

Reagan presses battle for tax bill

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Exhausted House and Senate negotiators produced a record \$96.3 billion tax increase package early Sunday.

Almost at once, President Reagan stepped up his efforts to win the still-uphill battle for final passage.

After days and nights of marathon sessions, including one all-night effort, the joint conference committee completed its work at 2 a.m. Sunday with an agreement to double federal cigarette taxes to 16 cents a pack — a severe blow to tobacco-state lawmakers who had hoped to scale back the increase.

With an eye toward attracting votes in the difficult House and Senate

battles this week, members also agreed to extend federal unemployment compensation up to an additional 10 weeks for those who have exhausted their benefits.

They also approved more than \$15 billion in health and welfare spending cuts — nearly \$2 billion less than had been written into the Senate bill.

The bulk of the bill's revenue increase would come from stiffer taxpayer compliance rules and from closing an array of business loopholes.

The tax provisions affecting individuals include reduced writeoffs for medical expenses, higher taxes on telephone services and airline tickets,

and the cigarette tax hike.

The "three-marlin" lunch deduction was spared at the expense of stiffer tip reporting requirements for waiters, bartenders and other employees.

Reagan is conducting an all-out personal lobbying effort to win final enactment of the bill he says is needed to control the federal deficit and bring down high interest rates.

The president flew 32 Republican House members to Camp David for a bit of personal persuasion Sunday afternoon and set a nationwide broadcast at 6 p.m. MDT Monday to seek grass roots support for the tax package.

White House Chief of Staff James Baker said it will be an uphill fight but predicted the House and Senate will approve the measure this week.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Robert Dole, the chief sponsor of the tax bill, said a defeat this week would be "devastating."

If that happened, the Kansas Republican said, "I am not going to go back and try to do anything else. It would be futile."

President Reagan, in an interview released Sunday, said he is "surprised" at the deep division among Republicans over a \$96.3 billion tax increase, but does not consider it his

duty to make peace with conservatives.

"They're so far on the wrong side right now that I think maybe it's up to them to restore it with me," Reagan said, an interview being published today in the Washington Times.

Reagan questioned whether the fallout over the tax bill pending in Congress can be characterized as a "decisive battle" with the GOP right, but admitted it has created a rift between the leadership and conservatives in the House.

"Very frankly, I am surprised because I think the issue is so clear cut," he said, "terminating much of the opposition 'pretty much an

election-year reaction."

"Of course," he added, "I must say that some of those conservative voices — I have to be frank and say they cannot be described as people who were followers and have abandoned me. Some of them never were for me."

Reagan argues only about 17 percent of the revenue that would be generated by the bill would come from new taxes. Much of the remainder, he says, would come from eliminating loopholes and abuses and improving tax collections.

However, some conservatives, led by Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., contend

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Pride of the Gay '90s

Wearing her grandmother's 1902 wedding dress, Audrey Davis of Jerome looks over a

two-seater surrey which was built in 1896. The surrey was part of a display in the Jerome City

Park which helped mark the city's 75th anniversary celebrations.

STEVEN GREENE/Times News

Tax package confronting 'uphill fight'

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The administration-backed \$96.3 billion tax bill faces an "uphill fight" and will need strong Democratic support to become law, White House chief of staff James Baker said Sunday.

House and Senate negotiators hammered out the compromise measure early Sunday morning after back-to-back night-long sessions. It's now up to the House and Senate.

"It's going to require bipartisan support. It will require strong Democratic support. I can't sit here this morning and tell you we have those votes. This is going to be a very, very difficult battle. It's very much uphill, said Baker, interviewed on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"We hope and believe that when the vote comes later this week ... that we'll have a majority in both houses," he said.

Treasury Secretary Donald Regan and conference Chairman Bob Dole, R-Kan., were optimistic the bill will be passed.

But Dole, interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press," said it would be "devastating" if there is a defeat. If that happened, he said, "I am not going to go back and try to do anything else. It would be futile."

Dole also said a failure would be the responsibility of Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., and others who apparently

are not concerned with high deficits. "If they succeed (in defeating the bill) they can have it."

He added, however, "I believe it will pass."

"I think we've got a good chance of getting it through," Regan said on Cable News Network's "Newsmaker Sunday" program. "We're working hard ... and we will be working ... up until the time of the vote to garner more votes for it."

Reminded that House Speaker Thomas O'Neill said he wanted to see half of the House Republicans vote for the bill, Regan said, "We'll produce our side of the bill produce his."

Regan indicated the administration may have given up attempting to convert Kemp, point man in a conservative rebellion against Reagan on the issue.

"I'm not sure we'll persuade Jack Kemp to go along," Regan said. "I like Jack. He's a fine fellow, but he's standing on ideology at this point when we're trying to be practical."

Kemp, in an interview with U.S. News and World Report, denied he was "leading any charge against the president."

"The president is sincere, I'm sincere. And we've looked each other in the eye, and this is a friendly disagreement. But that's all it is — a healthy debate," he said.

On the bottom line: Patient care or bucks?

By STEPHANIE SCHOROW
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The nurse shook her head, took a quick look around her and declared, "I will never again work in a corporation-run hospital."

After five years at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where she is well-regarded by peers and supervisors, she wants a job elsewhere.

"The bottom line used to be patient care, and now the bottom line is bucks," she says.

The nurse's most serious complaint — that quality of patient care has gone down since the management company took over — was echoed in various ways by others interviewed by The Times-News.

But that view is by no means universal. Many employees have nothing but praise for the performance of Hospital-Corporation of America. Others have reservations but generally feel the management company has improved the hospital.

Often, it seemed as if those interviewed were talking about two different hospitals.

As part of our examination of the hospital's performance over the last three years, The Times-News interviewed both hospital employees and doctors. It was, of course, impossible to talk to all 400-plus employees and 100-odd doctors, but

MVRMC management

One of a continuing series of stories on the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

persons in a variety of departments and specialties were contacted. To allow employees to speak freely, their names will not be used.

Most of those interviewed agreed that patient care was the most difficult aspect to judge. It not only involves such items as whether a doctor's orders were carried out and the right medications given, but whether the nurses were sympathetic or the room was attractive.

Audits put a hospital's finances in black and white, new equipment can be cataloged. Patient care can not be reduced to those terms.

Both the administration and the employees agree that the construction program has disrupted patient care, although many say the new building eventually will improve it. Nursing staffing patterns have been changed recently and a new charting system adopted, adding to what one doctor called "controlled chaos." Transition tends to breed problems.

Yet, staff upheavals have occurred

Comments about hospital reflect sharply divided views

What people are saying about Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

"Actually, it's not run like a hospital any more. It's like a business. Patient care does not come first. That's frustrating."

— A two-time local nurse

"This is probably the most progressive hospital I've been associated with. It keeps me on my toes. I'm pleased at being in such a progressive area."

— A department manager

"The problem is the bottom line is money. You can't hire enough. The people you work with work half to death, and the administration wonders why they are not loyal to the hospital."

— Registered nurse

"You work hard. I work harder now than ever. I did when the old bunch was in. But I think I'm giving better patient care."

— Nurse's aide

"By looking at the bottom line, we got the building built. By looking at the bottom line, we got new equipment in cardiology. By looking at the bottom line, we got the best damn CAT scanner around."

— A cardiologist

"Just last week, we had a doctor here from Utah. He said, 'You know the things you hear in the community are so negative. The care I received is so fantastic. The things people are reading in the paper, they're afraid to come to the hospital.'"

— Management-level nurse

"I saw both pros and cons. I felt the quality of patient care definitely decreased after the introduction of the management company. I felt that the quality of care was not as good as it was before. Many of them were carried out at an extreme expense to patient care."

— A former MVRMC nurse

"The one thing I heard was a certain element seems to be very vocally negative. At the slightest change in routine, they immediately say, 'It's not going to work.'"

— Department manager

"I would consider the verdict (on HCA) is still out. They've made some pretty good strides. I don't think they've finished their job yet."

— Twenty-six year employee

since the management company took over.

Dr. Harry Brumbach, a 25-year Twin Falls resident, minces no words in his opinion of HCA.

"I'm not impressed by what I see over there," he says. "I don't like to see heads roll. If you don't dance as the administration whistles, out you go."

He compares the hospital to a factory, saying, "We have lost something there." While "in some aspects"

medical care has improved, he feels the personal aspects of care are diminished.

However, Dr. Michael Phillips, a 12-year Twin Falls resident, feels quite differently.

"There's been a tremendous advance in services offered," he says. "Has patient care improved? Definitely. It's not solely HCA. It's improving because medicine is improving."

He blames many of the hospital's

problems on the 1950s building. In an outdated facility, "people are bound to be inefficient," he says.

But another doctor, who requested anonymity, warns of HCA's efforts to "bring in people they can control." In preparation for an eventual takeover, management corporation in the world for nothing," he says.

He says the new construction is no panacea. "You can't treat people with bricks and mortar. You have to

have people who enjoy their job ... They (the administration) don't care about people, unfortunately."

That attitude angers Dr. James F. Emery. He feels the administration has many needs — albeit unpopular — steps to update policies and reorganize departments. Patient care has improved as a result, he says.

"Home touches" may be part of patient care, as is professional treatment, Emery says. "Ask some

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Chess experts beat computers in matches

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — Showing that computers have not taken over yet, two human chess experts, Ron Zuffaro and Tim Martink, defeated two computers Sunday in first-round play of a man vs. machine chess tournament.

A third scheduled match at Carnegie-Mellon University between a computer and Paul Resnick, 17, was an apparent draw — judges have to

make a final ruling.

A fourth match between a computer and Michael Goodside, 28, was postponed because the computer operator arrived late.

Play was to resume following a dinner break late Sunday in the first round of the four-match event for the second national conference of the American Association for Artificial Intelligence.

Computer and robotics advances are among topics that 1,000 scientists, engineers and businessmen are discussing on the campuses of CMU and the University of Pittsburgh.

The final two rounds were to be played tonight and Tuesday nights. Each participant was to play each computer chess program once for up to five hours.

Today's briefing

Ford thinks recovery begun

VAIL, Colo. (UPI) — Former President Gerald Ford, closing his three-day World Forum, said Sunday he believes the nation's economy has reached its lowest ebb and could be on the way to recovery.

"There was an underlying feeling (during the conference) that we have gone through the worst of economic difficulties and now, at least, we have a fair shot of improving our circumstances," Ford told reporters in the gathering's final news conference.

The forum was closed to the news media and the public but Ford said issues discussed would be channeled to the proper officials in the Reagan Administration.

Rural Solidarity given boost

WARSAW (UPI) — Archbishop Jozef Glomp called for the restoration of the Rural Solidarity farmers' union in a sermon Sunday to nearly a quarter of a million pilgrims gathered at the shrine of the Black Madonna of Czestochowa.

But Glomp surprised many people by dropping all reference to Solidarity, the industrial workers union, and to the political activists still detained after eight full months of martial law — a constant theme of earlier sermons.

In another sign of a possible understanding between the church and the state, Glomp said he could be announcing a date soon for a visit to Poland by Pope John Paul II.

Oil port under raid threat

By United Press International

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said Sunday his air force would attack Iran's main oil port at Kharg Island and any tanker, regardless of nationality, if Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini did not halt the 23-month-old Persian Gulf war, the official Iraqi news agency reported.

Iran claimed it shelled Iraqi oil installations at Al Faw in a second day of heavy artillery duels across the strategic Strait of Arab waterway on the Gulf that separates the vital oil fields of both sides, the official Iranian news agency said.

Penn Square hearings start

OKLAHOMA CITY (UPI) — In the six weeks since the Penn Square Bank collapsed, the financial community has been rife with questions about what led to the mercurial rise and crushing fall — of the energy-dependent institution.

The answers may start emerging this week.

A series of hearings, conducted by Rep. Ferdinand J. St. Germain, D-R.I., chairman of the House Banking and Finance Committee, is due to start in Oklahoma City today to try to find out why Penn Square failed.

High on the list of questions will be how a small shopping center bank in Oklahoma managed to persuade such industry giants as Chase Manhattan, Seafair Corp. and Continental Illinois to purchase loans that lacked the three C's of lending — collateral, credit and character.

Wendell mardies of injuries

WENDELL — Michael VonWeller, 33, of Wendell, died Saturday of injuries suffered when he fell from a roof while working at the Sand Springs Ranch west of Wendell.

Tom Young, a roofer who was working with VonWeller, said the accident occurred about 9 a.m. Thursday. He said he wasn't sure how VonWeller happened to fall, but he believes he may have had some type of seizure.

VonWeller was taken to the Gooding Memorial Hospital and then transferred to St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise with severe head injuries.

Quiet weekend on fire front

TWIN FALLS — Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management fire dispatchers reported a quiet weekend Sunday.

A small fire broke out about five acres near Salmon Dam but was reported almost out by 8:30 p.m. Cause of the fire was not known.

Sawtooth Forest officials also received a report of smoke in the juniper area near Strevell but had not been able to locate a fire late Sunday evening.

Shoshone District BLM officials said there were no new fires and no fires burning on the district.

Team joins Spacelab work

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (UPI) — Seventeen members of a European Space Agency team have started working with scientists at the Marshall Space Flight Center in preparation for the first mission of Spacelab, officials said Sunday.

Spacelab, a reusable research facility developed by the ESA, is Europe's contribution to the NASA Space Transportation System.

Spacelab 1, a joint NASA-ESA mission, will fly aboard the space shuttle in September 1983.

Storms soak Missouri again

By United Press International

Heavy thunderstorms soaked the Mississippi Valley Sunday, dumping 5 inches of rain on central Missouri, washing out back roads and injuring 31 people on a bus that skidded off a suburban St. Louis highway.

Early morning fog shrouded much of the Midwest Coast from Florida to Maryland, the mid-eastern states from the Great Lakes to the eastern Gulf Coast and the northern two-thirds of the Plains.

Thunderstorms darkened the Mississippi Valley, dousing central Missouri and northeast Arkansas and creeping south toward Memphis, Tenn.

Some crops were washed out Sunday in Booneville, Mo., between Columbia and Kansas City, but officials said there was no damage to homes and no injuries.

The National Weather Service said creeks and streams in the area were nearly overtopped and caused problems when they empty into the Missouri River in the next few days, but no major problems were expected immediately.

Israel drops key demands

By United Press International

Israel dropped two key demands Sunday and appeared on the verge of agreement on U.S. special envoy Philip Habbib's plan for the peaceful evacuation of Palestine Liberation Organization guerrillas trapped in west Beirut.

Israeli officials said the return of an Israeli pilot captured by the PLO at the beginning of the war — and the bodies of nine missing Israelis — was "the main thing" standing in the way of an agreement. The PLO said it was dealing through the Red Cross on the matter.

Israel changed its position after 3 1/2 hours of talks with Habbib, persuaded Israeli leaders to drop demands for a list of the names of the estimated 7,000 PLO guerrillas in west Beirut and that most of the guerrillas leave the besieged capital before peacekeeping forces are sent in.

Israeli flares lit up the sky late Sunday over Beirut — an apparent reminder of Israeli threats to invade if a diplomatic settlement cannot be reached.

"We believe there is a prospect, though not certainty, within this week an agreement for the departure of all terrorists from Lebanon is feasible," Cabinet secretary Dan Meridor said after Habbib's first meeting with Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

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physician how many home visits he does; that's a nice, homey touch."

Another serious complaint made by several employees is that the hospital often runs out of supplies. One nurse says she thinks inventories are being kept too low.

A licensed practical nurse said, "When they took over, we were promised we would never run out of supplies, and we're always out of supplies. They're doing everything they can to keep costs down. He (administrator Bill Burns) promised this would never happen, and I feel like we've been let down."

Other employees, when asked, say they haven't noticed a great lack in needed supplies, although items sometimes run out.

An employee with more than 20 years tenure feels the administration seems to operate by "trial and error. They don't have the expertise they keep saying they have," he says.

One 20-year MVRMC veteran, now in a management position, says she sees improvement in the quality of patient care, often in ways not discernable to the public.

"We're just as good as any hospital in the state. As far as morale, it has its ups and downs," she says. "I think people have a way of looking up to heaven in jobs (it isn't there)."

Some of those interviewed said progress has been uneven; some departments have improved, some have not.

Comments about "outsiders" brought in to run the hospital disturb a department manager, who came to Twin Falls under contract.

"I've been here three years," he says. "I pay taxes, I bought a home. I donated to the YPCA. I don't feel I'm an outsider."

Another employee of a department now run on contract says the contract was "initially shoved down our throats." Because the contract company is headquartered in another state, she has had problems getting information on benefits; paycheck mistakes take weeks to correct.

And yet this employee says her department eventually improved; more staff has been hired and new equipment purchased. It took a long time, but she feels the service is now excellent.

While some employees say management is simply cautious about expenses, others say that HCA puts profit, not patients, first.

"I wouldn't say they don't care about patients, but it's not as important to them as money. I honestly would not want to be a patient in Magic Valley," says a former nurse.

Dr. Phillips dismisses this perception as "malarky."

Another hospital official cites the emergency-room contract as one area where care was placed above money. The three doctors providing the service on contract were underpaid more than \$25,000 a year. But because of staff support, their contract offer, not a less-expensive one from a national firm, was chosen.

Grievances between doctors and hospital administrators or between nurses and administrators are not unusual, some doctors say.

But Dr. Brumback feels the administration has adopted tactics of "divide and conquer" toward the medical staff. Employees deemed not "team players" are fired.

"The squeaky wheel gets the boot," a nurse remarked.

Others insist that they can speak their minds without retribution and have seen positive action taken as a result.

One department employee says his department head was fired when the management company took over — to his great relief. Since then, the organization has improved, its staff increased and its services expanded.

"It was almost like a nursing floor, there was so much griping," he says.

A nurse says that before the present administration took over, "there was a feeling of family" and cooperation among staff. This was deliberately destroyed, she feels.

Burns contends this "family" feeling created unprofessional work—it meant that once you got a job at the county hospital, you always had a job, no matter your performance, he says.

However, an auxiliary volunteer wonders if the balance between "professional" and "family" has gone a little too far.

Brumback is blunt about wanting HCA out.

"I'd like to see their heads roll, personally. I'd like to see a change." He prefers to see hospital operation with a management contract.

But Dr. Emery says abandoning a management contract is "crazy" because of the financial benefits and expertise lost.

Another employee suggests the board seriously consider another management firm.

But with the massive building program, "you don't change horses in mid-stream," an employee says. But one doctor contends this is exactly what HCA wants the hospital board to believe.

However, the most persistent complaint about MVRMC is over the staffing of nurses. This will be examined in an upcoming Times-News story.

Today's weather

It sounds ideal for midsummer days

Twin Falls, Burley-Rupert and Gooding-Jerome areas:

Continued fair and a little warmer today and Tuesday. Highs both days in the upper 80s to low 90s. Lows in the low 60s. Canaan Prairie, Halley and Jower Wood River Valley:

Continued fair and a little warmer. Winds light. Highs both days in the low 80s. Low tonight in the mid 60s.

Northern Utah and Nevada:

Fair to partly cloudy in northern Utah today with some widely scattered thunderstorms mainly in the afternoons and evenings, increasing Tuesday. Gusty winds near the showers. Lows mid 60s and highs 90 to 95.

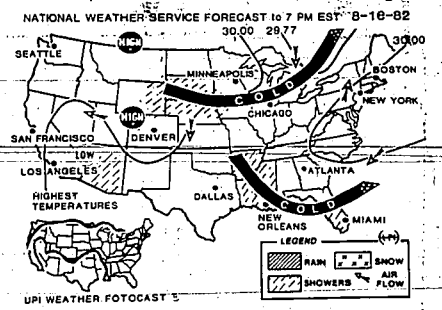
Nevada can expect some clouds today through Tuesday and a chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High temperatures 85 to 95, lows 45 to 55.

Synopsis:

A southeasterly flow of warm, moist air continued to dominate Idaho weather Sunday.

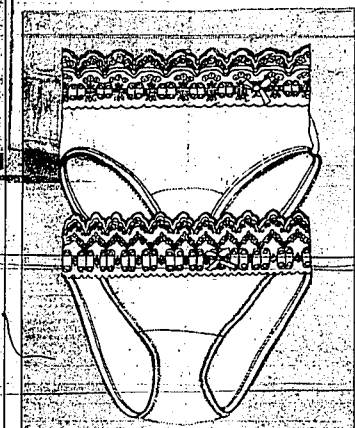
The pattern is expected to remain through today with a system off the Pacific coast remaining stationary, with little effect on Idaho weather. The combination of patchy moisture over the area and the warm daytime temperatures will continue to produce a few thunderstorms, mostly over the mountains.

The outlook for haying and harvest work is generally good through Friday. Spotty, light afternoon thunderstorms will not curtail outdoor activities. Plant



The high temperature for Idaho Sunday was 91 at Hagerman, Pocatello and Idaho Falls and the lowest reported was 32 at Stanley. The nation's high was 110 at Lake Havasu City, Ariz., and the low, 38 at Olympia, Wash.

The forecast through Friday calls for mostly, fair weather with temperatures near normal. Highs in the 80s to low 90s and lows in the mid 40s to upper 50s.



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Pacifist to plead innocent

ROANOKE, Va. (UPI) — Pacifist Ellen Eller will plead innocent "by reason of conscience" this week to federal charges of failing to register for the draft.

Eller, a math and physics student at Bridgewater College, is to appear at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in Roanoke before U.S. District Judge James Turk. Eller was the second person in the nation — and first in Virginia — indicted for failing to register for the draft.

Failure to register for the draft carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine or both.

Eller, 20, is a member of the Church of the Brethren, a pacifist denomination, which has ties with Bridgewater College.

Gays plot 1980s strategy

DALLAS (UPI) — Leaders of the nation's gay liberation movement said Sunday they will dismantle parts of the civil rights organization, target key lawmakers and build up grass-roots support for homosexuals in the group's first comprehensive strategy session.

"This was a historic event for our movement," said Terry Tebedo, spokesman for the Dallas Gay Alliance, sponsor of the 400-member conference. "We split up into a lot of factions over the years, a lot of bickering. This pulled us together. We found if we want to exist as a political power, there are no compromising battles."

In a related development Sunday, gay leaders vowed to launch an information blitz of its membership on the dangers of a bizarre medical condition which has killed nearly half of its diagnosed victims, mostly homosexuals.

Secrecy in slaying probe

FORT WORTH, Texas (UPI) — Police are investigating the stabbing deaths of five lakeside residents in west Fort Worth in guarded secrecy — not only toward the press but toward relatives of the victims as well.

Police planned today to study options in hopes of charging Larry Keith Robinson, 25, with capital murder. Robinson is charged with murder in the killing of his sometime roommate, Rickey Lee Bryant, 31.

Four other bodies were found next door to Bryant's secluded home on Lake Worth. While police have said Robinson has confessed to those killings also, no charges have been filed.

Tarrant County's chief criminal prosecutor Tolly Wilson said in order to seek the death penalty, the state must prove Robinson committed the killings in the course of another felony, such as a robbery.

Police say Robinson was arrested in Wichita, Kan., driving a Pinto station wagon registered to victim Bruce Gardner, 33, and carrying wallets belonging to Gardner and Bryant. Charges will not be filed until a link can be made with a felony offense, officials said.

Taxes

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the tax increase is inconsistent with the tax cut Reagan pushed through Congress last year to stimulate the economy.

Despite Kemp's vociferous opposition to the tax bill, Reagan said, "I don't bear grudges or anything." He declined to comment on allegations Kemp is using the tax issue to prepare for a presidential bid in 1984.

Reagan has met with dozens of House members during the last two weeks in an intensive lobbying effort that saw him invite 52 Republicans to Camp David for lunch Sunday and which will see him address the nation Monday night.

Reagan declined to say how successful his efforts have been. "All I can say is that everything indicates we're making progress," he said.

Throughout the long weekend session, the vaulted, marble-pillared House Ways and Means Committee room on Capitol Hill was jammed with lobbyists, including prestigious members of earlier administrations and former members of Congress acting as watchdogs for special interest groups.

Among them was ex-chairman Wilbur Mills of the Ways and Means panel, representing the tobacco inter-



SEN. BOB DOLE
It's all on the line

ests who hoped to kill the cigarette tax hike. He sat only yards from a youthful portrait of him, painted during his tenure on the committee. One major item that the bill's opponents cite as unacceptable is a requirement for automatic withhold-

ing for tax purposes of 10 percent of all interest and dividends.

To mollify some opponents, the conferees agreed to delay the effective date of withholding for months until July 1, 1983, and to exempt the poor, the elderly and those who earn less than \$150 a year in interest.

The decision to retain the controversial business lunch deduction — that would have been cut in half by the Senate bill — was made during the first 18-hour leg of the weekend marathon that began Friday.

The move delighted restaurant and hotel interests and even satisfied the union that represents the employees affected by the new tip-reporting rule that was imposed as a trade-off. The union said the provision would be preferable to the loss of more than 100,000 jobs.

Most of the more than 100 provisions in the three-year tax bill apply to business, but individuals will feel the pinch.

The conferees agreed to restrict tax deductions for medical expenses by boosting the eligibility trigger from 3 percent of adjusted gross income to 5 percent, and they eliminated the up-to-\$150 a year deduction for medical insurance premiums.

Other provisions affecting individuals would:

- Substantially reduce write-offs for casualty losses not covered by insurance by boosting the trigger from \$100 to 10 percent of adjusted gross income.

- Increase the telephone tax from 1 percent to 3 percent in each of the next three years.

- Increase airline ticket taxes from 5 percent to 8 percent.

- Require federal workers to pay Medicare taxes for the first time.

During one of the sporadic public sessions that were wedged between the numerous closed meetings where the hard bargaining took place, negotiators agreed to repeal the controversial "safe harbor leasing" provision of last year's tax cut bill. It permits unprofitable companies to sell unused tax credits to money-making firms that use them to reduce their own tax liability.

Wealthy individuals will also pay a higher share of taxes through doubling of the "minimum tax" designed to prevent the rich from sheltering all of their income from taxes, and through stiffer rules controlling the amount of tax-deferred contributions professionals can make to their pension funds.

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55 MPH limit is "hoax"

Is the 55 mile-per-hour highway speed limit a hoax? We think so.

Some say the speed limit is more a reminder for us of the 1974 gas problem. Others say it was a good idea then but long overdue for a change. Whatever your thoughts, the speed limit is a failure now.

The federal government should recognize almost all states can not properly enforce the 55 mph policy. Therefore, the signs should be raised to a higher speed limit.

We don't suggest more speeding or faster highways. We believe the speeding is already there...the law should be changed to meet reality.

Just one state in the east has a strong enforcement program, Maryland.

Speeding on smaller, rural highways is a different story. Enforcement varies widely from area to area. Drivers on interstate-highways in each state are allowed to drive above the speed limit but drivers of state highways are often faced with strict local police departments.

It's time for the federal government to deal with reality: demand that states properly enforce the speed limit or make the speed limit higher.

—Claremont, N.H. Eagle Times

Budget vote passes buck

Howard Baker, Lloyd Bentsen, Mark Hatfield, William Proxmire, Richard Byrd, Robert Dole, Russell Long, maybe even Charles Percy, eight members of the Senate who take their responsibilities seriously. All...thoughtful about government and its role.

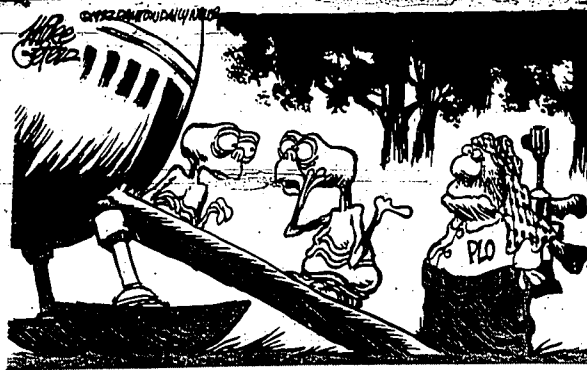
One would expect...at least three would acknowledge the inappropriate nature of the constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget and would have voted against it. Had three...changed their vote, the amendment, requiring a two-thirds vote, would have failed 66-34 rather than passing 69-31.

Probably all eight...see their vote as an easy way of billboarding their own devotion to fiscal responsibility. Maybe all eight think...the amendment will strike a reef on the House side...If that happens, then they will have had a free ride in casting their vote without having to face the consequences of its implications.

Maybe, though, things are really getting out of hand. Maybe the House will be stampeded...into casting votes for an amendment it knows is a mistake. Maybe the House members, in turn, will hope that 17 state legislatures will be sensible. Maybe 17 legislatures will be sensible.

If not, the future will have to struggle with a legacy not of its own making. In that struggle, it might think about those senators who took a chance in casting their vote on August 4, 1982.

—Boston Globe



Otis Pike

This terror is unspeakable

WASHINGTON—Terrorism is despicable. All terrorism is despicable. Some terrorism is also unspeakable.

The House of Representatives recently spent most of a day debating, amending and rejecting a resolution calling for a "mutual and verifiable freeze" on U.S. and Soviet nuclear weapons. It passed, instead, one that calls for a freeze at "equal and substantially reduced levels." By the time supporters of the freeze had amended and weakened their call for an immediate freeze to make it more palatable to wavering, and supporters of the latter had amended it with calls on the president to move rapidly on negotiations, there wasn't much to choose between them.

Democrat Ronald V. Dellums of California referred to "two pieces of paper." Democrat Barney Frank of Massachusetts was pleased that "the alternatives before us are so close in their wording." The differences were hardly worth the emotion and the speeches.

But speeches there were, including one from Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., who called it, "the most solemn and fundamental responsibility of the leaders of this country—preserving the lives of our citizens and the citizens of the world."

The concept of possible nuclear holocaust is appalling, incredible, overwhelming, terrifying—but it is speakable. Everyone spoke.

As the members spoke of the nuclear terror that has been with us for 37 years but has not happened, no one mentioned the non-nuclear terror that existed as they spoke. Some terror is unspeakable.

In west Beirut, U.S. arms in the hands of U.S. friends were killing children. They were killing women.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee, which addresses the absolute necessity of freezing nuclear weapons (as if the current supply weren't enough to destroy civilization) bears nothing of the terror in Lebanon.

On the day of the debate on the nuclear freeze there was one speech made on the floor of the House: on non-nuclear terror—in El Salvador.

There were three statements placed in the Congressional Record on the plight of Soviet Jews. There was a newspaper opinion article from the New York Post about people casting stones at Israel.

Amid all the speeches and statements inserted in the

record in the House that day condemning killing and terror, there was no speech and only one statement placed in the record against "the senseless devastation" in Lebanon. It was made by Rep. Nick Joe Rahall III, D-W.Va., after he had led a six-member delegation to the Middle East.

We see, on the evening television, pictures of the little girl in west Beirut with horribly burned arms. Congress passes a bill establishing National Architecture Week and

misses the little girl with horribly burned arms. We see pictures of mentally disturbed children in a psychiatric hospital in west Beirut, starving, files covering open sores on their faces. Congress passes a bill establishing National Coin Week and finds starving children unspeakable.

Anyone who has been in politics knows what has got their tongues. It is an election year. Congressmen need money for campaign. They crave good publicity. The bottom line is votes. They are afraid that speaking out against terror in west Beirut will cost them all of the above.

This is an insult to U.S. Jews, and to the people of Israel. They do not favor burning and starving children. This is what is happening, however—and our president, our Congress, our State Department are craven on the subject. This is terror of which they dare not speak.

Is it not good enough to say the Palestine Liberation Organization hides among the populace. Yes, it does—but the United States cannot support the killing of many civilians in order to kill a few PLO terrorists. We are doing nothing to prevent it, not even speaking out.

It isn't enough to say that Israel is a democracy. Democracies, too, must be judged by their actions rather than their form.

Abstract nuclear terror is easy to talk about and vote against. It is politically expedient to ignore the current terror of west Beirut.

For the long haul, however, no military victory the Israelis can achieve there will undo the damage Israel has done to itself in world opinion.

Real friends would speak of unspeakable terror. Really good friends would stop it.

Otis Pike, a former congressman, writes for Newhouse News Service.

Letters

Peterman paid for violations with life

The article about the Idaho Statesman which appeared in the Times-News Tuesday, Aug. 10, struck a nerve. In that article, Jim Harris, the Ada County prosecutor, said, "The written accounts have tended to undermine the public's faith in law enforcement agencies" and "The Statesman is 'anti-law enforcement'."

Jim Stevenson, assistant managing editor at the Statesman, should be commended on his stand and for his comments.

I, for one, also feel the Statesman has been fair, responsible and objective in the coverage of the Peterman case.

I do not need Mr. Harris to express my views. I have always had the conviction that the law enforcement agencies are bound to keep the truth, regardless of the source. But it seems as though the truth is accepted only as far as it serves their purpose.

The common practice of a maximum charge on a warrant accompanied by maximum bail requirements, provides an intimidation tool leading to a plea bargain.

The defendant then is allowed to plead guilty to a lesser charge, which should have been the charge to start with, in exchange for his constitutional rights.

He is now at the mercy of the court. The prosecutor has another notch in his pistol and the jury is pleased because of the expediency that prevents further annul.

A jury should decide in felony cases. I do not always agree with the verdict handed down by a jury.

In the Peterman case, I believe it proves the public is alive and well. Misdemeanors should not be treated as felonies. Death, whether prescribed by lethal injection or by accident, is the answer to the case of the individual who has received an unjust sentence for his offense. The fact remains: he was in the care and custody of our law enforcement agency.

A.R. KENT
Twin Falls

Lower wild horse fee

Recently, I have been asked quite a bit about the renewed struggle between cattlemen concerned with the well-being of their livestock and the horse lovers concerned about the fate of those unfortunate wild horses and burros caught up in the conflict.

The whole problem revolves around the increasing number of wild horses and burros roaming several of the Western states. I understand the arguments presented by both sides and agree with the reasoning behind most of them. However, I think that in order to ensure that cattlemen no longer need to compete with the wild horses grazing on land used by their own livestock, the BLM should lower the \$250 fee for every horse adopted to \$100 or less.

The horse lovers concerned about the sharp drop in herds that are adopted would see no increase in their numbers. The more horses adopted, the fewer horses killed. Both parties come away with what I term a temporary compromise.

PAM BARTLETT
Twin Falls

Michael Kilian

The designer gunfight at the Gulchi corral

A Beverly Hills boutique is now offering 24-karat gold inlaid .38 caliber Colt designer revolvers, along in mink pouches, for \$10,000 each.

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The Sharp brothers waited for Doc Holliday to finish his morning quart of Dead Bear whiskey, then they all strolled abreast down the main street of Tombstone toward the OK Corral, where the vicious Clanton gang lay in wait.

Every man there went for his gun, then stood there looking it.

"Oh, it's a gorgeous gun, Wyatt, simply gorgeous," said Ike Clanton. "And I just adore the Gulchi logo on your sable holster, but really,

Wyatt, when it comes to who's the most chic gunslinger in town, I simply win hands down."

"Oh, platoon," said Wyatt, with a sneer.

"These are real ribstones on my gun barrels."

"And that yellow ostrich plume on the front of your hat is just too campy."

"I have better than Bill Blunt B's," said Billy Clanton, holding his Colt .45 up to the sunlight.

"I have Yves St. Laurent Y's."

All that was there of the Tombstone was a sleeping poodle and Wild Bill Hickok, who was sitting at Table One playing solitaire with a deck of Givrenchy designer wild west playing cards.

"Wild William," said Ike. "You must tell us, who's the most chic gunslinger in town, Wyatt Earp or me?"

Hickok pulled a derringer from his high-heeled boot. It had two ostrich plumes on the front.

"I am the most chic," he declared.

"No you're not," cried Billy the kid, rushing in through the saloon's swinging doors. "I am the most chic. See."

He held up a Colt with 21 notches on the grip.

"Each notch is inlaid with 24 karat gold," he said, "and inscribed with the name of the victim."

Just then, Belle Starr rushed in. "Rooster

Cogburn's ridin' into town!" she cried.

"Oh super!" said Ike Clanton. "Let's all go outside and let Rooster decide who's the most chic."

And so they did. Rooster Cogburn, a non-designer palch over one eye, took one long look at the assembled chic gunslingers. In a moment, he had gunned down everyone but Doc Holliday, who owed him a drink.

"Shucks," said Rooster afterwards, over a quart of Dead Bear whiskey. "Didn't them fools know that guns is for killing people?"

Michael Kilian writes for the Chicago Tribune.



Stephen Hartgen

Letters come from many sources, on many subjects

Some come from the desks of older people, handwritten in the fine, clear script of penmanship learned in an earlier generation's schools. Others are typed, often on office letterhead.

A few have perfect grammar, syntax and construction. Most show flaws; the ones from younger writers are often the worst, which says something about what they're learning today about writing and maybe about what the schools are teaching.

The subjects range widely. A few express thanks to civic groups, a hospital, a local business. Some are on lofty national subjects like nuclear war and poverty. Most are of closer concerns: taxes, the quality of health care, a politician's suitability for office.

I'm describing, of course, the letters we get at The Times-News, which come in at the rate of about 25 a week. I thought of my year. Most are from local people, and those are the ones I like best, for they are one of our best sources of information on what you are thinking.

As an editor, they give me important insights into how you see the Magic Valley, its

issues and its future, how you see Idaho, and perhaps how you see yourselves.

Like most newspapers, The Times-News welcomes letters. Our rules for how we handle them are relatively simple, and occasionally we publish a short letters-policy note on the editorial page reminding you of what they are. Here are some:

Do we publish every letter? No. I reject letters that are libelous or in poor taste, although often I will publish the letter after removing the objectionable material.

You'd be surprised how many of these a newspaper gets. Sadly, there is a lot of hate in the world, a fair amount of it racial and ethnic. I generally try to edit such messages out of letters, but if I can't do so without changing the meaning, I pitch the letter.

I also generally throw out the following: out-of-state letters that don't have any obvious relevance to the Magic Valley; form letters from national activist groups that have good access to the wire services and our regular news pages for their positions; letters that are on a local subject; and general letters from incarcerated individuals asking for mail

and/or pen pals, unless there's some local connection.

Do we edit letters? Yes. I generally clean up spelling and grammar. More than a few letters need attention on both.

But I watch carefully to make sure we are not editing out essential language that alters the meaning of what you're trying to say.

I also edit for redundancy. That's a vague characteristic to be sure, but when I find a writer rambling and covering the same territory again, I begin to look for ways to cut. The reasons are practical ones. A daily newspaper is a competitive forum, where news items, editorials, letters and "art" (pictures, drawings and charts) compete for a set amount of space. A newspaper page is only so big and holds only so much type of a given size.

I don't allot a given amount of space on the editorial page to letters, but obviously, the more letters there are, the tighter the editing. Do we play favorites? I try not to. Every newspaper has its list of "regular" letter writers and The Times-News is no different. Their offerings are more likely to be published

because I know they're going to write to me again—and probably soon.

The ideal letter, to me, is an unprompted one from someone out there like you who has an opinion on a subject, but whose motive for writing doesn't hide a lobby or some other cause-oriented group. I get a fair amount of mail that looks like it's unprompted but turns out to be from someone with an ax to grind.

What about length? We try to keep letters under 200 words. That's about one-and-a-half pages of standard typing, double-spaced, or less. This column, for example, has about 850 words. Occasionally, I'll publish a longer letter as a guest column, but the best rule is to say what you have to say, succinctly and then stop. Don't ramble. If you're not sure, ask a friend to read the letter before you mail it.

Signatures? Please sign your letter, and add your address, and phone if you have one, so that we can check with you if we need to. Once in a while, we get a "false" letter, so we make it a policy to check all letters that seem even slightly suspicious.

Another, more philosophical, reason for signed letters is that newspapers are public

forums for the exchange of ideas. We urge both citizens and public officials to speak "on the record."

I believe democracy doesn't work as well when it is conducted behind a screen or when sources hide behind anonymity. Most of you, I suspect, want to know who is talking when you read a letter. Without a name, it loses credibility. I agree.

Occasionally, I will publish a letter without a name if I'm convinced there's a good reason to withhold the name or when the views expressed would otherwise not be heard.

But that's not common. If you want your name withheld, you can ask, but I can't guarantee that it will be.

Nonetheless, we welcome your correspondence and I know our readers do, too. People tell me the letters are often their favorite part of the paper and among the best read. So, take pen in hand and fire our way.

Stephen Hartgen is managing editor of The Times-News.

Reagan 'best lobbyist in Washington'

By DONALD A. DAVIS
United Press International

WASHINGTON — The old-time snake-oil salesman of American folklore probably could have taken salesmanship lessons from President Reagan.

Reagan is promoting the \$66.3 billion tax increase bill the same way "Music Man" hero Harold Hill slick-talked the inhabitants of River City, Iowa, into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band it didn't have or want.

But Reagan hopes his congressional marching society, instead of playing gold trombones, will be casting votes for the combination tax-increase and spending-reduction bill he says is needed to bring down federal deficits and lower interest rates.

A joint conferees committee approved the bill early Sunday, and the White House flew 30 Republican congressmen to Camp David for three

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hours of presidential jawboning Sunday afternoon.

The Republican National Committee has launched a \$100,000 radio ad campaign urging Americans to pressure their congressional representatives to support the tax plan when it comes before the House and Senate this week.

And Reagan will make a nationally broadcast address at 6 p.m. MDT today to try and conjure up man-in-the-street support for what he insists is not a tax hike.

Rep. Arlen Erdahl, R-Minn., summed up Reagan's technique after one of the gentle arm-twisting sessions: "I found that sitting in the Oval Office, the president not only is the commander-in-chief and the chief

executive. He's the best lobbyist in Washington today."

Rep. Ronald Marleneo, R-Mont., boarded Air Force One last week, firmly convinced he could not support the tax bill. By the time he was back in Montana, he was a Reagan aide by side, waved to and Billings, Mont., crowd, the congressman was declaring "I'm inclined to support it."

House and Senate opponents of the

tax bill, plus members who haven't yet made up their minds, have been marching down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House, singly and in groups, for the past two weeks.

In those historic, not to say intimidating, surroundings, they got the president's private attention and soaked up the All-American imagery he uses so frequently.

News briefs

Bus accident injures 31

COOL VALLEY, Mo. (UPI) — At least 31 people were injured Sunday, none seriously, when a Greyhound bus skidded off Interstate 70 in a rainstorm and struck a median guardrail.

The injured were taken to four hospitals for treatment, but only two were admitted. A passenger and the driver were reported in fair condition at Normandy Osteopathic Hospital. Their identities were not immediately released.

Police said the accident occurred about 8 a.m. Sunday in the St. Louis suburb when the westbound bus attempted to slow for another accident, which had blocked two lanes of the highway.

"It was raining and the bus just slid off into the median," said Officer Don Thomas. "I think the bus was going too fast or doing anything wrong."

The bus, which carried 42 passengers on its run from St. Louis to Kansas City, stayed upright and struck no other vehicles, police said. No one was hurt in the accident the bus attempted to avoid, police said.

Medicare study in works

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Reagan administration this week will name the eighth Advisory Council on Social Security, which for the first time will study only one subject — the troubled future of the fast-growing Medicare program.

The law requires an independent advisory council be named every four years, and must include representatives of employers, workers, the self-employed and the general public.

The council will focus on Medicare alone so as not to duplicate work of the president's National Commission on Social Security Reform, which is examining the entire system's long-range financing.

President Reagan named that commission after his 1981 proposals to cut benefits slammed into hard opposition. It is a more politically crafted group whose 15 members include seven congressmen and two former lawmakers.

Evny scores U.S. course

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States is backing Honduran attacks on Nicaragua and would send troops into an open conflict between the two Central American neighbors, Nicaragua's ambassador says.

"The Americans are at the back of the Honduran army," Ambassador Jose Fiallos Navarro said. "Honduras does not want to talk about it. Well, they are preparing for war. They are not working for peace. We see war coming. We see attacks every day."

He estimated 5,000 National Guard members from the regime of Anastasio Somoza, toppled by the present leftist Sandinista government in 1979, look across the border into Honduras and worry of war.

The State Department had no immediate comment on his statement. U.S. officials have charged Nicaragua is a Cuban client state with the largest standing army in Central American history.

Nuclear power on increase

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Nuclear electricity supplies in the United States are being increased by more than 9 percent with completion of five new generating plants, the nuclear power industry said Sunday.

The Atomic Industrial Forum, trade association for the nuclear power industry, said new units in California, Illinois, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Mississippi will add 5,378 megawatts to the nation's energy inventory — enough power to serve the needs of about 2.6 million people.

It said economic benefits from the five new plants will come next year after the units are in full operation.

An additional 22 reactors are scheduled for completion by the end of 1985, the group said, noting that uranium currently produces about 13 percent of the nation's electricity and is soon to become the nation's second greatest source of power to coal.

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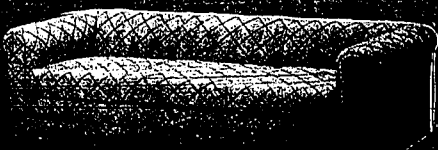
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LM. Boyd

What's what

In its native, our Proper Job Club membership committee is considering a corresponding nomination of a plumber in Liverpool, England, said to be named Luke Warm. Don't know, Clyde, am going to have to check out this source. It also averts Bethlee Hamu is a tour guide in the Holy Land and Pearl E. Schell works for an oyster company in Tokyo.

Numerous writings credit one architect or another with the designing of the fabulous Taj Mahal, but scholars now say nobody really knows who built it.

You can be west of Detroit in Florida, in the Carolinas, and in Virginia, too.

ROUND EARTH

Q. What first led people to believe the earth was round?

A. The curve of its shadow in a moon eclipse.

Q. What's the retirement age in the Soviet Union?

A. Men, 60. Women, 55.

Q. Who invented the game of Backgammon?

A. An Iranian, that's all anybody knows.

Q. How many wars worldwide since 1945?

A. At this writing, 144.

TRAINED FLEAS?

If a flea only lives four months, how can it be trained in so short a time to perform in a flea circus? It can't, writes a client, who claims to know. Not the flea but the trainer, performed in one of those old con games. Mainly, he counted on his own ability to dominate the onlookers and on their uncertainty of eyesight. Facsimiles of fleas glued to threads harnessing them to minute flooring was vibrated precisely. When the trainer said one flea jumped through a hoop, six out of 10 onlookers refused the admit they failed to see it, and the other four believed it must have happened because six had seen it.

When you look at the face of a full moon, you do not see as much area as the total surface of the Soviet Union.

The Chinese write their word for "good" by combining the ideograms for "woman" and "child."

Ziggy

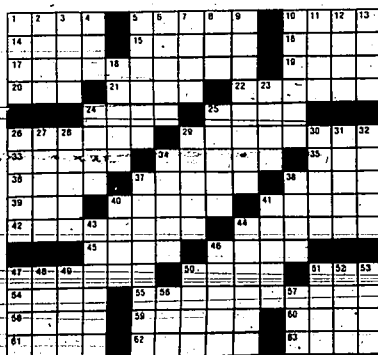


Daily crossword

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| 6 number | 31 toward | 50 old style |
| 7 Hauboy | 32 Unit of | 51 Possesses |
| 8 Mountaintop | 33 electric | 52 Aids |
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| 10 Medley | 35 Sign | 54 sewing |
| 11 Young | 36 Amorphous | 55 Circle |
| 12 wedding | 37 attendant | 56 Stringed |
| 13 Average | 38 Intuitive | 57 lump |
| 14 Knockout | 39 letters | 58 Against |
| 15 number | 40 Pugnacious | 59 Give up |
| 16 chin nail | 41 Grudge | 60 Senior |
| 17 Slip away | 42 Renewed | 61 Repose |
| 18 Swimming | 43 Football | 62 Reborn |
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| 20 stand | 45 Unit of | 64 speech |

Saturday's Puzzle Solved:

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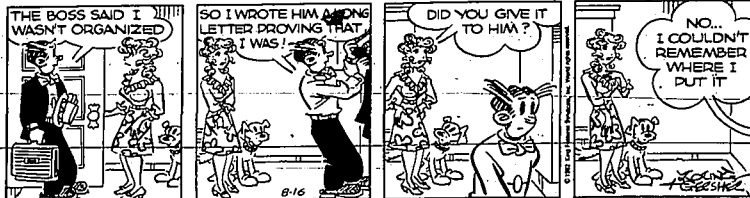


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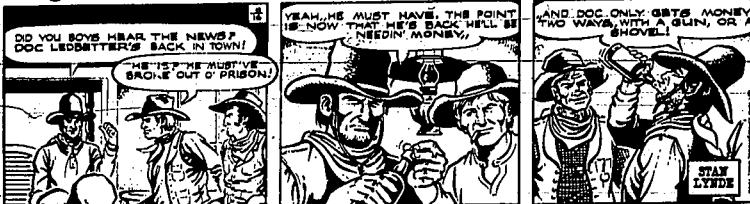
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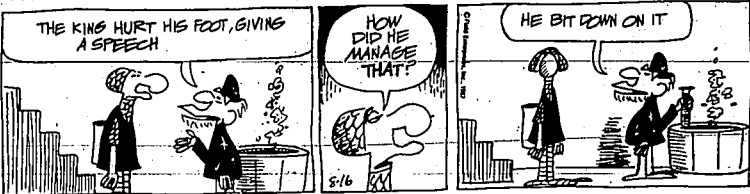
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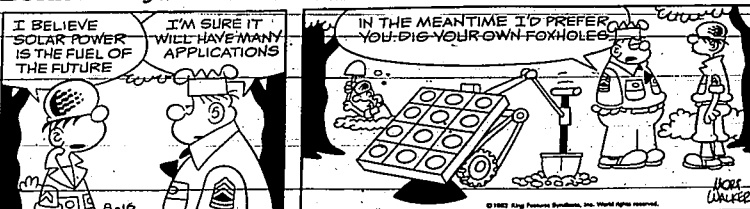
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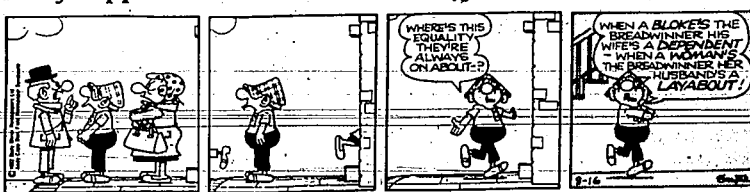
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Daily Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Opportunities are on the rise today and you are able to utilize your energy wisely by getting together with others who have similar vitality and much can be accomplished.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Be sure to handle routine duties in a most efficient way, whether in business or elsewhere. Improve your health.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You are highly magnetic today and can easily gain the goodwill of others. But take no chances with a questionable person.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You can easily please others now by being more gracious. Do some entertaining tonight and express your charm.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You have to improve your relationships with friends before you can enjoy recreation with them.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Handle correspondence well is most important now. Study your monetary situation carefully and know how to invest wisely.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Be gracious in your dealings with others and become more successful. Accepting invitations extended to you is wise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Show increased devotion to family members and get excellent results. Be alert to one who has an eye on your assets.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Get in touch with good friends and state your ambitions and gain their cooperation. Think constructively.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A good time to engage in civic work that can be helpful to you. A higher-up can now give the support you need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take time and plan the future more intelligently than you have in the past. You can make a fine impression on others now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Forget all that idealism now and get down to practical matters and much can be accomplished. Spend money wisely.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Be sure to listen to the views of others before you make an important decision. Coordinate your efforts with others.

IF YOUR CHILD WAS BORN TODAY... he or she should be taught early in life to smile more and to be more interested in the welfare of others. The ideas in this chart could prove lucrative later in life. Don't neglect ethical and religious training.

Almanac

By United Press International

Today is Monday, Aug. 16, the 228th day of 1982 with 137 to follow. The moon is moving toward its new phase.

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

These stars on this date are under the sign of Leo.

Robert Ringling, of circus fame, was born Aug. 16, 1897.

On this date in history: In 1860, north country of Utah rush fever began. Gold was discovered in the Klondike region of Canada's Yukon Territory.

In 1948, baseball Hall of Famer Babe Ruth died in New York City of cancer.

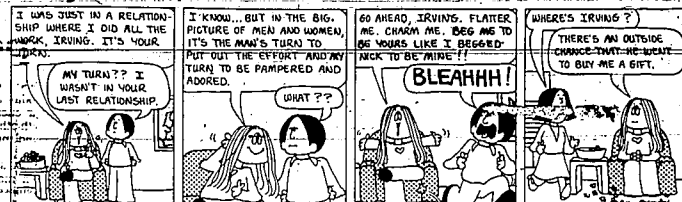
In 1971, New York stock broke a 197-year price and volume record in response to President Nixon's wage-price-rent freeze announced the day before.

In 1977, rock music idol Elvis Presley died of a heart attack at his home in Memphis, Tenn., at the age of 42.

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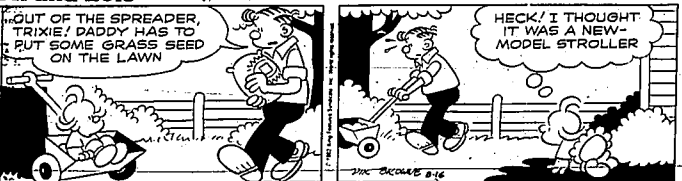
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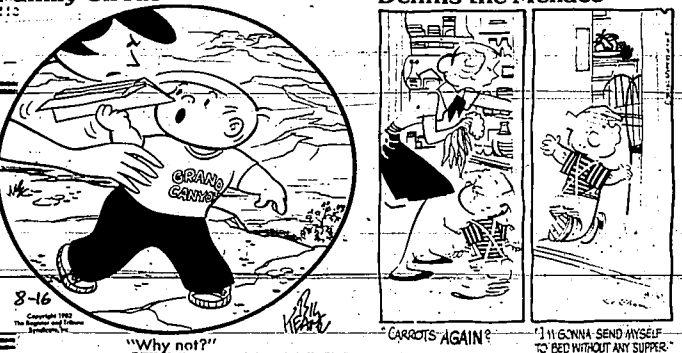
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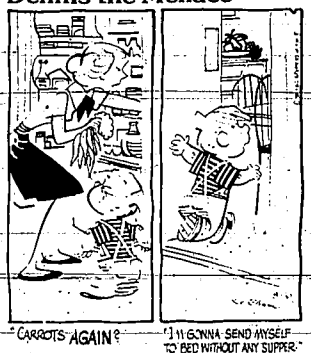
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Presley fans by thousands gather for Graceland rites

By FRANK THORSBERG
United Press International

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Thousands of Elvis Presley's devoted fans, permitted for the first time to take part in a gravesite candlelight ceremony, gathered Sunday to mark the fifth anniversary of the rock-and-roll singer's death.

The loose-knit reunion of Presley admirers drew visitors from all over the globe, including many interested in Sunday night's candlelight procession to the Presley gravesite on the Graceland mansion.

Crowds of up to 20,000 were forecast for the 11 p.m. to midnight event. "This is the first time we've allowed them on the grounds. They will be able to form a procession up to the gravesite and light their candles from the eternal flame in the meditation garden," said Graceland spokesman David Beckwith. "I would think there probably will be at least 10,000—I wouldn't be surprised if there was twice that, but they won't be on the grounds at the same time," Beckwith said. "It's very possible and it will be hard to tell, but judging on just the response over the past few days I could see 20,000 very easily."

Presley died five years ago today at the age of 42 in an upstairs bathroom of his mansion. His death was at-

ELVIS PRESLEY
Died 5 years ago today

tributed to heart failure but results of an autopsy were never disclosed. Since then, many reports have surfaced alleging that Presley took massive doses of drugs, uppers and downers, in the last years of his life.

Time, the great healer of all wounds, apparently was working its magic this anniversary with the Presley devotees who in years past were sadder of spirit, the wound of losing their hero still fresh.

"It's really like a convention, a sort of common bond between us," said Donna Naveaux, a grandmother and

Presley fan from Monroe, Mich. "It's great."
While she talked outside one of the Presley memorabilia shops across Elvis Presley Boulevard from the mansion, a loudspeaker blared invitations for fans to buy tickets for a bus tour of all the Elvis attractions in town.

A louder recording down the street boomed out greetings and urged fans to visit the "Memphis Musical Festival" featuring Presley films, Presley music and question-and-answer sessions with Presley.

Fans could also see a handful of Presley imitators at local clubs, attend lectures on Presley's career at Memphis State University or visit other Elvis admirers at a Presley fan club convention.

For total immersion in the Presley saga there was the "Elvis Experience '82"—a four-day, \$55 extravaganza held at the "Memphis Musical Festival" featuring Presley's inner group of associates.

Every day, not just this weekend, long lines form outside the office at the Graceland mansion. Part of the mansion was opened for the tours last June and since then 200,000 tickets have been sold at \$5 each. The limit is about 3,000 visitors a day, and the office is usually sold out by mid-day.

Autry passes opportunity to buy town

TIOGA, Texas (UPI)—Hollywood memorabilia fans take notice; coming up for sale is one of the biggest items to date — cowboy star Gene Autry's hometown.

Developer Jim Wendover, who bought Tioga's town square a place at a time in 1972, says he's ready to sell the property. It goes up for sale, along with up to \$100,000 worth of antiques, at an Oct. 2 auction.

Autry, who was born in Tioga 74 years ago today, during its heyday as a mineral bath spa, says he's not interested.

"I lived there the better part of my young life and I think you always have a soft spot for your childhood home," Autry said.

But the singing cowboy says he's just too busy as an entrepreneur and owner of the California Angels baseball team.

"Maybe if I was 40 years old, I'd think about buying it, but not at this stage of my life," he says.

The package doesn't include the whole village, which sits in the rolling blacklands 60 miles north of Dallas. The houses, school, and city hall aren't in the deal.

Queen ready to honor son

LONDON (UPI)—Because of "immaturity" displayed in war, Queen Elizabeth may confer the title Duke of York on Prince Andrew when he returns from active service in the Falklands next month, it was reported Sunday.

But Buckingham Palace said "there is no indication" as of yet that the queen would make her second son duke as reported in the London Mail. The newspaper said the queen may consider the move in light of the "maturity the prince has shown in the South Atlantic and his courage as a helicopter pilot."

The title is traditional for the second son in the royal family, but is not normally conferred until the son is in his mid- to late-20s.

Prince Andrew, who is aboard the aircraft carrier HMS Invincible, is 22.

Recess over for Noguchi

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—The Civil Service hearing for former County Counsel Thomas Noguchi who seeks to win back his job was to resume today after a week's recess.

Richard Wilson, Noguchi's top assistant during the past five years, headed the prosecutor's case, was expected to continue his testimony before hearing officer Sara Adler.

Wilson, a former official in the chief administrative office, was sent to the coroner's office in 1976 to help with managerial duties after an audit indicated Noguchi's organizational skills were low.

Another audit early this year, along with severe criticism of Noguchi's handling of the deaths of movie stars, led to his dismissal.

Noguchi's attorney, Godfrey Isaac, has argued that Wilson should bear a greater share of the blame since his job was to take care of administrative details.

The hearings recessed Aug. 5 as Isaac was beginning his cross examination of Wilson.

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World

Nobel winner says she may aid more children in Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Mother Teresa, sent by Pope John Paul II on a mission of mercy, said Sunday she may evacuate more suffering children from west Beirut, where she rescued 37 crippled and retarded children from an Israeli-bombed mental hospital.

"We have brought out some children and we are looking after them now," said the 71-year-old nun, after the Saturday mission through battle lines drawn by the Palestine Liberation Organization and Israeli forces.

A source close to Mother Teresa — recipient of the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize — said the evacuation by Red Cross vehicles "was done with the permission of the Palestinians and everyone — the whole world."

The children, many of whom could not walk, were plucked from the Islamic Home for the Aged, a mental hospital, which suffered hits by Israeli bombs.

The hospital is near the refugee camp of Sabra, a constant Israeli target.

With the diminutive nun in the convoy, four red and white International Red Cross vehicles crossed into east Beirut at the Israeli-controlled port and then rushed to the convent run by Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity order in Mar Takia.

Mother Teresa, who for 52 years has salvaged starving children from the gutters of Calcutta, India, said the children from west Beirut were the first group and others too might be evacuated with her help.

At a news conference, she steered away from politics and read a prayer by St. Francis of Assisi imploring "us to be an instrument of peace."

Indian nuns at the Seed of Bachery convent tended the children. "They are being washed and cleaned now. Many cannot walk," one



Mother Teresa hugs one of the Beirut children she rescued

of the helpers at the convent said. Teresa was initially advised against going into west Beirut by Catholic prelates.

But taking advantage of the bombing lull Saturday that followed a ceasefire, the missionary crossed into the besieged area.

"She was up early and by 10 a.m., the children were here," the source said.

Beirut hospitals filled with victims of burns

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Beirut's hospitals are filled with Lebanese and Palestinians, guerrillas and civilians, who are victims of Israeli phosphorus shells — an anti-personnel weapon that produces deep burns.

"Phosphorus produces the worst of all the burns," a surgeon at Beirut's American University Hospital said Sunday. "It keeps on burning. You pour water on the burn, time and time again, but it doesn't go out. The skin sloughs away."

Although international medical agencies working in the Lebanese capital avoid criticism of phosphorus shells, Red Cross officials in Geneva say a 1977 protocol signed in Lucerne, Switzerland, to prohibit the use of "inhumane weapons that cause unnecessary suffering" covers phosphorus.

A United Nations convention in Geneva in 1980 restricted the use of incendiary weapons against military objectives in civilian areas.

In Beirut, phosphorus shells have fallen on the main shopping street, Hamra, the offices of UPI, the International Red Cross, scores of apartments and at least two hospitals.

In the chaos of the 71-day-old war, there are no official casualty figures, but doctors say there have been hundreds of phosphorus victims.

One Palestinian field hospital said the ratio of guerrillas to civilians was approximately 50-50. But a resident at the American University Hospital put the figure closer to 80 civilians for every 20 guerrillas.

"Phosphorus is certainly being used

very widely," said Dr. Troy Rusti, a Norwegian surgeon. "We get phosphorus burns in every raid."

Doctors say deep phosphorus wounds destroy soft tissue and bone and burn until the shrapnel is removed. They say superficial burns are also a problem because phosphorus is activated by oxygen.

Phosphorus burns usually cover 40-60 percent of the body, they say with a high risk of infection that necessitates large doses of antibiotics — something of which blockaded west Beirut is increasingly short.

Plastic surgery is often required, if there is enough undamaged skin.

On Thursday, 35 refugees in one shelter in the Bourj Barajneh Palestinian camp all suffered phosphorus wounds. Two died.

Seven members of one family were taken to a field hospital in the Near East School of Theology, their faces swollen like pumpkins, their eyes bloated, their limbs severely burned.

"No weapon is a good weapon," said Dr. John Barton, an Illinois university professor and one of the doctors treating the family. "This is one of the worst."

With deep wounds, doctors often have to put the patient in a dark room and fill the wound with copper sulphate solution to trace the phosphorus splinter by lighting it up. Until the splinter is out, the wound burns.

"When we took a big piece of shrapnel out of one man's ankle," said Dr. Troy, "We opened the bandages on the operating table and smoke came out. The man was wounded 10 hours before. The leg had burned for 10 hours."

Sailor seen 510 miles from shore

FALMOUTH, England (UPI) — An American truck driver missing for 27 days in his attempt to cross the Atlantic in the smallest boat ever has been sighted 510 nautical miles from England, coast guards said Sunday.

Bill Dunlop, 41, of Mechanic Falls, Maine, was sighted in his 5-foot, inch sailboat Wind's Will by the Liberian freighter Doto Saturday morning, coast guards at Falmouth said.

"Everything's OK," Dunlop told the crew. "But what's my position?"

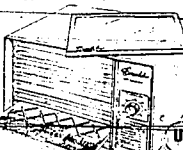
They told him he was 48 degrees 39 minutes N and 19 degrees W, some 510 nautical miles from Land's End, the most westerly point in England. That is about two weeks sailing time "although it's a very difficult time to estimate — it depends a lot on the weather," an official said.

The sighting of the red-white and blue fiberglass sailboat that set out in a driving rain from Portland Harbor, Maine, June 13 — 64 days ago — came as a huge relief to Dunlop's wife Paula.

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Heartache remains for Japan's emperor

TOKYO (UPI) — Exactly 37 years after ending World War II by announcing his country was beaten, Emperor Hirohito said Sunday his heart still aches over the 1.8 million killed in his name.

Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and his entire cabinet led more than 7,000 guests in mourning the war dead in a service at the huge Budokan or martial arts hall outside the Imperial Palace.

The ministers then prayed at a nearby Shinto temple dedicated to the war dead, including those executed by allied forces as war criminals after the war.

Hirohito — confined to bed with a cold, according to the Imperial

Palace — did not attend the services but issued a message of condolences.

The man who 37 years ago announced Japan's surrender in a radio broadcast in which he asked his compatriots to "bear the unbearable" reality of defeat said he remains pained by memories of the conflict.

"When I think of the many people who perished in the battlefield and of their family relatives, my heart still hurts," said Hirohito, 81.

Near the palace, some 500 pacifists and left-wing labor union members gathered for a rival service at the Chidorigafuchi cemetery for unknown soldiers.

Korea union offer issued

SEOUL, South Korea (UPI) — South Korean President Chun Doo-hwan urged his counterpart in Communist North Korea Sunday to meet him in an urgent summit to reunite the two countries.

Chun made the proposal in a ceremony marking the 37th anniversary of Korea's liberation from Japanese colonial rule at the end of World War II.

In his speech at the Sejong Cultural Center, Chun said his government would let any Korean — irrespective of ideology — visit the south, where socialism and communism are banned.

Chun said the time has come for Koreans to show the world they can attain their cherished goal of reunification.

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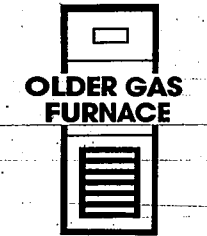
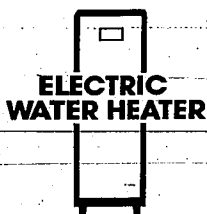
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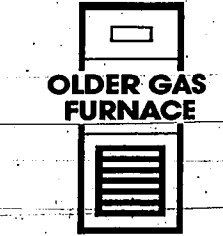
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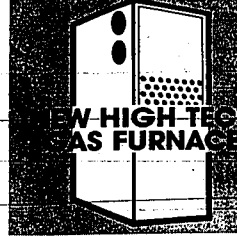
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Dear Abby

Man wants to feel pain

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: I recently met a man I'll call Rick, and he's off from the minute we met. He's a nice-looking guy who works at a health club during the day and tends bar at a classy club three nights a week.

One thing led to another, and we were going to have a kind of intimate relationship, he wanted to be perfectly honest with me. Then he said he was a "masochist." He said he likes to be "spanked" — hard! I told him I didn't care for violence. He said if I enjoys it, it's not violence. He asked me to go ahead and hit him, and I said no. Then he asked me to think about it. It sounds weird to me. I don't know what to think of him. I like him a lot, but I'm afraid if I go along with his wishes, he may try to hurt me. I was married to a wifebeater for a year and have had enough broken bones for my lifetime. Rick is 25, and Rick is 25. Is it dangerous to get mixed up with a masochist? Abby can you tell me more about

masochism? I'm not sure I understand what it is.

DEAR WONDERING ABOUT RICK: "DEAR WONDERING: You are wise to wonder. "Masochism" is a sexual perversion characterized by a desire to be physically abused in order to achieve sexual gratification. It can be dangerous, so do not agree to engage in it — unless you consider frightening, abnormal or weird.

DEAR ABBY: A couple we have known for many years visited us recently. We truly love them as friends, but the lady is a cleaning nut! Believe me, I am a very good housekeeper and I am not lazy, but just watching her digging in the corners were me out.

I don't mind if a houseguest helps with the dishes or keeps the guest room picked up, but this friend was vacuuming and dusting the whole time she was here. She made me feel "dirty" and hurt my feelings. Why would a guest come into someone's home and work like a horse? I wouldn't do this to my own family.

Abby, please tell folks that when they're guests they should relax and not work so hard.

FEELING DIRTY IN KENTUCKY: "DEAR FEELING: I'll tell them, but I doubt if it will help compulsive cleaners. Such people work like a horse, digging and cleaning, not because they think the place is "dirty," but because it provides an outlet for their nervous energy.

DEAR ABBY: Last year at a county fair I won first place in the pie category with "Dear Abby's Pecan Pie." This year I won first place with your "Dear Abby's Cheesecake." I really am thrilled and want to thank you for sharing your terrific recipes. Love,

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Dr. Lamb

Less cholesterol needed

By LAWRENCE LAMB, M.D.
Newspaper Enterprise Association

DEAR DR. LAMB: I am worried about my cholesterol. Atherosclerosis in my family and the men have heart attacks at an early age. I had my cholesterol checked and it was 315. I don't really have much cholesterol in my diet. I don't eat eggs, dairy products, milk and use margarine instead of butter.

DEAR DR. LAMB: My father was told he has arthritis, an enlarged kidney and an overworked lungs and heart. He was given several medications.

He forgets to take them. He is extremely overweight and really needs the medicines. When I remind him he says he doesn't believe in that stuff.

I don't understand why he feels that way. He works much too hard but still persists no matter what anyone, including the doctor, says. He is getting

you should follow a diet plan based on the principles in The Health Letter 154, Diet to Prevent Heart Attacks and Strokes. Others can send 75 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it to me, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10101.

DEAR DR. LAMB: My father was told he has arthritis, an enlarged kidney and an overworked lungs and heart. He was given several medications.

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I don't understand why he feels that way. He works much too hard but still persists no matter what anyone, including the doctor, says. He is getting

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Happenings in Magic Valley scheduled

TWIN FALLS — Ella Nelson, Twin Falls alcohol and nutrition counselor, will speak on her recent work with Jean Houston on new trends in brain research and psycho-physical education at the Network Magic luncheon Wednesday noon at Canyon Springs Inn. The public is invited. A \$2 fee is requested. For more information call Karen Goodrich, 734-5405.

Couple to Couple League beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the St. Edwards Parish Hall. For more information or pre-registration call Colleen Fries at 825-5376 or Margo Henning at 734-8295.

TWIN FALLS — An "Oriental Evening" will be held at 6 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center at 939 4th Ave. W. Cost of the dinner and dance will be \$2 per person. For reservations call 734-5084.

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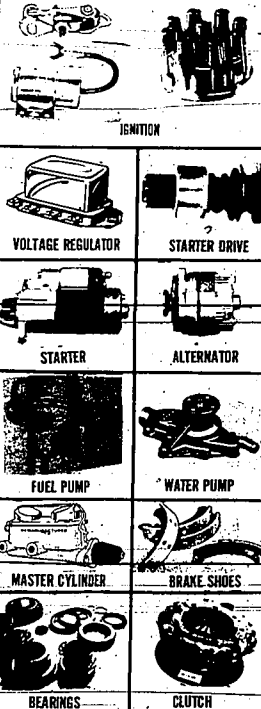
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Water charge hike before council tonight

By SUSAN GALLAGHER
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A proposed 3 percent increase in the base monthly charge for city water service will be considered today by Twin Falls City Council.

Under the plan, the base monthly charge for residential users will rise from \$4.70 to \$4.84. Bryce King, the city's finance director, says the 3 percent increase is considered necessary to meet the city's projected costs of providing water service next year.

The jump does not include money for the expected increases in the cost of electricity

needed for the water system, according to King. When Idaho Power Co.'s proposed rate increases are settled, additional increases may be necessary, he says.

City officials say sewage rates generally will remain unchanged until Idaho Frozen Foods withdraws from the municipal sewage-treatment system. Engineering consultants for the city have said it could be necessary to increase the base residential sewage charge by 36 percent, largely to offset the cost of operating the treatment plant without IFF's payments for service.

Company spokesmen have said IFF will be using its own treatment system no later than

January, and will withdraw from the city's at that time. They say the move will save the company \$500,000 a year and will allow more adequate treatment of IFF's wastes.

In a study presented in March, the consulting firm retained by the city, James M. Montgomery Consulting Engineers, determined that without IFF's participation, the monthly charge for single-family sewage service would rise to \$5.89, from \$3.83.

The utility-rate package proposed for the new fiscal year also includes a plan to charge interest on delinquent bills. Another proposal calls for a 40 percent increase in standard

fire-line charges. Officials say the increase reflects the costs of installing such lines.

Also Monday, City Council may consider recent proposals for the use of federal revenue-sharing money. Last week, residents of Rampage Street requested up to \$16,000 to cover irrigation ditches in front of their homes. Also proposed was a plan that would involve the city buying downtown property as the possible site of a parking facility.

Council members have until Sept. 10 to alter the city's proposed 1982-83 budget, which underwent a public hearing Aug. 9.

In other business Monday, council will consider:

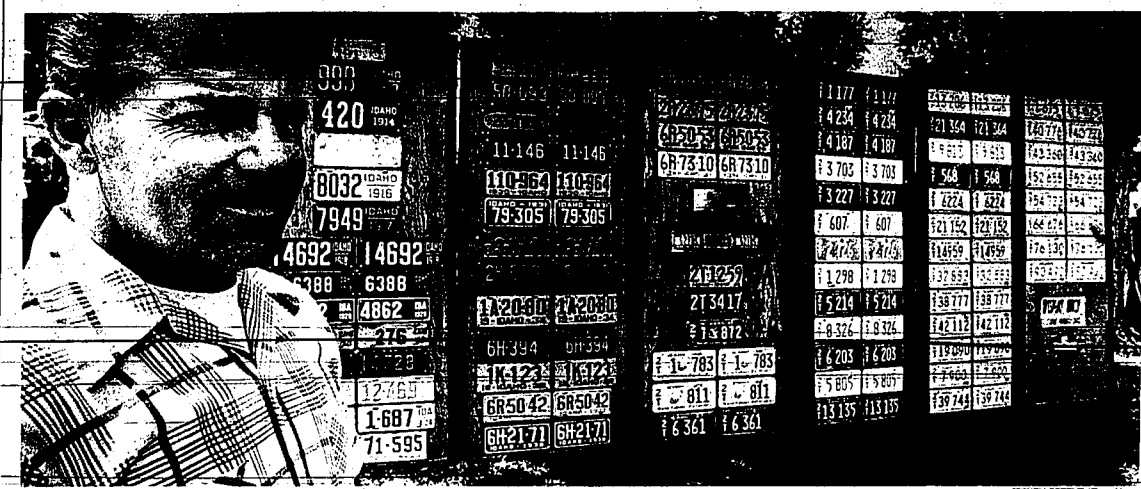
- Entering a \$25,000 contract with Montgomery Engineers to study problems of corrosion in part of the system that transports sewage to the city's treatment plant.

- Granting city employees a four-hour holiday on Thursday, Sept. 9, so they can attend the county fair on Twin Falls Day.

- Bids for roof repair at the main fire station.

- Personnel regulations for 1982-83.

Monday's meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at City Hall. Also Monday, council will hold a public work session at 4 p.m. at George K's restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road.



Phillip Cooper of Kimberly displays his board of license plates he has collected, which include all the plates the state has issued since 1913

Some plain, some fancy, some expensive antiques

Spuds, skiers decorate Idaho license tags

By GLEN WARCHOL
Times-News writer

JEROME — So you think you know Idaho history?

If so, can answer this question: What years of Idaho license plates had a pictorial representation of a spud on them?

If you're having a problem coming up with the answer, you need to visit Phillip "Loyal" Cooper of Kimberly.

Cooper has a complete collection of Idaho license plates since the state began issuing them in 1913. And he had them on display Saturday and Sunday at the antique car show

in Jerome, held this year in conjunction with the county's 75th anniversary celebration.

Before 1913, some Idaho cities issued plates. Halley was the first in 1910.

Few examples of these city plates exist. Cooper found one from Payette; he paid \$400 for it at an auction.

Unfortunately for Cooper, Idaho plates have been pretty boring for the last couple of decades.

"From right around 1958, they haven't changed," he says. "I'd like to see something different."

The green and white "Famous Potato" plates just don't excite the delicate palate of a collector.

"Your Legislature is built up out of farmers mainly," Cooper says. "They've been trying to promote potatoes — seems like from the beginning of time."

Cooper thinks the state's other attributes should be advertised on Idahoans' vehicles.

"To attract tourists, they could go back to a skier or a mountain scene," he says, referring to the 1947 plate that displays a downhill skier on a 45-degree slope. The state's slogan that year was "Vacation Wonderland."

The state's half-hearted attempt at a graphic representation of a mountain and pine tree on the 1982 plate leaves Cooper cold.

"You can't even tell what it is."

Cooper doesn't hold out much hope for license-plate creativity from the Legislature. But he hopes that the statehood centennial in 1990 will prod the lawmakers into authorizing something better.

"That's my only salvation. I hope by then they'll have something pretty," he says. "I'd even help them design it, if they'd ask."

By the way, the "spud" plates were designed in 1928, then again in 1948 and 1949. The 1928 plate had "spud" the size of the plate stamped on it. And the 1948 issue had a full-color decal of a baked potato, with a pat of butter melting on it in the center, hyperbating the numbers.

Hearings Sept. 7 in Twin Falls

Tight squeeze for county budget

By MARTY TRILLHAASE
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — County government in Twin Falls County will operate with less money next year.

No major cuts in services have been mandated by the proposed budget. But the budget will mean that county departments will strain even more to provide those services.

Also feeling the brunt of the financial plight will be the county's employees. Most of them will receive smaller-than-usual yearly salary increases, under the county commissioners' plan to provide each worker with a flat \$40-per-month increase. Last year, all county employees received a 7 percent wage increase.

The salaries of elected county officials will be frozen under the proposed budget.

The tentative 1982-83 budget, which will go into effect Oct. 1, was released

last week. It calls for a small drop — about one-tenth of a percent — in county spending. But coupled with the impact of inflation, the decline in the county's real spending power will be much greater.

Public hearings on the budget will be held all day Tuesday, Sept. 7. The hearings, which will be held on a departmental basis, will begin at 10 a.m. in the Twin Falls County Judicial Building. The county commissioners will be available to hear further comments on the budget through Sept. 9.

The proposed budget calls for expenditures of \$4,022 million, a decrease of almost \$4 million from the \$4,026 million budgeted this year.

The county commissioners say the need to cut costs can be seen in the drop in some of their anticipated revenues.

The biggest factor in that equation is federal revenue-sharing funds. This year, county officials planned to spend \$450,000 in reserve and incoming revenue-sharing funds. Next year, that figure is expected to drop to \$300,000.

The state's poor economy also will play a role, decreasing the amount of money that the county receives from such sources such as the state sales tax and state licensing fees.

"I would anticipate them to decrease because the governor is anticipating a shortfall," says Commis-

sioner Merl Leonard. "Where does that reflect but right back down to the county and our proportionate share?"

Overall, the county budget calls for \$4,416 million in anticipated revenues, an increase of 4.5 percent, or \$190,341, over the 1981-1982 figure of \$4,225 million.

Included in that amount is an anticipated 6.9 percent increase in the \$1,250 million in tax revenues the county received in 1981-1982. That increase includes the 5 percent property-tax increase allowed under Idaho's One Percent Initiative, as well as tax revenues not included under the tax limitation, such as those earmarked for the county's liability insurance.

The county also anticipates receiving its full share from the federal payment-in-lieu-of-taxes program, which next year is estimated at \$471,000.

And the budget calls for a projected

25 percent increase in the amount of money the county plans to carry over from the present budget. By Oct. 1, 1981, county officials had managed to keep \$618,161 in unspent revenue. This year, they plan on keeping \$778,257 on hand at the close of the budget year, an increase of \$160,096.

As always, county officials note that because an amount has been included in the budget, that does not mean that it will be spent. It simply provides flexibility, since Idaho law prohibits governments from spending beyond the upper limits of a budget, county officials say.

On the expenditure side, the budget calls for a 22 percent increase in the county's payroll. The 1981-1982 budget called for \$1,194 million to be spent on salaries. And the county will spend 7.8 percent more for operating expenses. Last year, the commissioners budgeted \$1,011 million to meet these costs.

However, he says, that larger or smaller overpayments will not transfer, and instead, will be credited to the customer's account.

Power customers can contribute during any months they wish, he says. A separate line on the bill will indicate the total contribution to date, and the company will mail notices at the end of the year indicating the total, which can be deducted from tax purposes as a charitable contribution.

A steering committee will guide distributions from the fund, determining eligibility and grant limits, says Arvin Luchs, a Boise minister who is chairman of a committee that will help implement the program. Luchs says the Salvation Army program, unlike a federal fuel-assistance fund administered by Community Action agencies, will be structured to handle emergencies only. Those benefiting from the fund will be limited to one grant a year.

John Greivler, the commander of the Salvation Army unit in Twin Falls, says his office will handle applicants primarily from Twin Falls County. School districts will receive calls from throughout the region once the program is established.

Joint investment pool brings \$300,000 to area districts

By BRUCE HAMMOND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — More than \$300,000 in interest was earned this past year by Magic Valley taxing districts that participated in a joint investment pool with the state.

State Treasurer Marjorie Ruth Moon reported the earnings for fiscal year 1982 in a statement issued last week.

The program allows taxing districts — school, highway and cemetery districts — to pool their money with state funds to be invested at high interest rates. It particularly benefits small taxing entities, according to area officials participating in the program.

"We don't have a whole lot of money to invest, but we still try to get the highest interest possible," says Jan Annala, the clerk

of the Hansen School District. "There's no way we could be getting the earnings we are now without being in this program."

The best interest rates come from investments of \$100,000 or larger, says Floyd Merrill, the assistant superintendent of the Minico School District.

Larger districts, like Minico and Twin Falls, have little to gain by investing in Moon's program, however, "since we are large enough to have these amounts of money ourselves," Merrill says.

Neither of those two school districts participate in the program "because we were been in the investment business long before this new program became available a year ago," says James Sawin, the Twin Falls superintendent.

Both Sawin and Merrill say that handling

their own investments give them greater flexibility in using funds targeted for, but not needed yet, bills and payroll.

But Arlene Grose, who earned \$9,864 for the Twin Falls Highway District by investing with Moon, says the state program allows her more access to the district's money.

"I keep about \$100,000 invested in our four local banks, but that money is often tied up too long, since there is a substantial penalty for early withdrawal," Grose says. "With the state program, I can call up one day and have the money back here by the next day. This means that when large amounts of money arrive for bill payment a week or so away, I can still invest it for a short term and make some good interest."

However, Moon's investment pool has

become a campaign issue in her race against Republican challenger Doyle Miner of Star.

Miner has accused Moon of "intimidating" some districts into participating in the program against their will. He also claims that the program pulls too much money away from local banks, where it is needed for local housing and business loans. But no officials of taxing districts in the Magic Valley acknowledge any pressure being applied on them by Moon's office.

"Miss Moon has been most courteous to us, even though we declined to participate," Merrill says.

Grose says she heard of the program through the Idaho Association of Highway Districts.

"I wrote to Marjorie Ruth Moon, and she simply sent back the information," Grose

says. "There wasn't even anything you could call a sales pitch."

Area taxing districts that participated in the investment pool in fiscal year 1982 and their earnings were:

Twin Falls Highway District, \$9,864; Public Health District No. 5, \$16,941; Hansen School District, \$32,478; Hillside Highway District, \$4,394; Murtaugh Highway District, \$2,948; Murtaugh School District, \$43,478; city of Murtaugh, \$537; Kimberly School District, \$48,212; city of Kimberly, \$9,898; Buhl Highway District, \$2,562; Ellet Highway District, \$4,588; Lincoln County Highway District, \$25,917; Gooding County Memorial Hospital, \$7,263; Camas School District, \$20,515; Bliss Highway District, \$990; Bliss School District, \$1,568; and the city of Wendell, \$5,870.

Magic Valley



Angles on angling

Jack Moriarty of Twin Falls gives some fishing pointers to his grandson, B.J. Moriarty. The two were fishing at Rock Creek Park along with B.J.'s

sister Carol. Moriarty takes the kids fishing there once or twice a week, and their trip usually includes a picnic as well.

In the Valley

SNRA planning open houses

KETCHUM — The U.S. Forest Service has scheduled two open-house events to mark the 10th anniversary of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, which extends from near Ketchum to Stanley and Clayton.

A special slide presentation, "SNRA Revisited," will be shown this Saturday, Aug. 21, at 3 p.m. at the recreation area's visitors center, located eight miles north of Ketchum.

The show also will be presented each hour from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 22, at the Redfish Lake visitors center.

The 754,000-acre SNRA was established by Congress in August 1972. The act required the Forest Service to preserve the area's natural, scenic, historic, and fish and wildlife values, as well as to enhance its recreation values. Uses of timber, range and minerals could continue, under the act, as long as such uses did not impair the values for which the area was established.

Demos select headquarters

TWIN FALLS — Democrats in the Twin Falls area are opening up shop in preparation for the fall election. Tuesday, they will hold the official opening of their campaign headquarters in downtown Twin Falls, according to Lloyd Shewmaker, the chairman of the Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee.

The office, at 601 Shoshone St. N., is opposite the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Initial office hours will be 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. It will operate until Nov. 3, the day after the election, Shewmaker said.

Opening ceremonies for the office will be held from noon until 3 p.m. Tuesday, with Gov. John Evans officiating.

Other state officials and candidates expected to

attend include state Treasurer Marjorie Ruth Moon; Auditor Joe Williams; Mike Mitchell, the candidate for lieutenant candidate; and Richard Stallings, a candidate for the Second Congressional District.

Fraud charge names woman

BOISE (UPI) — The U.S. attorney's office in Boise filed charges last week against a Burley woman, accusing her of illegally obtaining Social Security checks for her children although she no longer had custody of the boys.

The eight-count indictment against Helen Staker, 42, carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison and a \$1,000 fine on each count.

It charges the woman with failing to notify Social Security officials and continuing to obtain government checks for her children, beginning in February 1978, when she no longer had custody of Ronald and Donald Staker.

It says she obtained about \$200 each month from February through August of this year.

Woman placed on probation

JEROME — Kelly Elizabeth Queen, 20, of Jerome, was given a 10-year prison sentence last week in Fifth District Court in Jerome, the result of an earlier conviction for grand theft.

But Judge Daniel Mehl suspended the sentence and ordered a two-year probation.

Queen was charged with taking sterling silver tableware, valued at \$1,923, between Sept. 31, 1981, and Nov. 4, 1981, from Helen Epperson. She was arrested Dec. 11, 1981.

Queen also has been ordered to pay Epperson for the silverware, as well as court costs of \$300.

BLM fights fire

POCATELLO (UPI) — Bureau of Land Management firefighters were battling a 40-acre grass fire Sunday that was bordered by private property and the Wire Grass Reservoir near Pocatello.

BLM dispatcher Gordon Welch said 15 firefighters were at the scene and expected it would be contained by today.

Obits

Michael E. VonWeller

WENDELL — Michael E. VonWeller, 53, of Wendell, formerly of a Boise hospital of injuries suffered in a fall Thursday while working on a roof.

Services will be announced by De-mary's Loper Chapel in Wendell.

Robert F. McCammon

GOODING — Robert F. McCammon, 52, of Wendell, formerly of Hagerman, died Saturday in an Orofino hospital. Services will be announced by De-mary's Thompson Chapel in Gooding.

Hospitals

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted — Mrs. Daniel Pals of Twin Falls; Mrs. Lynville Brown of Filer; Mrs. Dave Kuhn of Wendell; Juan Flores of Buhl and Talane Strickland of Burley.

Discharged — Kirsten Daigh, Gary Woodruff and Mrs. Nick Haxson, all of Twin Falls; Mr. Ramon Amoreux of Jerome; Mrs. Norman Eckert and Mrs. Mike Gault; both of Buhl; Ernest Giles of Shoshone; Mrs. Tim Matthews and Mrs. Tim Moore and son, all of Wendell; Jack Morton of Halley; Thomas Pinkston of Kimberly; Mrs. Calvin Perkins and son of Murtaugh; Ramon Rodriguez of Rupert and Mrs. John Wilson of Burley.

Births — Daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kuhn of Wendell, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Calderon of Hagerman, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pals of Twin Falls.

ST. BENEDICT'S — **Admitted** — Emma Gilroy and Richard Walker, both of Jerome, and Clarence Low of Shoshone.

Discharged — Albert Lyan of Hazelton; Lure Reyes of Rupert; Anna Payan and son and John Gormer and Pamela Wilcher and son, all of Paul.

Births — A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Staker of Rupert.

Breakdown by departments of Twin Falls County budget

By MARTY TRILLHAASE
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Here's a department by department look at the 1982-83 budget for Twin Falls County:

• **Assessor** — Payroll will shrink by \$660 from the 1981-1982 level of \$168,226.

• **Clerk, auditor-recorder** — The payroll in this office will increase \$4,543, or 2.3 percent, above the 1981-1982 figure of \$198,019.

• **County commissioners** — Nearly 5 percent of the payroll in this office, or \$4,523, will be slashed from the 1981-1982 budget of \$95,138. While part of that reflects staff changes and no salary increase for the commissioners, much of the decrease is on paper only.

For the first time, the office budget will not include funding for the county's civil-defense office, run by Coroner Cloyce Edwards. Civil defense has been provided with a separate budget for next year.

The commissioners have budgeted a \$7,700 increase in their present level of \$38,000. Again, the increase is misleading because the commissioners' budget contains funding for some county jail functions. The increase reflects the soaring cost of housing jail inmates, they say.

• **Coroner** — Edward's payroll will increase almost 78 percent, or \$1,800, above its current total of \$2,300, under the proposed budget. However, Edwards, who is an elected official, will not receive a salary increase, according to the commissioners. They say that more money is required to pay his staff now that the coroner is no longer running the ambulance service. In the past, Edwards used his ambulance attendants as deputy coroners at no cost to the county, the commissioners say.

• **County agent** — The tentative budget calls for a 3.8 percent increase in the payroll of this office, which was budgeted at \$27,975 in 1981-1982. The office's operating budget has been

slashed by \$7,606, from its current level of \$35,581. However, the 1981-1982 operating budget contained funding for a purchase of an office vehicle.

• **Elections** — The commissioners have called for a \$260 increase in the 1982-83 budget. This year for county employees responsible for administering elections. For the second consecutive year, the budget freezes the office's operating budget at \$34,400. The commissioners say the freeze stems from a decision not to hire outside help to run the county's voting machines.

• **Janitor** — This department's payroll will increase \$2,350 from its present level of \$43,180. And the operating budget will increase \$12,400 above the current level of \$121,000. That amount is responsible for the payment of utility bills as well as financing general repairs and maintenance for county buildings.

• **Prosecutor** — The proposed budget calls for a \$2,400 increase in the prosecutor's current payroll of \$102,400. For operating expenses, the commissioners have budgeted nearly a 77 percent increase, \$3,175, above the current figure of \$3,725. The commissioners say the increase is needed to cover travel and paper costs.

• **Sheriff** — The sheriff's payroll will increase by almost 6.5 percent, or \$24,311, above its present level of \$371,968. However much of that increase is intended to allow Sheriff Jim Munn to hire an additional jail supervisor. The office also will have \$10,000 more to spend on operating expenses. The current budget allocates \$155,000 for operating expenses.

• **Treasurer** — The commissioners have budgeted a \$1,200 increase in the office payroll by \$1,200, from the 1981-1982 figure of \$88,060. The decrease reflects attrition and improved efficiency in the office, the commissioners say. The budget also freezes office expenses at \$25,700.

• **Zoning** — Reduced labor costs are given as the reason for the \$5,900 cut in the zoning office's payroll of

\$45,896. Operating funds also will be cut. The budget calls for a \$3,100 decrease from the 1981-1982 figure of \$17,400.

• **General** — This fund, which finances such items as the county's insurance and employee retirement programs, and postage and telephone, will increase \$46,900 above the current total of \$28,300. The increase reflects anticipated increases in these costs. "We don't know that we'll spend these dollars, but we can't spend it if we don't budget it," Commissioner Meri Leonard says.

• **Civil Defense** — Although this fund will be budgeted separately for the first time in 1982-1983, expenditures for this function will increase substantially. Coroner Cloyce Edwards, who doubles as the county's civil-defense director, will receive almost a 50 percent salary increase, or \$3,088, above the \$18,156 he received this year. The commissioners say the increase reflects the additional amount of time that Edwards has been required to devote to civil defense. The proposed budget also calls for a 33 percent increase in the operating budget, which is \$3,000 this year.

• **Public Defense** — The payroll for this office, which provides legal representation to indigent criminal defendants, is set to increase by \$3,750 above the current figure of \$22,350. The commissioners say the increase is needed to cover the cost of extra and part-time help for the office. However, the public defender's operating budget will be cut by \$1,700 from the \$20,500 allocated this year.

Infant succumbs

IDAHO FALLS (UPI) — A 26-month-old Montevideo infant has died at an Idaho Falls hospital after a one-car rollover about 12 miles north of Idaho Falls.

Heber Round, Montevideo, died after the rollover Friday night on Interstate 15 about 12 miles north of Idaho Falls.

Christine Round, the infant's mother and driver of the car, was listed in fair condition Sunday at Riverview Hospital. Her two-month-old daughter, Tina, also was in fair condition.

Throngs anticipated at Jerome fairgrounds

JEROME — The Jerome County Fairgrounds will be teeming with activity today, as exhibitors bring their prized livestock, produce, home-economics displays and other specialties to compete for honors in the annual county fair.

The fair parade will begin at 6 p.m. at the high school and will end at the fairgrounds.

Expected to be an hour-long procession, it will display historical evidence of earlier days. Horse-drawn vehicles, floats depicting 75 years of Jerome County development and agriculture production, and some of the first gasoline-powered vehicles to drive in the area will be featured.

An added attraction will be a 20-mile team, driven by George Silvers of Jerome, who says that it is the only such team of mules being driven for display in the state.

There will be a special kid's parade, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

McKay Carnival and Shows of Spokane, Wash., will move to the fairgrounds Tuesday and will continue to operate through Saturday.

The Swaney Kirby rodeo also opens at 8 p.m. today at the fairgrounds and will continue through Wednesday night.

While fair booths and displays will not open officially until Tuesday, there will be plenty to see today. Horsemanship will be judged at 9 a.m., with horse-quality judging at 1 p.m. Judging of agricultural and miscellaneous demonstrations also begin

at 1 p.m., and a tractor-driving contest is set for 3 p.m.

On Wednesday, the Jerome Optimist Club will sponsor "Kids Day" at the fair, offering a full day of contests and games for youngsters 6 through 14.

Foot races, potato races, Frisbee throwing, football and a quarter-mile race will be held, starting at 10 a.m. at the football field off Third Avenue West.

During the afternoon, there will be inner-tube races and other water events at the city swimming pool.

In addition, a magic show is planned for noon at the swimming pool area of the park, and the day's festivities will be capped by a free movie at 2:30 p.m. at the Jerome Cinema.

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Minico romps, Schow hits 2nd slam

LEWISTON — Jeff Schow hit his second grand slam home run in as many days Sunday afternoon as the Minico Sage coasted past the Boise Senators 14-1 in the State American Legion Baseball Tournament.

Minico will meet Nampa at 9 (MT) tonight in the winner's bracket final. Nampa downed Pocatello 7-4 Sunday night behind pitchers Dave O'Ravez and Scott Lawrence to join Minico as the two unbeaten teams in the tourney.

Schow also hit a grand slam in the second inning of Saturday's 11-1 win over Coeur d'Alene, but a twist on

Sunday's bases-loaded effort — it was an inside-the-park job.

With the bases loaded in the bottom of the fifth inning, Schow lined a ball to center field. Gary Ferrin, Dave Garro and Lynn VanEvery scored with ease. Rounding third as the throw reached the cut-off man, Schow made a head-first slide to the foul side and touched the plate with his left hand.

The four runs gave Minico a 10-1 lead.

Minico went ahead 1-0 in the last of the first inning as VanEvery singled in Tracy Wodskow. Wodskow started

the inning with a single, stole second and went to third on a passed ball.

The Sage added two runs in the second inning with Wodskow's sacrifice fly scoring Arlyn Smith on a bases-loaded situation and a bases-loaded walk to VanEvery forcing Kelly Keiber across.

With Ferrin holding the Senators well in check, Minico scored three runs in the third inning for a 6-0 lead.

VanEvery doubled in Wodskow and Garro for the first two runs before Schow doubled VanEvery home.

The Senators, who have suffered five losses to Rick Baumann's squad

this summer, scored one run in the top of the fifth inning. But Schow's grand slam quickly negated the lone tally.

The four-run effort started when Ferrin walked. He took second when Wodskow tried to bunt for a single and was out at first. Garro then grounded to first base, but a fielding error put two Sage on base. Senator Nate Pearman then issued a walk to VanEvery to arrange the scene for Schow's homer.

More wild pitching by Pearman allowed Minico to add a run in the sixth inning. The Boise pitcher hit

Ferrin and Wodskow to start the inning and a wild pitch later in the inning allowed Ferrin to score from third.

Minico surpassed Saturday's 11-run performance in the eighth inning with a three-run outburst to oust the Senators from the tourney.

Rick Jacques, the Senators' starting pitcher, suffered the loss while Ferrin went seven innings to get the victory and Von Peterman finished the last two stanzas.

Baumann said right-hander Johnny Miller will pitch for the Sage in

tonight's game. Miller has a 10-2 record.

Sunday's late game pitted Lewiston against Moscow in a loser's bracket game. Lewiston was defeated by Pocatello 13-7 in Sunday's first game. That game was a completion of the first round since the two teams were rained out after three innings Saturday night.

Minico 14, Senators 1

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Jacques, Pearman (4), Jacobson (7) and Montoya; Ferrin, Peterman (8) and Wright. HR: Minico: Schow.						

State 2 area teams takes 2nd place in softball tourneys

By The Times-News

Two Magic Valley softball teams took runner-up honors Sunday as the four Idaho State Slowpitch Softball Tournaments completed play at four different locations.

Gateway Trailer Center of Twin Falls earned second place in the Class A men's tourney while Sawtooth Wood Products of Bellevue claimed second in the Class B women's event.

Both teams netted berths in the regional playoffs as did Twin Falls' Barton's Club 93.

Men's Class A

At Boise, Gateway opened Sunday's action with a 19-10 loss to the Boise Bulls.

Gateway then came back for a 11-10 win over Boise Blue Art Supply in the next game to make the finals, John Miller's run-scoring single in the last of the eighth deciding the outcome.

Boise Blue moved through the loser's bracket to take on Gateway and scored consecutive victories of 3-2 and 16-0 to win the state crown.

"The first game was total defense and there were some great plays on both sides," Gateway's Tom Counts said. "They scored a run in the last of the seventh to win it and then we were just flat in the second game."

Idaho Sporting Goods of Boise and Mike Bannister of Caldwell took third and fourth, respectively. The top three teams advance to the regionals, scheduled to start Friday at Tacoma, Wash.

Wholesale Carpets-Kawasaki of Twin Falls tied for seventh place in the tourney. Wholesale was ousted Sunday when Mike Batt Farms took a 10-8 win in 10 innings.

Four players from the two Twin Falls teams were honored with awards at the end of the tourney. Gateway shortstop Mike Anderson won the top hitter, collecting 49 hits in 22 at bats for a .864 average. Gateway's Russ Steate was named to the all-star team as was Wholesale second baseman Ron Blackwood and Gateway's Gary Huft was named the most valuable outfielder.

Women's Class A

At Nampa, Coors of Magic Valley suffered a 3-2 loss to defending state champion Gary's Sports of Coeur d'Alene Sunday morning to be ousted.

Barger-Mattson of Nampa, a team that defeated Coors in an early-season tourney in Twin Falls, won the title while the Downtowners of Pocatello took second and Gary's Sports placed third. The top three teams advance to regionals.

Men's Class B

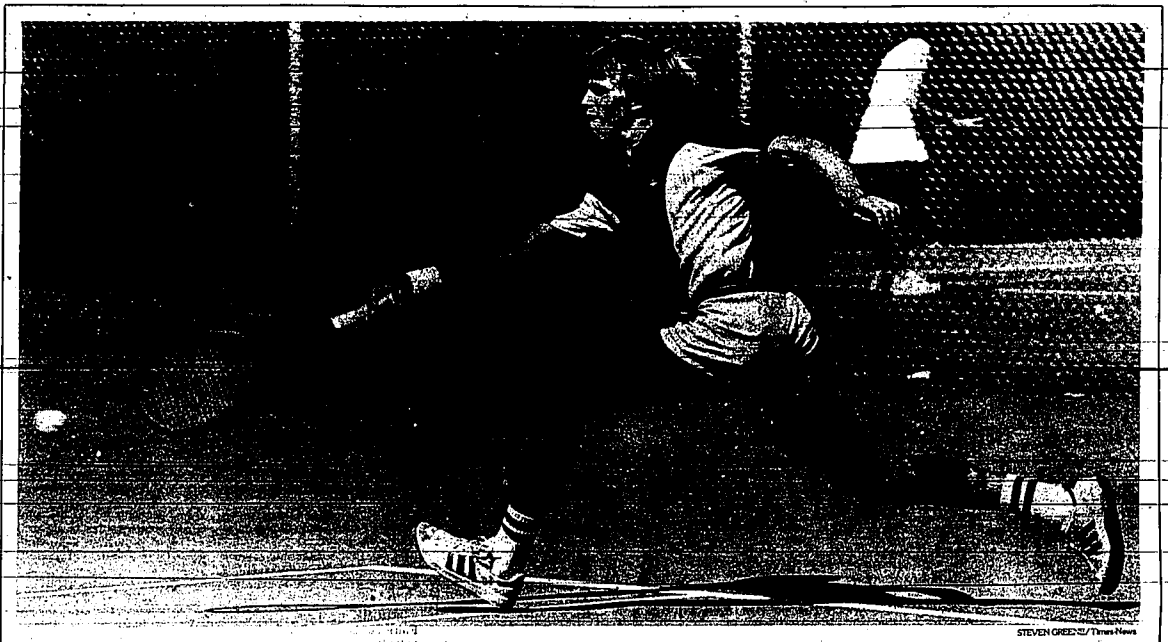
At Moscow, Barton's Club 93 lost the third-place game to Harmie's Haven of Nampa 10-3, but secured a substitute trip to regionals when Harmie's decided it can't make the trek to Coeur d'Alene in two weeks.

In late Saturday action, Club 93 defeated another Twin Falls team, Sewer & Water-Tech Windbreak 14-5. The loss was Sewer & Water's first of the season, but it was eliminated Sunday when Harmie's scored a 17-16 eighth-inning victory.

On Sunday, Club 93 defeated Lewiston's Eagle Transfer 13-5 with solid team hitting.

Five Mile area of Boise then fell to Club 93 by a 16-5 count.

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Boise's Ed Perkins chases down a well-placed shot during the second set of his Idaho Closed singles victory over fellow Boisean Dar Walters

Boisean secures Idaho Closed title

Perkins discards runner-up streak

By CHRIS HART
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ending a short-but-unpalatable streak of second-place finishes in this town, Eddie Perkins won the men's open singles championship of the Idaho Closed Tennis Championships Sunday at Frontier Field, defeating Dar Walters, 6-3, 6-2.

Perkins' triumph highlighted the concluding day of the five-day event. Other big winners included ageless Ray Skillings, who garnered both the men's 35 and 45 singles titles; Kathy McRoberts, who bested Jocelyn Monroe in the women's open singles final, 7-5, 6-4; and Jess

Olavarria of Twin Falls, who won the men's A singles and, with partner Doug Blevins, the A doubles.

As for Perkins, he actually has won doubles and mixed doubles titles in past events at Twin Falls. But the Boise State University senior lost in the singles finals of the Twin Falls Open both last year and this year. Perkins didn't enter the '81 Idaho Closed, but said, "If I had, I probably would have finished second there, too."

But Perkins managed to whip the Avia syndrome, stifling Walters with noticeably aggressive play. Perkins clinched the match on such an offensive shot, unclogging to whistle

a blinding forehand past Walters, who could only watch admiringly.

Perkins had to watch himself early in the match. He jumped to a 3-0 lead on Walters in the first set, but led only 3-2 after Walters held serve and broke his.

"I relaxed just a tiny bit, but he was coming right back," Perkins said. "Then I thought, 'Gee, I can't relax at all.' I'm sure if I had given him just half an inch he'd have taken a mile."

Walters could have tied the set 3-3 by holding his serve, but Perkins took the sixth game and a 4-2 lead, winning the game with a backhand passing shot on Walters' second serve at

deuce. Moments later Perkins ended the first set with a particularly hard-hitting game that included two service winners and a deft backhand volley following a blistering serve.

After breaking Walters' serve in the third game of the second set, Perkins was never seriously challenged, capturing four of the next five games and the singles title.

Earlier Sunday, Perkins reached the finals by outlasting the entertaining Natchez-Larchmont (the walks, he talks, he kicks balls into the net in frustration), 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, while Walters also had a tough semifinal, besting Kim Gourley, 7-6, 6-4.

Results appear in Scoreboard, Page B4.

Gerulaitis reaches goal by whipping Lendl

TORONTO (UPI) — Vitas Gerulaitis, the resurgent Golden Boy of tennis, said he only wanted to beat Ivan Lendl very badly, not hurt him.

Gerulaitis used superior speed and a confident attack at the net to spike Lendl's powerful forehand Sunday and win the \$39,000 Canadian Open tennis championships in three sets.

Gerulaitis, who has beaten the third-seeded Lendl in three of their five career meetings, lost the first set after squandering an early 3-0 lead but turned the tide with lightning-quick strokes to prevail 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.

"Now he (Lendl) knows that nothing he does perturbs me," said Gerulaitis, who claimed his third victory of the year. The others came at the Belgian Indoor International in March and the Florence Open (Italy) in May.

Gerulaitis-Lendl matches have been distin-

guished by the occasional shot to the body. Lendl knocked Gerulaitis flat with a forehead shot to the head at Madison Square Garden earlier this year.

Gerulaitis directed a volley that barely missed Lendl from about three feet Sunday in the second game of the second set.

He acknowledged the shot was deliberate but not motivated by revenge since Lendl had to cut off all other angles.

"There is a consensus of players who feel that sort of thing is all right. But they think he (Lendl) does it too much even when he has a wide court. I just want him to know that he can knock away all he wants — I love it," said Gerulaitis, who has made a steady climb to No. 5 in the rankings after he gave up what he described as a hectic nightlife last year.

"You can't let him intimidate you. I don't

think this was my best tennis ever, but it was my best match," said the 28-year-old New Yorker.

"I tried to serve hard into his forehand because if you don't he's going to start whacking a lot of winners with it. I tried not to let him intimidate me. We've had some tight matches."

Lendl had looked awesome in defeating No. 1 ranked John McEnroe in straight sets (6-4, 6-4) Saturday, and had not lost a set in his progression to the final.

"I played very poorly and my footwork was very bad," Lendl said.

The tall right-hander shrugged off a suggestion that he be "choked."

"I was never in the match so how could I choke."

Lendl was not surprised at Gerulaitis' aggressive volley.

"I did better than he did," said the young Czech, referring to the New York incident. "I didn't miss."

In the doubles final, the tandem of Steve Denton of Texas and Mark Edmondson of Australia defeated the No. 1-ranked doubles combination of McEnroe and Peter Fleming in a three-hour match 6-7, 7-5, 6-2.

In a fitting culmination to a tournament rocked by officiating controversies, Denton and McEnroe quarreled at center court net several times and at one stage appeared on the verge of coming to blows. Both players, however, reconciled their differences in a conference between games in the third set.

The match ended without further interruption.

'Must-win' Norris triumphs, misses PGA mark by 2 shots

WETHERSFIELD, Conn. (UPI) — Tim Wethersfield blasted off a 2-under-par final round 68 Sunday to establish this year's lowest tour total in winning PGA champion Ray Floyd for the Greater Hartford Open championship and the \$54,000 top prize.

Norris' 72-hole total of 25-under-par 239 also was just two strokes shy of the all-time low.

"I feel blank now," said Wethersfield, who had been struggling to hang on to his PGA tour card. "This will be something I'll remember for a long time."

Norris, 24, an El Paso, Texas, resident led the field at the Wethersfield-Country Club throughout the four rounds in capturing his first PGA tour victory.

He outdueled the wily Floyd during two final days of pursuit by the PGA veteran. Floyd ended his round Sunday with a 68, six strokes behind Norris with a 19-under 265 total.

Floyd finished in a tie for second place with GHO defending champion Hubert Green, the 1977 U.S. Open champion. Floyd and Green each received \$26,400.

Floyd said, "I played well once again, but I didn't do well with the putter. It was an enjoyable tournament."

The play by Norris electrified the crowd as he went through 62 holes without a bogey. His final round was marred by three bogeys. In all, Norris carded 30 birdies, one eagle and 42 pars.

The top prize gives Norris \$57,500 in total earnings for the year. He missed the first 14 weeks of the tour due to a strained right wrist and in 1981 starts this year, he had made the cut in only four previous tournaments. His best previous finish this year was a tie for 20th at the Quad Cities Open.

"I'm going to pay off all our credit-card bills for the first four or five months of the year," said Norris, referring to the bills accumulated as a result of the wrist injury that kept him out of 14 tournaments.

Norris' fantastic birdie shooting established a tournament low record at 127 for two rounds, equalling the tour record set by Bob Gilder at Westchester and his 193 for three rounds

surpassed the GHO mark and was one shy of the tour mark, also set by Gilder.

Norris' final round score surpassed the 20-under last set by Green. His 72-hole total of 239 also surpassed this year's previous tour low of 261 set by Gilder at Westchester.

In addition, the 229 ties with two others for second place behind the all-time low of 287 set in the 1958 Texas Open by Mike Souchak.

Norris, who led the opening rounds with cards of 63, 64 and 66, committed his first bogey in 62 holes in closing out the front nine, but remained ahead of Floyd by five strokes.

Floyd began the day-four strokes behind Norris at 197. He birdied the second and fourth holes but bogeyed the short fifth hole. Floyd's

tee-shot was to the left of the green. He chipped twice but was short by 20 feet, then went four feet past the hole before sinking the ball for a five.

Norris startled the galleries with his incredible putting, hitting birdie puts on the first, second, fourth and seventh holes before his first bogey.

On the 455-yard par-five second hole, Norris hooked his tee shot into the rough. He then hit an iron into the right rough and his approach went into a sand trap, where he proceeded to blast out for a 60-foot chip shot and birdie.

The ferocity of the play was reflected in the final scores. Of the 61 golfers who made the final cut, 78 finished under par.

Auto racing

Fairchild wins combined race

HOLLISTER Larry Fairbanks staged a nifty driving display, taking his hobby stock car to victory over super stock racers in the Thunder Bluff Raceway \$1,500 feature Saturday night.

That is, if a protest is not allowed.

Because only four supers showed up, it was decided they would be combined with the hobbies. In the feature race that offered prize money through nine places.

Fairbanks led through the first 16 laps, adroitly weaving in and around slower moving traffic and staying just ahead of the supers. Early in the race, Chuck Geska, Bush, and Larry Harms, Wendell, had a collision. Geska's car losing a door, spinning out and dropping back to last.

Fairbanks had trouble passing Geska around the 20th to 24th lap because of a shortage of power. But Geska went to the sidelines with mechanical trouble and from then on Fairbanks struggled to

stay ahead of Harms. He finally won the race with a half car length to spare.

That set the stage for the protest, which will be settled in the next several days.

Meanwhile, Pam McClain, who had won six powerpuff trophies, didn't fair so well against a protest. Her hobby stock car was not available and she borrowed Harms' super for the competition. She won but a subsequent protest was upheld and she went unplaced in the final ruling.

The mini stock found a new champion in Charlie Noble, Twin Falls, who came out in a 1972 Mercury Capri—with a 2,000-c.c. engine. With it, Noble defeated Steve Garner who has been the big winner all season.

Saturday's event was sponsored by Larry's Desert Sky Auto Salvage. The results appear in Secondhand, Page B4.

Racing action is again scheduled for this Saturday at Thunder Bluff.

Mears returns to victory lane

MOUNT POCONO, Pa. (UPI)—Defending CART driving champion Rick Mears, his chief competition eliminated when Johnny Rutherford crashed with about 150 miles left, won his first race since April in capturing Sunday's Pocono 400 by two seconds over teammate Kevin Cogan.

Rutherford suffered a possible broken right hand when he hit the wall on the 138th lap coming around the bumpy first turn. He walked away from the wreck clutching his right arm and was helicoptered to a hospital in North Wilkes Barre for X-rays and further examination.

Mears, reported to be using a Japanese built experimental turbo-charger that is the only one of its kind in this country, thus broke Gordon Johncock's bid to become only the second driver to

win three 500-mile races in one year.

Johncock, winner at Indianapolis and Michigan in this year's distance races, had a shot at the Triple Crown until his car suffered a broken gearbox on the 198th lap, Page B4.

The fact that Johncock smashed his rear suspension when he hit the wall during Friday's qualifying session hindered his efforts at the Triple Crown. Rather than use a backup car and start near the rear of the 30-car field, Johncock's crew chief, Jim McGeer, decided to use the original car and start from No. 5 on the grid.

Mears, who won \$66,000 for first place, averaged 145.879 mph, and led the last 21 laps of the race. He led the race 12 times for a total of 141 laps.

Italian holds off Rosberg

ZELTWEG, Austria (UPI)—Italy's Elio de Angelis held off a determined late challenge from the Williams of Finland's Keke Rosberg Sunday to drive his Lotus to his first-ever Grand Prix victory, capturing the Austrian Grand Prix.

De Angelis, handed the lead six laps from the finish when Frenchman Alain Prost's turbo-charged Renault caught fire, saw his 4-second advantage over

Rosberg whittled away as the Finn went all out to secure a victory.

Rosberg swung out of the Italian's slipstream off the last lap, but de Angelis held on by half a car length to cross the finish line in 1:25:02.212 hours, just 0.125 seconds ahead of Rosberg.

The winner averaged 138.1 mph for 53 laps of the 3.892-mile Osterreichring, totaling 195.676 miles.

Kush presides over a rare Colts' win

By United Press International

Frank Kush did something Saturday night that a Baltimore coach has done very little of in the last few seasons—he presided over a victory.

"It was a great psychological win. It was very important for us to win this game," Kush said after watching the Colts even their exhibition record at 1-1 with a last-minute 19-14 triumph over the New York Giants.

The Colts finished a dismal 2-14 last year and Saturday night the enthusiastic hometown crowd of 31,965 saw something that was missing last year—defense.



FRANK KUSH
Credits defensive effort

The defense came on real well in the second half. Maybe the things we're doing in camp are beginning to pay off," said Kush, who has ushered in a rugged pre-season training regime.

A 45-yard interception return by reserve linebacker Ricky Jones of a Mark Reed pass in the closing moments of the final quarter set up a 1-yard plunge by Howard Jackson with just 13 seconds remaining.

The Colts shut out the Giants in the second half and limited New York to 278 total yards, including 15-of-37 passes for 152 yards.

The Giants hardly looked like the 1981 team that made the playoffs for the first time since 1963.

"I was disappointed in all three phases (offense, defense, and special teams)," Coach Ray Perkins said. "The offense concerns me the most. We need a lot of work on our pass protection."

In other games Saturday, Green Bay nipped the New York Jets 21-19,

Atlanta topped Minnesota 20-17, Buffalo defeated Dallas 14-10, Cleveland slipped by Detroit 17-16, Denver defeated the Los Angeles Rams 33-20, Miami clubbed Washington 24-7, Pittsburgh stopped New England 24-20, the Raiders edged San Francisco 17-14 and Tampa Bay routed Philadelphia 35-7.

The Chicago Bears will play their first game without coach Mike Ditka tonight when they travel to San Diego.

Coaching assessments after Saturday's games included:

- Philadelphia's Dick Vermeil wasn't overly concerned with his

Eagles' loss at Tampa Bay as a pair of rookie running backs from Nevada-Las Vegas broke loose late in the game to lead the Bucs' romp.

"We had some mismatches there at the end," Vermeil said. "They had some pretty high draft choices playing against guys that will probably have to be sent home Monday. After tonight, I'd have to say we haven't progressed as much as I would like, but you have to think maybe it has more to do with (coaching) approach."

Michael Morton, a 12th-round draft choice, scored on a 9-yard touchdown run and then got loose for an 80-yard scoring jaunt. Free agent Melvin Carver jolted the Eagles with a 30-yard run for the Bucs' final score. Both players played for the Rebels last year.

At Atlanta, the Falcons' 4-0-7 defense certainly passed its first real test.

The new alignment — four down linemen and seven backs — was designed by defensive coordinator Jerry Glanville to be used in obvious passing situations as a modified pre-emptive defense in an effort to improve the Falcons' pass defense, which last year was the worst in the NFL.

The 4-0-7 backfired only once Saturday night, when the Vikings sent Ted Brown up the middle on an 11-yard run on a third-and-11 play.

In nine other situations, the 4-0-7 box score reads: two pass interceptions, one hold for downs, two forced field goals (one missed), and four forced punts.

"It worked even better than we had reason to hope, especially for a first

try," said Glanville. "Except for that onetime Brown slipped through on us, we couldn't have asked for better results."

At Irving, Texas, the Buffalo Bills' newest player, Oakland castoff Arthur Whittington, started paying immediate dividends.

Since Joe Cribbs is off in a huff somewhere demanding more money, the Bills have found themselves in need of somebody who can carry the football.

And Whittington was in need of a new place to play — at least he thought he was since the Oakland-Los Angeles Raiders had brought in a lot of people to challenge for his position this year.

So when Whittington was waived by the Raiders last week, the Bills quickly snapped him up.

Whittington danced and darted his way around the Cowboys Saturday night for an average of 4.2 yards per carry in 107 tries and caught the winning touchdown pass with just 39 seconds remaining.

"I have to make this ballclub," said Whittington, who spent his college career in this neighborhood at Southern Methodist University. "It's a must. This is a good ballclub, a great one. This ballclub almost made the Super Bowl last year."

For the Cowboys there was little cheery news.

"We just didn't run the football at all," said Cowboys' Coach Tom Landry. "We had one offensive drive early with the first team and that was it. In the second half we didn't do anything and we were in jeopardy of getting beat several times."

Triumphs by eight, sets tournament record

Daniel takes cautious route to WUI victory

JERICHO, N.Y. (UPI) — Beth Daniel, cautiously ending with what she termed "a whimper instead of a bang," carded a final-round 73 Sunday to earn her eighth victory of the year—an eight-shot triumph over Ma Hansen and Japan's Ayako Okamoto in a \$125,000 LPGA tournament.

The tournament is known as the WUI Classic.

Daniel, who had rounds of 68-68-67-73 for a tournament record total of 13-under par 278 on the 6,347-yard Meadowbrook Course, said she chose to "play it safe and allow everybody else to fight it out for second place."

Hansen, who had a 69, and Okamoto (68) finished at 4-under 284. Lynn Adams finished in fourth place with a 288 total while Barbara Barrow and Pam Gietzen were tied for fifth at 287.

The 25-year-old Daniel, a native of Charleston, S.C., has notched 13 top ten finishes in 21 events this year and

her check of \$15,750 for her second straight victory boosted her 1982 winnings to \$109,298.

"I just couldn't get motivated," said Daniel, who finished her round with 19 straight pars. "I'm usually more aggressive but I figured as long as I made pars I'd keep everyone out of reach. I never went for any birdies at all but I figured I was in the clear."

Daniel's strategy proved effective as she never had less than an eight-shot lead throughout Sunday's round. No fewer than six players bounced in-and-out of second place, and Okamoto, who closed with a 68, had the most consistent finish.

"I played with Ayako a few times," said Daniel, who added she was following the Japanese player's progress on the leader board. "I think she's a very good player, otherwise she wouldn't have won out here."

Daniel was referring to Okamoto's victory in February's (Tucson) Arizona Classic. That win made the

31-year-old native of Hiroshima the only other Japanese player since Chiko Igiuchi to win an LPGA title.

"I was just trying to play good golf," said Okamoto, who does not speak English and needed an interpreter for her interview. "I thought I played consistently on both the front and back nines (with three birdies and a bogey on each), and I never really thought I had a chance at winning."

"Beth was too far ahead for anybody, but I'm satisfied with what I did."

Okamoto, who began playing golf nine years ago when she was 22 and a textile worker, is the leading money winner on the Japanese LPGA tour. Along with her tour victory in the U.S., she has won 22 tournaments in Japan.

Hansen, though, is still seeking her first professional win.

"I haven't been playing well all year and I consider this a real morale booster for me," said Hansen, 27, who

is in her fifth year on the tour. "The money I won today (\$10,500, an amount also pocketed by Okamoto) is nice because I really need it."

"Beth's win was really anticlimactic, but I think that helped me relax. I played the front-nine in even-par and got three birdies coming home. There's nothing wrong with that, especially when you've been struggling."

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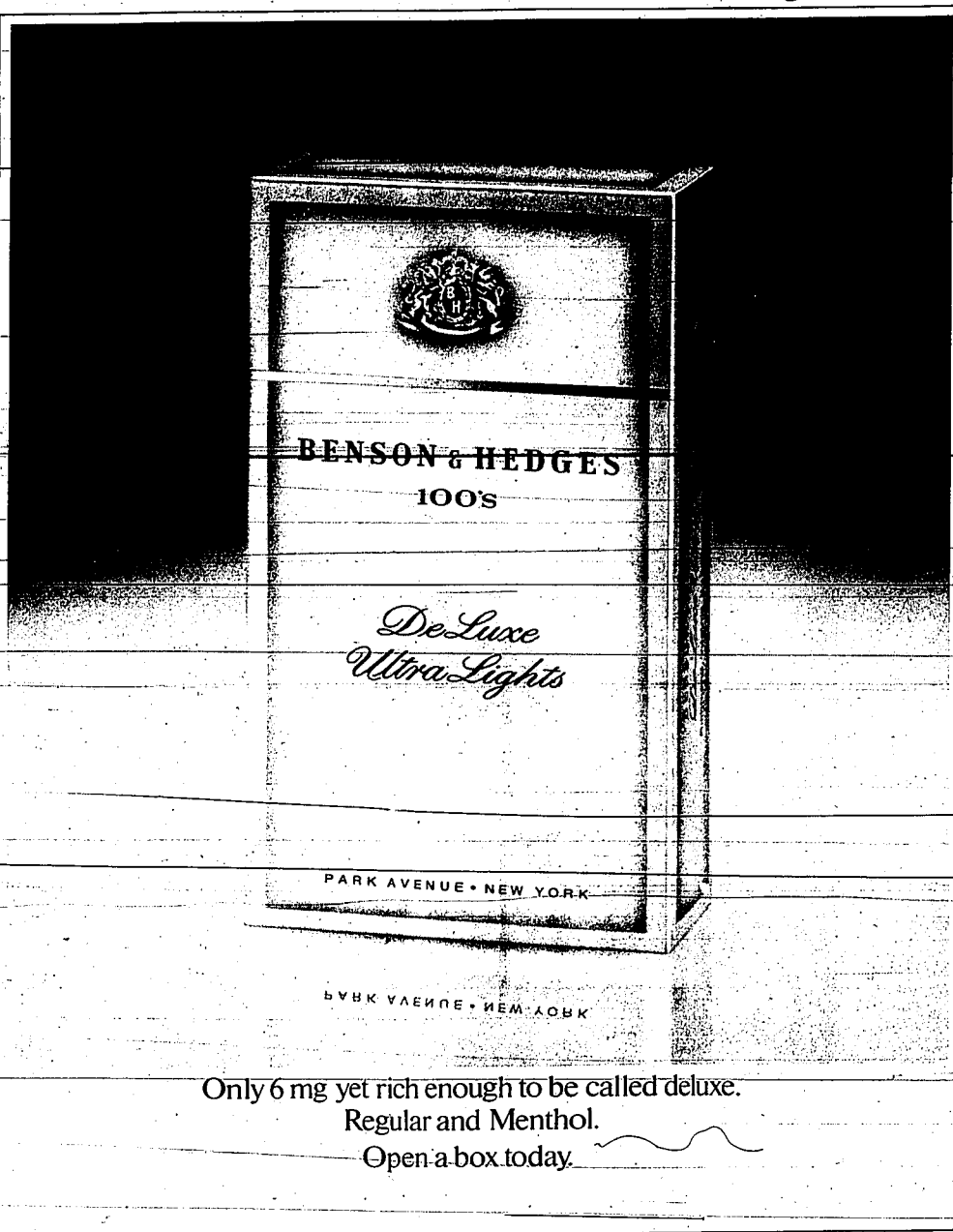
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