8, 33 to 6, and sent to House.

5: Public utilities - SB478 - Amends existing law to allow a public utility to transfer property to a cooperative electrical corporation, with approval of the Public Utilities Commission. Passed Feb. 11, 33 to 6, with two absent, and returned to floor for signing.

6: Adoption - SB1288 - Amends existing law to provide financial and medical assistance to families who adopt handicapped, hard-to-place children. Passed Feb. 10, 38 to 6, and sent to House.

Make bid for nuclear plant, legislators told

BOISE (UPI) — The Legislature could boost the chance of a nuclear power plant being built on a federal installation near Idaho Falls by adopting a memorial urging the government to locate the plant in Idaho, a nuclear industry spokesman said Monday.

Bob Wolcott, president of NUKECO, a California-based uranium brokerage and utility consultant, told a joint meeting of House and Senate environment committees that siting of a new replacement production reactor "will depend on local attitudes."

He said the Legislature would be "well-advised" to send a message to Congress and the U.S. Energy Department that Idaho would be receptive to the plant. A memorial urging the government to build the plant at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory has been approved by the state Senate and is in the House.

After the legislative hearing, a Snake River Alliance spokeswoman denied her organization had been claimed a chance to speak to the committees.

"The Legislature always wants to hear from the nuclear industry, but never from anyone critical of the nuclear industry," Diane Jones said.

She said the alliance wrote to Senate Resources and Environment Committee Chairman Marsden Williams, R-Idaho Falls, several weeks ago with a request for time to address the committee on nuclear issues, but she said the group never received a reply.

Williams, who was embroiled in a similar flap with anti-nuclear spokesmen two years ago, was not available for comment on Jones' complaint.

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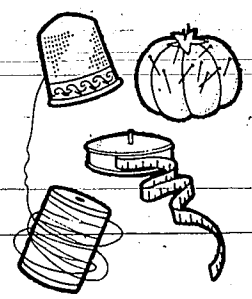
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L.M. Boyd

What's what

Those surveytakers asked a sizable sampling of men if there was anything they didn't like about love-making. Yes, one thing in particular, the majority said: romancing an unresponsive woman. Our Love and War man understands the complaint. He long has advised any inquiring lady to make up her mind positively to work in a romantic situation. "No" is better than "I don't know." If she decides to let the eager lad kiss her, so to speak, then she ought to kiss back, emphatically. No man wants to kiss a totem pole.

In Hanover, Ind., that avenue lined with sorority houses on the Hanover College campus is officially designated as "The Street."

Just as a human baby sometimes sucks its thumb, so does an elephant calf sometimes suck its trunk.

If half your shoes don't have faces, you're typical.

FOREIGN BORN

Q. Has there ever been a U.S. president who was not really born in the United States?

A. Only one, if any. Most biographers of Andrew Jackson say he was born in South Carolina in 1767. But recent research suggests he was born in 1755 on a ship bound to America from Ireland. If that were true and had been known, he would not have been eligible for the presidency.

Q. Quick, Louie, what does Dolly Parton have in common with Great Britain's renowned Queen Victoria?

A. Dolly is 5 feet tall. So was the Queen. Did you realize that Dolly is 3 inches shorter than Mickey Mouse?

GRAVEDIGGERS

Siberian gravediggers customarily burn kerosene fires on their grave sites before they start to dig. Then return those fires repeatedly in the diggings until they get the proper depths.

Certainly it would be far beneath the dignity of Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor to pose blindfolded with a balance scale in her hand, but I'd like a picture of her that way, even so. Not likely, no.

Also to be seen in the cement at Graumann's Chinese Theater are the personal imprints of Star Wars electronic celebrities C-3PO and R2D2.

In California's San Diego is a street called Havelock Way.

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Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day when you suddenly want to expand your horizons. Make positive plans that will lead to success and happiness. Become more concerned about the welfare of others.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Contact an influential person you know and plan how to become more successful. Rest and relax at home tonight.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Follow your intuition, which is accurate now, and could lead to greater success. Engage in social activity in the evening.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Go to new sites with interesting people who can help you get ahead in the future. Take needed health treatments.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) A day to listen to suggestions of financial experts so that you can put your business affairs in better order.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Obtain the data you need from associates so you can operate in a more efficient manner. An outsider can be helpful to you now.

VIRO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 23) Use modern appliances so that you can do your work more efficiently. Be more fair-minded with co-workers.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Making plans for putting your creative ideas to work is wise at this time. Strive for increased happiness and it is yours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Meet with family members and make long-range plans for the future. Study a new venture that could be profitable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) An expert can help you improve your daily routines so that you can save time and make more money. Be logical.

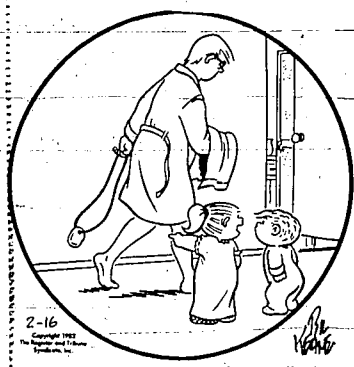
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) A financial expert can give you the advice you need so that you can solve a money problem. Use care in travel.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Handling personal affairs early in the day is wise. Accept a social invitation tonight and have a good time.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Plan time for studying new ventures that could be profitable in the future. Make plans to engage in favorite hobby.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will be modern-minded and should be sent to the finest schools where such thinking could pave the way to an interesting and successful future. There is much sociability in this chart. Don't neglect ethical training.

Family Circus



"Look! Daddy's walkin' his soap."

Comics/TV

Garfield



Blondie



Rex Morgan



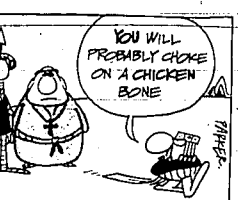
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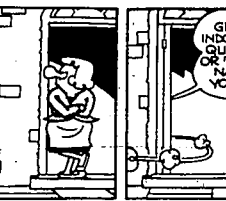
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Andy Capp



Prime time TV

- 8:00
- (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) NEWS
- (7) LIVEWIRE
- (8) 3-2-1 CONTACT (R) (I)
- (9) YOU ASKED FOR IT
- (10) PRIME TIME NEWS
- (11) NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SPECIAL
- (12) MOVIE *** "The Swiss Conspiracy" (1977, Mystery) David Janssen, Elke Sommer.
- (13) WHY IN THE WORLD?
- (14) (11) HEE HAW
- (15) 1981 POWER BOAT RACING
- (16) COLLEGE BASKETBALL
- (17) HANS BRINKER OR THE SILVER SKATES
- 9:00
- (18) MOVIE *** "Gumshoe" (1972, Comedy) Albert Finney, Janice Rule.
- 9:30
- (19) BARNEY MILLER
- (20) P.M. MAGAZINE
- (21) THE TAC DOUGH
- (22) HACKETT / LEHRER REPORT
- (23) (12) FAMILY FEUD
- (24) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
- (25) 700 CLUB / LEHRER REPORT
- (26) BUSINESS REPORT
- 10:00
- (27) (3) THE WALL
- (28) (3) (4) (11) FATHER MURPHY
- (29) MAN AND WOMAN
- (30) THE REPORTERS
- (31) (8) HAPPY DAYS
- (32) MAGNET / LEHRER REPORT
- (33) 700 CLUB / LEHRER REPORT
- (34) (12) GUNSMOKE
- (35) COLLEGE BASKETBALL
- (36) GOOFING AROUND WITH DONALD DUCK
- SHOW MOVIE *** "Blow-Up" (1966, Mystery) David Hemmings, Vanessa Redgrave.
- 10:30
- (37) MAN AND WOMAN
- 11:00
- (38) MAN AND WOMAN
- 11:30
- (39) OVER EASY
- (40) LAVERNE & SHIRLEY
- (41) NASHVILLE MUSIC
- (42) ONCE UPON A CLASSIC
- 12:00
- (43) NEWS
- 1:00
- (44) (2) (3) (11) BRET MAVERICK
- (45) (7) (8) LIFE ON EARTH
- (46) (12) NASHVILLE MUSIC
- (47) FREEMAN REPORTS
- (48) NEWARK AND REALITY
- (49) MOVIE *** "Howl-Of-The-Jack" (1967, Western) James Garner, Jason Robards.
- (50) SPORTS PROBE
- HBO TIME WAB: THE 1930S
- 2:00
- (51) (3) TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT
- (52) SING OUT AMERICA
- (53) APPLE POLISHER
- (54) IDEA NOTEBOOK
- 3:00
- (55) NBA BASKETBALL
- 3:30
- (56) MAN AND WOMAN
- 4:00
- (57) (3) (4) (11) LAMINGO ROAD
- (58) (7) AMERICAN PLAYBOY
- (59) (8) HART TO HART
- (60) SPORTS TONIGHT
- (61) NASHVILLE P.F.D.
- (62) BENNY HILL
- (63) SPORTS CENTER
- (64) JACKSON CHANNEL
- SHOW MOVIE *** "Popeye" (1980, Comedy) Robin Williams, Shelley Duvall.
- 5:00
- (65) MAN AND WOMAN
- 6:00
- (66) NEWSDESK
- (67) ANOTHER LIFE
- (68) MAUDE
- 10:00
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- (12) MAN AND WOMAN
- (13) JACKSON HILLIARD
- (14) MARYA COLLINS: EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION
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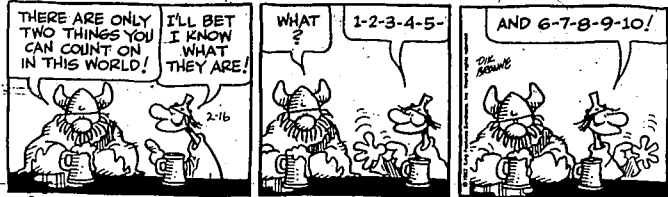
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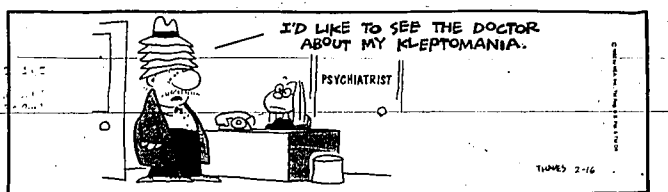
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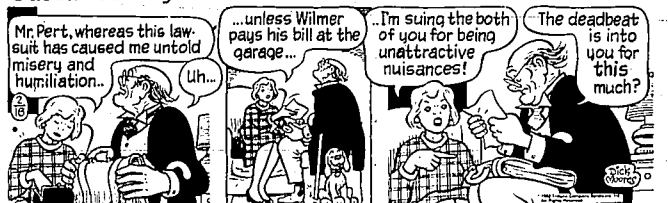
Frank and Ernest



Alley Oop



Gasoline Alley



Dennis the Menace



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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

1. Like Dal's
 2. Reputation
 3. Drug plant
 4. Gala
 5. Arctic island
 6. Creek
 7. American humorist
 8. Place of worship
 9. Operatic
 10. Inwards
 11. Brainstorm
 12. Pre-wash cycle

Almanac

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Today is Tuesday, Feb. 16, the 47th day of 1982 with 318 to follow.

The moon is moving toward its new phase.

The morning stars are Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn.

There is no evening star.

Those born on this date are under the sign of Aquarius.

Henry Wilson, 18th vice president of the United States, was born Feb. 16, 1812.

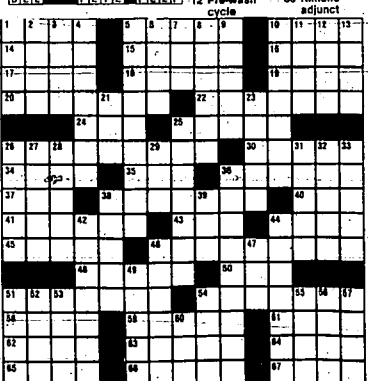
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In 1925, Floyd Collins was found dead in a cavern at Cave City, Ky., where he had been trapped for 18 days.

In 1959, Fidel Castro, leader of the Cuban revolution, was sworn in as Cuba's premier.

In 1970, Joe Frazier stopped Jimmy Ellis in five rounds to become the undisputed heavyweight boxing champion.

A thought for the day: American President William Henry Harrison said, "A decent and manly examination of the acts of government should be not only tolerated but encouraged."



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Cheaters target for 'hit squad'

ANTOFAGASTA, Chile (UPI) — Men who cheat on their wives are being attacked, interrogated and undressed by a roving "hit squad" of lady karate experts.

Wearing ski masks and using karate to overwhelm their victims, a group of women called the "Feminist Militant of El Loco" has in the past few months attacked at least 10 men, including a husband caught necking with his mistress in an automobile on a deserted beach.

"We want everyone to know that when in northern Chile it's not easy to cheat on, or abuse, us women," said one unidentified member of the self-described "hit squad."

"We find out when an unfaithful man has a date, and we follow them to the scene. We surprise them and humiliate them, so they'll learn to be better husbands," she said.

Unfaithful husbands are not the only victims. The karate experts said their main concern is making the streets safer for women to walk alone at night.

A recent victim of the female karate squad was a taxi driver known to attack women passengers. The karate squad caught him in his taxi and "taught him a few lessons." The incident was publicized in the local paper.

"We like this publicity, because we want all those who cheat on us to know what it's like to be afraid to walk on the streets at night," one squad member said in an interview with a local journalist on a deserted beach about 1,000 miles north of the capital city of Santiago.

The man caught cheating on his wife in a parked car said he was attacked, undressed and interrogated by the karate squad.

"I'm on their list now, and I can tell you that since that incident occurred, I have remained totally faithful to my wife," the man said.

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Shark takes devil's place

TUCSON, Ariz. (UPI) — Veteran villain Vincent Price says the devil used to be the most horrifying of film monsters — until "Jaws."

"The devil was 'the hottest box office attraction around, at least until that damn shark came along,'" Price said.

Price gave a lecture called "The Villains Still Pursue Me" at the University of Arizona. He told his audience heroes don't last, but villains persevere.

"Heroes have no character really said Price, 72, who horrified audiences in films like "The Pit and Pendulum" and "Scream and Scream Again."

"Once they get a few wrinkles or a patch, they're washed up," he said. "But villains last. The more wrinkle and creviced they get, the more an audience loves to hate them."

Victim of cougar reported 'stable'

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — A 9-year-old boy who was pounced upon by a cougar used in a Lincoln-Mercury display at the Pittsburgh auto show suffered severe neck and facial wounds, including damage to an artery, hospital officials said Monday.

The boy, James Seals of suburban Upper Saint Clair, was in "stable but serious condition," said Dr. Henry, a spokesman at Allegheny General Hospital. "He is awake and able to talk, but we don't want to ask him questions that may upset him."

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Dear Abby

Abby's column changed his life

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: Here is my story. I was in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years and retired a few years ago at the age of 37. At 21 I married a homelovng girl, expecting to grow old with her and enjoy our retirement years together. I soon found out that retirement with my wife was not what I had expected, but for the sake of our children, I played married.

Two years ago, while cleaning out our basement, I came across a box of fragile items that had been wrapped in old newspapers. It was then that I read a Dear Abby column in the Duluth Herald dated Sept. 11, 1968. That article changed my life.

I am divorced now and have met a lovely woman whom I hope to marry soon. All I want to say, Abby, is that had it not been for your article, I might have still been married to a woman who was becoming more like the woman in that article every day.

I just wonder how many other people are in similar circumstances, but lack the courage to do something about it.

Thanks for helping me to change my life for the better. I'm enclosing a copy of the article, which I shall always treasure.

—NO NAME, PLEASE

"DEAR ABBY: My husband is retired now, and most of his troubles are either dead or too sick to be any company to him. He used to be quite the "man about town" and I spent many evenings alone and heavyhearted, wondering when he would come home.

"Now, do you know what? I can't get him out of the house. I actually have to look for things for him to do. 'Go-to-the-grocery-store! Go-to-the-drugstore! Go to the hardware store!' 'I can't stand the sight of him anymore. I get nauseated when I hear his key in the door.'

"After he reads the morning paper, he starts to follow me around like a

puppy, supervising the cooking, housekeeping, etc.

"If I have an acquaintance in for a cup of tea, he moves right in and monopolizes the conversation.

"Dear God, I am so sick of him, death would be a welcome release.

Sincerely, WEARY"

"DEAR WEARY: Yours or his? The quality of a marriage is only as good as the materials used by the builders. The "umber of life" is caring, sharing, patience, forgiveness and understanding.

"One can't expect to spend his twilight years in a cathedral when he's accumulated only enough "lumber" for a shack."

DEAR ABBY: Although my wife can't balance her checkbook, she came up with an excellent suggestion for checkbook users in the new year. Write the numbers "82" on all checks to be used in January so as to avoid absentmindedly writing "1981" on those checks, making them invalid. After a year of check writing, last

year's date has become a habit that is sometimes difficult to break.

DEAR FELIX: Thanks. But January alone won't do it for me. I'm writing "1982" until March.

DEAR ABBY: I was so glad to see the letter in the column about people who use "you know" in every other sentence. I was once one of those people, and I didn't realize it until I met the man who later became my husband.

Here is how he broke me of the "you know" habit: Every time I said "you know," he would say, "Yes, I know." Then I realized I was "you knowing" in nearly every sentence!

If people who have this sloppy speech habit want to overcome it, they should ask a close friend to do what my husband did. It's embarrassing at first, but it really works, and it's worth it.

—CURED IN VIRGINIA

DEAR CURED: You're right, you know?

Delegates chosen

FILER — The Filer American Legion Auxiliary will select Girls State delegate nominees at 7 p.m. Thursday at the American Legion Hall in Filer. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Time changed

TWIN FALLS — The Women's Aglow Evening Fellowship meeting scheduled for Thursday will be at 6:30 p.m. Instead of the previously announced time. Fieda Wright will speak at the meeting to be held at the Golden Griddle Restaurant. Reservations may be made by calling 733-4633 or 734-5444.

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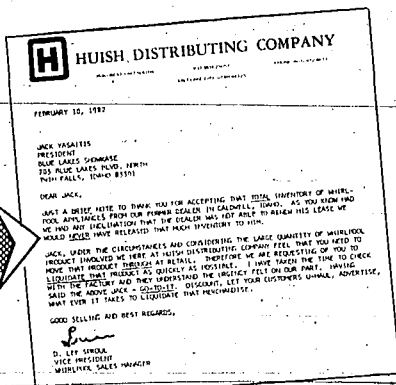
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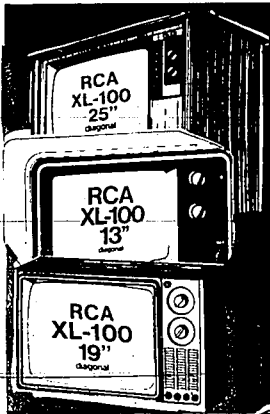
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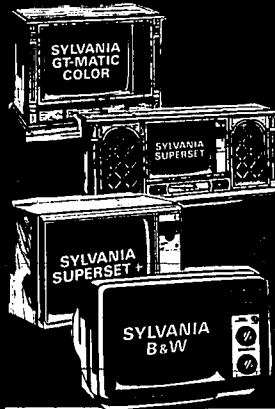
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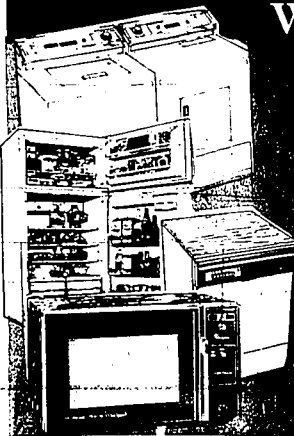
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Beans Inc. settlement gets a 'no' from NFO

Farm group's rejection kills repayment offer

By MARTY TRILLHAASE
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The largest single group of farmers suing the defunct Beans Inc. firm rejected a \$1.05 million settlement offer Monday.

The rejection of the offer, by representatives of the National Farmers Organization, virtually seals the fate of the offer. The move came during a meeting between NFO representatives and their lawyers.

Lawyer Mark Stubbs said no vote was taken at the session, but a consensus showed lack of support for the offer.

While individuals other than the 70 NFO members are suing Beans Inc. officials, unanimous approval of the settlement offer is required.

"All of these claims are inextricably linked," said Kent Taylor, who represents about 23 individual plaintiffs in the lawsuit. "By their (NFO's) rejecting the offer, it also acts as a rejection for us."

The lawsuit stems from a July 30, 1979, fire that destroyed one of the Filer bean firm's warehouses. Named as defendants in the civil action are: Beans Inc.;

its parent company, Commodity Marketing Corp.; and CMC's owner, Jim Woods of Sallinas, Calif. Also named as defendants are the companies that bonded and insured the warehouse operation.

The farmers want payment for the beans that were stored in the warehouse prior to the fire. They have also accused Beans Inc. officials of selling beans they did not own. In all, the farmers claim amount to an estimated \$13.3 million to \$18 million.

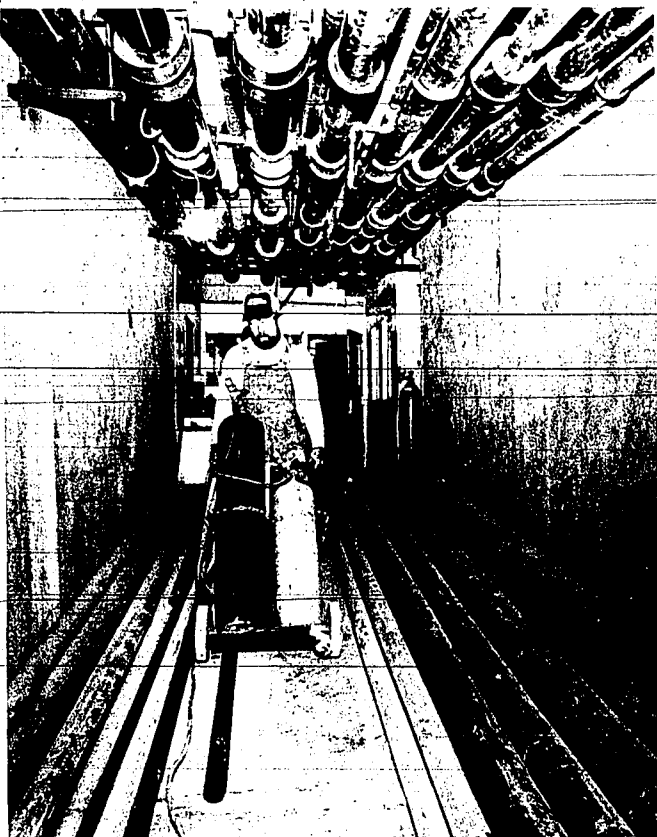
The settlement offer gained attention earlier this month when county Prosecutor Harry DeHaan announced he was suspending his investigation into the case. DeHaan was looking for evidence he said was needed before he could file criminal charges.

But DeHaan said he previously had agreed to drop his investigation if Beans Inc. officials submitted a settlement offer before criminal charges were filed.

DeHaan was unavailable for comment Monday, and it was unknown whether the farmers' decision would affect his position.

A large portion of the settlement offer came from the Beans Inc. receivership, which is valued at \$725,000. The rest reportedly came from Woods' Idaho properties and the companies that insured and bonded the warehouse.

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Allen Boyer of Twin Falls moves construction equipment down a hospital hallway

Rural roads awash in water

Threats of flooding subside, but rain still worries officials

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Threats of flooding subsided Monday after the rain diminished Sunday night, but highway district managers said water was running over rural roads in a number of areas.

Mindoka County schools were open, with attendance reported good, but assistant superintendent Floyd Merrill said there was water just about everywhere.

"We have always lost more school days because of mud than snow in the years I have been here," he said, "I'm concerned about the coming few weeks. If all of that snow out there melts, there will be a lot of routes that we can't cover."

Most other schools were closed in observance of Presidents' Day, but they expected to be open today.

Weather forecasts call for more warm temperatures and continued surges of moisture — rain in the

valleys and snow in the mountains — through the remainder of the week.

Kimberly police Chief James Campbell said there was a lot of water in the town Monday but no serious damage.

Sunday night, city firemen were able to keep water from entering homes on the east end of Center Street. Campbell said they pumped water for about three hours from the low area where the street meets U.S. 30 and the railroad tracks at the east entrance of Kimberly.

"They pumped again this morning on Monroe Street East, but so far, we haven't had any flooded homes," he said.

Floyd Dayley, the manager of the Twin Falls Highway District, said about a mile of Sugar Factory Road still was closed Monday, starting about a half-mile east of the Amalgamated Sugar factory. Only one mile is blocked, he said, and traffic was being detoured around the food area.

Many other county roads have

water running over them, Dayley said, but they are open. He said these roads are posted, and motorists should use caution upon entering any posted areas.

Harold Miller of the Bell Highway District, where seven bridges were washed out during the 1979 spring thaw, and floods, said a lot of roads were under water in places, but nothing was closed.

Miller and Dayley agreed that the moisture was good in some ways.

"It will stop the blowing snow that has been causing us so much trouble in the Bell Rapids and Magic Water areas," Dayley said.

Both men said the canal systems are full of snow and ice, and if the rain and warm temperatures continue, some serious problems could develop.

"The snow and ice in the canals are just like having them full of gravel," Miller said. "Water will run into them and then start spilling out in all the low areas."

Ski resorts reported heavy snow Monday, and all were open.

CSI launches study of converting classrooms to geothermal heating

By GLEN WARCHOL
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho trustees have approved a \$13,000 engineering study to investigate converting the Shields Building to use geothermal heat.

Health Engineering Co. of Salt Lake City will prepare detailed plans for conversion of the Shields Building, where most CSI classes are held, and

provide a master plan for other applications of hot water.

Karl Black, CSI's business manager, originally requested that the board of trustees, meeting Monday night,

approve \$15,000 to \$20,000 for the engineering project. The extra money, he said, would be used to extend the study to other buildings on campus if necessary. However, board member Robert Blastock of Filer recommended that only \$13,000 be approved. Additional funds could be

approved by the board later, he said.

"If they want to extend the scope (of the project)," he said, "let them come and ask for more."

Earlier this fall, CSI received a \$54,000 matching grant from the Idaho Office on Energy to fund the Shields Building conversion. If the project proves feasible, The new V-Tech Building already is heated geothermally.

Bob McManaman, CSI's physical

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80% of renovation done

MVMH work nears finish

By STEPHANIE SCHOROW
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Now a maze of steel, wiring and stacked drywall, the new wing of Magic Valley Memorial Hospital is drawing nearer to its ribbon-cutting debut.

The first phase of the hospital's massive construction and renovation project is about 50 percent complete, says Charlie Ingram, the project's on-site construction manager.

Inside the new wing, about 60 to 70 workers from 10 to 15 companies are installing pipes, pasting up wallpaper, laying tile and putting up drywall.

Walking through the section that will become the intensive-care unit

and the respiratory-therapy department is like walking through a steel-rib cage. The metal frames for the walls and doors outline each room; overhead, pipes for water lines, steam lines and "medical gas," like oxygen and nitrous oxide, form spaghetti-like configurations.

The floor of the soon-to-be laborato-

ry is a snake pit of hoses and wires. The refrigerator for the morgue has arrived; it still sits in its van-size cardboard box. The physical therapy department has no walls yet, but tubs for hydro therapy are in place.

The walls of the new emergency room have been completed. A ceiling grid waits for the installation of the ceiling tiles. Lunch boxes and thermos sit in a nearly completed "trauma room." In a room meant for sleeping quarters for emergency-room doctors, the red bricks of the former outside walls of the old hospital peek through.

Much complicated work remains to be done on the first floor, which will house such departments as surgery, the intensive-care unit and the laboratory. The second and third floors, which will have patient rooms, are more complete.

Walls for the private and semi-private rooms on the upper floors have been finished. Workmen are now laying wallpaper and tile in the bathrooms; the hallway rings with music from their portable radios.

Amid the confusing mix of the

construction, Ingram walks with ease through the labyrinth of half-completed walls. A representative of Hospital Affiliates Development Corp., which is managing MVMH's construction project, Ingram has been acting as tour guide for hospital staff and area officials who wish to examine the new project.

Ingram has supervised hospital construction in Louisiana and Mississippi, but he has never served as an on-site supervisor. The MVMH

The target date for completing the wing is June 1.

About \$2.6 million in bonds were issued to finance the project. Construction will cost about \$13.4 million; architectural and engineering services will cost another \$1 million.

About \$2.7 million worth of medical equipment will be purchased. The remaining funds from the bonds will go for financial and legal costs, development fees, a reserve fund and a bond insurance program.

"Hospitals are probably the most complicated construction there is — unless you count nuclear plants," Ingram says.



Volunteer feeding efforts save pheasants

By KAREN MAIN
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Many pheasants in the Magic Valley have area residents to thank for saving them from starvation.

Drifting snow and the prolonged cold spell seem to have taken a toll on the usually hardy game birds. But in the past several weeks, concerned citizens have come to the pheasants' rescue.

Food and grit, which the birds require for digestion, have been placed in the heavy cover where pheasants roost.

Bill Webb, the District 4 supervisor for the state Fish and Game Department, says that although there are no statistics, it appears "more birds have died than in previous years." Most pheasants have died from a "combination of exposure and starvation," he says.

With food and grit hidden by the drifting snow, many birds — in their search for food along the roads — also have been hit by cars.

Several Fish and Game officers say another cause of death is suffocation. When high winds blow, pheasants "blow down," and snow lodges in their nostrils, Webb says.

To help the pheasants survive through the worst part of winter, many farmers feed the fowl on their property. In addition, numerous companies and individuals have donated their time and money to save the colorful birds.

Sam Jordan, the owner of Southern Idaho Distributing Co., has been feeding cracked corn and wheat to the pheasants on his 11 acres and the neighboring 65 acres off Addison Avenue East in Twin Falls.

"I hate to see game animals suffer and starve," he says.

Two weeks ago, Jordan supplied the gasoline for several employees who had been feeding pheasants in Jerome and Twin Falls, and Twin Falls Feed and Ice donated 700 pounds of wheat for the excursions, organized by Jordan's employee, Robert Capps.

Capps, his wife and his father, along with their friends, Gary Worthington and Brent Fenstermaker, have been feeding pheasants for the last three weekends.

At all their feeding stops, Capps says they were welcomed by farmers, although most farmers told the group the pheasants already were being fed.

"Actually, the local farmers' feeding probably is a stronger effort because we can only do it on the weekends," Capps says.

"If people want to have the animals around, they should put out an effort," he says. "People say the pheasants don't need help because they survive every other year, but not every other year do we have so much snow."

Capps says he also knows of several groups in the Burley-Rupert area, funded by agricultural companies, that have established feeding programs for the pheasants.

The Adolph Coors Co. of Golden, Colo., authorized Dick Burwell, the owner of Coors of Magic Valley, to allot several tons of barley, used in making beer, to the birds.

Jim Miller, the Twin Falls sales manager for Coors, says the barley has been distributed over the past five weeks by their Rupert salesman, Carl Anderson, and his friends.

Miller says some of the feed was spread in Twin Falls, but most of it went to Rupert, because of a

"constant snow cover" there.

Red Montgomery, the owner of Red's Sporting Goods in Filer, said "odds and odds of people" in the Filer area have been feeding pheasants throughout the winter.

One farmer left his grain uncut specifically for pheasants, Montgomery said.

Webb says the Fish and Game Department has received many questions about the correct feeding of pheasants.

The Fish and Game Department would like to be of more help, Webb says, but the "problem with pheasants is they're scattered, so it's cost prohibitive to feed them."

"Birds are probably the toughest thing in the world to try to feed. Once you start, you have to keep it up" through the winter.

Another reason, Webb says, is that his department is "fled up with big game animals."

Because of the severe winter, Webb predicts the pheasant population will be reduced, compared to the "surplus of birds" in the past few years.

"I think we're probably going to have a lot less birds next year, there's no doubt about that," he says.

Howard Carroll, the regional conservation officer for the Fish and Game Department, also regrets that the department cannot be of more service to the pheasants.

Unfortunately, he says, "We're stuck with budgetary constraints."

Webb and Carroll both say that Fish and Game officers encourage people to feed the birds throughout the winter.

But Carroll says he always reminds people "not to feed them along roads" and to supply grit with the feed, so the birds can digest the food.

This year's winter has hit pheasants hard

Gooding vet clinic to offer special spay, neutering deal

GOODING — A veterinary clinic in Gooding has been authorized by the Friends of Animals, Inc. to offer low-cost spaying and neutering services for dogs and cats.

Dr. R.W. Stapp and Dr. C.J. Stapp will offer the low-priced surgeries under a subsidy from the animal-protection organization, which is based in New York.

Susan Russell, a public-relations representative for Friends of Animals, said applicants for the low rates will have to contact the organization and request a registration form.

The form will be mailed to the applicant, who then pays the fee to Friends of Animals, which in turn pays the veterinarians. The cost to the customer will be about half the regular rate in the Magic Valley, she said.

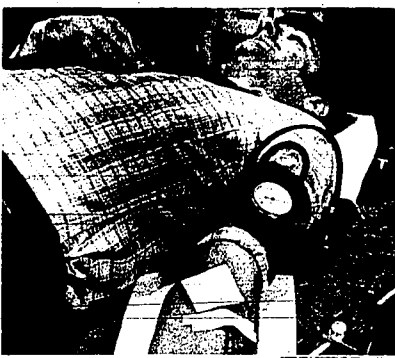
The same program is offered to qualified veterinarians in all parts of the country, Russell said, and is designed to help control pet populations.

Friends of Animals may be contacted by calling 800-631-2212 toll-free, or by writing: Friends of Animals, New York, N.Y., 10023.

Ski gear, clothes stolen from truck

TWIN FALLS — Curt Fuller of Route 2, Twin Falls, told police someone entered his unlocked pickup truck and took about \$400 worth of skiing

equipment and clothing Friday. He said the vehicle was parked at 403 Third Ave. N. from 11:15 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday.



Leonard Langford, a Kimberly resident, donates blood to the Red Cross during a drive at the First United Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls on Monday. The drive will continue today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Repairs cut Wendell water

WENDELL — Because of cracked pipes on Wendell's water tower, city water was turned off from 11 p.m. Monday to 6 a.m. today.

The shutoff was necessary to prevent pressure build-up, since the water tower is being bypassed temporarily.

According to Charlie Doty, the city superintendent, about four 120-foot

lengths of pipe toward the top of the tower froze and cracked. Repair work, scheduled to begin today at 6 a.m., may not be completed by evening, if not. Doty said the water will be turned off again tonight.

Work on the tower has been delayed by the constant demand to fix many other leaks throughout the city, Doty said, including a major break beneath the Wendell Department Store.

Rare BLM land sale yields top price

SHOSHONE — The Bureau of Land Management's first competitive land sale in five years brought two-and-a-half-times the property's appraised value.

Ishmeel Scott of Wendell purchased a 20-acre parcel near Magic Reservoir for \$7,800 at an auction Feb. 10 in Boise.

Eight bidders participated in the auction, according to Charles Hasler, the BLM Shoshone District manager.

Vince Strobel, the agency's chief of lands in Idaho, said the sale began at

the appraised value of \$2,600 and was marked by "vigorous bidding." The BLM's last competitive land sale was in 1976.

The parcel, situated on the west side of Magic Reservoir, was identified for agricultural development during the bureau's land-planning process, Hasler said.

"When it's in the private interest and consistent with our management program, it is our policy to release such lands for private ownership," he said.

Obituaries

Herman L. Bean

WENDELL — Herman L. Bean, 74, of Jerome and Wendell, died Sunday at Magic Valley Manor in Wendell.

He was born Dec. 10, 1907, in Weiston, Okla. He moved to Filer with his parents when he was 8, and moved to Wendell in 1928. He married Gladys Maurer on April 20, 1935, in Buhl. They lived in Wendell, Hagerman and Jerome, while he worked on various farms.

Surviving are: his wife of Jerome; five daughters, Mary Morgan of Wendell, Gayle-Warfield of Hagerman, Ruby Olson of Twin Falls, Lisa Larson of Kimberly and Evelyn Milke of Jerome; four sisters, Ruth Wike and Grace Madala, both of Wendell, Opal Cameron of Bellevue and Donna Foga of Gooding; four brothers, Homer Fagan of Filer, Glen Bean of Twin Falls, Howard Bean of Gooding and William Bean of Maupin, Ore. — 29 grand-children; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The service will be held at 2 p.m. today at Demaray's Leeper Chapel in Wendell, with the Rev. Richard Klein of the Wendell United Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will be in Wendell Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral chapel from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Oscar H. Thaele

WENDELL — Oscar H. Thaele, 89, of Wendell, died Saturday afternoon at St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise.

He was born Dec. 8, 1912, in Lehannon, Kan., where he attended schools. In 1934, he moved to Twin Falls, where he married Lucille Thaele. They had three children: Fred, born in 1937, who moved to Wendell, where they also farmed.

He was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church in Wendell, where he was a Sunday school teacher and superintendent for 35 years. He was also the church treasurer for 15 years, a member of the A.A.A. and a member of the church and a member of the Lutheran Laymen's League.

He was a member of the Idaho Farm Bureau.

Surviving are: his wife of Wendell; two sons, Maj. Kenneth Thaele, who is stationed at the Mountain Home Air Force Base, and Melvin E. Thaele of Wendell; two daughters, Betty Burns of Milton-Freewater, Ore., and Mary Murray of Gooding; three brothers, Hilbert Thaele of Topeka, Kan., Harold Thaele of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Thaele of Mountain Grove, Mo.; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Christ Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Herb McCabe

officiating. Burial will be in Wendell Cemetery.

Friends may call at Demaray's Leeper Chapel in Wendell from 11 until 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Idaho Nephritis Organization or the Christ Lutheran Church, in care of Verly Beebe, Box 535, Wendell, 83355.

Mary Napier Burkhardt

BUHL — Mary Napier Burkhardt, 87, a well-known Idaho poet and former resident of Buhl, died Sunday morning in a Billings, Mont., nursing home after an extended illness.

Born in Hazard, Ky., on Dec. 19, 1894, she moved with her parents in 1901 to Bryant, Wis., where she attended schools. She married John P. Burkhardt in Antigo, Wis., on June 20, 1914. She taught schools in Wisconsin and continued teaching when they moved to Carey in 1937. She graduated from the University of Idaho in 1950. In 1954, they moved to Buhl, where she taught school and worked as a librarian. She also taught at the Catholic school in Buhl.

Her husband died July 18, 1972.

She attended the Presbyterian Church in Buhl, and she belonged to the Business and Professional Women's Club, the I-Am-I Club, the Home Culture Club, the Idaho Writer's League and the Buhl Art Guild.

Mrs. Burkhardt was named the state's Poet of the Year in 1972. In 1964, she published a book, "Shakespeare Was Never Like This," and she sold poems and articles to newspapers and magazines.

She is survived by a son, Jack N. Burkhardt, and a grandson, John M. Burkhardt, both of Billings.

The service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Hopkins-Buhl Funeral Chapel in Buhl, with the Rev. Toby Schelling officiating. Burial will be in West End Cemetery in Buhl.

Friends may call at the chapel all day Friday and until 1 p.m. Saturday.

Burnie N. Overmorn

JEROME — Burnie N. Overmorn, 62, of Jerome, died Saturday evening at Magic Valley Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Born May 26, 1919, in Charles, Mont., he moved with his parents to Kimberly in 1931. He served in the Army during World War II and was wounded in action.

He married Amanda Bartlett on March 9, 1946, in Avondale, Ariz. The following year, they moved to Twin Falls, where he was employed at Twin Falls Feed and Ice Co. for nine years. They moved to a farm southwest of Jerome in 1954, and he had farmed in the Jerome area since then.

He was preceded in death by a son, Paul.

The service will be held at 2:30 p.m. today in the Carey Ward Mormon Church. Burial will be in Paul Cemetery. Friends may call at the Wood River Chapel in Halley today from 9 a.m. until noon and at the church from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

KIMBERLY — The service for Floyd William Orr, 79, of Kimberly, who died Saturday, will be held at 1 p.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at the mortuary until the time of the service. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the First United Pentecostal Church pulpit fund.

PAUL — The service for Lenor C. Robinson, 72, of Paul, who died Friday,

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According to Stubbs, the farmers were dissatisfied with the \$100,000 offered by the insurance companies as part of the settlement.

The farmers contended that the warehouse was bonded for \$250,000 by Continental Insurance Co. and Pacific Insurance Co. They also claim that approximately \$130,000 worth of beans were destroyed in the fire, and they want compensation through the five firms that insured Beans Inc. — Lexington Insurance Co., Atlas Assurance Co., National Union Fire Insurance Co., Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. and Providence Washington Insurance Co.

Monday's development to the settlement offer did not become an issue, Stubbs said.

"They're satisfied that it would be too tough to get any more out of him," he said.

NFO lawyers also were concerned about provisions in the settlement offer which would have required farmers to pay any claim filed against Beans Inc. by other individuals.

"The dollars weren't there for the farmers, and there were too many contingencies there for the attorneys," Stubbs said.

Monday's development means the civil case could go to trial in Fifth District Court in Twin Falls. The trial is scheduled to begin in June. But the rejection does not necessarily close the door to future negotiations, Stubbs said.

"It could make a counteroffer, or they could make a second offer," he said. "But right now, it's too early to tell."

While his clients had a mixed reaction to the settlement offer, Taylor says they have agreed to settle if a compromise with the defendants can be reached.

"I hope they (NFO) come up with a meaningful counteroffer," he said.

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plant director, has said previously that the ultimate goal of the project is to heat the entire campus with the 102-degree water from two geothermal wells on campus.

Based on the current costs of energy, McManaman said the conversion of the entire campus would save the college between \$60,000 and \$80,000 per year. The conversion of the Shields Building to geothermal heat would pay for itself in five to eight years, he said.

The engineering study is expected to be finished in the next two months and the Shields Building conversion completed before registration next fall, according to Black.

In other business at the meeting, the board extended for another month the leave of absence for ailing CSI President James L. "Doc" Taylor.

Taylor, who has been ill since early December, has accumulated more than enough sick leave over the years to cover the leaves of absence, said Black.

In his report to the board, Jerry Meyerhoeffer, the assistant to the president, said the Legislature's Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee has recommended that junior colleges statewide receive a 12.2 percent increase in state appropriations for the next fiscal year, with a 9.7 percent increase for CSI in particular.

Services

GOODING — The service for Helen Grace Coleman, 89, of Shoshone, who died Friday, will be held at 11 a.m. today in the Gooding Assembly of God Church. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Leeper Chapel in Gooding.

BOISE — The service for Edward Owens, 89, of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley area, who died Friday, will be held at 10 a.m. today in the Boise Third Ward Chapel, 200 Cassia St., under direction of Roper Mortuary. Burial will be in Dry Creek Cemetery at Boise. Friends may call at the mortuary one hour prior to the service.

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Dismissed — Mrs. Shane Leiser of Eden; Mrs. Arnold Adams and daughter, Shepherd infant daughter, Minnie Osterman, Mrs. James Packard and son, Mrs. Eugene Teske and daughter, and Mrs. Harold Haxton and son, all of Twin Falls; Mrs. Joseph Cole of Rupert; Mrs. Timo Chasen and son of Kimberly; Mrs. Kenneth Huns and daughter of Filer; Spencer Peterson of Wendell; and Mrs. John Hall of Paul.

BIRTHS — Sons to Mr. and Mrs. John Fry, and Mr. and Mrs. Monte Easterday, all of Twin Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Timo Chasen, and Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch, all of Kimberly; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Compton of Buhl; A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Fackrell of Burley.

ST. BENEDICT'S — Admitted Elsie Mae Scarrow of Jerome.

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Best amateur: Lewis

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Carl Lewis, a sprinter and long jumper, Monday night won the 1981 Sullivan Award, given to the best amateur athlete in the nation.

Lewis, 20, of Willingboro, N.J., won the award, sponsored by the Amateur Athletic Union, in balloting of 1,800 amateur sports officials, past winners and media representatives. Wrestler Chris Campbell finished second and sprinter Evelyn Ashford was third.

Lewis, a sophomore at the University of Houston, was the first person to win both a track and a field event at the NCAA Indoor Championships and was the first since Jesse Owens to win both a track and a field event at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

Lewis, who participated in a Jesse Owens track program for youngsters and met the track star at age 10, said he has been compared to the Olympic great several times.

"It makes me feel good," Lewis said about being called the second Jesse Owens, "but I want to be remembered as the first Carl Lewis."

"The Sullivan Award is significant because to win, an athlete has to be perceived as a good person as well as a good athlete — someone everyone can relate to and look up to like Jesse Owens."

Lewis, the first back to win the Sullivan Award since Wilma Rudolph in 1961, said he thought race was not a determining factor in the selection process.

"Anyone at the table could have won the award," he said. "You really can't put politics in this."

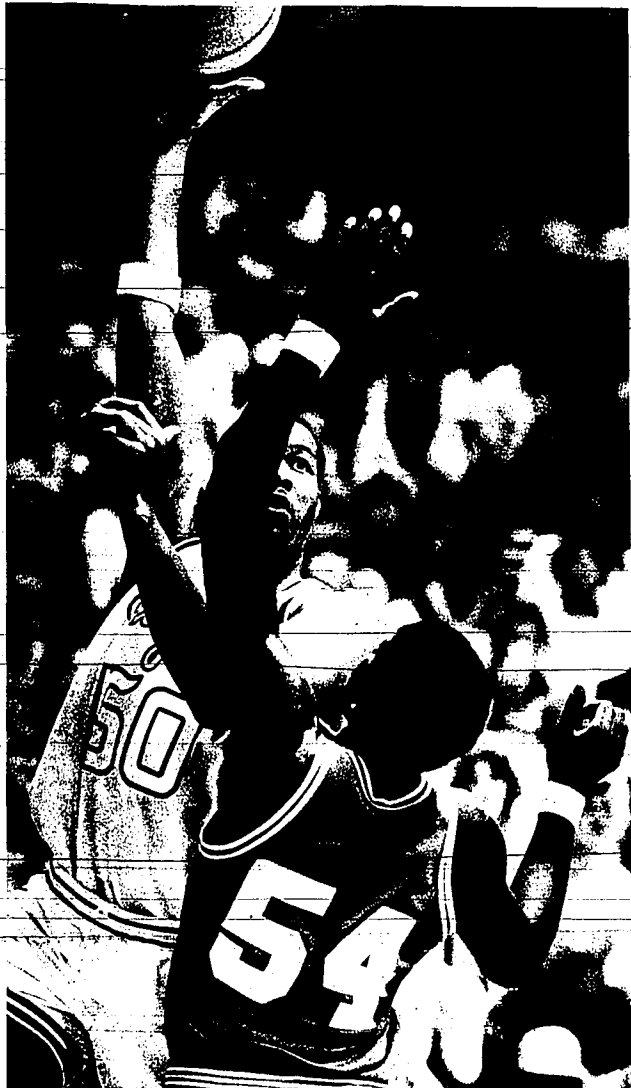
Lewis holds the college long jump record of 23-foot-3 1/2, and has had a wind-aided jump of 28-foot 3/4 at the Southwestern Conference Championships.

He can the fourth fastest 60-yard dash of all time, 6.08, at the SWC Indoor Championships last year, and he holds the fastest 100 meter dash ever without the benefit of high altitude.

Campbell, 27, Ames, Iowa, was the 1981 world freestyle champion at the 180.5-pound weight class, and in 1981 he defeated all three Moscow Olympic medal winners in his weight class.

Ashford, 25, Los Angeles, is considered the fastest woman runner in the world. She holds American records in the 100 and 200 meter events, and is ranked third nationally in the 400 meters.

The other nominees were Kathy Arendsen, softball; Scott Hamilton, figure skating; Gregory Louganis, diving; Mary Meagher, swimming; Tracie Ruiz, synchronized swimming; Lones Wiger, Jr., shooting; and Sheila Young-Ochowicz, cycling.



CSI's Rick Tunstall shoots over Viking Elijah Jackson in 2nd half Monday night

Beach saves CSI victory

50-foot basket at :01 defeats Ricks, 63-62

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was no place for the weak-hearted.

With nine seconds left CSI had fallen behind Ricks College 62-61 and with two seconds left had just managed to bring the ball to mid-court — in the far left corner of forecourt to boot.

But from there, Ron Beach left fly with a 50-footer that swished with a second remaining to win the game 63-62 and keep the Golden Eagles' hopes alive for the host spot in the regional tournament.

When Beach's shot hit the twine, two or three of Ricks players simply collapsed, two against the wall and one to the floor, while the bulk of the 3,000-plus fans went wild.

For the final 3:49 of the game, that crowd basically was coming to grips with the possibility of a defeat. Even after CSI had rallied to overcome a three-point deficit in the final minute, Ricks still held the upper hand when sophomore Elijah Jackson took an in-bound pass at midcourt and worked the sideline and then the baseline for a crumple.

His shot went through with 11 seconds left and nine remained when CSI got its time-out called. Ricks slayed with the full-court press that had given the Eagles trouble and CSI had to pass it twice before Beach broke clear on the sideline and rolled to the spot for the dramatic jumper.

"I remember just coming down, just looking. I didn't see the clock but I knew it was getting close. So I said there goes nothing and went up," Beach said. "I tried to remember it all, get the good base, get the arch and get the wrist flip at the end."

"I don't remember seeing it going through. It was like I was in a dream," he continued. "Then everyone was running straight at me and I remember thinking, 'What did I do?'"

The long shot was the plan from the moment Jackson had put Ricks in its inevitable position.

"Coach said to get it into my hands or Phil's (Rohr) and whoever had it was supposed to shoot as soon as the got open."

Beach's memory of a few minutes earlier was a lot better.

"When they had that time-out with 19 seconds left I told everybody we were going to win. I just felt it. I had confidence. I even felt that way after Jackson put them ahead. I just had the feeling that this one was ours. And I felt that no matter who shot it (the final one) it would be going in."

Coach Dave Campbell agreed with Beach's recollection of the final timeout but hardly shared his confidence.

"The plan was for the perimeter shot, either Phil or Ron, with the three big guys going to the boards. But they made us take more time bringing it up than we'd hoped and I doubt that there would have been time left for one of our guys to put it back up if Ron had missed," he said.

The narrowness of the victory margin pointed up exactly how well these two teams match up. They've played three times to a total of one point's difference.

The early part of the game can be covered sketchily. CSI bounced ahead 7-0 and moved up 21-10 with 10 minutes to play. Jackson hit six points to start Ricks back and they trailed only by one at intermission.

CSI moved ahead by five as the second half opened and then came perhaps the turning point. First, CSI broke the Ricks press but threw the ball away at midcourt. Jackson converted on that. Then CSI made a steal — but blew the slant dunk try, which Ricks immediately turned into a three-point play on a fast break, Norm Parrish getting the points. Jackson hit two free throws seconds later for the first tie at 42 but CSI thrived back a couple of times into four and four-point leads.

But with 6:22 remaining, Parrish sent Ricks ahead for the first time and 18 seconds later Robb Nielsen's two free throws made it 60-57 in Ricks' favor.

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Leonard manhandles Finch, triumphs on 3rd-round TKO

By JOE CARNICELLI
UPI executive sports editor

RENO, Nev. (UPI) — They call Bruce Finch "lightnin'" and that's just the way Sugar Ray Leonard handled him Monday night — in a flash.

Leonard turned Bruce Finch's dreams of glory into a sudden nightmare, giving him a tough and excessively degrading his world welterweight title with a devastating third-round technical knockout.

Fighting for the first time since winning the undisputed title last September with a 14th-round TKO of Thomas Hearns, Leonard wasted little time in dismantling Finch.

After a slow first round in which Leonard was content to lay back and assess Finch's style, the champion

opened up with both barrels in the second round.

Backed into a neutral corner midway through the round, Leonard tipped three consecutive hard lefts to Finch's body that sent the challenger backward. A rapid-fire combination to the head dropped Finch in front of his corner and he barely beat the count, getting up at nine.

Leonard smiled briefly, nodded and then went in for the kill. He unleashed another flurry of blows to the head and Finch fell forward on his face, his head between Leonard's feet. But again he rolled over, staggered to his feet at the count of six and managed to finish the round.

In the third, Leonard quickly landed a sharp overhand right to the head and Finch's legs turned rubbery. Blood began to pour from his mouth. Another flurry to the head put him down, but again he staggered to his

feet before referee Mills Lane stopped it at 1:50 of the third round.

Leonard admitted he was sluggish in the first round and needed to pick up the pace.

"I warmed up at least 20 minutes before the fight," Leonard explained. "Then they said there was some kind of technical problem and that there would be a delay. I slowed down and I guess I cooled off. When the fight started I couldn't get started. It was very sluggish. It took me a round to get going."

Leonard said it took a sudden flurry in a neutral corner by Finch to snap him into reality.

"Bruce Finch pushes his punches — he doesn't really hit you but they sting you just the same," Leonard said. "He backed me in a corner and I wanted to see what he had. I dug a couple of shots to the body and then I connected to the head. When he got me in the corner I realized that he was

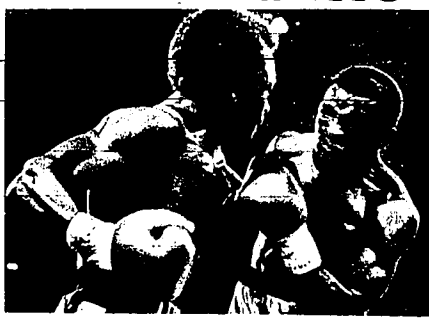
serious and that I ought to get serious too."

Finch said he thought he hurt Leonard in the second round and that he failed to follow up.

"I had a plan — my plan was to stay as close as possible to Sugar Ray," Finch said. "I just didn't do it. I thought I hurt him in the second round, at least his eyes looked that way. But I didn't follow up. That was my big mistake. I didn't get on him and he nailed me."

A capacity crowd of nearly 7,000 jammed the Centennial Coliseum for Reno's first title fight in 72 years since Jack Johnson knocked out Jim Jeffries for the heavyweight title in 1910.

Leonard, who weighed 146 to 145 1/2 for Finch, earned \$1.5 million in recording his 32nd victory against one loss and his 23rd knockout. Finch, who earned \$100,000, saw his record fall to 30-4-1. He had not lost in three years and had an 11-fight winning streak.



Sugar Ray Leonard, left, belts Bruce Finch with a left hook

Owners, agents alike detest Ed Garvey's wage formula

NFLPA head opens talks with league today about 55% revenue demand; strike could ensue

By MICHAEL JANOFSKY
Light-Rider Newspapers

Jack Donlan, the NFL's chief labor negotiator, scans a list of NFL Players Association demands and calls it "Ed Garvey's Christmas Wish List."

Another management figure privately says that the owners consider Garvey, the union's executive director, the Colonel Klink of football. They never agree with what he says, but they want to keep him in office.

Howard Slusher, a high-profile agent who represents such stars as Dan Fouts and Lynn Swan, says Garvey's plan to extract 55 percent of the owners' gross revenues and distribute the money through a wage formula creates a system "one step up from the Polish government."

And on and on it goes.

Ed Garvey, the man who may engineer a pro football strike in 1982, has seldom had to look far to find people questioning his competence. In his 10-plus years as head of the players' union, he has survived at least two attempts to overthrow him, two aborted player strikes, four negotiations and a bitter court battle.

And with new collective-bargaining negotiations open-

ing today at Hollywood's Diplomat Hotel, Garvey finds that NFL owners are not his only adversaries.

Says Slusher, echoing the sentiments of most player agents:

"If you believe in the system of free enterprise, Garvey is nowhere," says Slusher. "If you believe in the system of socialism, Garvey has a fine system."

In Garvey's wage-scale plan, 55 percent of the owners' gross revenue would go to the players, who would all be paid at standard rates according to their years of service. The plan would raise the average NFL salary from \$90,102 to \$137,500 — but would greatly reduce the need for agents.

Among other things, agents negotiate their clients' contracts, for which they take a percentage cut or charge an hourly rate. Under Garvey's plan, the only items left for negotiation would be signing bonuses and incentive clauses.

Larry Munro isn't about to accept Garvey's stance without a fight. He has organized The Pro Football Coalition, a handful of agents who are willing to serve as new directors of the union if negotiations bog down in the coming months and a strike appears imminent.

Munro, who represents 49er quarterback Joe Montana

among others, has distributed a 14-page report, "NFLPA Track Record," which questions Garvey's leadership and the logic of demanding a 55 percent share of the gross.

The report, which went to 25 of Munro's clients, asks its readers to "weigh the alternatives and then decide whether the incumbent players union has earned the right to continue to control your future."

Munro's report points out that after 10 years of Garvey's leadership, "there has been almost no movement by players between teams." Questions raised by the report, Munro says, "need specific and definite answers, especially if you don't want to spend the next five years in more slavery."

"I don't believe in Garvey's basic objective," says another agent, George Kieckler. "And not because of union leadership, which is, in effect, against agents. I just think they're barking up the wrong tree. The logical approach is free agency, even on a limited basis. That's how baseball started."

Garvey's strategy, a percentage of the gross, is highly unusual for a labor union. Garvey is really demanding a percentage of control, thereby erasing lines of demarcation between employer and employee. Only one other union in the country dabbles in percentage of the gross —

the Association of Actors and Artists of America, an umbrella for actors, singers and other show-biz types.

Donlan, the executive director of the NFL Management Council, says unequivocally that percentage of the gross is not negotiable. "If a reporter asks his boss for a raise, that's one thing," he says. "If the reporter asks for three cents on every paper sold, the boss is going to say, 'What the hell have you been smoking?'"

Yet Garvey persists, saying free agency will not work in the NFL because owners share almost equally in NFL revenues and therefore have no incentive to sign free agents for huge salaries. He says the only way football players can gain parity with baseball and basketball players' salaries is to demand a percentage of the gross.

And to strike, if necessary.

To that end, Garvey says he has the overwhelming support of the 1,500 players. "Only two groups are violently opposed to me, owners and agents," he says. "They say I'm wrong. Our system won't work. It's un-American. I can understand that. The agent who is only negotiating contracts for a player is going to lose out with this system."

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The West

Grain ship fire on Columbia injures 6

KALAMA, Wash. (UPI) — A West German grain ship burning in the Columbia River exploded Monday, shooting flames 400 feet into the sky. Six people were injured fighting the blaze, three seriously, the Coast Guard said.

Officials said the 5:30 a.m. blast buckled a bulkhead aboard the 600-foot West German freighter Protector Alpha.

Two Coast Guard firefighters, three of the ship's crewmembers and a Seattle fire captain have been injured since fire broke out aboard the ship Sunday night.

Coast Guard and other vessels spent several hours nudging the smoldering ship around a mile upstream from Kalama on the Oregon side of the Columbia River, which forms the state's border with Washington.

"The whole idea was to get it out of the channel so it wouldn't present a hazard to navigation. If it did happen to sink," said Coast Guard public affairs officer Jim Gilman in Seattle.

By Monday afternoon the fire that first raged below deck had "sub-

sided somewhat," Gilman said.

"They were very intense for awhile, rising 30 to 40 feet out of the stack — which lies in with what we know, that fire started in engine room," he said.

The blaze first erupted shortly after 8 p.m. Sunday as the vessel waited for further loading from a North Pacific Grain Growers elevator at the Port of Kalama, about 30 miles northwest of Portland.

Gilman said expert shipboard firefighters brought in by the vessel's local agent, Freighters Corp. of Portland, would establish fire boundaries, within which "what was burning would be allowed to burn."

He said a vessel called the Salvage Chief, contracted by the owner, would take over primary responsibility of containing the fire, with a Coast Guard cutter monitoring the operation.

A Coast Guard spokesman said the ship was in no danger of sinking, but Kalama Fire Chief Mike O'Neill said it could burn "for three or four days, at least."



Flaming ship Protector Alpha could burn for days

'Dallas' Tilton weds

STATELINE, Nev. (UPI) — Actress Charlene Tilton of the popular "Dallas" television series and country singer Johnny Lee have married in a double-ring Valentine's Day ceremony along the Lake Tahoe shoreline.

The private wedding and champagne reception at the home of entertainer Tony Orlando was attended by 60 relatives and friends, including Lucy J. Dalton and "Dallas" producer Leonard Katzman, who walked the bride down the aisle. No members of the "Dallas" cast were present.

Jerry Halderman, a spokesman for Miss Tilton, said the wedding vows, conducted by Judge Steven Morris, were recited in front of

fireplace near large window overlooking Lake Tahoe's Emerald Bay and the Twin Peaks mountains.

The bride, 23, wore a white floor-length chiffon and lace gown designed by Diana Venegas and a 15-foot veil with train, which was carried by the bride's — God-daughter, — Shannon Hoover.

Lee, 35, wore a black velvet coat, black shirt, pink tie and a custom black felt hat made by Indian Charley One Horse. Best man was his close friend, singer Mickey Gilley.

The petite Miss Tilton, a former Hollywood High School cheerleader, made her first professional acting debut in Walt Disney's "Freaky Friday."

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SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Plans to construct a "lightwave network" in California geared to meet increasing demands for telecommunications services including high speed computer linkups were announced Monday by Pacific Telephone.

The 633-mile-long, \$200 million laser communications project will be the largest in the world when it is completed in 1985, said Charles McAvoy, Pacific Telephone's general manager for the Bay Area.

The project, which will eventually link San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles, San Diego and cities in between, is needed to meet the needs of California's burgeoning telecommunications market, McAvoy said.

The completed system will increase Pacific Telephone's present long distance telecommunications capacity by roughly two-thirds, said spokesman Bill O'Brien. O'Brien attributed increased demand in the West Coast telecommunications market in large part to the growing dependence of many businesses on telephone lines to tie

together computer systems and link to remote computer data banks.

The heart of the proposed system is a cable no wider than a human finger that transmits pulses of laser light along 144 hair-thin strands of glass. Because "three of these lightwave cables can fit into the space of one metallic cable," existing cable ducts will frequently be used to house the new cable, reducing both the project's cost and its environmental impact, McAvoy said.

The lightwave system is immune to electro-magnetic interference as well as adverse weather conditions, he said.

The network's first leg will go into service in February 1983, connecting Sacramento to Stockton, Oakland and San Jose.

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NOAH DIETRICH
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Hughes aide dies at 92

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (UPI) — Noah Dietrich, who directed Howard Hughes' financial empire for 33 years before the two men had a bitter falling out, died in the emergency room of Desert Hospital Monday. He was 92.

His wife, Mary, was at her husband's side when he died, a hospital spokeswoman said. The cause of death had not yet been determined, but Dietrich had suffered heart problems in recent years.

Dietrich was a young accountant in Southern California when he heard that Hughes, a 19-year-old millionaire from Texas, needed an assistant. The two men met in 1925 and Hughes hired Dietrich as his chief operations.

He directed the reclusive billionaire's business interests until 1957, earning \$500,000 a year.

In 1972 Dietrich wrote a biography of Hughes, "Howard, The Amazing Mr. Hughes," which raised questions about his former employer's mental capacity and served as the basis for Clifford Irving's bogus Hughes autobiography.

In his book, Dietrich said the eccentric Hughes stayed in hiding for more than a decade because he was haunted by a fear that his appearance would raise questions about his sanity. Dietrich claimed the eccentric billionaire had suffered serious head injuries in three airplane crashes.

Relations between Dietrich and Hughes grew strained over the billionaire's penchant of leaving the most urgent financial matters of his empire dangling for months while focusing on more trivial matters. The men had a bitter parting when Dietrich demanded a decision on a point in his personal employment contract in 1957. Hughes reportedly told him, "You are holding a gun to my head," and hung up the telephone. The next morning, Dietrich found all the locks changed at Hughes' corporate headquarters and most of his associates fired.

Dietrich was raised in Wisconsin, one of seven children of a Methodist minister.

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Actors seeking funds to assist rebels



EDWARD ASNER
...spearheads aid drive

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Led by Edward Asner, television's "Lou Grant," a group of actors announced Monday a \$1 million fund-raising campaign for the health care system of rebel forces in El Salvador — in direct opposition to U.S. policy.

The actors and filmmakers presented a check for \$25,000, collected from about 8,000 contributors to Medical Aid for El Salvador, a Los Angeles-based group providing "medical relief to the Democratic Revolutionary Front in the war-torn Central American country."

Asner said the rebels were chosen as recipients because they are the only ones with delivery systems to the rural citizens who need the care.

"If we want to deliver medical assistance, frankly we must do it through the rebel forces," he said.

The Reagan administration supports the Duarte government — against the front, which is an alliance of left-center parties, unions and professional groups opposed to the ruling junta.

Asner and the other actors said it is their belief the United States should stay out of El Salvador before the fighting turns into another Vietnam.

"We've learned to recognize a war we've got no

business being part of," he told a news conference. "We are determined, each in our own way, to stop American involvement in this war, so help us God."

Dr. Gloria Torres, a member of the board of Medical Aid to El Salvador, said the donations will be sent to a group of physicians in Mexico City who will buy the supplies and have them shipped to the rebels.

The organization is dedicated solely to medical aid, participants said, and will not participate in distributing arms to the Democratic Revolutionary Front.

Its other main goal will be to protest U.S. involvement in El Salvador's struggle, which has killed 30,000 persons in three years of fighting.

The U.S. government's participation is similar to what happened in Vietnam, and there is a potential for "what I deem to be another no-win situation," Asner said.

Joining Asner were actress Lee Grant, Howard Hesseman, who plays Dr. Johnny Fever on "WKRP in Cincinnati," Penny Marshall, Laverne of "Laverne and Shirley," Ralph Waldo, Pa Walton of "The Waltons," and Academy-award winning filmmaker Bert Schneider.

Airline, union reach tentative accord

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — Faced with the first strike in its history, USAir reached a tentative contract agreement early Monday with the Teamsters union that removed picket lines from in front of the airline's major passenger centers.

The Teamsters, representing the airline's 900 cargo and baggage handlers, announced acceptance about 3 a.m. of an offer submitted shortly before the midnight strike deadline.

Workers then quit picket lines that had formed after the deadline passed with no word from the negotiators.

Grain sale case goes to justices

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Wheat farmers in three states are taking a last-ditch appeal to the Supreme Court in a sensational antitrust case stemming from the massive U.S. grain sale to the Soviet Union in 1972.

The dispute focuses on charges that the nation's largest grain exporters conspired with an Agriculture Department official to fix wheat prices in a way that allowed them to "buy low" from farmers and "sell high" to the Soviets.

Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico farmers want the justices to overturn lower court rulings that "threw out" their antitrust suit against six grain exporting firms and former Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Clarence Palphby.

The grain companies describe the farmers' allegations as "fanciful claims of conspiracy," unsupported by investigations of "a half-dozen federal agencies and two congressional committees."

Targets of the suit are Continental Grain Co., Cargill Inc., Louis Dreyfus Corp., Cook Industries, Gramae Grain Co. and Bunge Corp.

The dispute has its origins in the winter of 1972, when unusually dry weather — in the Soviet Union — followed by light rainfall the following summer — caused a big shortfall in the Soviet wheat harvest. At the same time, U.S. wheat farmers produced record surpluses.

Shuttle to roll

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI) — Space shuttle technicians Monday removed work platforms and cleared up last-minute details for Columbia's planned pre-dawn rollout from its rocket assembly building to the ocean-side launch pad.

The 3½-mile trip from the Vehicle Assembly Building to the launch pad is scheduled for 5 a.m. today, but it could begin as early as 4:15 a.m.

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Top Catholic leaders push tax credits

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Top Roman Catholic officials are concerned at the failure of President Reagan's fiscal 1983 budget to spell out a provision for tuition tax credits for parents sending youngsters to private schools.

"There is limited encouragement in the budget message's statement that the administration will send Congress a tax credit plan 'later in the year,'" said the Rev. Daniel P. Hoy, the new general secretary of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

"But the failure to make provision now for tax credits is troubling," he said in a statement.

Reagan is on the record favoring legislation to provide tax credits for parents of children in private or parochial schools. Such legislation has been introduced by Sens. Robert Packwood, R-Ore., and Daniel Moynihan, D-N.Y., but no action has been taken.

The Rev. John Meyers, president of the National Catholic Education Association, said his group is encouraged by Reagan's statement that tax credits are still on the agenda.

But he said the president was "too vague" to fulfill the expectations of Catholic school parents and other supporters of tuition tax credits.

Visitors throng to Mount Vernon

MOUNT VERNON, Va. (UPI) — Visitors flocked to historic Mount Vernon on the Potomac River to celebrate George Washington's 250th birthday Monday, but there's economic hardship at his birthplace.

Attendance at Wakefield Plantation has declined drastically in the past decade, said manager George Church.

"We're down the road a ways," Church said Monday. "It's worthwhile coming to see, but it is a long ways to go. Just not having the money for the gasoline you need has held back the visitation."

Dwight Stork, chief of visitor services, said attendance reached a high of 263,000 for 1973, but in 1980 hit a low of about 123,000.

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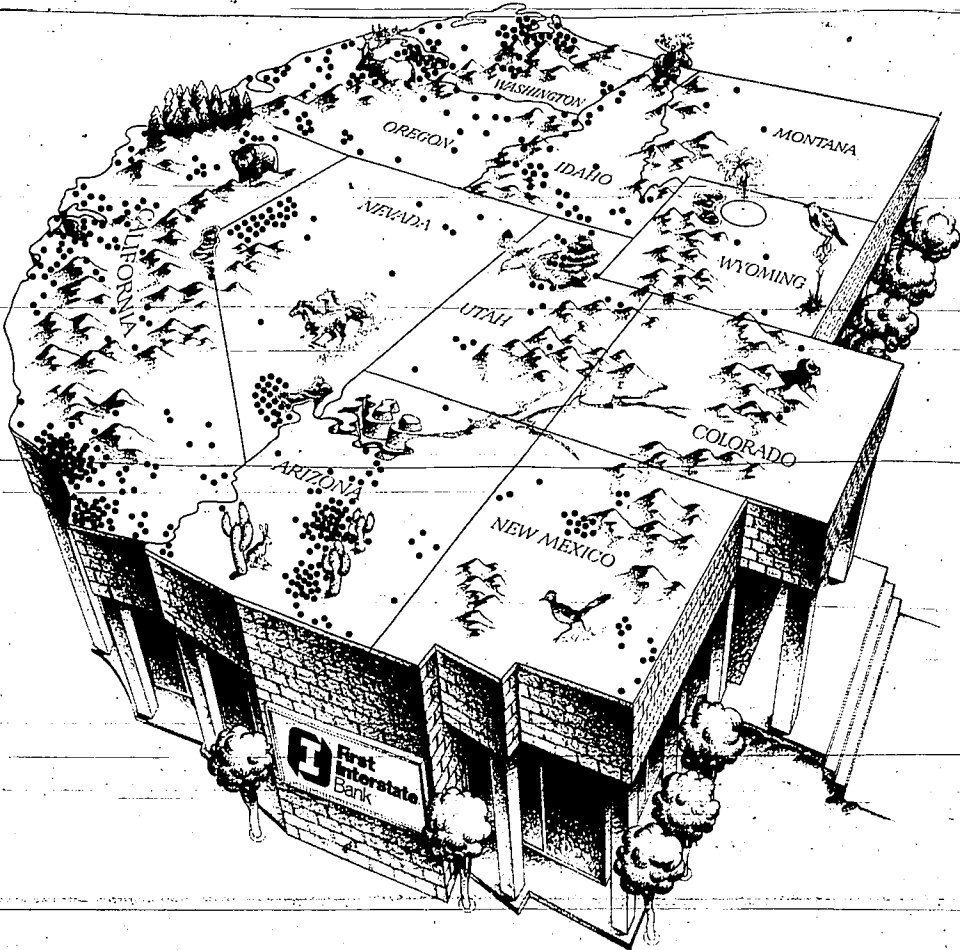
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