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Hospital meetings trigger emotions

By RICK SHAUGHNESSY
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BOISE — Magic Valley may harbor more resistance than other areas of the state to allowing public hospital boards a special exemption from the requirements of the state's open-meeting law.

On Thursday, the Senate voted more than 2 to 1 in favor of allowing public hospital boards to meet in closed meetings "to consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce."

But the five Magic Valley senators were divided on the issue, narrowly opposing it, three votes to two.

And the chairman of a citizens group that is monitoring the affairs of the financially troubled Gooding County Memorial Hospital says

he is opposed to the bill and plans to travel to Boise to testify against it during hearings in the House.

"This is allowing another entity to conduct business in unopen meetings," says Jim Muscat of Gooding, who heads the Citizens Committee to Save Our Hospital, which was formed in November, following the airing of financial and personality problems at the Gooding facility.

"I don't think they should be allowed that. What's next after this, school boards?" Muscat asks.

But Jodi Faulkner, the head of the Gooding hospital board, says the proposal, "has good sides and bad sides."

She says a new reimbursement program by the federal government will pit hospitals against hospital in competition for patients

And she says hospitals need to be able to work "without publicity" to survive in that environment.

She says, however, "I do think the county needs to be informed — it may help to save the hospital."

Bill Burns, the administrator of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, says that as a member of the Idaho Hospital Association — the bill's sponsoring agency — he probably has given the measure "de facto support."

"The legislation was asked for by several other facilities. We were not a facility that asked for it, but we'd benefit from it," Burns says.

Burns says that open meetings can result in a hospital board "flipping its hand to its competition." Such a situation occurred when

the medical center decided to open its same-day medical center, he says.

Although the medical center was the first in the Twin Falls area to commit resources to such a program, other health-care providers moved more quickly. They beat MVRMC to the punch and opened their own same-day centers first, Burns says.

The problems at the Gooding County facility were mentioned in the Senate debate by Sen. Wes Trousner, R-Wendell. He cited questionable purchasing practices at that facility as reason to defund the measure.

"The Gooding County Hospital board and the Gooding County commission purchased a building in Wendell, for \$2,000, in a closed meeting," Trousner said. "I myself would not have paid \$10,000 for it," the former Gooding County assessor said.

Last fall, The Times-News protested a closed meeting of the Gooding hospital board. At a Nov. 9 "special meeting," the bylaws of the hospital's medical staff were revoked, and the hospital's chief of staff was replaced without prior notice that such action was pending.

Presumably, such a meeting would not qualify under the exemption proposed by the hospital association.

Joining with Trousner in opposition to the proposal were Sens. John Peavoy, D-Carey, and Laird Noh, R-Kimberly. Noh said his opposition did not have to do with the individual operations of any hospitals.

"Public entities already have some advantages over private enterprises," he said. "The risk is probably not worth the benefit."

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Blizzard's power overruns Midwest

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
The Associated Press

A powerful blizzard stormed into the Plains with winds gusting as high as 100 mph Saturday, spreading snow from the Texas Panhandle to the Dakotas — and halting travel across parts of the Midwest with chest-high drifts.

Blizzard warnings were posted in the southern plains of Colorado, the Oklahoma Panhandle, southwestern and north-central Nebraska and southwestern Minnesota, and many highways were barricaded or impassible.

"It could well be the strongest snowstorm of the winter in the Midwest," said Hugh Crowther of the Severe Storms Forecast Center in Kansas City, Mo. "It certainly ranks at the top."

Thousands of stranded travelers packed motels and truck stops as the storm swept out of the Rockies, where it had deposited up to 2 feet of snow earlier, and pushed toward the Great Lakes, fanning up to a foot and a half of snow with winds gusting up to 60 mph across Kansas and Nebraska into Iowa and Minnesota.

Meteorologist Steve Byrd in Omaha, Neb., noting that 17 inches of snow already had fallen in parts of that state, said, "The bad area is going to be northeast Nebraska tonight, where they'll have 20 inches on the ground."

In southwestern Minnesota, 10 inches of snow had fallen in some areas by Saturday evening, and the snow and gusty winds were expected to spread across the entire southern part of the state by morning.

"We're expecting winds gusting in the 30 to 40 mph range and there'll be a lot of blowing snow later on tonight," Les Coleman, a meteorologist for the weather service in Minneapolis, said. By late afternoon, Luverne in the extreme southwest had 10 inches of snow and zero visibility because of strong winds, he said.

In the Texas Panhandle town of



A Denver resident clears the driveway in front of his home as westerners try to dig out from under intense winter storm

Stratford, the snow was hurled by winds gusting between 75 and 100 mph.

Wind gusts of 75 mph also were clocked at Bolsz, Okla., where U.S. 287 was closed in both directions. Ben Harris, an employee at the Shamrock Truck Stop said, "You couldn't find a parking spot here if you wanted to. We're packed, with about 300 to 400 trucks."

At Oberlin in northwestern Kansas, police dispatcher Jeanne Pachner said, "There's people stranded at the church, at the schoolhouse, and I'd imagine all the

motels are filled up."

In eastern Colorado, where nine highways were barricaded, including Interstate 70 from 35 miles east of Denver to the Kansas border, Limon Police Chief Jim Trahern said all roads into town were closed with drifts of 4 to 5 feet.

"Unless someone went around the roadblocks, the roads are cleared of motorists," he said.

In the northeastern Nebraska town of Norfolk, where 14 inches of snow had fallen by noon, mail carriers couldn't make their appointed rounds.

"People are getting stuck all over," said Earl Meisinger, delivery and collections supervisor for the Norfolk Post Office. "Once they would get off on side streets, there would be no way to get them back in this heavy, wet snow."

With blowing snow making it impossible for drivers to see, Jack Billings, district superintendent of the Nebraska Department of Roads in Norfolk, said he might have to pull the snowplows off the streets.

"The roads are icy and snow-packed, traffic is down to one lane

with zero visibility," Adams County Deputy Sheriff David Bramman said in Hastings. "We probably won't know the total amount of stranded vehicles until the storm clears. All the vehicles we've found so far have been empty," he added.

At Grand Island, where 15 inches of snow had fallen, all 214 rooms at a Holiday Inn were filled, said Lisa Swanson, a hotel staffer.

"They've pulled the plows off the road here," she said, adding, "The people here have been told that they shouldn't travel until tomorrow."

Public to rate hopefuls

Democrats in Iowa
By DONALD M. ROTHERBERG
AP Political Writer

DES MOINES, Iowa — With a lot of help from his friend, Walter F. Mondale is shooting for a decisive victory in the first public test of the 1984 presidential campaign.

His Democratic rival concede Mondale is sure to finish first in the town precinct caucuses on Monday but they hope he'll be disappointed by his margin.

As the caucus campaign wound down, each of the eight Democrats who pursued the strategy he decided long ago would win the nomination.

Mondale — putting together a traditional Democratic coalition — labor, minorities, established politicians — and hoping Iowa would provide him with a bandwagon New Hampshire voters would be eager to board eight days later.

Sen. John Glenn of Ohio was describing himself as the candidate of the "sensible center" and attacking Mondale as an old-line liberal who cannot defeat President Reagan in November.

Sen. Alan Cranston of California pursued the anti-nuclear vote while Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado hoped to convince voters he is the only candidate proposing innovative solutions.

Former Gov. Reubin Askew of Florida continued to call himself "the different, decent" candidate and George McGovern was asking Iowans to vote for him if they agree with him on the issues, the "don't throw away your conscience" appeal he made in a debate last Saturday.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson and Sen. Ernest F. Hollings of South Carolina were ignoring Iowa and concentrating their initial push on New Hampshire. Hollings doesn't have a campaign office in Iowa.

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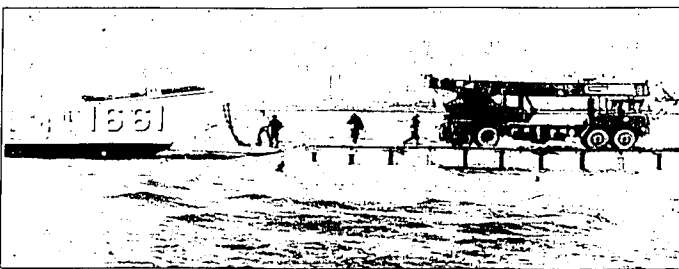
Pressure scorching Lebanese

Peace plan sunk
By STEPHEN K. HINDY
The Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Syria denounced the new eight-point Lebanon peace plan and insisted Saturday on unconditional abrogation of the Lebanese-Israeli troop withdrawal accord. President Amin Gemayel appealed for compromise and warned that "Lebanon is dying."

Shelling on both sides of the "green line" dividing Beirut's Christian and Muslim sectors killed four people and wounded 10 — most of them civilians — on Saturday night, police said. It followed sporadic exchanges of gunfire during the day.

Saudi envoys who shuttled between Beirut and Damascus said Syria rejected the eight-point plan. The Syrian government's first response to it was a Friday night statement calling the plan "an open trick" to secure im-



plementation of provisions in the May 17 accord.

The new plan included many provisions of May accord, including simultaneous Israeli and Syrian withdrawals from Lebanon. Leaders of the Syrian-backed Druse and Shiite militias have rejected it.

Gemayel on Friday said he was ready to throw out the May pact, but only as part of the new plan. The new plan was believed to be Saudi-sponsored, but the Saudi government Saturday disclaimed it, saying it was put forward by Gemayel's administration.

There was small arms fire between Christian and Syrian-backed Druse militiamen near Damour, on the coast south of the capital. An Israeli army armored unit took up a position near the Druse-controlled town, 10 miles north of its Awwal River defense line in south Lebanon, but there were no reports of any Israeli involvement in the fighting.

President Reagan has ordered the estimated 1,200 U.S. Marines in Lebanon to begin withdrawing from their Beirut airport base this weekend, and several landing craft packed with men and equipment were seen leaving the Marine beachhead Saturday for U.S. warships offshore.

But the chief spokesman for the Marines, army Col. Ed McDonald, denied the pullout had begun. "As of this time, we have no new orders to redeploy to the ships," he said.

In line with previous Marine statements, he said some support troops

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Troubled glory willed Chernenko

by ROXINNE ERVASTI
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — When Konstantin U. Chernenko took the Kremlin helm last Monday, he pointed out that his late predecessor, Yuri V. Andropov, had been striving to "overcome the difficulties which our country encountered at the turn of the '80s."

Now those difficulties, inherited from the Brezhnev era, are Chernenko's. And a few new ones have been added, most notably the challenge of finding a way to resume arms-control talks with the United States.

The Soviet Union's thorniest problems are deep-rooted:

- A huge technology gap with the West drags down Soviet productivity and stunts earnings from exports.
- Demographic trends mean the labor force is shrinking while the population is "graying."

Analysis

- Vast amounts of food still must be imported.
- Mineral resources are being exhausted in the western Soviet Union, requiring much costlier extraction projects in the remote east.
- Ordinary Soviet citizens — or at least the more candid among them — express cynicism about the party and its tired propaganda slogans.

After Chernenko, 72, was selected as party general secretary succeeding Andropov, who died Feb. 9, a age 69, the reaction of Muscovites indicated they expect no improvements in their lot and no change in the Kremlin leadership's image as a weary gerontocracy.

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Waste dump report drafted

BOISE (AP) — A 10-member task force on EnviroSAFE Services Inc. has drafted a report to Gov. John Evans on the long-term safety of the company's hazardous waste disposal operations in Owyhee County.

The group of legislators, scientists and others appointed by Evans in November drafted recommendations and findings during a closed meeting in Boise following a final two hours of public testimony Saturday morning.

The report will be released by Evans this week, a governor's aide, Paul Cunningham, said. It will not be made public before then, he said.

Evans originally set a Feb. 1 deadline for the report to give the Legislature time to consider new hazardous waste laws in light of its findings. But the task force requested

more time. However, legislators are not expected to act on most of eight to 10 bills dealing with hazardous waste before next fall.

EnviroSAFE Services, which operates a landfill near Grand View and underground silos near Grand View and Brunau, since last fall has been fined almost \$200,000 for violations of federal regulations over the handling and disposal of hazardous wastes. The major violation was unlawful-burial of liquid wastes earlier last year.

County residents also have expressed concern about the possible contamination of groundwater and soil, especially at the Grand View site. A shallow groundwater table and possible design flaws in the silos also

have been discovered in recent months.

Cunningham said the task force's report probably will be brief but will refer to lengthy scientific and engineering documents.

State Sens. Walter Varbrough, R-Grand View, and Claire Wetterell, D-Mountain Home, both members of the governor's task force, earlier this month called for a permanent closure of EnviroSAFE Services' sites and treatment and removal of all toxic materials.

All three Owyhee County commissioners and several Grand View area residents on Saturday said they hoped the full task force would make the same recommendation.

Citizens, the press and Owyhee County officials were asked to leave Saturday's meeting by task force Chairwoman Donna Bell, a Mountain Home physician. Bell said the group wanted to be able to have free discussions that would be possible in public.

Rape victim's murder muddles original trial

By TIMOTHY HARPER
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Vanessa Renee Brown never wanted her men friends to know where her parents lived. She was afraid they might show up at the door, and that would inevitably start another argument between her and her folks.

So on many nights, Ms. Brown would ask to be dropped off a couple of blocks away. Then she would walk home. She was often dropped off near a vacant lot down a hill and across the railroad tracks from her parents' stone and brick row house in Overbrook, one of Philadelphia's 14 neighborhoods.

That vacant lot was where the body of the 23-year-old woman was found on Tuesday, mutilated and decomposing among the weeds and rubble. She had been stabbed and strangled, and the words "GOOD RAPE!" were carved into her back.

Renee Brown — her family and friends called her by her middle name — was an unmarried welfare-mother, a high school dropout, a young woman who lavished gifts on her 5-year-old son but who loved to dance and party and stay out all night.

She was also a reported rape victim who was scheduled to testify against her alleged attacker when she disappeared three weeks ago. Her murder has become important in Philadelphia, and not just because of its brutality.

Police are worried about media coverage hampering their search for the killer or killers. Defense attorneys fear that the man accused of raping Renee Brown last year won't get a fair trial. Prosecutors are afraid other rape victims won't want to testify.

And women's groups say the murder — police are awaiting tests to determine whether Ms. Brown was sexually assaulted immediately before she was killed — shows that rape is an act of violence, not of lust.

"This crime is the perfect illustration of the link between rape and violence," Lynn Marks, executive director of the Women's Organization Against Rape, said in her downtown office. "To me, it says that a good rape is a dead woman."

It was blustery in Philadelphia on Valentine's Day, with a warning of heavy snow for the evening. Two trashpickers looking for scrap metal turned off 22nd Street into the vacant lot that had once been used for parking school buses overnight.

Poking through the weeds, rusty barrels, bent tin cans and broken glass, one of them approached a thicket at the far corner of the lot. There on a small mound of dirt where she had been dumped among the refuse, lay Ms. Brown's body.

EPA chief gets award

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — The environment was not a political issue a decade ago, but has only become one during the Reagan administration.

Environmental Protection Agency administrator William D. Ruckelshaus said Saturday.

Environmental issues have become subject for debate because of "the style in which these issues are brought forth by environmental groups and politicians," he asserted in a news conference at Princeton University.

"One of the differences between the environment as an issue today and 10 years ago is that it has become political," Ruckelshaus said before delivering a speech at the university's annual Alumni Day.

"If the president's record on the environment were perfect, I suppose I wouldn't be here," he said.

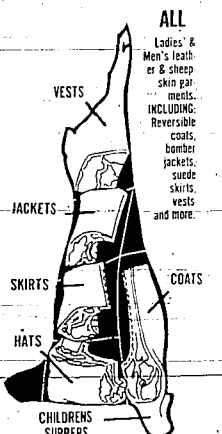
Ruckelshaus, a 1955 Princeton graduate who received the Woodrow Wilson Award given to alumni for outstanding service to the nation, also admitted the EPA should have moved

more quickly to set standards for the pesticide EDB, which is suspected of causing cancer, "given what we knew about it."

"We would have been wise never to have registered it in the 1940s," he said. The agency banned agricultural uses of the pesticide, ethylene dibromide, on Feb. 3 and recommended limits on the chemical in foods.

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Jones' water bill on the right track

A new subordination bill drafted by Attorney General Jim Jones is on the right track to solving water priorities created by the Idaho Supreme Court's Swan Falls decision.

That 1982 decision affirmed Idaho Power's rights to a minimum stream flow of 8,400 cubic feet per second. In maintaining this stream flow, the state is properly concerned whether this is the highest and best use of the state's water.

The updated legislation, to be introduced by the House Resources and Conservation Committee, appears to strike a proper balance in the competing issues of subordination.

The bill would compensate Idaho Power for its lost power-generating ability, providing the courts determine that payment is due.

It also protects the power company from the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, which represents the interests of customers who potentially face rate increases due to the loss of hydropower.

The original subordination bill that was tabled last week did not contain a provision for compensation of the utility. That meant, ultimately, that electric customers would bare the burden of the loss of hydro production.

If the new bill is accepted, we suggest that compensation be worked in the form of a lease arrangement from Idaho Power.

Those requiring new water upstream from Swan Falls would lease rights from the utility, at rates administered by the PUC.

Simplistically, the rate would fluctuate on an index that is formulated on a benchmark value of water for power generation. The PUC would determine this value, much as it did in determining avoided costs in cogeneration rates.

The fact that water is a limited resource creates a value in the state's economics. Hydropower as the lowest economic use for water is a logical benchmark for valuation.

By placing a price on water, economics will determine its flow to the best use. All in all, the bill would set a lasting precedent while protecting the interests of all concerned.



Living up to principles a challenge

Last week's mall brought a new statement of journalistic principles that treats ethics from a different perspective than most of us take: how others see us.

That isn't always in the best of lights. For many reasons, some of them deserved and some not, there are a lot of what I might call "media-baiters" out there in the American public.

Some are ideologues who can't separate their intense personal beliefs from the need of the media to report more than one side to controversial issues.

Others resent the media for real or imagined invasions of what they deem to be matters of personal privacy. Often, television and the still camera are the real objects of their anger.

A few are manipulative politicians who have learned that playing the evil-press theme gets some applause. They are not dissimilar from politicians who play the same song on various minorities, religions and ethnic heritages.

This new statement of journalistic principles, put out by the First Amendment Congress, doesn't let journalists off the hook for their mistakes. It stresses that accuracy and fairness are critical in maintaining the public trust. If we don't do our jobs as professionals, we can't expect you to respect us.

The First Amendment Congress consists of many of America's major journalism organizations including the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the Associated Press Managing Editors and the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press.

Times-News personnel are involved in all three, and I've made copies of the statement of principles available to my staff in the news department. The statement is directed at journalists everywhere,



Stephen Hartgen

and many of its concepts are shared in most news-gathering situations.

Like principles in other professions, it is not always easy to live up to them. That is why they are important. Here they are:

The future of the First Amendment depends on all of us.

If we journalists voluntarily do our jobs in such a way that people respect us and our conduct, we'll see fewer threats to the public's right to know.

And that will benefit all of us — journalists and other citizens.

Although the First Amendment protects all forms of expression, including the biased and inaccurate, we believe we best serve ourselves and the public by pursuing objectivity, fairness and accuracy.

You're a professional — that's why you're here. Each of us should be aggressive in meeting this goal.

We also believe that, in doing our jobs, every journalist bears some responsibility for the fate of the First Amendment. People judge the credibility and fairness of the media according to the diligence with which we do our jobs. They believe that if we are careless about little things, we cannot be trusted to be accurate about the big ones.

Most people form their impressions according to how often their local newspapers and radio and TV stations:

- Misspell their names.
- Misunderstand news about their business.
- Display insensitivity or inaccuracy during a family tragedy.

- Fail to tell all sides of an issue they care about.
- Refuse or neglect to publish information readers believe important — or get the facts wrong.

A Gallup poll taken for the First Amendment Congress showed a positive correlation between those who have had experiences with the media and those who favor more regulation of the press.

So the way you perform your job will affect not only this news organization but the vitality of the First Amendment itself. The national journalism organizations (perhaps you are a member of one) that comprise the First Amendment Congress believe all of us need to remember:

- Be accurate. It's important to our own reputations, of course, but an error here and there that may seem unimportant — even to your editor — is important to those you are writing about.
- Understand a story before writing it. Unless you do, a story is likely to contain fundamental mistakes that undermine its credibility with those who know the field.

- Remember that we are dealing with people. It's easy to become cynical and to think only in terms of news value. And nothing hurts our professionalism more than those who needlessly and insensitively intrude on someone's grief or tragedy.

- Let us remember that the First Amendment belongs to every American, not just to the journalists.

The First Amendment Congress

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Letters

See what classes offer students

I am tired of listening to adults who have not been to school for 20 years making accusations about what is right and wrong for schools and students. In the last bond election the Twin Falls community voted down the building of new dorms and physical education facilities at the high school.

Many of those who voted "no" have the idea that we need fewer extracurricular activities, not only a cutback in sports, but a cutback in many activity classes which are not considered academic.

Although history, math and English are very important subjects that we could not get along without, the so-called "waste of time classes" such as industrial arts, FFA and debate are just as important.

As a member of Twin Falls High School, I am aware of this fact. I am active in several of these non-academic classes and have many friends enrolled in them also. These classes help students bring out their creativity, also allowing the students to put a little of their own style into their work. I believe that adults in our communities have not had an opportunity to see this individual style.

On Feb. 20 through Feb. 26, the Blue Lakes Mall will be filled with some of the students' work, ranging from woodshop, FFA, art and home economics to debate, declamation, Bruin News and the Chamber of Commerce. These people and these classes are a waste of time should stop and see what the students have accomplished.

Although I have no sure answer to the problems plaguing us, consider this. In order to vote for the president of the United States, one must know how the candidates will help our country. This would be an opportune time to see what these classes are doing for this country's young people.

Spectators will find that this class time is not wasted, but that it is a very important part of a student's education.

RYAN MCDERMOTT
Twin Falls

Aghast at senators' inabilities

I'm aghast at the continuing inability of the state Senate to address the real issues concerning the state of Idaho. The recent tabling of HB 459, which would have subordinated water rights for generating hydroelectric power to irrigation, is appalling to say the least.

The cost of tabling this particular bill could be costly. The cost of printing and legislating the bill is the least expensive. However, the cost of defending the water user rights against Idaho Power's lawsuit will be much more, and if that lawsuit is lost, the Idaho economy will certainly not benefit. Millions will be lost by not developing the arid land not yet developed. Further, we run a real risk of losing our water to out-of-state interests should we not utilize our water resources in the most effective way.

Allowing unused water to flow to the Pacific Ocean is not the most effective way. But, what does Idaho Power care, they are mostly owned by out-of-state interests anyway.

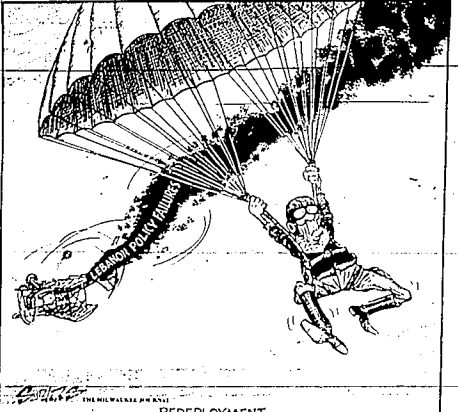
Idaho Power says that our rates will increase significantly, should they lose their lawsuit. The fact is, quite a few users named in the lawsuit have used this water since 1975, while Idaho Power continued to increase their rates since that time.

Accordingly, I don't believe this scare tactic holds much merit. Also, it is believed that most of the water used for irrigation along the Snake River basin ultimately returns to the Snake River. Therefore, the overall effect of water loss is not as great as Idaho Power will have us believe.

Finally, those whom have had land filings since 1972, have not been able to develop this land because of the Environmental Impact Study, the Birds of Prey study, the Idaho Power power moratorium and now the spineless act of 18 state Senators are furthering the bureaucratic process which has tied our hands for so long. It's interesting to note that a voice vote was taken on the table motion, allowing the senators who voted to table it to be known. Of further interest is Senator Risch's apparent conflict of interest since his law firm represents Idaho Power.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the members of the House and Senate whom did support this bill. You'll have my vote in the future.

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Avoiding bonehead play primary rule of political survival

WASHINGTON — I am developing a theory, and trot it out for inspection: in public life, the first rule of political survival is to avoid the bonehead play.

Outright blunders either will be forgiven (Kennedy and the Bay of Pigs) or they will be condemned about as harshly (Nixon and Watergate), but the bonehead play is different.

The kind of thing I have in mind begins with something that is too trivial to rise to the level of either forgiveness or condemnation. Then comes the bonehead play, and the matter takes on the fragrance of a paratrooper's socks. It lingers on forever.

The theory is not exactly new. Mark Antony is authority for the proposition that the evil men do live after them, while the good is oft interred with the bones. The bonehead play is seldom "evil," but it sticks in the mind.

George Romney had little chance anyhow in the campaign of 1968, but that chance vanished with his highbrowed confession that he had been "browbeaten" on the matter of Vietnam. Jimmy Carter was handling himself well in his 1960 debate with Ronald Reagan until he got into daughter Amy's opinions on nuclear war. Earlier in the Carter administration, a top presidential aide had had a small but public spat with a young woman in a Georgetown bar. Instead of ignoring the incident, the White House issued



James Kilpatrick

a 30-page white paper. It was not the spat, it was the paper that provided the bonehead play.

Other examples spring readily to mind. Earl Butz was an able secretary of agriculture, but his greater talent was for the unfunny joke. James Watt might still be at Interior if it weren't for his public comment about "a black, two Jews, a woman and a cripple" on a special commission. Former Sen. Roman Hruska of Nebraska is remembered for his defense of a mediocre nominee to the Supreme Court. There are a lot of mediocre people out there, said the senator, and they deserve a little representation.

All this comes to mind in the light of a couple of bonehead plays at the U.S. Information Agency. Until recently the name of director Charles Z. Wick was scarcely a household word and the USA figured lightly in the news. The gentleman and his agency might still be dwelling in peaceful obscurity but for two regrettable lapses.

First off, it transpired through a leak to The New York Times that Wick had been surreptitiously taping some of his telephone calls. That was not the bonehead play. The taping could have been forgiven. The bonehead play came when Wick lied to Times and I doubt that the about-face Safire had the goods, and suddenly he was on Wick like a hawk on a field mouse. Wick at once became the cartoonist's darling, and what began as an innocuous transgression has grown to a cause celebre.

Then last week another flap arose at Wick's agency. It further transpired that some political types somewhere in the mazes of the USA had prepared what amounted to a blacklist of 64 persons who were unacceptable for engagements abroad as lecturers in behalf of the United States. Among the 64 were Walter Cronkite of CBS, John Kenneth Galbraith of Harvard, Elizabeth Drew of The New Yorker, Ben Bradlee of The Washington Post and Sen. Gary Hart of the sovereign state of Colorado.

I happen to know these individuals, and indeed I know them to be subversive — subversive, that is, of Republican principles and supply-side economics. Elizabeth Drew would not take a fee from the USA even if asked, and I doubt that the about-face Safire either. In point of fact, Drew was on two USA lists — one of acceptable people and the other of unacceptable people. Hart was on the



blacklist, but his legislative side was on the good list. Bradlee was banned but Kay and Donald Graham, the Post's top enclinchads, were approved. The whole thing was the mindless work of some unidentified gnomes. In every administration, Democratic or Republican, delicate decisions are made on who shall be invited to dinner. In the nature of things, to include is also to exclude. Everyone

understands this. The bonehead play comes in writing these decisions down, for it is inevitable that lists will be leaked to the Post or the Times. Little things, just as the songwriter tells us, mean a lot. That's a motto to carve in stone on bureaucratic walls.

James Kilpatrick writes his column, "A Conservative View," from Washington.

Governor likely to veto revamped 'prevailing wage' law

BOISE — Once again, the Idaho Legislature has tried to change Idaho's "prevailing wage" law.

And once again, Gov. John Evans is likely to veto it.

The Legislature repeatedly has tried to amend Idaho's so-called Little Davis-Bacon Act, patterned on a federal law of the same name. It requires public works contractors to pay "prevailing" wage scales on construction projects.

Opponents of the law, mainly Republicans, claim it results in inflated wages for union workers on public buildings. They say the unrealistic wages paid construction workers can increase the cost of public buildings by a third.

Backers say the law prevents out-of-state contractors from coming in and undercutting local contractors with cheaper labor.

The Legislature has voted this year to exempt public schools and the state-supported colleges and universities, but Evans isn't likely to approve it.

"We have written him a letter, asking him

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to veto the bill," says Jim Kerns, state AFL-CIO president. "Other than that, I haven't been in contact with the governor on this."

From his background, Evans might be expected to favor the bill. He's a businessman, rancher and banker, all of which have been among backers of a change in the wage law. But politically, it would be hard for Evans to sign the bill.

Labor's efforts were perhaps the biggest single reason why Evans defeated Republican Phil Batt in the 1982 election. Thanks to organized labor's efforts in Idaho's strongest union town, Pocatello, Evans received a 7,000-vote plurality in Bannock County. And he won by just 4,208 votes statewide.

Evans has said he might approve a bill changing the Little Davis-Bacon Act if he

gets the right changes. This might be the year. Kerns has his own proposal. And one of the strongest advocates for changing Little Davis-Bacon, Rep. Dean Haugenson, is Coeur d'Alene, has a plan of his own in the works.

Kerns wants to remove the federal government from the process of determining Idaho's "prevailing wage." Instead, he wants to throw that chore to the state's Department of Labor and Industrial Services.

"Our position never has changed, up to this year," says Kerns. "But for the first time in history, we've agreed to take Little Davis-Bacon out of the feds and put it in the hands of the state."

Kerns reasons that if wage scales are determined entirely within Idaho, there can be little argument that wage scales in other regions are artificially inflating Idaho scales.

Will that cut wages paid Idaho workers on public works projects?

"It could — but I don't think it will," Kerns said.

He said he's had the proposal in the hands of legislators since the first day of the session.

Democrats and Republicans alike. There's been no action.

Republicans might oppose the plan. The wage decisions would be made by the Labor and Industrial Services director — and that job in recent Democratic administrations has gone to union people.

Gary Gould, the current director, is a former labor negotiator. The two directors before that both were union officials when they were appointed.

"You've got to trust somebody," said Kerns. "If you wrote a law that covered all possibilities, you'd have a whole book."

Haugenson thinks it would be expensive — perhaps up to \$250,000 per year — to have the state labor agency work on "prevailing wage."

"He'd like to see it done by the Department of Employment, which already gathers wage information in Idaho."

"They're not geared up to do it," he said. For \$10,000 to \$15,000 per year the state Department of Labor could gather the statistics necessary to make the law work.

He'd also like to give local officials a voice. Under Haugenson's proposal, the proposed "prevailing wage" for each county would be sent to county commissioners. If there were no comment or objection within 60 days, that would be the county's prevailing wage.

If there were a dispute, the state's Industrial Commission could arbitrate.

Both sides agree there's little effort to enforce the current law.

Haugenson's proposal calls for contractors to be assessed up to three times the amount involved, if convicted of failing to pay at least the prevailing wage.

Most of the money would go to the worker, but 10 percent would be reserved for the state's general tax fund. Haugenson also would revoke the contractor's public works contract for two years for violations.

Haugenson thinks 95 percent of the county commissioners would not contest the wage scale, "unless they are clearly out of line."

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Both Democrats, Republicans faithful to national mood

WASHINGTON — As the Democratic candidates, exhausted by the warm-up causticness, stagger to the starting line in Iowa, it seems they are voting to represent the national mood with maddening fidelity.

They suffer the same disability. They can not propose policies proportionate to means, or means commensurate with policies.

The Democratic Party is committed to programs of distributive justice — enhanced equality of condition — that it is not prepared to ask the country to pay for.

It has made itself hostage to Soviet intrusiveness by agreeing to control the central intelligence of U.S. relations. And having made the achievement of agreements the test of any administration's facility in foreign policy, it is constantly tempted by unilateralism.

To tranquilize turbulent areas such as Central America, Democrats are committed to reliance on an exported New Deal — economic development and the sort of negotiations that pacified labor-management relations in the auto industry in the 1930s. They will not recognize that some disputes can



not be brokered, and some negotiations presuppose a prior use of force.

The Republican Party is committed to more rearmament than it is prepared to ask the country to pay for. Its instincts are for an active world role involving costs, human and material, that the public opinion will not sustain. Republicans define justice more in terms of equality of opportunity than of result, yet seem uninterested in the complexities of equal opportunity and the government's indispensable role in guaranteeing it.

There hangs about the Democratic Party an aura of moral overreaching. A symptom is the use of words like "sincere" and "sane," as in "a decent society requires" this or that, and "we promise a sane arms-control policy."

Reagan's record is open to criticism, but on the grounds that since 1980 America has become indifferent in dealing with domestic needs: Real domestic spending is approximately at 1980 levels. And not because America has become insane regarding arms control: The deployment of the NATO missiles implements President Carter's policy.

Reagan is observing SALT II and, in the START talks, is seeking force levels substantially below those allowed by SALT II.

The GOP still has the mentality of an opposition party. It has been said that the function of conservatism is to extract the truth contained in each succeeding heresy. That is an appropriately modest task for a political philosophy that turns on prudence. Since 1945, Republicans have performed it by accepting the premises, and resisting the excesses, of the post-New Deal role of government.

They have accepted the federal responsibility for civil rights (understood as access to political and economic opportunity), but have resisted "race-conscious" policies such as group entitlement. Republicans have accepted federal responsibility for the economy's performance, but have tempered

liberal confidence in fine-tuning through demand-management. Republicans have accepted federal responsibility for a welfare "social minimum," but have punctured excessive confidence in government's ameliorative powers.

The conservative party's President has done what serious leaders do: He has forefully put questions to the country. But he has not got exactly the answers he wanted. To the question: "What sort of federal role do you want?" the country has answered: "About what we have — no more, but not much less, either." New conservatism's task is to come to terms with that answer, and finance it.

So far, the campaign is only partly focused. Reagan mistakenly emphasizes the words "standing tall," a phrase that is a cartoonist's delight and an incitement to opponents each time some event suggests a deviation from perfection at home or potency abroad. However, Reagan knows that when an incumbent runs, the incumbent is the issue, the key word is "leadership," and a test of leadership is a national confidence.

Mondale made a minor mistake when he said that "promises" are what America is

about. His critics can say: What a difference an "is" makes. America is about promise. However, Theoclippan of the Baltimore Sun makes a telling point when he imagines this conversation.

"Sen. John Glenn told Walter Mondale that he was going to tell voters Mondale was promising everything to the elderly, minorities, labor, teachers, women, small farmers and those with liberal defense and foreign policy views. And Mondale said: 'Go ahead. Make my day.'"

"That is: Mondale is winning because seven important Democrats keep telling Democratic activists what a good Democrat Mondale is."

Usually, campaigns are waged to win the 20 percent of voters who are undecided after the conventions. This year the undecided vote may be only 15 percent, or less, because there is an incumbent who is known, clear and polarizing. Never will so much effort and treasure have been spent to seduce so few.

George Will writes for The Washington Post.

Welfare of people counts up in votes

WASHINGTON — Ronald Reagan scored many points in 1980 when he looked at television cameras during his debate with President Carter and asked Americans if they were better off than they had been four years before.

Reagan intends to use the same strategy in his 1984 race for re-election, citing progress on inflation and, more recently, unemployment. He is committed to policies that his economic policies have improved their lives.

The president is obviously counting on voters remembering 1980, when consumer prices rose 12.4 percent and the unemployment rate — although it was lower than it is now — went up.

There are, however, a few flaws in Reagan's plan to emphasize economic improvement. It is true that by most indications, the statistics of the economy won't be a campaign disadvantage for the president. But people don't always see their own welfare the way a candidate wants them to.

And that welfare counts at the ballot box. Most studies show that the economy is an important factor in voting patterns whether times are good or bad. Speculation that people pay less attention to the economy when they are employed and prosperous ignores the premium people place on a secure future, analysts say.

"Economic concerns even during periods of prosperity appear to be heavily weighted voters," said D. Roderick Kleider, a California Institute of Technology political science professor.

The importance of economic issues underlines the need for an incumbent to be sure the news is universally good.

Reagan should remember, however, that the statistics disagree about whether Americans in general are better off than they were four years ago. A steep recession occurred between the last election and the opening one, and in some cases it is still extracting a price.

The sharp drop in the unemployment rate might mitigate the fact that joblessness remains higher than it was during 1980. But some groups are experiencing little relative decline. Unemployment among all minority-group workers, for instance, was 16.5 percent in January after peaking at more than 20 percent at the end of 1982. That was considerably above the 13.1 percent average rate for 1980.

Income figures give a mixed picture, too. Private-sector average weekly earnings, after adjustment for inflation, are only barely above their 1980 average. Real per-capita disposable income, on the other hand, is 2 percent above its 1980 level.

When Democratic candidate Walter Mondale says the gap between rich and poor has widened under the Reagan administration, some

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numbers support him and others don't. The proportion of total income held by the richest fifth of the population increased in the last year — but that share has changed very little over the longer term. The same is true for other income groups.

The second flaw in riding the economic horse is that a candidate may get unexpected results when he asks voters to decide whether they are better-off — it all depends on what he uses for comparison. And research suggests the collective electoral memory goes back only about a year — not four.

An economic disaster in the next few months, in other words, could wipe out the positive effects of the strong recovery of 1983.

Such a disaster is not predicted by most forecasters. Projections from private firms, the Reagan administration, the Federal Reserve Board and many academies call for a slower pace of growth but a steady one.

A few prognosticators, however, are calling for trouble. Some monetarist economists say a recession could hit as early as this year if the Federal Reserve doesn't speed up the rate of money growth. And Democratic politicians contend \$200-billion federal deficits will cause interest rates to zoom up along with rising credit demand later in 1984, weakening some sectors.

Interest rates, in fact, may be the third weak point in Reagan's economic strategy, even if deficits don't send them into the stratosphere.

To understand why, one must remember that people don't look at numbers when they decide whether they are better off. They look at their own situations and those around them.

"People live a human life. They don't live by seasonally adjusted freight-car loadings," said Fabian Lindner of the Conference Board, whose consumer confidence surveys are showing strong optimism.

Consumers do live, however, by what they can buy — with money or with credit. And the credit outlook is less than satisfying. Almost no forecasters are predicting that mortgage or consumer interest rates will decline in 1984, although some say they will stay the same.

In an improving economy, consumers' minds turn to new homes and new autos. Even with fatter paychecks or more overtime, will they be happy to pay higher financing costs for them? If not, Reagan may find interest rates to be the weak spot in his rosy scenario strategy.

Anne Swardon writes for the Dallas Morning News.


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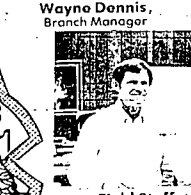
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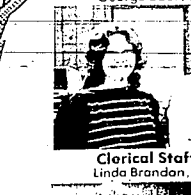
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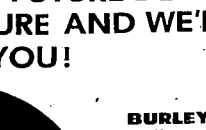
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Rope lowers 9 from jail cell

ALEXANDRIA, La. (AP) — Deputies have recaptured six of nine prisoners who climbed down a homemade rope from a fourth-floor jail cell, and a search was on for the four who were still loose, officials said Saturday.

Deputies said they learned about the escape when they caught a man allegedly trying to crack a safe Friday night, asked where he was from, and were told, "The Rapides Parish jail."

Larry O. Jackson, the first inmate

to be captured, told deputies that he escaped "about dusk" Friday with eight other men. Steven M. Beech was recaptured later Friday night and Lee Credeur, Jerry Lee Hampton, Leonard Erving and Edward D. Kirks were caught Saturday, deputies said.

The prisoners got out by sawing through cell bars and climbing down from the fourth floor on a rope made of sheets and towels, deputies said.

Details about the arrests weren't available, said Detective Ronnie Sell-

ers.

"It's kind of mixed up, since we've got so many of them," he said.

Hampton is serving a life term for the August 1982 second-degree murder of James King. He also was convicted of manslaughter in 1973 and served six years of an 18-year term.

Among those still free Saturday were Bryan L. Brown and Richard Dennard, both in and charged with murder. Also free was Bruce L. Oxner.

Acid rain stirs economic battles

WASHINGTON (AP) — The debate over acid rain has become a raging economic battle, pitting one area of the nation against another, according to a western governor who says his region is not going to pay the bill to clean up the air elsewhere.

"The question which has pitted the various regions and industries of this country against one another is not an

environmental issue at all but a raging battle over economics," said Gov. Scott Matheson of Utah as he summarized why dozens of plans before Congress seem to be going nowhere.

The Democratic governor told the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee recently that while westerners do value the Adirondacks and New England, they are not willing

to pay part of the cost of cleaning up other parts of the country.

The West had formally weighed in against one of the last remaining hopes that legislation to control acid rain might be enacted this year — a plan to share the cost nationwide and thus defuse opposition from the Midwest, which otherwise would have to bear billion of dollars in costs.

'Cool' robber rapes, steals

JAMES ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — An armed man herded four women into a bathroom at an income tax service, then called three of them one at a time into an adjoining room one where he sexually assaulted them.

The gunman, described by police as "a cool professional," raped one of the women and sexually assaulted two others during a holiday Friday at an H&B block office at a James Island shopping center, said Charleston Police Chief Reuben Greenberg.

"This man definitely knew what he was doing every minute of the time," Greenberg said.

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Damage-control now Lebanese policy

By R. GREGORY NOKES
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON — Reagan administration officials, while publicly clinging to a slim hope that all is not lost in Lebanon, admit that U.S. policies there have failed, and from the President on down they are conducting a damage control operation to minimize the loss.

Reagan has downplayed the importance of Lebanon since the Lebanese army was routed by Syrian-backed Muslim militias and the administration decided to withdraw the 1,600 Marines in the multinational peacekeeping force stationed at the Beirut airport.

Reagan said Friday it was "unfair" for critics to contend that U.S. efforts to negotiate peace in Lebanon have collapsed. "Lebanon's troubles are just a part of the overall problem in the Middle East and her internal strife has only made it worse," Reagan said.

Analysis

But on Oct. 24, Reagan painted the stakes in more apocalyptic terms: "If Lebanon ends up under the tyranny of forces hostile to the West, not only will our strategic position in the eastern Mediterranean be threatened, but also the stability of the entire Middle East, including the vast resource areas of the Arabian peninsula."

American forces suffered 265 dead during their 17-month stay for a mission that polls showed most Americans never understood.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz, the administration official most responsible for developing U.S. policy in Lebanon, went to the Bahamas for a vacation weekend. He was there Friday when Syria rejected a peace plan that may

have represented the last hope of American-backed President Amin Gemayel to keep his office.

At least one of Shultz's senior State Department colleagues was known to have registered disbelief that Shultz would leave Washington "while Lebanon was going to hell." Other officials said Shultz was tired and needed the rest.

Yet another official said Shultz appeared to be "washing his hands" of Lebanon, disappointed that his recommendations to maintain the American military presence in Lebanon had been overruled.

Administration officials said privately that Jordan's King Hussein and Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak, who met with Reagan last week, voiced frustration that the administration had ignored the broader Middle East peace while focusing its attention on Lebanon. At the end of the meeting, Reagan reaffirmed his commitment to his Sept. 1, 1982 peace initiative, which has been stalled since last spring. But there wasn't any new strategy for moving it along.

Reagan modifies hard line

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration, persuaded that Konstantin U. Chernenko is taking firm hold of the Soviet leadership, is modifying its own tough line to try to promote conciliation in Moscow.

But the administration is divided internally over how far to go in knocking out Chernenko and in suggesting that President Reagan is willing to hold a summit meeting with him. Nuclear arms reduction talks remain suspended, and the change so far in U.S.-Soviet relations is largely cosmetic.

"Obviously, they are suspicious of us," said a U.S. official who specializes in Soviet affairs. "They think it's election year rhetoric."

forward in all areas of the chilled relationship: He found the 72-year-old Soviet leader willing, Bush said, "to place our relationship upon a more constructive path."

Underestimating this positive U.S. impression of Chernenko, who some administration officials had dismissed as the late Leonid Brezhnev's "pupper shuffler," Reagan told a Republican fundraiser Thursday night in Washington that the new Soviet leader appears "ready to put our relationship upon a more constructive basis."

Apart from what diplomats refer to as atmospherics, however, there is no immediate indication of a shift in policy on either side. Washington and Moscow stressed that words were important up to a point, but "deeds" counted.



Flipped phantom
Capt. John Chase, 33, survived the crash of this F-4 Phantom jet when the plane overturned and slid off a runway at the Alvin Cullander Naval Air Station in Louisiana. Chase was able to eject his second officer, Maj. Darryl Klein, before trying to land the malfunctioning aircraft.

Alaska oil could flow to Japan

By BRUCE BARTLEY
The Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — National security, a record trade deficit and jobs will be weighed when the U.S. Senate considers legislation to permit the export of 200,000 barrels a day of Alaska oil to Japan.

Exports of Alaska oil were banned under the law that allowed construction of the trans-Alaska oil pipeline to the Prudhoe Bay oil field in the 1970s, shortly after the Arab oil embargo.

The House has approved an extension of the Export Administration Act, with the ban intact. But Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, is offering an amendment that would permit the exports and, he says, help Alaska, the rest of the nation, Japan and Mexico.

It is an issue that has arisen periodically since the Prudhoe Bay oil began flowing, and one that has stirred the emotions of Alaskans, who note that oil states in the Southwest are free to export.

The senator and others propose sending oil to Japan and replacing it with Mexican oil, which would be

cheaper to transport to the U.S. Midwest and East Coasts.

Murkowski says the export of Alaska oil would increase tax revenues, decrease the United States' trade deficit with Japan, reduce the dependence of the Japanese on Mideast oil and offer Mexico a way to help retire its huge foreign debt.

Opponents, led by Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., argue that exporting oil would hurt national security and could put U.S. maritime workers out of work.

Howard Marlowe, who heads the Washington, D.C., based Coalition to Keep Alaska Oil, says the law already permits the export of oil, but only after a number of criteria are met — including a showing that it would benefit the U.S. consumer.

Murkowski and his supporters acknowledge their chances are slim, at best, but maintain it is just a matter of time before the rest of the nation agrees. "The economics of it really make a

lot of sense," says Juneau lawyer Jim Clark, who has led the lobbying effort to lift the ban. "It's inevitable that this is going to happen."

Because of a glut of crude oil on the West Coast, and the fact there are no pipelines to carry the surplus to the East and Gulf coasts, Alaska oil is shipped by super tankers to Panama. From there it travels to the Atlantic via a pipeline and then is carried by smaller ships to refineries along the Gulf and eastern seaboard.

The round-about transportation adds about \$5.50 a barrel to the cost of Alaska oil. The wellhead price, on which state and federal taxes are calculated, is determined by subtracting transportation costs from the market value. The higher the transportation cost, the lower the tax revenue for the state and federal governments.

War on drugs shifts from runners to kingpins

By MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Despite a multimillion-dollar campaign against narcotics, the United States was inundated last year by a tidal wave of smuggled cocaine and federal drug enforcers are digging in for a long battle in the war on drugs.

Federal officials concede that the amount of cocaine reaching this country from Latin America last year was substantially higher than in 1982 and that the final estimates may approach twice as much as the 45 metric tons to 54 metric tons smuggled in during 1982.

Aside from cocaine, the war on drugs achieved some substantial victories during 1983 including a reduction in the supply of heroin and a leveling off of the marijuana supply. In addition, arrests and convictions were up, seizures of heroin and cocaine were up, and seizures and forfeitures of drug traffickers' money and assets were up.

But the major federal law enforcement thrust is shifting to the Reagan administration's 12 drug task forces — inter-agency teams blanketing the country and aimed at the kingpins, financiers and lawyers who organize the smuggling and launder its profits.

In the past, breaking up a smuggling operation meant seizing the drugs and arresting the low-level operatives who ferried them. But the organizers viewed these setbacks "as just the cost of doing business," says Jack Lawn, deputy administrator of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. "When an operation was shut down, the traffickers could just take the money from that operation and put it in another one."

The task forces only reached full staff last August, adding nearly 1,000 new agents from six agencies and nearly 200 new prosecutors to the battle. Some \$245.5 million has been appropriated for them last year and

this year, and Reagan has asked for another \$92 million for next year.

Last month, in Operation Southern Comfort, the task forces broke up what they called the largest U.S. cocaine ring in history. Thirty people were indicted in Atlanta for smuggling five tons of cocaine since June 1982.

But these cases require sophisticated financial investigations, the use of federal wiretaps that tie up manpower, and a lot of time.

"This is a marathon, not a 100-yard dash, and you can't measure it this early because it hasn't had a chance to get up to full speed yet," Attorney

General William French Smith said in a recent interview.

And increasingly, federal officials share Lawn's view that "this war is not going to be won within the continental United States. It's going to require cooperation from the source countries."

The full impact of the cocaine flood is still to come. DEA spokesman Bob Feldkamp said the supply is so great that the wholesale price in south Florida, where most of it arrives, dropped last year "from \$50,000 a pound to \$30,000 now, but this has not yet shown up in the street price. Meantime, the purity of cocaine on the street has risen.

Supreme Court to decide interracial child custody case

By PAT LEISNER
The Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — It was a chilly winter morning, but Linda Sidoti Palmore stayed home from work and took her 5-year-old daughter, Melanie, to the park anyway.

"I wanted to explain it might be a while before she could come back home. She was going to be living with her father," Mrs. Palmore said. "And I told her, 'No matter what anybody says while you're away from me, remember, I love you.'"

That was a year ago. Mrs. Palmore has not seen Melanie since. She has talked with her just once — five months ago when Melanie phoned from Bryan, Texas. She lives there with her father, Anthony Sidoti, who gained custody in a legal fight focused on race.

Mrs. Palmore, 38, who is white,

married a black man 10 years her junior after divorcing Sidoti. A state judge in Tampa, expressing concern about societal reaction to racially mixed marriages, ordered custody switched from the mother to the father.

The ensuing two-year fight has reached the U.S. Supreme Court, where the justices will hear arguments this Wednesday, the first time the nation's highest court will consider how a parent's post-divorce conduct affects child custody.

The case has attracted attention from groups concerned with the rights of children, blacks and women. The Reagan administration has entered the case as a friend of the court on the mother's behalf.

In May 1980, when Melanie's parents dissolved their four-year marriage, Hillsborough Circuit Judge Morrison Buck placed the girl in her

mother's care. Almost two years later, after Linda Sidoti married Clarence Palmore, Buck reversed himself and awarded custody to Sidoti and his new wife.

The Palmores insist they are being punished simply because of racial bias. The Sidotis counter that Melanie's welfare, not race, is the issue.

"The father's evident resentment of the mother's choice of a black partner is not sufficient to wrest custody from the mother," Buck said in his Feb. 4, 1982, ruling. But then, in a crucial passage, the judge went on:

"This court feels that despite the strides that have been made in bettering relations between the races in this country, it is inevitable that Melanie will, if allowed to remain in her present situation ... suffer from the social stigmatization that is sure to come."

Buck won't discuss his order because Mrs. Palmore's appeal is pending.

Said Mrs. Palmore: "The first time it was before Judge Buck he thought I was a terrific lady. Then his whole opinion changed and I was no good. It was because I loved a black man. I

hadn't changed. Neither had my love for my daughter."

Mrs. Palmore's case asserts she was stripped of her child because she married a black man. After losing four rounds in Florida courts, her attorney, Robert Shapiro, turned to the U.S. Supreme Court, charging that Buck's decision "bows to the existence of racism."

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Evans may permit districts to become law without OK

BOISE (AP) — The desire for a swift end to Idaho's legislative reapportionment dilemma could prompt Gov. John Evans to let the latest reapportionment proposal become law without his signature, an aide says.

Evans, a Democrat, has until Thursday to act on a reapportionment bill that failed to get a single Democratic vote. If he takes no action, the bill will become law.

There's much less likelihood leaders of the Republican-controlled Senate would take the reapportionment issue to federal court if Evans allowed the bill to pass, said Senate President Pro Tem James Risch, R-Boise.

Costello, Evans' chief aide, said the governor is looking at what will most quickly and clearly resolve the reapportionment issue.

"He doesn't want to dismiss it (the plan) out of hand," Evans said.

Senate Assistant Minority Leader Ron Bettejsbacher, D-Grangeville, said Evans is attempting to weigh the reapportionment issue without political consideration.

Bettejsbacher said he thinks the governor should veto the plan, but he added that the Senate Democratic caucus has not discussed the veto issue.

The bill provides for 35 legislative districts and has a maximum population deviation between legislative districts of 34.4 percent.

The deviation is important because the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled each legislator should represent roughly the same number of people.

The plan before Evans calls for three districts that would involve clustering several counties.

Costello said that if the bill becomes law, it's constitutional validity probably would have to be reviewed by the Idaho Supreme Court.

Reapportionment became an issue before the 1981 Legislature after the state's high court declared the 1982 Legislature's plan unconstitutional because it split counties.

The court has said that if legislators don't come up with an acceptable plan, a reapportionment strategy adopted last summer by 1st District Judge Dar Cogswell will take effect.

Both Risch and House Speaker Tom Stivers, R-Boise, have told Evans that if he intends to veto the Republican-endorsed legislative plan, he should do so quickly.

A resolution introduced by a Senate committee gives Risch and Stivers authority to spend legislative money to defend the Legislature in court over the reapportionment issue.

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Two men being sought in Utah triple slaying

CEDAR CITY, Utah (AP) — Arrest warrants were issued Saturday for two Nevada men in connection with Tuesday's execution-style slayings of three people in a Cedar City bar, police said.

Police Chief Dennis Anderson said Norman Lee Newstead, 26, and Douglas Edward Kay, 37, were being sought for questioning in the slayings of two men and a woman at the Playhouse bar early Tuesday.

But Anderson said Las Vegas Metro homicide detectives, assisted by Cedar City officers, had worked around the clock on the investigation.

Newstead was described as 5 feet, 7 inches tall and weighing about 140 pounds. Kay is 5 feet, 9 inches and about 155 pounds. Both men have brown hair and brown eyes, Anderson said.

All but two of Cedar City's 12 police officers have been working on the case since the bodies of barmaid Patricia Frel, 21, and customers Robert Bull, 31, and Ronald B. Schmid, 24, were found on the barroom floor 12:35 a.m. Tuesday.

The victims had been shot repeatedly in the head after an apparent robbery, Anderson said money was found missing from the bar, and the victims' wallets and a purse were stolen.

Bull was found near the entrance, while the bodies of Ms. Frel and Schmid were found lying face-down on a pool table.

The warrants, issued by Cedar City, charged first-degree murder, he said. Anderson said both men were considered armed and dangerous. He said Nevada law enforcement authorities had formed a task force to bring the two into custody, but the men were still at large.

The chief said the warrants were issued after a cooperative investigation with the Las Vegas Police Department yielded several leads. He declined to detail those developments, however.

Potato group pans bill

REXBURG (AP) — The executive director of the Potato Growers of Idaho feared proposed federal legislation makes farmers into policemen. And he says most farmers aren't qualified for the job.

Mel Anderson's concerns are in response to proposed legislation that could loosen controls on foreign workers entering the United States, and toughen penalties on farmers who hire undocumented aliens.

Several amendments to the bill are pending.

"All responsibility is placed on the employer to investigate whether the people are in the country legally or illegally," Anderson said. "We're not in the investigative business."

The Potato Growers of Idaho have

passed a resolution opposing the Immigration Reform Act.

Another state agricultural group, the Idaho Farm Bureau, has put off taking a stand on it.

"Depending on how it comes out of those amendment battles will determine if we are in support of the overall bill," said Bill Hatch, Farm Bureau public affairs director in Boise.

Hatch says he likes a provision in the original bill that requires immigration officials to get warrants before searching farms for aliens.

He said motels, manufacturers and other employers use more illegal help than do farms, but farmers get most attention because their workers are easier to apprehend.

Oregon, Washington at war

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — A nasty little tax war in the laid-back Pacific Northwest has the sister states of Washington and Oregon at each other's throats with unseemly name-calling and threats.

Ordinarily, the two states get along famously, but Oregon tacked off the political battle by quietly jacking up the state income taxes of many of the 40,000 Washington residents who work in Oregon.

The extra tax bill is \$200 a year for many people.

Washington is responding with cries of outrage and threats of retaliation in the form of a "commuter tax" on every Oregonian who crosses the border to work in Washington.

Washington also is preparing a court challenge.

Washington lawmakers have passed hotly worded resolutions formally asking for repeal of the income tax provisions. On a more diplomatic note, they also have called for creation of a two-state commission to work on the problem.

Gov. John Spellman of Washington and Oregon's Gov. Vic Atiyeh, both moderate Republicans and normally the best of pals, have exchanged snarls.

It appears Oregon may blink first in the "War of Atiyeh" as expected to call a special session of his Legislature later this week to repeal or at least suspend the income tax changes which so offend Washington.

Utah pupil-teacher ratio up

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Despite a public outcry for education reform in 1983, Utah teachers enter 1984 contract negotiations still burdened by the nation's highest pupil-teacher ratio and with little hope of reducing class sizes.

What's more, educators say the Legislature emasculated a much-touted proposal for career ladders by refusing to appropriate enough money to make the program work.

All of which muddles prospects for negotiations after a year in which President Reagan's National Commission on Excellence in Education and Gov. Scott Matheson's Steering Committee on Education Reform seemed to hold the promise of a vast infusion of money to public schools.

"Expectations were so high after the 'Nation At Risk' report and the governor's steering committee," said

Bob Hunsaker, who directs the Utah Education Association's Provo unit.

"Now, I think you're going to see two unwilling combatants pitted against each other in contract negotiations. We're not going to have an easy time of it this year," Hunsaker added.

"I see a great deal of unrest with teachers," said Provo Education Association President Rod Day. "We're getting close to the time when teachers are going to rise up and say, 'This isn't fair. I'm through fighting the system.'"

Most educators agree the high student-teacher ratio is at the top of the list of problems facing Utah's public schools. The ratio in 1982-83 was 22.9 students to every teacher, but in some school districts elementary school teachers often have over 30 students.

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Jesse's wit and wisdom

By EVANS WITT
AP Political Writer

"Most folks in New Hampshire aren't skint. They're freezing," Jesse Jackson says.

"Our first line of defense is not guided missiles. It's developed minds," says the black Democratic presidential hopeful.

"If they are on a military mission, they are too few. If they are there on a suicide mission, there are too many," Jackson says of President Reagan's decision to station U.S. troops in Beirut.

"With a skill-honed in sermons and prayers over the last 20 years, Jackson win cheers and "Amen's" as he sums up his views in memorable phrases that brighten many days of the long campaign for the White House.

Laced with alliteration, repetition and even rhyme, Jackson's applause lines cover the entire range of issues and topics discussed by presidential candidates these days. Nuclear weapons and arms control, for example, draw a lot of his comments.

"We will either freeze the weapons, or we will burn the people and freeze the planet," he said in the Feb. 11 Des Moines debate.

"Three hundred warheads from either side could wipe out the world before God could get the news," he told supporters in New Hampshire earlier this month. "Somewhere between the late, Soviet leader, Yuri Andropov coughing and Reagan sleeping the whole world could be destroyed."

Jackson has been sharply critical of many aspects of Reagan's foreign policy. For example, on the U.S. invasion of Grenada and the largely positive public reaction to it: "How can an elephant be proud of stepping on a gnat?"

But far more than foreign policy attracts... the ordained minister's verbal skewers Jackson warns to the topic when discussing his quarrel with the Democratic Party rules for picking a nominee this year.

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Judge won't drop case against black engineer

DALLAS (AP) — A judge said Saturday he was unable to dismiss robbery charges against Lenell Geter, clearing the way for an April retrial of the black engineer who defense lawyers say was arrested only because of police overzealousness and racism.

State District Judge John Ovard said the case raised constitutional questions, but he denied Geter's motion to throw out the case in what defense lawyers called "the interest of justice."

Ovard said he had no authority under Texas law to grant the motion.

Ovard had heard five days of pre-trial testimony on whether Geter should be retried.

"I'm disappointed and I felt that this could be the end of my trials and tribulations," Geter said after Ovard's ruling. "But I understand he was acting within his powers. I was just hoping and praying I wouldn't have to go to trial."

Geter, 26, was convicted and sentenced to life in prison after being convicted in the Aug. 23, 1982, robbery of a Balch Springs fast-food restaurant. But then, after news media reports questioned his conviction and blacks protested the case, Geter was released in December, after nearly 16 months in prison.

Dallas County District Attorney Henry Wade agreed to a new trial, scheduled for April 9, conceding that news reports, including a lengthy CBS News "60 Minutes" segment, had raised doubts about the validity of the conviction.

The judge said the case raised two important constitutional questions.

"After hearing the evidence and researching the law, I have concluded that under current Texas law this particular court does not have the authority to grant this motion," Ovard said.

The judge also deferred a ruling on a motion questioning the validity of photographic lineups used to convict Geter of armed robbery in October 1982.

"Both (issues) really reach significant constitutional questions and we'll carry them in that light," said Ovard, who earlier in the week of the pre-trial hearing said he thought the questions may require U.S. Supreme Court rulings.

Ovard said even though he was denying the novel "interest of justice" motion, he would allow defense attorneys to file more briefs and possibly present additional testimony on it.

Defense attorney George Hairston



Lenell Geter enters Dallas County courtroom

said he believed the judge was sympathetic to his argument.

"I think it's clear that had he such authority, he might have dismissed it (the case)," Hairston said.

Assistant District Attorney Gerald Banks questioned why, if the judge did not have legal authority to rule on the issue, he listened to five days of testimony.

Chrysler chief Iacocca shows up for jury duty

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca did his citizen's duty, showing up in a Detroit court for jury duty.

However, his prominence as head of the No. 3 U.S. automaker nixed his chance to serve in an embezzlement case.

The auto executive and Bloomfield Hills resident showed up Friday in Oakland County Circuit Court and was handed a pin designating him "Juror No. 513."

But defense attorney Donald Brown exercised his right to remove five potential jurors and excluded Iacocca from a panel that would weigh charges against his client, a store manager accused of stealing \$700.

"It was a case of embezzlement against an employer, and I felt (Iacocca) might be unduly employer-minded," Brown said. "And with him being on TV and all, I thought the force of his personality would lead him to have an extraordinary influence on the other jurors."

Singer helps resister

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Singer and activist Joan Baez will lend her voice to the support of convicted draft resister Ben Sasway in a concert Sunday night.

Her appearance at Golden Hall will be a reminder of the late 1960s when she toured colleges with draft resistance leader David Harris, whom she later married. Ms. Baez, 43, is now a mother of a teen-age son and a resident of the affluent community of Woodside, Calif.

The concert benefits the San Diego County Draft Resisters Defense Fund, which is attempting to raise money to appeal Sasway's 1982 conviction and 2 1/2 year sentence for failing to register for the draft. Sasway, 23, of Vista, is the first draft resister since the Vietnam War to be jailed for the offense.

"Sasway has taken the strongest and most morally impressive stance," she said. "He says that these (government) powers don't have a right to plan his life for him. That's the same position my husband took."

Mrs. Mondale aids art.

ANNISTON, Ala. (AP) — Calling the arts "civilization's signature," Joan Mondale has given a boost to a money-raising drive on behalf of the Anniston Shakespeare Festival, which lost more than 1,000 costumes in a Jan. 28 fire.

Mrs. Mondale, wife of Democratic

presidential candidate Walter Mondale, spoke at a coffee Friday that kicked off a campaign for \$73,000 for new costumes and for the summer season.

"The arts are civilization's signature," she said. "They are a part of our everyday life. They are part of our past and present and future."

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Vatican agrees to lesser status in Italy



Italian head Bettino Craxi greets Cardinal Agostino Casaroli

By KEVIN COSTELLO
The Associated Press

ROME — Italy and the Vatican signed a revised treaty Saturday that ends the status of the Roman Catholic Church as state religion and reduces the emphasis on religious instruction in public schools.

Premier Bettino Craxi, a Socialist, and Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, Vatican's secretary of state, signed the agreement revising the Lateran Pacts that have been in effect since 1929.

Pope John Paul II did not attend. The revised relationship between church and state comes at a time of increasing secularism in Italy. Many practices defy church teaching. Nudity is routine on television programs, surveys show more and more Italian women use contraceptives, and abortion and divorce are legal, despite the church's condemnation.

The signing ceremony at Villa Madama, a Renaissance palace now used as a government guest house for visiting dignitaries, was broadcast live.

"The state and the church are, each in its own area, independent and sovereign," Casaroli said, borrowing

phrases from the new agreement. "Both collaborate for the promotion of man and the common good."

Craxi, standing by his side, added: "We are closing in a happy way a long and sometimes difficult chapter involving the church and state."

Negotiations for the revised agreement began in 1967. "Catholicism had and continues to have deep roots in the Italian heritage," said Craxi, Italy's first Socialist premier. He read the entire Concordat, as the pact is known, to the television audience.

Italy's Parliament must ratify the treaty before it takes effect. However, last month, the lawmakers expressed general approval of it. The 14-article treaty starts by noting the process of political and social transformation witnessed in Italy during the last decades.

Under the treaty, Rome loses its status as a "sacred city" and becomes a capital city of "particular significance" for the world's Roman Catholics, who number more than 790 million.

The treaty does not alter the Vatican's status as an independent state run by the pope.

MIA delegation heads for Vietnam

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The highest-level U.S. government delegation to visit Vietnam since the end of the war heads to Hanoi on Sunday in an effort to resolve the fates of some 2,500 American servicemen who did not return.

The five-member team will be led by U.S. Assistant Secretary of Defense Richard Armitage and will include Ann Mills Griffiths, executive director of the National League of Families, a private lobby group concerned with the issue, said the Vietnam News Agency.

It is the highest-level team to travel to Vietnam since the war in Vietnam

ended in 1975. U.S. officials said, Armitage visited Hanoi in February 1982 when he was a deputy assistant secretary.

The U.S. government said in a statement the trip was not related to reports that Vietnam was prepared to hand over the remains of three Americans to the Vietnam Veterans of America. But it said the visit was mutually agreed on by the two sides, and the U.S. government hoped any remains would be handed over on a "government-to-government" basis.

Both Armitage and Mrs. Griffiths, who arrived in Bangkok aboard a

special aircraft, declined to talk to journalists. They are to return to Bangkok from Hanoi next Wednesday.

The other members of the team would be Richard Childress of the National Security Council and two officials from the U.S. State Department, the Vietnam News Agency said.

"The governments of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the United States of America have expressed their belief that the issue of Americans missing in Vietnam is a humanitarian issue which would be settled through cooperation and the good will of both sides," the agency said.

Reagan's lead team goes to China

PEKING (AP) — A United States advance team arrives here Monday to plan details of President Reagan's April visit — the first trip to China by a U.S. president since 1975.

Negotiations have gone on for months about where and when Reagan will visit, the size of his party, where they will all stay and how the news media will cover the trip.

Informed U.S. diplomats now say Reagan probably will be here for six days at the end of April, and his party will number about 650.

When Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang visited the United States last month, he brought officials with him and a total entourage of 70.

The contrast has not been lost on the

Chinese. One Foreign Ministry official said the Reagan arrangements were "very complicated, particularly in view of the large numbers in the delegation."

Nancy Reagan, secretary of State George Shultz, dozens of Secret Service agents, aides and officials from the White House and State Department will form the bulk of the Reagan party. There also will be 150 to 300 from the American news media, a factor apparently still being negotiated. The Chinese originally asked that the visiting press be limited to 100.

There is a good chance that Reagan and Zhao will sign a bilateral tax treaty and an agreement on the

supply of nuclear technology to China for peaceful purposes, U.S. officials say.

It is the first exchange of visits by the heads of the two governments and the first trip to China by a serving U.S. president since Gerald Ford came here in 1975.

Peking has a chronic shortage of hotel rooms and finding space for the Reagan party is proving difficult, U.S. and Chinese officials said.

The Chinese have offered to accommodate the Reagans and most of the official party in the comfortable and secluded Dinyuanti guest house complex on the west side of the capital.

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Truckers' blockade spreads in France

CHAMONIX, France (AP) — The massive highway blockade that jammed up all French routes to Italy began spreading around the country Saturday, and police failed in their efforts to dislodge protesting truck drivers and their tractor-trailer rigs.

Angry travelers stranded in the three-day-old blockade of alpine routes hurled rocks and insults at truck drivers in one town and fights between tourists and truckers broke out in another.



French riot police, some using tear gas, prepare to confront group of truckers blocking road.

The two main French truckers' associations called for an expansion of the blockade after police used tear gas and the army sent in huge cranes to try to clear out about 400 big trucks parked across roads around the French town of Cluses, between the Swiss and Italian frontiers.

They were among an estimated 3,000 trucks that have blocking alpine highways and railways since Thursday in a protest over losses truckers suffered in a two-week strike by customs workers along the French-Italian border.

The blockade has stranded thousands of tourists and villagers in traffic and at resorts in a 20,000-square-mile area between Lyon and the Italian border. Police called it the largest traffic jam in

French history.

Two truckers were arrested at Cluse in the government's first show of force since the blockade began.

About 400 helmeted riot police fired a salvo of tear gas grenades to disperse protesting truckers, and

the military moved in three cranes under armed guard while five helicopters patrolled the skies overhead.

But police pulled back when the cranes proved no match for the trucks. Two of the tractor-trailers

were damaged but not dislodged.

French Transportation Minister Charles Fiterman declared on television that the government would not negotiate with the truckers until the situation has returned to normal.

World

Iran vows continued fighting

The Associated Press

Iran said Saturday it would stop attacking Iraqi cities, but vowed to fight "until final victory" on all other fronts. Continued heavy shelling was reported east of Baghdad.

The cease-fire order, similar to one issued Tuesday by Iraq, came on the third day of intense fighting in the central sector of the Iran-Iraq battlefield 100 miles east of Baghdad, the Iraqi capital.

Iran said it had launched "a massive offensive," seizing strategic waterways and 60 square miles of borderland, according to Tehran radio.

Iran said it had contained the enemy, capturing many weapons in "daring" helicopter raids, according to an unidentified Iraqi major general quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency.

Casualty claims from the two sides totaled more than 4,000 soldiers dead in the first two days of the latest battle, which began Thursday.

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Israeli official warns U.S. is losing its respect

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — A senior member of the governing Likud Bloc said Saturday a Lebanese cancellation of its U.S.-mediated accord with Israel would have serious implications for American foreign relations.

A unilateral abrogation of the May 17, 1983 troop withdrawal agreement which the United States signed as witness would mean "that the U.S. signature has no value," Eliahu Ben-Elissar, head of Parliament's

Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, told Israel Radio.

"This has far-reaching implications for the United States' relations with other countries and for the many other agreements which it has signed," he said.

Ben-Elissar, who served as Israel's first ambassador to Egypt, noted that the United States also was signatory to the 1979 Camp David peace agreement between Israel and Egypt,

"which is the basis of all Middle East peace plans."

The United States has taken no official stand on Lebanese President Amin Gemayel's apparent willingness to give up his agreement with Israel.

But Washington's silence, as well as its decision to pull the U.S. Marines out of Beirut, appeared to signal to Israel that Reagan was trying to salvage what he could from his

Mideast policy, severely damaged by the setbacks in Lebanon.

Israel Radio reported growing support in government circles for a continued stay of Israeli troops in south Lebanon as the only means of securing Israel's northern border.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir warned several days ago that if Gemayel went through with the abrogation, Israel would feel free to act in its best security interests in Lebanon.

Rival leader cleared, visits U.S.

By DAVID BRISCOE
The Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines — Shouting "I am vindicated!" opposition leader Salvador Laurel rejoiced Saturday over a judge's order to have firearms charges against him withdrawn.

He went ahead with plans for a U.S. tour.

Judge announced that the charges were dropped. The opposition leader's supporters in the courtroom raised forefingers and thumbs to signify "I."

The opposition leader said the pistol was "obviously" planted and that his wife, Celia, was stopped from leaving when she tried to board the flight so she could read Laurel's speeches for him in the United States.

United States on Sunday but would have to shorten the tour because of his detention.

Two U.S. lawmakers, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and Rep. Stephen Solari, D-N.Y., wrote Marcos to express concern over the case. Laurel plans to meet Kennedy and Solari in Washington during his tour.

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President Ferdinand E. Marcos order that the case be withdrawn from investigation, but Laurel refused to budge from the prison ward's office where he was jailed overnight. He insisted that the judge drop the charge, which carried a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

Fanny City Judge Dionisio Capistrano did drop the charge, which Laurel said was based on evidence planted by the Marcos government to prevent him from making the U.S. tour to speak out against the president's authoritarian rule and to raise funds for the opposition cause.

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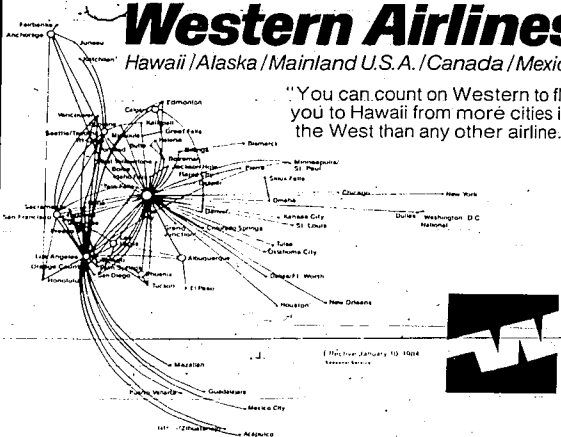
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County eyes expansion of Rock Creek Park

By DAVID MOFFAT
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls County will apply to the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation for a \$7,638 federal grant to develop a second section of Rock Creek Park.

The grant would come from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is administered through state governments.

Plans for the second section, across the creek from the first, were sparked by the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce's announcement last month that it is willing to donate the land to the

county, says Darrell Heider, the county parks director.

The county plans to use the estimated \$50,000 value of the land, offset donations and an estimated \$42,000 in county labor as the 50 percent matching amount that would be required if the grant is approved.

The total project cost has been estimated at \$195,538.

The entrance to Rock Creek Park is located off Addison Avenue West, east of the Rock Creek bridge. The first section was developed eight years ago, Heider says.

Plans for the second section of the park call for a 150-seat wood-frame amphitheater, two

pedestrian bridges and a one-mile hiking trail on terraces above the creek, Heider says.

The amphitheater, which could be used for all kinds of performances and meetings, was designed for the first phase by Twin Falls architect Richard Heindel, but no place was found to put it, Heider says.

The design now calls for one corner of it to be supported on a natural rock ledge at the base of the canyon wall. The other sides would be supported on 1150 rock pilasters, he says.

Canal company officials have said they will donate 13 acres. The company acquired the land several years ago after a flood. Since

then, flood-control improvements have been made on the land, Heider says.

In addition to the \$48,576 amphitheater and the two bridges, which would cost \$14,850, planned improvements include picnic sites, landscaping and additional parking.

Additional donations already have been received from the Twentieth Century Club and other service organizations, Heider says.

The Land and Water Conservation money originates with the U.S. Department of the Interior. A portion of it is distributed to each state, which in turn allocates it to competing projects.

The city of Twin Falls has applied for \$200,000 from the fund over two years to help build its new pool.

The county project is scheduled to be reviewed by the state on Feb. 29, Heider says. A local public hearing on the proposal will be held this Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Twin Falls County Judicial Building.

The county parks board, which approved the project, consists of: Chairman Jim Knutz of Buhl; Earl Peck, Bob Johnson, Bob Maxwell, Noah Oliver and George Holmes, all of Twin Falls; Bill Rude and Bill Brake, both of Filer; Ted Wascoe of Kimberly; and Jerry Lee of Murlough.

Benefit promotes members

United Way drive

By CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — United Way officials announced last week that they will be accepting applications from agencies wishing to become members until March 9.

Those agencies wanting to apply must meet the following qualifications:

- They must be local, state or national organizations that are non-profit.
- They must conduct services in the fields of health, welfare, rehabilitation or "character-building," which benefit the Magic Valley.
- They must rely upon community-wide appeal for support.
- They must have been in existence for two years.

- They must file annual tax forms.
- They must have a board of directors.
- They must not duplicate functions already performed by existing United Way agencies.

"We are not putting a limit on the number of agencies we may or may not take," says Sandy Thomas, executive director of the United Way of Magic Valley.

"We need to look at the agencies that may need our help, but we also need to be cognizant of the agencies we already have, in order to give them more money. If someone out there feels the need to go under the umbrella, this gives them the opportunity."

Thomas says that if an agency is accepted for assistance by the United Way, it must spend the first year as an associate agency and will not be eligible for funding until 1985.

"Once accepted they must help with United Way projects and help publicize us to other people. After one year, they can start receiving money," she says.

Those organizations meeting the qualifications will be sent a financial application, Thomas says.

Groups interested in applying or needing more information should call the United Way office at 733-4922.



Ice cone head

People weren't exactly flocking in to get their shoes shined at Jim's Shine Parlor on Main Street in Twin Falls during the week's snowy weather, so

Fred Espenschiede took time out from tending the snow to build a "cone head" snow sculpture. It is unknown whether this had any effect on business.

To pursue subsidy 4 air carriers changing bids

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Four air carriers have cut their original cost estimates as much as 51 percent in order to win a federal subsidy to provide service between Twin Falls and Boise.

The airlines — Cascade Airways of Spokane, Eagle Air Service of Twin Falls, Sky West Airlines of St. George, Utah, and Horizon Air of Seattle — have said they now can fly the route for yearly subsidies of between \$153,387 and \$232,871.

The original requests — when bids were solicited last fall — had ranged from \$265,210 for Cascade to \$778,988 for Horizon. Since then, each airline has had negotiating sessions with the Civil Aeronautics Board to obtain the lowest, realistic figures for the route.

The federal government has said it will pay an airline to maintain passenger service to Boise because it considers the route "essential service" for Twin Falls. City officials were informed last week of the revised figures. The CAB has asked the Twin Falls City Council to select a preferred airline by March 2.

The initial cost estimates were based on a schedule demanding two round-trip flights daily between Twin Falls and Boise.

In the latest round of talks, Sky West has submitted the lowest price for that service, at \$153,387 for each year of a two-year agreement. It slashed its original bid of \$199,999 and dipped under Cascade, which had been the low bidder in the initial round.

However, the CAB also asked the airlines to price two other options, both involving weekend service. They can fly two round trips instead of four every weekend, or they can combine a full schedule on weekends during the ski season, with reduced weekend service during the remaining eight months of the year. Sky West also offered the lowest bids for both options. Company officials have said they can cut their prices in the air for \$121,047 per year if they are required to fly only two round trips on weekends.

Since Pacific Express has withdrawn from the bidding and has filed bankruptcy, the size of aircraft offered by the four remaining airlines differs little. Pacific Express would have flown 78-passenger jets. The

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City-school pool plan wins council's backing

By ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls City Council has agreed to urge the Twin Falls schools to start drawing up site plans immediately for a joint city-school pool.

The city of Twin Falls definitely has the responsibility to provide a pool by the summer of 1985," Mayor Emery Petersen told the board at a special meeting Saturday morning.

"We cannot let it slide and slide. We have to start construction by late summer or fall. I'm going to keep pushing."

He said he favored asking the

special school board committee formed to make plans for the pool to report to the City Council in the next few weeks. If plans are not available then, the council should plan to begin work on the pool at the high school site with the board's permission or at the original Harmon Park site, Petersen said.

He asked City Manager Torb Courtney to set up a schedule for pool construction, to see if it could open in June 1985.

Councilwoman Mary McCuskey reminded the council that the swimming pool project already has drawn public criticism because council

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Deadly statistics spur legislation requiring kids' car seats

By ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Nearly every parent is guilty of the gesture.

As a car cuts in front of them, they fling a stiff arm in front of the youngster standing in the passenger seat and hit the brakes.

But as fatality statistics point out, the gesture is usually futile if an

accident occurs. The only safe way for a small child or infant to ride in a car is in a child safety seat, say child safety proponents.

In fact, enough Americans believe in the life-saving benefits of child safety seats that they have become mandatory in 42 states since 1973 — and Idaho may soon follow.

A bill that would require children under 40 pounds or 4 years old to ride

in federally-approved safety seats in private vehicles has already appeared on the House floor. Next week, it may be back in an amended form that would include taxi cabs and rental cars, but exclude vehicles where young children are not regularly transported.

Supporters of the bill have disquieting statistics to prove the benefit of car safety seats.

The American Academy of Pediatrics reports that for every 10 small children and infants who die in automobile accidents, nine could have lived if their parents had buckled them into car safety seats, says Cheryl Lynn Van Houten of the South Central Medical Auxiliary.

In addition 80 percent of the injuries to small children and infants are also preventable, she says.

Use of car seats has increased in Idaho in the last two years, but the increase is slow, say supporters of the bill.

In 1980 and 1981, police officers reported that just over 3 percent of the small children in car accidents were restrained in safety seats. In the last two years, the percentage rose to just over 12.

SII, the latest figures compiled by

the Idaho Office of Highway Safety — for the first six months of 1983 — show that nine children died in traffic accidents and 190 were injured. In 1982, 10 children died and 369 were injured.

Those injuries were most likely severe, Van Houten says. Because most of a toddler's or baby's weight is in his or her upper torso, a sudden

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Parenting class for parents

By ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Since Clint divorced and gained custody of his 9-year-old son, the son's behavior has been out of control.

His school work is slipping and he has begun arguing with small requests with the attitude he "can get away with everything," his father says.

A couple who sit next to Clint at the Tuesday night parenting classes, offered at no cost by the Twin Falls School District, says their 7-year-old child is also doing poorly in school and has been throwing frequent temper tantrums since the birth of a baby sister.

"We didn't know how to deal with it," the 7-year-old's father says.

It is no wonder, says Marlese Teasler, co-developer of the classes, which are designed to teach parents how to enjoy and understand their children more.

"When my children were young, I thought they always have everything for the kids, but nothing for the parents," Teasler remembers. "And there were times I felt like tearing my hair out. You need help to be a parent."

Especially now, she adds. The '70s and '80s have been especially difficult decades for parents because of the changes in family structures, she says.

No longer is the father as likely to be the unquestioned leader and disciplinarian of the family. In fact, now both parents are likely to split parenting duties because

both must work to support the family, or the family might only have one parent, she explains.

But while parenting may be becoming more difficult, she emphasizes that the parent students in her class, "Children the Challenge," and another class for parents of teenagers are there because they are good parents.

She says they usually have high expectations of themselves as parents and need to learn when the kids act up they do not always need to blame themselves. "No one's perfect," Teasler says. "Raising kids is not easy. They're going to cry when you want them to smile. They're going to embarrass you in public."

While some parents enroll because they have specific problems with their children, they are all "caring people who want to learn to be good parents. We are going to teach them a theory and they can make applications that fit," Teasler says, emphasizing she leads a class, not a counseling session.

The weekly classes are based on the Adlerian theory that a child needs to learn to belong to the basic social unit of the family. And to belong, a child needs to learn to contribute, Teasler says.

"It's the parent's job to tell them 'You're old enough. Smart enough. Neat enough. I know you can do it. Children don't need a buddy, they need a parent.'"

In the program she developed for parents with children 12-years-old and younger, parents study how having younger or older siblings affects the child's

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Marlese Teasler co-developed course teaching parents to enjoy and understand children

Boredom one reason students turn to drugs

By BARBARA KULIK
Times-news correspondent

FILDER — Ruth Schneider, a youth counselor with the Port of Hope in Twin Falls, said boredom was a primary cause of drug and alcohol use by students.

Meeting recently with parents and students to explain a survey given to 300 students at Filer High School, Schneider said the young people she works with say they are "bored" and that "there is nothing else to do."

She said she was not sure, however, that more activities would be the answer. She said some young people fear competition and would still want to use the drugs and alcohol as an escape.

Junior high school is the age when young people start experimenting with drugs with high school becoming a period of heavier use because of peer pressure and not being able to cope, said Schneider.

Schneider stressed that drug and alcohol use is "the kid's choice."

She also said "parents feel they are the ones to blame" when they find out their children are using drugs.

Both parents and young people go through a denial process, Schneider said. Parents deny their child could be using drugs, while children deny they have a problem and rationalize their use of drugs and alcohol, she explained.

Discussing the results of the survey taken at the high school, Schneider said she "felt pretty good about the results but felt there was a lot of minimizing."

Schneider, who spent two days at the school, met with students in their individual classes without the teachers present.

This guaranteed the confidentiality to the students who were asked to put their first name on the form to "eliminate smart answers," said Schneider, who has conducted the survey in five other schools.

Schneider said she and one other counselor at the center tallied the surveys and were the

only ones to see the actual forms the students marked.

The discrepancy in the number of answers to each question resulted from whether or not the students answered all the questions on the survey. Schneider based the results on whether the student answered the first or second question with a yes answer. She said some surveys were marked with a no answer to every question and those were thrown out.

Following is the results of the survey:

1. Do you or have you ever drunk alcoholic beverages? Yes: 187, No: 21.
2. Do you or have you ever used drugs? Yes: 58, No: 45.
3. Which do you prefer? Alcohol: 133, Drugs: 15, Neither: 35, Both: 13, None: 9.
4. Has any family member commented about your drinking? Yes: 59, No: 144.
5. Has any family member commented about your drug use? Yes: 10, No: 181.
6. Do you consider yourself a person who uses drugs or drinks? Yes: 80, No: 122.

7. Have you ever missed classes or school because of your alcohol or drug use? Yes: 30, No: 195.
8. Have you ever been in trouble with your school teachers or principal because of drug or alcohol use? Yes: 23, No: 175.
9. Do you believe that drinking and/or drugs and sex go together? Yes: 53, No: 153.
10. How often do you drink now? Never: 62, Once a month: 30, Twice a month: 32, Once a week: 21, Two to three times a week: 21, More: 9, Other: 43.
11. Have you ever had a time in your life when you drank more than you do now? Yes: 54, No: 151.
12. How often do you use drugs now? Never: 162, Once a month: 16, Twice a month: 1, Once a week: 5, Two to three times a week: 8, More: 5, Other: 7.
13. Have you ever had a time in your life when you used drugs more than you do now? Yes: 18, No: 180.
14. Do you believe that using and/or drink-

ing makes people more accepted by their peers? Yes: 90, No: 157.

15. Have you ever experimented with any of the following drugs: heroin, 4 yes; other opiates/synthetics, 7 yes; barbiturates (downers), 19 yes; sedative hypnotics (ludes/valium), 3 yes; amphetamines (speed), 52 yes; cocaine, 16 yes; marijuana/hashish, 52 yes; hallucinogens (acid), 14 yes; inhalants (paint, glue, gas, etc.), 13 yes; over-the-counter (Noibz, Sleepce, etc.), 32 yes; tranquilizers, 12 yes; P.C.P., 4 yes.
16. Have you ever awakened the morning after drinking and not remembered parts of the evening? Yes: 71, No: 133.
17. Have you ever tried to stop using alcohol or drugs for a period of time to prove to yourself or others that you could stop? Yes: 62, No: 137.
18. Do any members of your family use alcohol or drugs? Yes: 158, No: 49.
19. Have any family members' drinking or drug use bothered you, or caused problems? Yes: 64, No: 144.

Bond election called

School needs estimated to cost \$8.5 million

By SARAH MURPHY
Times-news correspondent

BURLEY — The Cassia County school board has set Tuesday, March 20, as the date for a two-phase \$8.5 million bond election.

The ballot will offer Joint School District 151 patrons a choice. They can vote for a \$3.5 million phase I that, says Superintendent Norman Hurst, will fund "starter" schools to cover the most critical needs. The second phase II, they can vote for the \$8.5 million phase II, which includes phase I and covers needs over the next 10 years that the board considers critical.

During the recent school board meeting, both trustees and school district residents expressed statements about the need for the bond election.

Board Chairman Sid-Norman said the district is already six years behind in addressing the problem of increasing enrollment.

"The school janitor will have to get out. There isn't room for his brooms any more," says Southwest Elementary PTA member Gayle Russassen.

Vaughn Woodhouse, an Oakley resident, said "We've got to get in the business of building schools. They're going to start falling down around our ears."

Bill Russell, district building and grounds superintendent, compares



the district's facilities to car-bodies.

"You can't put new engines and transmissions in old, worn-out Volkswagens," he said. "We need vans and buses!"

Norman said the board must be responsible for administering the district's education, but that it is the people themselves who must make the funding decisions.

"We don't feel that the public wants a year-round school, spill sessions and overcrowded classrooms. That's why we decided to offer the bond," he said.

Idaho First National Bank consultant William Wray pointed out that six bonds were offered in the Magic Valley since July 1983: four have passed and two have failed by small margins, he said.

"We are seeing a positive atmosphere in school bond elections. There seems to be a revitalization of patrons in Idaho districts," said Wray.

In other business:

- The board adopted the 90 percent attendance policy recommended by the Idaho state board of education. The policy covers elementary as

well as secondary schools. On the elementary level, a student missing over 18 days in a school year will not be advanced to the next level pending appeal.

To obtain a class credit on the secondary level, a student cannot miss more than nine days during the term. Waivers to the policy include severe illness, accident or special recognition awards given to individual students.

In a prescheduled school activity a student has the option to choose to attend his regular class in lieu of the scheduled activity.

• The board heard a Burley Junior high school parent delegation express concern over the rumored firing of assistant Principal Sherrill Lamb.

The delegation expressed concern over the relationships between members of the "junior high" administration. They were assured by junior high Principal Jeff Taylor that there was no basis to the rumor.

"Personally, I get along with Mr. Lamb," said Taylor. "Discipline is his job, and I feel he is doing it well."

Hurst said district policy dictates that personnel problems be discussed in executive session.

Input from school patrons is welcome and will always be considered, he said. It is preferable, however, that patrons go through channels with their problems before confronting the board with them, he added.

Richfield without officer

County helps out

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — The city of Richfield is not sure it still has a law officer.

In a letter to the Lincoln County Commission, Richfield Mayor Charles Buttcane expressed concern that since the suspension of Deputy Jack Olson, there is no deputy living in Richfield.

Buttcane contends the situation violates an agreement between Lincoln County and Richfield to have a deputy living in the town.

Richfield has no other law enforcement except the county sheriff's department.

Olson was suspended without pay from his deputy duties on Jan. 17, following the filing of petty theft charges.

He is charged with using a county credit card to purchase gasoline for his private vehicle.

The charges were filed following an investigation into the event when two area residents told Lincoln County Sheriff Darin Mills they had seen Olson using the credit card Nov. 24, 1983.

Mills says department policy requires the suspension of any employee charged with a crime until the case can be satisfactorily settled.

Olson has pleaded innocent to the charges and a jury trial is scheduled for April 9 in Lincoln County Magistrate Court with Judge Michael Redman presiding in Twin Falls.

Mills and the Lincoln County Commission agreed at the commission's regular meeting it will honor the agreement to have a deputy residing in Richfield.

However, they indicate the matter cannot be fully resolved until after the Olson case is decided.

Mills, Deputy Steven Southwick of Dietrich and retired Sheriff Bill Anderson, who still is a certified officer, are handling Lincoln County law enforcement at present. Anderson only can work part-time, Mills explained.

In other business, the commission agreed to purchase a 2-way radio system to establish around the clock communications between ambulance operator Carl Miller and a Shoshone doctor.

The radio will enable Miller, an advanced Emergency Medical Technician, to give emergency treatment that is allowed by law when he is in contact with a doctor.

"It could be the difference between life or death, considering the time and cost of P.C.E.R on Page B4.



Hopeful fisherman

Fly fishermen were out in force Saturday, when the Bull Country Club opened its lake and stream to fly fishing only on a year-round basis. Fishing hours at Clear Lakes will run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Initially, and anglers are permitted to keep two fish per day. By the change in policy the club hopes to avoid the traditional opening-day rush, as well as to allow more fish to reach trophy size while reducing replacement costs for the fish.

Shoshone gym ages quickly

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — The Shoshone High School gym is practically grey.

Consulting engineer Jim Coleman told the Shoshone School Board the building has aged 30 years in the past 40 days.

Coleman and Twin Falls architect H. Heindel, who have completed a preliminary assessment of the building, reported the results of their studies at the board's Monday meeting.

Heindel said the weight of the building itself will lead to additional damage, and the building could "self-destruct" without any external force, such as high wind or earthquakes.

Cracking in the upper portion of the gym walls, appears movement along support beams and the opening of the ceiling at the main expansion joint were first noticed by school officials following the Oct. 27 earthquake.

Coleman examined the building then said he felt no significant problem existed.

However, the cracking has continued with new damage appearing

weekly, school officials said.

A recent tour of the facility showed widening cracks, sagging door jambs and steps pulled away from the casement.

"When I first saw it, I wasn't too concerned, but what I saw this week really scared me," Coleman said.

The engineer and architect agree the structure was weakened by last October's earthquake and that the building is continuing to move.

Coleman also said there are some engineering and construction defects such as a lack of steel reinforcement in the cinderblock walls and improperly installed roof sheathing.

"It's a serious situation when you can see the sky through the expansion in the roof," Heindel said, adding that he has never seen a building move as rapidly as this one has.

"Is the building safe?" board Chairman Rusty Tewas asked. "Safety has to be the first concern."

Coleman said the main structures of the foundation and walls seem stable, and he feels there is no immediate danger.

"But things could change overnight," he said.

"Does this mean the total loss of our building?" Tewas continued.

Coleman said he could not say for certain, but that the sound condition of the concrete foundation pillars "are a plus. There are some things that can be done to stabilize it, the walls will need to be reinforced and the roof redone."

The board gave approval for Coleman and Heindel to begin an in-depth study of the building's problems.

Coleman said they will study the underlying ground formation and building footings in an attempt to determine exactly what is causing the movement and then catalog in detail the structural damage.

Cost of the study could be as much as \$20,000, depending on how much time and equipment it takes to determine the base problem, Coleman explained.

"We need to get the answers soon," he emphasized.

Work on the study will begin next week.

The board also agreed to investigate the possibility of applying for government assistance on the

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Blaine school board defends school transportation system

By DAVE LEWIS
Times-News writer

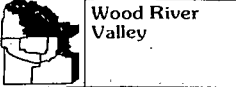
HAILEY — The Blaine County School Board has defended the district's transportation system in writing against accusations of cost, safety and discipline problems, but admits one student was caught smoking marijuana on an activities bus.

The board's responses were to written questions of Ray and Ginny Castle of Gannett, who brought the matters up at the Jan. 24 school board meeting.

In its response, the board says it is not wasting taxpayer money and that it is meeting state safety requirements in the operation of its bus system.

Frank Rowland, the board's vice chairman, said any violations that may occur are not out of line with normal school bus operations and there is no "gross negligence" within the transportation system.

"My impression is that there are violations, but that they are in the normal course of events and not of a magnitude for alarm," Rowland said.



Rowland said the Castles have raised the issues of cost and safety in part because they have a bone to pick with the district. He said at the beginning of the school year, the district changed the bus route in Gannett, and now the couple's six children must walk farther to the bus stop.

Superintendent Dick Jones said the route change was made to keep the bus from stopping on a curve in the highway through Gannett, where it picks up 12 or 13 children.

Ray Castle admits he began his inquiry after the route was changed. He said the stated reason for changing the route was safety and he decided to see if the drivers of the buses were following all safety rules.

He denies he is trying to get even with the district. He says he is just raising legitimate

questions about safety requirements.

He also denies the assertion that he is following the buses to find violations and that any he has seen are "plum luck."

Castle tried to raise the questions at the Jan. 24 meeting, but was stopped short when he began to question transportation superintendent Jim Dorr, about his drivers' compliance with safety requirements.

At that time, Rowland stepped Castle and asked him to submit his questions in writing so the district could gather the information to answer them. Castle agreed and mailed the questions on Jan. 28. He received the responses on Feb. 9.

The board intended to discuss them at its Feb. 14 meeting, but postponed it until March 13 because illness in Castle's family kept him from attending.

Rowland said he stopped Castle's questioning at the January meeting to prevent him from making an unwarranted attack upon Dorr in public.

Castle submitted 15 questions dealing with cost, safety and discipline.

He asked if the board was aware of mari-

juana being smoked on the southern activity bus that carries athletes and other students home late in the evening.

The board responded that the district recently caught a student smoking pot on an activity bus and had held an expulsion hearing because of the incident.

The matter is resolved, Jones said. He added, however, that such a violation is nearly impossible for a driver to know about if the marijuana is being smoked in the back of a dark bus with a window down. But, he said, the incidents are very rare.

Castle asked why drivers take buses home at night instead of to the bus barn and if the district knew that drivers are taking buses to stores and to baby-sitters. He offered his own figures for added miles and money lost to the district from four drivers who take the bus home, saying the district loses nearly \$4,000 a year through the practice.

The board's response was that the district saves miles and money through the practice. Drivers who live near the end of bus routes take the buses home instead of driving a long distance to the bus barn in the evening, and

again to the beginning of the route the next morning, the board added.

Castle asked if buses are safer at a driver's home than at the bus barn and that 85 percent of the transportation costs are reimbursed by the state.

Castle asked if the trustees are aware of safety violations, specifically buses backing onto Highway 75.

The board's response was there are times when the driver has no other choice but to back onto the highway. If they do, students are state law requires, the response explained.

All drivers are given 40 hours of training session at the beginning of the year and also 12 hours of "refresher" courses during the year, the response said.

Castle asked several other questions about policy, cost and safety violations. All the questions were answered by Jones, Rowland and attorney Stratton Laggis. However, Castle says he is not happy with the answers he received.

"I've never really gave us any legitimate answers, as far as I'm concerned," he says.

Meeting ordinance sought by Hansen

By ANNA WAGNER
Times-News correspondent

HANSEN — The Hansen City Council is continuing plans to draft an ordinance stipulating council members attendance for municipal meetings.

At the recent council meeting, attorney Bill Hollifield brought the council members up to date on his research into codes regulating the attendance of council members at city meetings.

Aside from a model ordinance outlined in the Association of Idaho Cities manual, Hollifield told the board his investigation uncovered no clearcut rules specifying actions a council can take against elected officials who fail to show up for regular meetings.

In the case of habitual absenteeism, Hollifield said he believed one option for the council would be to impose a fine or withhold payment of the council member's monthly compensation.

The attorney, however, said he was not aware of a specific provision that

would allow a council to remove an elected person from office for failure to attend regular city sessions.

Mayor Thomas Butler reaffirmed the council's commitment to draft an ordinance stipulating the conditions for member attendance at municipal meetings, given the apparent void of regulations on the matter.

After new members assumed office in January, the Hansen Council agreed upon the need to establish guidelines that would compel members to regularly attend municipal meetings, as well as give city leaders the power to take corrective action against habitually truant members, Butler explained.

"The council believes it would be beneficial to address the concern now as a preventive measure in case problems surface down the road," said Butler.

Hollifield suggested that when drafting the ordinance, council members outline provisions for all council procedures, including meeting attendance policies for other city employees, as well as other general board proceedings.

Jamboree tradition continues once again

TWIN FALLS — It has now been 23 years since the Magic Valley Country Music Association began holding a winter time Jamboree to entertain country music fans and assist some charitable cause.

This year the custom continues. The 1984 Jamboree, featuring 10 area musical groups, is planned for Monday and Tuesday nights in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. each night and each of the two programs will feature a different group of entertainers. Five of the bands will play each night.

This year the association will donate all profits to the Salvation Army in Twin Falls.

Tickets are available at the door and cost \$3 for general admission and

\$1.50 for students and senior citizens. Local bands participating in this year's show include The Common People, Last Resort, Bronsons, Rhythmales, County Fever, Country Ramblers, Last Generation, Eddie's Band, Flatlanders and the Rebounds.

Carl Rada, local radio personality, will be master of ceremonies for the event.

Gym

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basis of earthquake damage to the building.

The board took no action on determining the size of a plant facilities levy which will be determined by election this spring.

"We need to hear the result of the gym study before we set the amount," Trustee Jim Rowland to the board. "The matter will be considered at a special meeting, which will be held before the first of March," Tews said.

Officer

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distance involved in Lincoln County," Miller told the commissioners.

The commission also agreed to sell at auction three lots for delinquent taxes. The lots, two in Richfield and one in Dietrich, will be sold March 26 at 10:30 a.m. The auction will take place on the Lincoln County Court-house steps.

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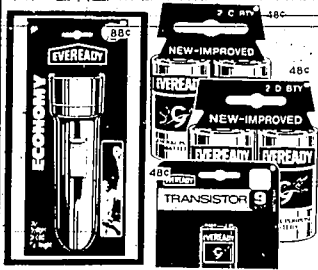
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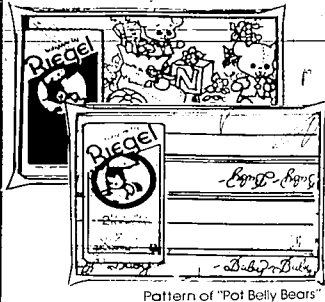
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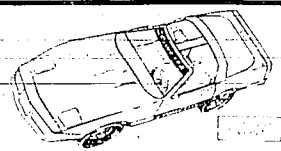
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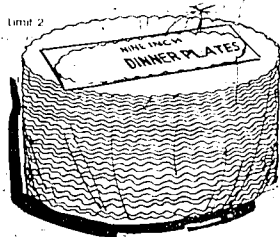


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Former Sandpiper worker gets probation for stealing

TWIN FALLS — A woman who admitted embezzling money from a Twin Falls restaurant to support a cocaine habit was placed on a three-year probation-Friday in Fifth District Court.

Susan D. Blake, 28, of Jerome, previously had pleaded guilty to a charge of grand theft. According to the complaint filed with the court, she took money from the Sandpiper restaurant in Twin Falls from January 1980 to December 1982, while she was a part-time bookkeeper for the restaurant.

Blake testified at Friday's sentencing hearing that her addiction to cocaine had been "overwhelming." But she said that she had been off drugs for some time now.

Attorney Jim Meservy of Twin Falls, who represented Blake, recommended she be placed on probation because she had sought treatment on her own for a drug and alcohol problem. In addition, he said that Blake and her family already had paid \$16,000 restitution to the business.

"It is unlikely that she will commit another crime," Meservy said. "Blake already had been punished by experiencing the 'gut-wrenching' emotion of being arrested, he said.

As part of plea-bargaining negotiations, the prosecutor's office also

would recommend probation if restitution was paid, Meservy said. Dennis Voorhees, a deputy county prosecutor, agreed that Blake was a good candidate for probation. Judge Daniel Harbutt accepted the recommendation. But he warned Blake that some experts feel that embezzlement is a disease.

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TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho students will hold a campus blood drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Friday, Feb. 24, in the Taylor Administration Building cafeteria.

Anyone wanting to donate blood should register at the student government office. Bryce Butler, the chairman of the event, also says that workers are needed to assist with the drive.

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Stock broker sued — again

BOISE (AP)— Two more lawsuits have been filed by persons who claim they lost money because of faulty investment advice obtained in Sun Valley.

Twin Falls attorney Tom Nelson filed suits last week in Boise against A.G. Becker Inc., on behalf of clients who say they lost money when at least one company representative in Sun Valley urged them to invest in Felmont Oil Corp.

Plaintiffs William and Patricia Smallwood and Allan Koretz, addresses unavailable, said in the two complaints that advice to invest in Felmont was based on unsubstantiated claims about the company's condition.

An investment executive made the claim as part of a scheme to maintain

control over substantial blocks of Felmont shares, the Smallwoods say. The lawsuits have been filed in U.S. district court.

The Smallwoods want the court to award the \$26,000 they claim to have lost, plus \$280,000 in other damages. Koretz is seeking \$1.1 million in actual damages and at least \$1 million in exemplary damages.

A Becker spokesman in San Francisco, Hunter Land, said the company had not examined the complaints and would not comment on them.

Several other cases alleging that losses occurred because of bad advice through Becker in Sun Valley have been filed in federal court in Boise. The plaintiffs include skier Jean Claude Kelly, an Olympic gold medalist.

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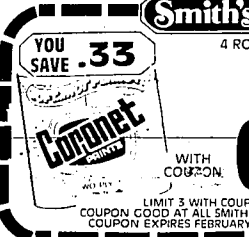
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Judge reduces retarded man's prison sentence

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A mentally retarded man convicted of beating a Twin Falls woman with a pipe last February has been ordered to serve three years in the state prison, rather than five years.

The reduction-in-sentence order for 35-year-old John Howard Johnson was filed last week in Fifth District Court in Twin Falls by Judge Douglas Kramer of Hailuay.

Gregory Fuller of Twin Falls, who represents Johnson, had asked the court to reconsider his client's sentence, imposed for an aggravated battery conviction. Fuller had suggested that Johnson be placed on probation in a Nampa shelter home, where he could receive treatment

A hearing had been held earlier in the month on whether Johnson should remain in prison, where he has been since July. At that time, Kramer took the case under advisement.

The Twin Falls County prosecutor's office had argued that Johnson was dangerous in certain situations. Dennis Voorhees, a deputy prosecutor, had questioned whether the Nampa shelter home was a secure environment. Voorhees also said the motive of the prosecutor's office was to protect society, not punish Johnson.

Fuller said the attack on the woman, on Feb. 15, 1983, was an "isolated incident." A shelter home, he said, would be a better environment for Johnson, who testified that he had been taken advantage of and sexually propositioned by prison inmates.

In his order, Kramer said the shelter home would not provide "anything better" than Johnson's own family, who seem supportive.

"There are no facilities in the Idaho penitentiary for mentally retarded people," the judge said. Johnson was subject to abuse in prison because of his retardation, Kramer added.

"By the same token, our fellow human beings cannot be allowed to abuse people because of a mental

condition," Kramer said. "The body best suited to handle this particular problem appears to be the Board of Probation and Parole. That board can better answer the questions of whether the defendant should be released and what the conditions of parole should be."

Kramer did not set the sentence at a full three years, so Johnson could be eligible for parole sometime this year.

Heyburn man held for armed robbery

TWIN FALLS — A Heyburn man accused of robbing a Mr. Gas service station in Twin Falls on Feb. 8, was arraigned last week in Fifth District Magistrate Court.

Joe Garcia, 25, of 530 Birch Drive, has been charged with armed robbery. The public defender was appointed to represent him.

According to the complaint filed with the court, Garcia allegedly held up the station, at 306 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., at gunpoint, along with another man.

The men, who both wore masks,

escaped from the station with cash and wallets from two customers.

Twin Falls police also suspect that another man was waiting in a nearby vehicle.

No other arrests have been made in the robbery.

Garcia was being held last week in the Twin Falls County Jail, in lieu of \$10,000 bond.

The suspect also was charged last week with failing to pay a fine from a 1980 conviction for driving while intoxicated. He pleaded not guilty to this charge, a misdemeanor.

ISU health-care class is still open

TWIN FALLS — Registration will close this Friday, Feb. 24, for an Idaho State University health-care administration class, which will be held in Twin Falls this spring.

The class will begin March 2, and the cost will be \$120 for three undergraduate credits.

To register or for more information, call 734-4478.

Marriages and divorces

The following divorces were granted last week in Fifth District Court in Twin Falls:

Harry Dean Stewart from Bonnie Faye Stewart, Robin O'Neal from Jeannette O'Neal, Karen Davis from Steven Davis, Shawna-Ronae Bartlett from Ray Duane Bartlett, Kay L. Conder from William O. Conder, Deborah S. Urrutia from Johnny M. Urrutia and Kenya E. Huether from Kevin Lee Huether.

The following marriage licenses were issued last week in Twin Falls County:

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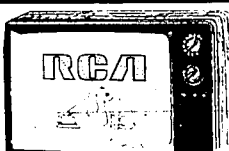

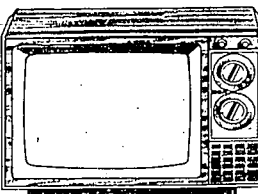
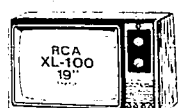
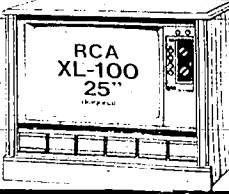
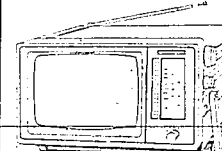

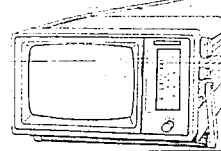
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Goodbye, New York

Tom Seaver, dumped for second time by Mets, comes to terms with Chisox



TOM SEAVER
Decides against retirement

CHICAGO (AP) — Tom Seaver, who said he might retire rather than pitch for the Chicago White Sox, reached an agreement in principle Saturday with the club and will report to training camp.

Seaver and White Sox owners Jerry Reinsdorf and Eddie Einhorn reached the agreement early Saturday, and the veteran right-hander was expected to report to training camp Monday or Tuesday, said club spokesman Chuck Shriver.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"It is certainly a plus to add a player of Seaver's caliber, character and background to the club," said General Manager Roland Hemond. "It's a great way to open a spring training camp."

The 33-year-old Seaver was selected by the 1983 American League West Division champions in the compensation draft Jan. 23 after free-agent Dennis Lamp signed with the Toronto Blue Jays.

Seaver first said he might retire, but reached an agreement after sev-

eral meetings with Reinsdorf and Einhorn, Shriver said.

"We're tickled to death that Tom has agreed to report to the White Sox," said Einhorn, who is at the Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia. "It makes our team, which we feel is already strong, even stronger."

Seaver began his career with the New York Mets, but was traded to Cincinnati in 1977. He was re-acquired by the Mets at the end of the 1982 season.

He has 273 victories, the third-best among active pitchers, and leads all active pitchers with a 2.73 earned run average.

"My reaction is the same as each player and coach when I talked with them about Tom joining the club," White Sox Manager Tony LaRussa said at Sarasota. "We are all excited

because we think it helps our chances to win."

Seaver reported to the training city of the White Sox Saturday, but not for their first day of pitch and catch.

The three-time National League Cy Young Award winner in Sarasota to job softballs for sickle cell anemia, not to fire hardballs for the defending American League Western Division champions. Where he went after the charity-softball game, which featured stars from both leagues, was anybody's guess. Not even his agent knew for sure.

All the other pitchers on the AL's third-ranked staff (3.67 earned run average) and the men who catch them did report Saturday. In fact, most have been pushing weights, running laps and throwing lightly on their own for two weeks now. Position players check in Wednesday.

"We've got some guys who are

bringing it pretty good already. Ron Hood is showing us all something," and also a participant in sickle-cell said LaMarr Hoyt, king of last season's rotation as AL Cy Younger.

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Jets peddle QB Richard Todd to Saints for No. 1 draft pick

NEW YORK (AP) — Quarterback Richard Todd became the latest casualty of the New York Jets' housecleaning when he was traded Saturday to New Orleans for the Saints' first-round choice — No. 15 overall — in the May 1 National Football League draft.

Todd was the Jets' No. 1 draft pick in 1976, but he never was willing to live up to the image or able to match the performance of his fellow Alabama alumnus and New York predecessor, charismatic Super Bowl hero Joe Namath.

Todd expressed delight at the trade. "I'm glad the situation came about," he told The Associated Press. "I feel like I'm going back home. I think it's great."

"I think anybody who followed Joe (Namath) was going to have a tough time. Probably the next quarterback who comes in here will be accepted a little more easily, won't have as hard a time as I did." And Todd said he expected to experience "a more relaxed atmosphere" in New Orleans.

The trade packs the Saints' roster with four quarterbacks — Todd, 23-year-old Ken Stabler, Dave Wilson and Guido Merkens. And it leaves Joe Walton, the Jets' second-year head coach, with a decision whether to go next season with Ken O'Brien, the No. 1 draft pick in 1983 from the University of California-Davis who never has thrown a regular-season pass, or Pat Ryan, a little-used reserve for six years.

"I've never had a football team that had too many good players at one position," New Orleans Coach Bum Phillips said in a statement released by the Saints. "Quarterback and running back are two areas where you especially need depth. To build a team, you have to build depth. If your quarterback goes down, it's hard to do anything offensively."

"Also, we're in a situation where Kenny (Stabler) may not play but one or two more years," Phillips added. "I expect him to play next year. Kenny doesn't need a lot of practice. We will have the opportunity to give Richard and Dave (Wilson) most of the work."

In the past week, the Jets also have traded defensive linemen Abdul Salaam and Kenny Neil to San Diego for the Chargers' second-round pick in 1984 (No. 39 overall) and former starting linebacker Stan Blinks to Denver for a conditional sixth-round

selection in 1985. The Todd trade gives the Jets four of the first 39 picks in this year's draft.

Todd, who had performed admirably in 1981 (25 touchdown passes, 13 interceptions) and the strike-shortened 1982 season (14 TDs, a interceptions) and led the Jets into the playoffs each year, had a dismal 1983, finishing 20th in the league in passing.

He started all 16 games last season, completing 308 of 518 passes for 3,478 yards, 18 TDs and 26 interceptions as the Jets, projected in the preseason as a Super Bowl contender, stumbled to a 7-9 record, tied with Baltimore for fourth place in the five-team American Conference East.

"I'm not leaving New York bitter or anything like that," Todd said. "We had some good years up here. Things just didn't work out exactly like we wanted them to work out."

He said he would "miss the players, the relationships with them. Besides that, I probably won't miss anything else." Then he laughed. Clearly absent from his comment was Walton, who — Todd felt — failed to express support for him during the disappointing 1983 season.

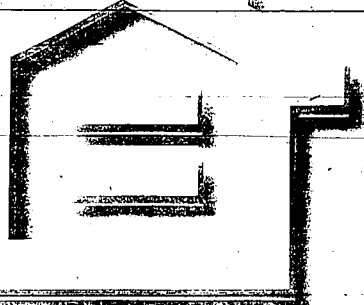
Jim Kensil, the Jets' president, denied the team was cleaning house, saying: "We're simply making trades we think are good for us ... This team was built through the draft and we're going about it the same way as we have in the past."

Kensil also said there was no deal in the works at this time to acquire another quarterback.

In a statement released by the Jets, Walton said: "We think it will be better for the Jets at this point in time and for Richard Todd. A change in scenery would help Richard in his career. We committed ourselves to Ken O'Brien in the future and this will speed up his progress."

"Richard has been a fine quarterback for us and did take us to the playoffs twice, but we think he needs the change of scenery. I plan to talk to both Ken and Pat Ryan as soon as I return" from Puerto Rico, where Walton was vacationing.

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Sumners' dream of gold fades to sterling

By D. BYRON YAKE
The Associated Press



Sarajevo '84

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — Katarina Witt of East Germany, a Brooke Shields look-alike, won the gold medal in women's figure skating at the Winter Olympics Saturday. American Rosalynn Sumners, with one perfect 6.0 for style, settled for silver.

The bronze went to Kira Ivanova of the Soviet Union, and in fourth place was Tiffany Chin, of Toluca Lake, Calif. Elaine Zayak of Paramus, N.J., was in sixth.

The 1984 Winter Olympics was just a day from ending, and now the United States was pinning its only other hope for a medal on twins on skis.

Meanwhile, a Finnish woman, cross-country skier Marja-Liisa Hamalainen, became the first three-gold medalist of the Games.

The United States moved into sole possession of fifth place in the medals race with Sumners' silver. It now has six, three gold and three silver. And its last chance for a seventh medal, a very outside chance, fell to the Mahre brothers — Phil and Steve — in the slalom.

In Washington, President Reagan, answering questions posed by the

newspaper Oslo Bodjenje of Yugoslavia, called the Winter Olympics "excellent and inspirational" no matter who wins.

Witt, wearing a raspberry dress with matching berets in her sweat band brown hair, is the second East German woman to win the gold medal in figure skates. Annet Pöetzsch did it in 1980.

"It's the happiest moment of my

life." The 18-year-old Witt said. "I saw Rosalynn skate and did not think I could win."

Sumners, dressed in white with sequined "V's" in front and back, presented a lively, swan-like program in the freestyle that pleased the judges artistically. The Italian judge gave her the 6.0, while the Yugoslav judge gave her a 5.6. She also got four 5.9s and three 5.8s.

In technicals, however, she got two 5.6s, one 5.7, four 5.8s and one 5.9.

Witt missed near the beginning of her program, but it did not seem to hurt her scores. In technicals, she had one 5.9, seven 5.8s and one 5.7. For artistic, she had four 5.9s, four 5.8s and one 5.7.

Sumners' second-place finish erased any chance of Americans sweeping the gold medals in figure skates. Scott Hamilton had won the men's gold.

"I'm very pleased with the 6.0," said Sumners. "It was nice to end a career having won a 6.0. I was really excited about that."

"It was not my best performance. It was a real challenge to go out there tonight. I'm proud of myself, that I went out and faced the challenge."

Sumners, of Edmonds, Wash., held the lead after the compulsory, but Witt won the short program and

moved into first, where she remained. Chin showed again why she beat both Sumners and Zayak in the freestyle part of the World Championships last month in Salt Lake City. The 16-year-old now becomes a prime contender for gold in 1988 at Calgary.

She started with a triple flip, but two-footed on landing. She then completed three other triples in her program and a host of "Chin Spins."

"I was out there having a good time," Chin said. "I have many areas where I have to improve. I'm still young, yet I still have to skate more like a senior lady, and I have to become faster and more aggressive."

"That will come. I will work on it."

Zayak, who was 12th after the short program, skated one of her best programs, opening with a difficult split triple loop-double loop-double loop combination jump.

Her marks ranged from 5.6s to 5.8s for technical merit, but her marks for style — mostly 5.5s — pulled her down.

The Mahres, in their last Olympics, have been sking poorly, and a win by either of them would almost be a shock.

But the United States is not expected to get any medals in the final day's events, which include the slalom, the men's 50-kilometer cross

country race, and the hockey game for gold between Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union.

The athletes will then gather at the Zetra Arena, Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee, will make a closing remarks and the Olympic flag will be transferred to officials from Calgary, site of the 1988 Winter Games.

The total number of medals won by the United States in the Games are over Sunday will not be as high as expected or predicted by the team itself, but when near-misses are counted, the picture is not as bleak.

Six U.S. athletes have finished in fourth place, a breath away from a bronze. If they had won, the total would have been nine or 10.

In addition to Chin in women's figures, Jeff Hastings just missed a medal in the 90-meter ski jump. After a mediocre first jump of 336 feet, he was in 12th place. But he jumped 351 feet on his second and finished with 201.2 points, losing the bronze by a mere 1.7 points to Norway's Knut Lundgren.

"That last one, I'll take it any way, any day," the Norwich, Vt., skier said. "It was a high one. It was great."

East Germany and the Soviet Union were tied with 24 medals each,

followed by Finland with 12, Norway with nine and the United States with six.

Finland's Matti Nykanen, called "The Flying Finn," lived up to his nickname this time after an off-season in which he had finished in second place five times.

He had jumps of 381 and 364 feet, accumulating 231.2 points.

The silver went to Jens Weissflog of East Germany, the gold medalist in the 70-meter slalom, while Pavel Ploc of Czechoslovakia took the bronze.

It was a fine day for the Finns, who have four gold medals, including two won Saturday.

Hamalainen became the first triple-gold medalist of the Games, winning the 20-kilometer cross-country race in a time of 1 hour, 1 minute, 45 seconds. She finished 47.1 seconds ahead of Raisa Smetanova of the Soviet Union and 1:26.6 better than bronze medalist Anne Jahren of Norway.

It was Hamalainen's fourth medal, an Olympic record in Stenmark. Her husband, Jari Kirvesniemi of the Finnish men's team, tried to convince me that I could win, Hamalainen said. "He told me it was the last Olympic race and that I could do it."

Dropped 'triple' costly

By HAL BOCK
The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — A missing triple jump at the conclusion of her program may have cost American Rosalynn Sumners the gold medal in the women's figure skating competition at the XIV Olympic Winter Games Saturday.

"It happened very fast, at the very end of the program," said Sumners, who won the silver medal behind East Germany's Katarina Witt.

"I dropped the triple and I left out a double axel," she said. "I was not able to feel disappointment and I'm glad it was at the end and not at the beginning. A mistake in the opening is bad."

Sumners said she could not explain the oversight.

"It may haunt me tonight but not for my rest of my life. What I've done, I've done. That's today. There's always tomorrow. I can't let it affect the rest of my life."

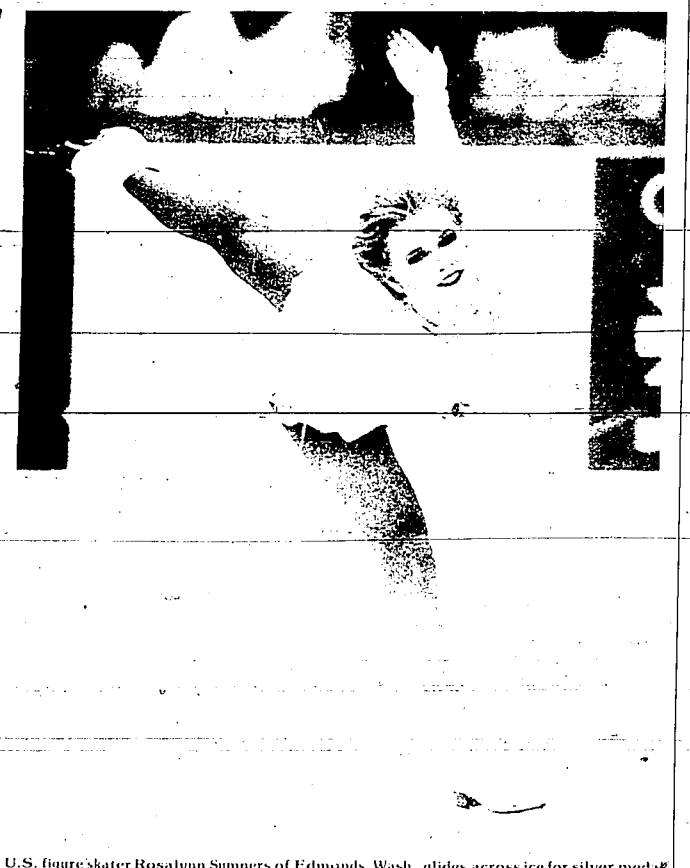
Sumners said she was enthused by the perfect score of 6.0 which she received from Italian judge Giorgio Sinscisco for her artistic impression.

"The six is a nice way to end a career," she said. "I'm definitely going to turn professional after the World Championships. It's been 13 years and this has been my last amateur year."

But Sumners said the silver medal here would increase her determination at the World Championships in Ottawa next month.

"Katarina skated very well, and she deserved to win. This makes me more determined to skate better at the Worlds and accomplish what I didn't accomplish here."

While Sumners will be moving on to professional skating, 16-year-old Tiffany Chin, who finished fourth after a dazzling free-style performance said she would be back for the 1988 Games in Calgary.



U.S. figure skater Rosalynn Sumners of Edmonds, Wash., glides across ice for silver medal.

Make pros eligible Rule change eyed by IOC

By LARRY GERBER
The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — The president of the International Olympic Committee gave a strong hint Saturday that future Games may be open to athletes, regardless of their amateur or professional status.

Juan Antonio Samaranch told a news conference that the committee's eligibility rule, intended to keep professionals from competing in the Olympics, was being reworked every two or three years, "and I hope it will be changed again."

The issue of eligibility arose just before the XIV Olympic Winter Games began with a squabble over hockey players who are professionals. It resulted in the disqualification of two players each from Canada and Italy and one from Austria.

There has been growing criticism of Olympic rules which allow "state athletes" from communist countries to participate but bar professionals from the West. Rule 26 of the Olympic Charter gives individual national federations the power to draw eligibility rules, but with final approval resting with the IOC. It also specifically bans anyone who has played or coached in professional ranks, or who has signed a professional sports contract.

On Friday, Walter Bush, vice president of the U.S. Amateur Hockey Association, said at least five nations support the idea of opening Olympic competition to all athletes, professional or not.

Samaranch said the proposal had not officially been presented to the committee. But he added:

"We know very well that the world is divided into two different political systems, and they produce different sports organizations. The IOC must build one bridge between these systems so that all athletes have the opportunity to take part in the games."

He defended International Skating

Federation rules which barred Sweden's success in Stenmark from these games on grounds he accepted money directly from sponsors, but acknowledged that athletes in track and field and other sports also accept payments.

"But they are controlled by their own federations, and that is very important," Samaranch said.

Mats Wilander, a top-professional Swedish tennis player, will probably play this summer in the Games at Los Angeles, where tennis will be a non-medal demonstration sport open to players 21 and under, Samaranch said. At the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, South Korea, tennis will be played for medals, and Samaranch said the committee would take up the professional issue for that sport after the Los Angeles Games.

"The Korean Olympic tournament will be a very great tennis tournament indeed," he predicted.

"We are solving the problems one by one," he said. "We are very happy to see Wilander during this demonstration in Los Angeles."

The committee also will study the issue of soccer professionalism, and "I think and I hope we can solve that problem regarding football," Samaranch said.

On other issues, the committee president:

- Defended the practice of playing national anthems and raising national flags at medals ceremonies, which some see as overly nationalistic. "We think the protocol we have now is excellent, and I can assure you we will follow this way," he said.
- Namely to be considering making a bid for the 1992 Games, but said no official applications had been submitted. They were Lillehammer, Norway; Falun, Sweden; Berchtesgaden, West Germany; Sofia, Bulgaria; Cortina, Italy and Albertville, France.

Rich finds games 'a cinch' Olympic gatecrasher strikes

By NORM CLARKE
The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — One of the world's greatest gatecrashers has struck his biggest international target, breaking the security of the XIV Winter Games.

Dan Rich, a tall, tanned former movie extra from San Diego, Calif., has cracked 17 Super Bowls, slipped into World-Series press conferences, and sat next to Farris Fawcett-Majors in \$600 seats at a heavyweight boxing match.

On his first day at the Winter Games, he did it again.

Minutes after being invited by America's Debbie Armstrong and Christin Cooper in the women's giant slalom, Rich was in the Mount Jahorina press room, congratulating the two as dozens of cameras clicked away. For proof, he got Armstrong's autograph.

"This was a cinch. They don't know me here," said Rich, 54, whose exploits rank with a gatecrasher extraordinaire of another era, One-Eyed Connolly.

A couple days later, he breached even tighter security — the guarded entrance to the main press center. That same day, he worked his way into the media center at speed skating.

"The Winter Olympics are the easiest to crash by far," said Rich, who has been to three.

"The Super Bowl, by far, I had to go with disguises starting in 1973 because they were on me. The Summer Games in Los Angeles may even be tougher though," he said.

Gatecrashing became an obsession with Rich after sneaking into the first National Football League Super Bowl in Los Angeles.

"I knew one of the assistants with the Kansas City Chiefs and he loaned me one of their red coaches' jackets. I

followed their team bus in from Seal Beach so I could arrive at the gate at the same time. Then I walked in with one of the players," he said.

After the game, Rich made his way to the podium and stood next to winning coach Vince Lombardi as NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle presented the silver trophy. The day, NFL hierarchy puzzled over the mystery man whose picture appeared in thousands of newspapers next to Lombardi.

In the 1978 Super Bowl, he got a ride to the stadium with Denver Coach Red Miller, who was flabbergasted later when he saw winning coach Tom Landry of Dallas being carried off the field on Rich's shoulders.

"I got a dirty look from Red for that," said Rich.

Rich doesn't like to call himself the greatest gatecrasher in the world. He modestly admits he is in the top three, though.

Failure for Rich is not being seen on television or in sports page photographs with the winning coach.

"I got shut out at this year's Super Bowl. I was on the Washington Redskins' side of the field and couldn't get to Tom Flores (Oakland coach) in time."

The only Super Bowl he has missed since was in 1969, when Joe Namath and the New York Jets upset heavily-favored Baltimore.

He is a regular at Rozelle's post Super Bowl party. At one Super Bowl he danced with Landry's 21-year-old daughter at a private party.

"If the truth were known, I'm the reason the NFL has such tight security," he said. "A security chief of the NFL had an obsession to keep me out. He put a finger in my face once and threatened to personally throw me out if he found me."

Back in the 1920s, One-Eyed Connolly made a name by slipping into championship fights and other major sports on his whims and wits.

Mahre's rocket out of fuel

By JOHN MOSSMAN
The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — A funny thing happened to Phil Mahre on his way to the Olympics. The skills that had carried him to three consecutive World Cup overall titles suddenly left him.

Traditionally a slow starter in December, the first month of the World Cup season, Mahre is always expected to catch fire in January and rocket past his competition. This year, the fuse seems to have fizzled.

Mahre makes his final bid for a 1984 Olympic medal today in the men's slalom, a race in which he finished second four years ago.

He attributes his season-long struggle to a "lack of concentration" to the fact that skiing "doesn't hold the mystique for me once did," and to a change in priorities in which "my family is more important than skiing right now."

"I've accomplished all I wanted and I don't have anything more to prove," he says.

Mahre's main competition Sunday includes Andreas Wenzel of Liechtenstein, Franz Gruber of Austria, Bojan Krizan of Yugoslavia, Stig Strane of Sweden and Steve Mahre, his twin brother.

"It should be a wide-open com-



PHIL MAHRE Sking has lost its mystique

never used to cause him trouble, wonder why Phil Mahre is still competing.

Those who have heard him complain about the conditions of the course at every race in which he falters — something he never used to do — wonder why he subjects himself to the torment.

His troubles on the slopes are new. The roots of his frustration are not.

Mahre, 26, from Yakima, Wash., is his 16th season skiing competitively on the U.S. team. He has invoked these themes of being tired with his sport for several years now, hinting that each season would be his last.

But when he achieved one World Cup overall crown, he decided to come back for another, then another. The prospect of an unprecedented fourth consecutive title, plus pressure from U.S. Ski Team officials and fans to go for the gold at Sarajevo, is what made him give it one more shot.

His World Cup hopes have been all but mathematically dashed. He needs to win one of the seven remaining races — three slaloms and four giant slaloms — and finish high in the others, and hope that the standings leaders, Pirmin Zurbriggen of Switzerland and Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden, falter badly.

Nicklaus makes a move at L.A. Open

By BOB GREEN
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Front-running Jay Haas double-bogeyed the 18th hole Saturday, dropping him back into a three-way tie for the third round lead and opening the door to a Jack Nicklaus challenge in the \$400,000 Los Angeles Open Golf Tournament.

Haas led by three strokes most of the bright, sunny day and held a two-shot advantage playing the final hole on the oneforving Riviera Country Club course.

But he hit his second shot up on the hill behind the green, left his pitch short in the fringe, and then — shortly after the national television cameras had cut away for the day — three-putted.

The double bogey completely changed the face and form of the tournament.

It finished off a round of 1-over-par 72 for Haas, deprived him of sole

possession of the top spot and sent the field into the Sunday's final round of the chase for a \$72,000 first prize with no one better than par 213.

Haas was tied at that figure with Fred Couples, who bogeyed the 18th after hitting it off a cart path, and Jack Renner, a winner last week in Hawaii. Couples had a third-round 71 and Renner shot 67, but two strokes the best of the tournament.

And it also put the formidable figure of Nicklaus, holder of a record 17 major professional titles and generally considered the greatest player the game has produced, a single stroke back.

"That's good position," Nicklaus said. "If I can play a good round of golf tomorrow, I've got a good shot at it."

Nicklaus, now 44 and a non-winner since the summer of 1982, rallied from a terrible start — he bogeyed three of his first four holes — and shot a 70. He was tied at 214 with T.C. Chen and Mark McCumber. Chen had a 69 and McCumber matched par 71.

The group at 215, only two shots back, included Jim Colbert, Johnny Miller, Gary Koch, Dave Edwards and Barry Jacek. Jacek, who grew up playing this course, and the veteran Colbert each had a 69. Miller, Koch and Edwards shot 72s.

Rex Caldwell and Isao Aoki, who were tied with Haas for the 36-hole lead, each bogey to a 76 and were well back at 217.

Hal Sutton, who won the PGA national championship on his last visit to Riviera, had a 72 that left him at 221. Tom Watson, trying to fight his way out of the worst slump of his career, had a 73 that left him at 224. U.S. Open title-holder Larry Nelson was 70-219.

Nicklaus said he was having trouble adjusting his tempo through the first four holes, when he went 3-over-par

and was on the brink of elimination from the title chase.

"But he pulled things together, and the rest of the round was the best I've played this year," he said.

He made his round with an eagle-birdie-hole string that began on the 11th hole. He ran in a 4-5-50 foot putt from the fringe for an eagle-3, hit a 5-iron less than six feet from the cup on the 12th and birdied the 13th from about 12 feet.

"If I can get a good start and keep my composure tomorrow, I could do some damage," he said.

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Stevenson, Cubans beat U.S. boxers

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Three-time Olympic champion Teofilo Stevenson scored a narrow decision over super heavyweight Tyrell Biggs and the Cuban team dominated the upper weight classes to take an 8-4 dual match victory Saturday over the United States boxing team.

Stevenson dropped Biggs in the third round with a left hook to pull out his second win over the American fighter with a 3-2 victory.

Cuban fighters won all four weight classes from 165 pounds up to offset a good American effort in the lighter weights in the dual match.

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It takes more than a good ol' boy to win Daytona 500

By SANDRA McKEE
The Daytona Evening Sun

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — They're going faster and faster all the time. Round and round at 200 m.p.h. The car is quicker than the eye, and the hands and feet must cope with the ever-constant blur of asphalt and the pressure of 30 rival missiles streaking around the automotive balling.

That's how it will be today at the Daytona International Raceway — a 2.5-mile tri-oval called a SUPRIS speedway. But in 1959, when this race track was being created, no one ever imagined that car speeds would reach 200 m.p.h.

As recently as the late 1970s — these Grand National drivers thought they could handle the challenge on instinct alone.

"I remember (drivers) coming to the race on a Sunday morning with eyes that looked like two red cherries," said Tim Flock, a Grand National champion in 1952 and 1955. "We trained on booze ... and sweated it out on Sunday in the race car."

When the Grand National drivers sit-up themselves into their cars for the 26th running of the Daytona 500 today (10:15 a.m. MST) there won't be any red-eyed cherries staring through the visors.

Grand National stock-car racing has changed and one of the biggest changes is in the way the drivers prepare for their work.

"The old days are gone forever," said Humpy Wheeler, who runs Charlotte Motor Speedway and has been an innovative force in motor sports for 15 years. "The competition is about 100 percent tougher than it was in 1950."

There are a lot of athletes with natural endurance, athletes who

never have to work to stay in shape. But most guys in this sport are aggressive, hard-driving people, and they need to work on endurance, control and the ability to concentrate."

And that's why Wheeler is one of the driving forces behind the changes in the conditioning programs for stock-car drivers.

Gone is the idea that "just driving keeps us in shape." Now drivers are involved in boxing, karate, and weight-training programs. It's gotten to the point where the U.S. Tobacco company that sponsors four Grand National race cars has installed gym equipment in its teams' garages. U.S. Tobacco, which is in charge of the U.S. Olympic Sports Medicine program, also has helped to produce a guide on physical fitness for Winston Cup drivers. The drivers, particularly the younger ones, are taking it very seriously.

When Wheeler approached rookies Phil Parsons and Bobby Hillin and veteran Tim Richmond to join a boxing program, they jumped at the chance.

"He came up and whispered in our ears, 'How would you guys like to have 50 extra horsepower over the last 100 laps of each race?'" Parsons said. "How could anyone turn that

down?" Wheeler told them that strength and stamina would give them an edge, and they bought it.

"It's done everything he said it would," Parsons said. "It's improved my hand-eye coordination and my leg strength, and it's helped my neck muscles. I think it really made a difference for me at Talladega last year, too."

"Talladega, Parsons took a wild ride, cut-over-end down the backstretch, very similar to the ride Mickey Rudd took here last Sunday during the running of the Busch Clash. The car was demolished, but Parsons only broke a shoulder. "I was sore — but only for a day or two," he said. "I think the boxing really helped me to recover quicker."

Rudd, involved in weight training, was able to return from his crash by Wednesday and claims to feel none the worse for the tumble.

"We're trying to take some of the emotion out of racing," said Wheeler. "We're trying to keep the pulse rates steady and the concentration at a maximum. In 1967 Buddy Baker and I started boxing. At the time he couldn't win a race because he was so emotional. Then one day he started sharp-shooting while we were boxing — picking his spots like Sugar Ray Leonard. Then he started racing with his head, and he started winning. I think the boxing experience was the key for him winning."

Baker, who recently built a home and installed a complete gym in his basement, agrees with Wheeler.

"Those boxing matches with

Humpy were the first strong training I'd ever done," said Baker, who is driving for the Wood Brothers this season. Now he advises other drivers to get into a type of training that sharpens reflexes and increases hand-eye coordination.

Richmond, too, is an advocate but says, "I don't want to bring anybody else into our boxing program, because I don't want anybody else to have the edge I get from this."

Hillin, who will be competing against Parsons for the Rookie of the Year award, is 19 years old and explains the advantage he gets from boxing: "It will make me a better driver, just being in shape, to be able to breathe hard and have a clear mind."

However, not all the Grand National drivers and car owners agree that exercise is the next step to greater success racing. Some think the body-beautiful workouts are just for show, just to attract sponsors like Wrangler, which needs a good physique to sell its product.

Others, who do agree on exercise programs, don't agree on what kind of program is the most beneficial. Baker says running isn't good, because "running is too much of a relaxer," but Kyle Petty, who runs from 14 to 21 miles a week and works out daily on a universal gym, says running does help.

"For so long the competition was in building the best car and finding the most horsepower," Petty said. "Now the competitive edge has flowed over to the driver's compartment. It takes a lot of mental conditioning, and anything that can help you concentrate over a four- or five-hour period has to help. Running requires endurance."

"I doubt if my father (Richard Petty) or Bobby Allison ever jogged a day in their lives — I know they never lifted weights. But remember, they worked on their own cars. They did the physical labor. Drivers now, a lot of them, just show up to drive the race car. Now you've got to have some-

thing else to build up mental toughness, and a sense of self-confidence. Exercise, any kind of exercise, is necessary to find an edge."

"We were just daredevils in the old days, just running and playing and having a good time," Flock said. "Now drivers make more money. Now they're professional businessmen. I don't know if all the conditioning makes these boys better drivers, but if they think it does, then that's the important thing."

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TODAY
Buhl Senior Citizens
Potluck dinner and social hour at 1 p.m. at the senior center.

MONDAY
Buhl Chamber of Commerce
Meets at noon at the Ramona restaurant.
Buhl Overeaters Anonymous
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church.
Buhl Senior Citizens
Lunch at noon and dinner at 5 p.m., both at the senior center.
Gooding Overeaters Anonymous
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at Walker Center.
Hagerman Senior Citizens
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the senior center.
Jerome King Fu Club
Meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Magic Valley Dance Center.
Dance Center
Monday Bridge Club
Meets at 1 p.m. at the YPCA building in Richfield Golden Years Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the Assembly of God Church.
Shooshoon AI-Anon
Meets at 8 p.m. at the senior center.
Shooshoon AI-Anon
Meets at 8 p.m. at the senior center.
Wendell Kiwanis Club
Dinner and entertainment at noon at the senior center, off West Avenue A.

TUESDAY
Buhl Duplicate Bridge Club
Pairs - play begins at 7:30 p.m. - at the Lincoln Courts community building, 1310 Main St.
Buhl Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Eaton-Hazelton Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at senior center in Eden.
Fisheside Club
Meets at noon at the Filer United Methodist Church.
Filer Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the Filer Senior Haven.
Glenns Ferry Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the Three Island Senior Center.
Gooding AI-Anon
Meets at 8 p.m. at Walker Center.
Gooding Alcoholics Anonymous
Meets at 8 p.m. at the old hotel, off South Main Street.
Gooding Optimist Club
Meets at noon at the Lincoln Inn.
Gooding Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Jerome Rotary Club
Meets at noon at the Fireside Lounge.
Jerome Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Ketchum-Sun Valley Rotary Club
Meets at 12:15 p.m. at Louie's restaurant in Ketchum.
Magdalen's Barbershop Chorus
Meets at 8 p.m. at the Twin Falls First Baptist Church, at Ninth Street and Shoshone Street East.
Shooshoon Golden Years Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Singles Square Dancing
Begins at 7 p.m. at 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome.
Twin Falls TOPS
Chapter No. 3 meets at 1 p.m. at City Hall.
Twin Falls Toastmasters Club
Meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.
Wendell Kiwanis Club
Meets at noon at Molina's restaurant.

WEDNESDAY
Buhl Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Filer Senior Citizens
Meets at noon at the spelling, handicrafts and a potluck dinner at the Filer Senior Haven.
Hagerman Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Jerome Chamber of Commerce
Meets at noon at the Elks Lodge.
Jerome Optimist Club
Meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Pizza Co. restaurant.
Jerome Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Jerome TOPS
Chapter No. 48 meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Jerome Public Library.
Richfield Grange, No. 151
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Grange hall.
Shooshoon Golden Years Senior Citizens
Brunch from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Slades' Picochle.
Meets at 8 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans hall, at Harrison and Sheop Streets in Twin Falls.
Snake River Canyon Kennel Club
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Simplot Sallubuilders building, off South Eastland Drive.
The Network
Meets at noon for a luncheon and business meeting at the Golden Palace restaurant in Twin Falls.

THURSDAY
Burley Overeaters Anonymous
Meets at 7:30 p.m. in the law-enforcement center conference room, 129 E. 14th St.
Buhl Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon and cards at 7 p.m., both at the senior center.
Eaton-Hazelton Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center in Eden.
Filer Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the Filer Senior Haven.
Glenns Ferry Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the Three Island Senior Center.
Gooding Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Jerome Kiwanis Club
Meets at noon at the China Village Restaurant.
Jerome King Fu Club
Meets at 4:30 p.m. at the Magic Valley Dance Center.
Ketchum Senior Citizens
Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the banquet room at the Depot Grill.
Twin Falls Optimist Club
Meets at noon at the Mandarin House restaurant.
Twin Falls Overeaters Anonymous
Meets at 7:30 p.m. in Room 5 at the Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.
Twin Falls TOPS
Chapter No. 266 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 1955 Shoup Ave. E.
Upper Big Wood River Grange, No. 102
Meets at 8:30 p.m. at the Grange hall in Halley.

FRIDAY
Buhl Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Filer Senior Citizens
Dinner at 6 p.m. at the Filer Senior Haven.
Gooding Rotary Club
Meets at 12:15 p.m. at the Lincoln Inn.
Hagerman Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Jerome Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
Magic Grange, No. 233
Meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Grange hall north of Shoshone.
Shooshoon Golden Years Senior Citizens
Dinner at noon at the senior center.
SATURDAY
Wood River Center Grange, No. 86
Meets at 8:30 p.m. at the Grange hall north of Shoshone.

Now you know
By United Press International
The peak period for immigrants admitted to the United States was the 8,795,386 people from 1901 to 1910. From 1920 to 1979, 49,125,413 people had been admitted to the North American nation.

Women seen as backsliding

By ALICE STEINBACH
The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON -- That's odd. Here's celebrated feminist Susan Brownmiller sitting in her room at the Madison Hotel, telling you about how women are trapped once again into coloring their hair, painting their fingernails, putting on makeup and wearing shoes with absurdly high heels, all in the name of pleasing and appeasing the male sex. She calls it "backsliding."
And here she is, lighting up Carlton after Carlton and telling you how these observations, plus a rigorous scrutiny of her own "feminine tricks" over the years, led her to write a book, "Femininity." It's called and it has just arrived in bookstores. It has as its thesis the idea that feminine wiles are making a big comeback because of the fierce competition among women for men and jobs.

And there's more. Here's Ms. Brownmiller — who's been dubbed by the press as the "angry" feminist — telling you in no uncertain terms that the pursuit of femininity ("a nostalgic tradition of imposed limitations") requires of women a great deal of trickery and artifice as well as time — and money because, as she puts it, "Looking like what you really look like has NEVER been good enough for femininity."
Now for the odd part. While she's telling you all this, Susan Brownmiller, the woman who in 1975 wrote "Against Our Will: Men, Women and Rape," is seated in front of a mirror having her soft, brown hair curled and teased and sprayed by Mr. John, a hair stylist from the Washington salon that does Nancy Reagan's hair.

"You see, you've got this great exclusive here," she says by way of explanation, her voice shot through with a raw sarcasm. "This is my way of showing my sisterhood with other women," she says, laughing loudly. Then, in a high, sing-song voice, she mimics what she thinks the public reaction will be in response to her rendezvous with Mr. John: "See. Even the big, tough feminist worries that her hair won't look good on television."
The cameras at CBS, it seems, are waiting and, she explains, "I need to feel confident when I face the outside world."

Which brings up a question: Taking into consideration the fact that she has just written a book which gives us the theory that femininity is ruled by values in a man's world, is this then a case of "Don't do as I do, do as I say?"
"No, no, no. I need to please the public. It's one thing to write a book and send the book out to the bookstores. It's quite another thing when I, the author, have to go out there and front for my book. I'm a great believer in the theory that if you

are going to challenge certain ideas, people want to know if you're challenging them because you can't match those ideas — so it's sour grapes — or you're challenging them because you can match them but you choose not to," says Ms. Brownmiller. She acknowledges that her own relationship to the feminine esthetic is, to say the least, ambivalent.
"I fear being an unfeminine woman because that means dismissal," she says, instructing Mr. John to put a little height into the front of her hair. "I'm a writer. I feel I have something to say and I don't want to be dismissed as someone who doesn't look good enough to be able to say anything. A man who is a writer doesn't have to look good, but we look at women in a different way. I think women — and men — are reluctant to listen to women who don't look good."

Susan Brownmiller — a slender, alert-looking woman whose sardonic laugh and upraising eyes suggest a guarded and challenging nature — will be 49 in a few weeks.
She is dressed in a drab gray pantsuit and, though she is wearing little or no makeup, her face has a carefully tended look about it. She no longer wears skirts or high heels and she insists on telling you — whether you want to know or not — that she bleaches the hair on her legs and colors the hair on her head because "I couldn't bear people telling me I didn't look good when it got gray." She says she has worried about her looks all her life and that growing older frightens her.

"Sure it frightens me. Yeah. Who wants to not look as good next year as you look this year? I'm as affected as anybody by what the culture says a woman should look like and what a woman should be. I feel I'm probably stronger than some because I have put my ego into something that does not go away with age. My work. But that's rare. I think few women are in my position."

Computer transforms blind boy

By FRANK LYNCH
The Harrisburg Patriot News

HUMMELSTOWN, Pa. — Jacob Joehi, 9 years old and blind since birth, can communicate using both Braille and written English. He has been working with Braille since the age of 4, and he can also type on a typewriter.

But these days, he is also able to read, write, edit, store and retrieve homework and other written material through VersaBraille, a state-of-the-art computer that uses cassette tapes to reduce the need for bulky Brailled volumes and individual work sheets.
Thanks to high technology and the support of his community, this blind Hummelstown youth has more information at his fingertips than ever before.

Jacob received the machine in October and is one of only a handful of visually handicapped children in the state to have access to one.

A pupil in the regular third grade in Lower Dauphin's Price Elementary School in Hummelstown, Jacob is provided with special instruction by staff from the Capital Area Intermediate Unit's (CAIU) program for the visually impaired.

Jill Dyson, one of Jacob's teachers, says the machine "will make him faster" in his studies, and help him keep up with his sighted classmates.
Although the VersaBraille is quite expensive — the basic unit costs about \$7,000, with available accessories costing much more — Jacob was able to receive one as a result of a community fund-raising effort organized by Jeanne Leiper of CAIU.

And Ms. Dyson says the machine is worth its price tag, although Jacob is only now becoming familiar with it. But she believes it offers him a "lot of potential."
"It will enable him to become a little more independent," she says.

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Valley happenings

Child CPR class Monday

TWIN FALLS — An instruction session in cardiopulmonary resuscitation for infants and children will be held at 10 a.m. Monday in the maternal-child unit at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

AARP to see film

TWIN FALLS — The American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 339 Fourth Ave. W. Doris Inyard of the Idaho First National Bank will show the film "Dupeo and Fraud Against Senior Citizens."

Cancer program set

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will hold an "I Can Cope" cancer program at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Room D of the hospital annex. The discussion topic will be "Learning to Live with Limitations."

AAUW to meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Courtroom No. 4 of the Twin Falls County Judicial Building. Barbara Sampson, the former manager of the Plant Pathology Greenhouse in Lincoln, Neb., will speak on container gardens. The meeting is open to the public.

Coat class at Fairfield

FAIRFIELD — Kay Lynn Cheney will conduct a workshop on construction of ski wear Wednesday at the courtroom in Fairfield. A free lecture will begin at 10 a.m., and a three-hour class will be held in the afternoon.

Those attending are asked to bring a sack lunch. Sewing supplies will not be required until two additional sessions are held.

The workshops are being sponsored by the Extension Service Home economists of Gooding and Camas counties.

The cost of the class and a book is \$12 for 4-H leaders and \$22 for others.

To register, send a check to Cheney at the Camas County agent's office: Box 157, Fairfield, 83327. For more information, call Slacie Briggs at 764-2574 or Mary Lou Hulby at 934-4056 or 934-4061.

Auditions scheduled

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Chorale will hold auditions at 9:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 121 of the Fine Arts Building at the College of Southern Idaho for solo parts in Mendelssohn's "Saint Paul," to be performed at the spring concert.

Rita Larom to speak

TWIN FALLS — The Divorce Recovery Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Immanuel Lutheran School, 2655 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Rita Larom, the director of the Center of New Directions, will speak. The public is invited. For more information, call 734-8193, 326-4456 or 543-6883.

Snowriders plan picnic

GOODING — Northside Snowriders will hold its annual picnic at noon next Sunday, Feb. 26, at the Gooding-Camas county line. Hog dogs and chili will be provided by the organization. Those attending are asked to bring a potluck dish and their own beverage. For more information, call 534-4378.

Bazaar planned

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Citizens are reserving table space for a bazaar that will be held March 24 and 25 at the Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Proceeds will be donated to the organization's building fund. Table space may be rented by calling 733-3022 or 733-8528.

Host families sought

TWIN FALLS — The Ma Tre Val Council of Camp Fire is participating for the third year with the Experiment in International Living, the nation's oldest international educational exchange organization.

Mary Lou Keenan, the council executive in Twin Falls, says that host families are needed for international visitors from 40 countries during the next year.

Visitors will stay with individual families for a period of three weeks, Keenan says, during which time they will become members of the families, participating in "all the important and ordinary events, and learning about us as we learn about them in a family setting."

Anyone interested in the hospitality program should call Keenan at 733-6214 by Feb. 27.

The Experiment in International Living, founded in 1932, is part of a confederation of more than 50 autonomous national offices. During the last half-century from its headquarters in Brattleboro, Vt., EIL has sent some 60,000 persons abroad to live with foreign families, as part of an academic college or high-school semester abroad, or as participants in a summer abroad program.

EIL has arranged homestays with American families for more than 150,000 international visitors, Keenan says.



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BRUCE REEVES

Four Twin Falls boys earn Eagle Scout pins

TWIN FALLS — Four members of Boy Scout Troop 67 received Eagle Scout awards at the First United Methodist Church last Sunday morning.

Honored were David Clifton, Bill Coggins, Ryan McDermott and Bruce Reeves.

Clifton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clifton of Twin Falls, is a junior at Twin Falls High School. He served as patrol leader, senior patrol leader and currently is a junior assistant Scoutmaster. He writes for the school newspaper and works as a courtesy clerk at Safeway.

For his Eagle service project, he organized the clearing of weeds and beautification of city-owned land at the corners of Washington, Addison and Main streets.

Servicemen

TWIN FALLS — Travis Andrew Lee, the son of Larry Lee of Jerome, and Dean Cary Ralphs, the son of Mrs. Margaret Ralphs and William Ralphs of Twin Falls, have enlisted in the Air Force.

Lee and Ralphs will receive basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

Allen Dee Young, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Young of Wendell; Marty Alan Jones, the son of Norman L. Jones of Jerome; and Daniel Lee Karr, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Karr of Jerome, have enlisted in the Air Force's delayed enlistment program.

Coggins, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coggins, is a Twin Falls High School senior. He has served as scribe, quartermaster and senior patrol leader. His Eagle project was cleaning the area around the Vietnam memorial in Twin Falls City Park.

McDermott, 17, is the son of Dennis and Sandra McDermott. He is junior assistant Scoutmaster and has served as senior patrol leader. His Eagle project was painting playground equipment and buildings at Harry Barry Park in Twin Falls.

Reeves, 17, a Twin Falls High School junior, is the son of Ann Reeves. His Eagle project was painting the fence at the church parsonage.

Frank Mogenson, who has served as Scoutmaster of Troop 67 for more than 25 years, also was recognized at the event for his many years of volunteer leadership.

Engagements



Nancy Donnelly



Kamie Bennett

TWIN FALLS — Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Donnelly of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Ellen, to Duane Edward Lenn, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lenn of Plainview, Minn.

Donnelly, a 1980 graduate of Twin Falls High School, will receive a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Northwest Nazarene College in June.

Lenn, a 1980 graduate of Plainview High School, will receive a bachelor's degree in physics from Northwest Nazarene College in June.

The couple is planning a summer wedding.

WENDELL — Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett of Wendell announce the engagement of their daughter, Kamie, to David Poulton, the son of Mrs. Wes Trounson of Wendell and Calvin Poulton of Vermil, Utah.

Bennett, a 1982 graduate of Wendell High School, works in Poacetto.

Poulton, also a 1982 graduate of Wendell High School, attends Idaho State University.

The couple plans a March 10 wedding in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Wendell.

Cyndi Smutny

BOISE — Mr. and Mrs. Stan Smutny of Boise announce the engagement of their daughter, Cyndi Rae, to Randy James Harris, the son of Connie L'opez of Santa Rosa, Calif.

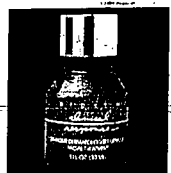
Smutny, a 1977 graduate of Boise High School, graduated from Boise State University in 1983. She is employed by the Meridian School District.

Harris, a 1971 graduate of Rancho Cotate High School in Santa Rosa, attended Boise State University. He works for the state of Idaho.

The couple is planning a March 31 wedding at the Central Assembly Church in Boise.

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On the move

Federal Express opens office

TWIN FALLS — The Federal Express Corp. has opened an office in Twin Falls, extending its network across the southern part of Idaho.

"We're expanding quite rapidly in the Northwest," says Armand Schneider, the manager of media relations for the Memphis-based overnight delivery service.

Federal Express also moved into Pocatello and Idaho Falls when it opened the local office two weeks ago, he says.

The company picks up and delivers packages up to 125 pounds in a 50-mile radius from its Twin Falls office at 551 Addison Ave. W. The local supervisor is Doug Gardner.

Federal Express currently has more than 200 offices serving 300 major markets and 38,000 communities nationwide, Schneider says. It handles 265,000 shipments nightly, with a fleet of 60 jets and 5,500 vans, he says.

Like other national services, Federal Express promises a 10:30 a.m. delivery on the next business day. In Twin Falls, packages may be sent by 4 p.m. to get the morning delivery.

Me-N-Ed's opens Burley unit

BURLEY — The reader board outside Me-N-Ed's Pizza Parlor beckons: "Hi, Burley! Come 'n' and help us pay for this sign."

Manager Chris Mattive says area residents have taken the restaurant up on the invitation since its recent opening. "Business has been very good," he says.

Me-N-Ed's, owned by Bruce Culp and Ed Sandlin of Idaho Falls, has moved the chain's newest branch into the former Grizzly Bear Pizza Parlor at 425 N. Overland Ave.

"We have added a dough room and a supply room to the facility in order to process our own foods," Mattive says. "We buy as many of our supplies as we can locally."

The restaurant offers sandwiches along with thin-crust and deep-dish pizzas. "Our salad bar is our biggest selling card," he says.

Me-N-Ed's operates five restaurants in Idaho, including one in Twin Falls.

Custom furniture makers join

TWIN FALLS — Two custom furniture companies merged their businesses earlier this month to form a general cabinetry firm.

Owners Earl and Barbara Williamson of Executive

Design, which specialized in custom cabinetry and office furniture, have purchased a half-interest in the 6-year-old Design Wholesale, according to Design Wholesale partner Laura Penton, Owned by Penton and her husband Del, Design Wholesale produces kitchen and bathroom cabinetry.

The new company will keep the Design Wholesale name.

All operations are being consolidated at the company's remodeled store at 265 Ash St. N., Penton says.

The business intends to expand into new styles of cabinetry, Penton says. It will continue to handle both custom and modular types of furnishings.

The Williamsons formerly had operated Executive Design from their residence at 235 Ninth Ave. N.

Donnelley adds silk screening

TWIN FALLS — Donnelley Sports, which supplies uniforms for many sports teams; has branched into the printing business with a \$25,000 silk screen shop in the basement of its Main Avenue store, says part owner Bob Donnelley.

The expansion will allow Donnelley to both sell the uniforms and imprint them with team names or designs in as many as four colors. In addition, "we can do original art or take a business logo and transfer it to a piece of clothing," Donnelley says.

The company has added one employee to run the shop and may put a sales representative on the road later this year. The recent popularity of sports-related wear, such as softball hats and nylon jackets, has widened the market for silk screen printing, he says.

Donnelley Sports formerly contracted for the printing of uniforms.

The store, which is owned by Donnelley and his wife, Marilyn, is located at 160 Main Ave. N.

Cafe has old-fashioned flair

BURLEY — The recipes are from a 1928 cookbook and many are cooked on a 1939 stove converted to a steam table. Ko-z Koffee Kafe, at 1332 Albion Ave. in Burley, has gone into business with old-fashioned flair.

Roy and Bonnie Slagel, who run the "mom and pop" business for their daughter, Ann Martindale, say the cafe's menu offers only homemade specialties, no processed foods.

"We make our own salad dressing, bread our own wheat and cut our own french fries," Mrs. Slagel says. The Slagels bake their own breads and make their own desserts, such as pumpkin pie, she says.

Opened in November, the restaurant is open throughout the day and offers breakfast at any time.

Trade winds

Faye Brunkow has been promoted to manager of the Twin Falls Phone Center of AT&T Information Systems. She formerly had been a customer representative for AT&T, the same position she held with Mountain Bell before the Phone Center came under AT&T control on Jan. 1.

AT&T Phone Centers sell and lease telephones to residential and small business customers.

— Jim Frimm, a Twin Falls-based columnist for the Dixon Paper Co., was one of eight employees honored for outstanding sales

during 1983. He received the company's Bellingier Award at the annual sales meeting of the paper manufacturer, which is headquartered in Salt Lake City.

Dr. Jan Jurbecka of Magic Valley Surgical Associates in Twin Falls has become the first Idaho physician admitted to the Rocky Mountain Vascular Society. He became a member at the society's recent annual meeting.

Rick Mitchell has been appointed an agent for the Allstate Insurance Group. He will be sta-

tioned in the Sears store at 403 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Mitchell formerly was the Magic Valley representative for Life Insurance Co. of the Northwest, which is based in Spokane.

Marilyn and Ray Jen, the owners of New Beginnings Hair Design of Twin Falls, and employee Shirley Webster, recently attended training seminars at the Hedden Laboratories in Orlando. They were among 1,500 stylists learning about new trends in hairdressing, cosmetics and salon management.

Merger plan scrapped by resources company

SPOKANE (AP) — Nesco Resources Inc. has scrapped its planned merger with the Saddle Resources Ltd., and instead has agreed to acquire a 38-percent stake in Goldback Mines Corp. of Murray, Idaho, Nesco officials said.

In place of the merger, Nesco said it acquired 5,000 Saddle Resources shares in exchange for 50,000 Nesco shares, and that it holds an option to acquire a total of 100,000 Saddle Resources shares, which represents 2.2 percent of those outstanding, by June 30.

The merger plan had prompted objections from certain Nesco shareholders who complained they weren't given an opportunity to approve it beforehand.

Nesco, formerly of Spokane but now based in Calgary, Alberta, said the merger with Saddle Resources, a closely held Vancouver, B.C., company, was called off because of financial problems affecting some of Saddle Resources' major shareholders.

Nesco said it named Jim Frank of Osburn, Idaho, as a director to fill the vacancy created by Paul Flicka's resignation, keeping the board at five. Frank is a senior accountant with Sunshine Mining Co., Nesco said, and

his brother, Paul Frank, already is a Nesco director.

The company agreed to acquire the 30 percent interest in Goldback Mines Corp. by exchanging 60,000 Nesco shares for an equal number of Goldback shares. Goldback owns 96 mineral claims near Murray and Mullan, Idaho, and a flotation mill on some of the Murray claims.

Nesco said its working capital "is presently depleted," but it is planning a private placement of up to 1 million restricted shares at 10 cents a share to raise up to \$100,000.

The money is to be used to acquire additional gas-well and mining-claim interests, including an interest in claims held by Frank Bros. Mining Contractors, of Kellogg, in which Nesco director Paul Frank has an interest, Nesco said.

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•Sorghum plantings, indicated at 14.8 million acres, up 26 percent from 11.8 million last year.

•Barley, at 10.56 million acres, would be down fractionally from 10.6 million planted in 1983.

•Rice plantings for 1984 were

estimated at 2.82 million acres, up 29 percent from 2.19 million last year.

•Peanut farmers said they planned to plant 1.41 million acres, unchanged from last year.

•Tobacco was indicated at 794,000 acres, up 1 percent from 783,800 acres last year.

Porter

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Also, you don't have to wait until you earn your income in 1984 before you can make your contribution. For instance, if you expect your 1984 earned income to be \$70,000, you can now contribute to your Keogh plan a full \$14,000 (20 percent of \$70,000).

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Thus, if you earned \$750 to \$5,000 in 1983 from self-employment, you could contribute \$750 to a Keogh plan even though that is more than the allowable 15 percent. For 1984, this special break ends. Your contribution must meet the percent-of-earnings test.

Next: What's Ahead for 1984

WARNING No. 1: If you have employees in your unincorporated business, you can't discriminate against these employees in your Keogh plan arrangement. Thus, you may have to contribute for their

Sylvia Porter writes on financial matters for Universal Press Syndicate.

Federation chief speaks at Caldwell

CALDWELL — The top executive of the National Milk Producers Federation will speak to more than 500 members of the Dairymen's Creamery Association at the group's 16th annual meeting this Thursday.

Patrick B. Healy will focus on national dairy issues and the 1985 farm bill, according to association officials.

The meeting will begin with registration at 9:30 a.m. Reports on the association's operations and an election of new directors also are scheduled. Howard Harder of Buhl is the only candidate so far for the association's board from District 5.

Tours of the DCA's processing plant at Caldwell also will be available.

Members interested in more information should call John Wietling, the director of membership relations, at 439-3687, at the association's headquarters in Caldwell.

Super chip goal

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — University of Utah chemists and IBM scientists are trying to develop a new technique that could dramatically boost the memory capacity of computer chips, according to officials says.

Dr. Josef Mielch, chairman of the University of Utah's Department of Chemistry, said the light-sensitive silicon material could possibly allow production of computer chips with more than eight times the memory capacity of present state-of-the-art chips.



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Amish harvesting ice

CLEVELAND (AP) — Stung by the rising price of ice, some Amish families are turning to the old ways to stock their icehouses.

Amish of the four-county Geauga settlement shun electricity and use iceboxes for refrigeration. A large Amish family in a season can use up to 5,000 pounds of ice, which now costs about \$57 per 1,000 pounds.

So some Amish in Geauga, Trumbull, Portage and Ashtabula counties have been getting their ice instead from frozen ponds.

"Until the winter before last, I didn't cut ice since I was growing up on my family's farm in Michigan 50 years ago," said Sam Weaver of Mesopotamia in northern Trumbull County.

Officials estimated that 10 percent of the 150 farmers in the Geauga settlement have harvested ice from ponds that were frozen a foot thick by last month's freezing temperatures.

"They avoid most modern tools, but for ice harvesting, the Amish cut their blocks with gasolene-powered chainsaws instead of hand saws.

Gauga County Extension Agent Randy James said he has received several inquiries about ice-cutting this year.

"Usually we can dig into the files for information about past farming practices, but we didn't have anything about ice," he said.

James said he would only suggest that those interested in harvesting ice talk to some old timers.

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World grain situation rough

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON — With U.S. feed stocks rising sharply because of last year's drought and average controls, the world grain situation is assuming even greater importance for American farmers.

The Agriculture Department says there have been "significant changes" in the global outlook in just the past month for coarse grains, which include corn, sorghum and other U.S. feed grains.

A major concern are crops in the Southern Hemisphere, where the peak summer growing season is well along.

"Deteriorating crop prospects in some Southern Hemisphere producing countries has focused attention again on the extreme swings in yield and production characteristics of the region and the significant impact on world grain trade," the department's Foreign Agricultural Service said.

In Argentina, a competitor of the United States in major grain markets, the production of coarse grains, mostly corn and sorghum, is estimated at 19.1 million metric tons, the most since the 1980-81 harvest of 21 million tons.

Soviet grain needs rising

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new analysis by the Agriculture Department says the Soviet Union is expected to import 31 million metric tons of grain in 1983-84, 1 million tons more than had been predicted earlier.

But the imports, for the year ending June 30, still will be down slightly from the 22.8 million tons the Soviets bought from foreign sources in 1983-83 and far below the record imports of 46 million tons in 1981-82.

The department's Foreign Agricultural Service noted in its report Monday, however, that this is the fourth consecutive year that the Soviet Union's annual import total has exceeded 30 million tons.

According to the agency's estimates, the 1983 Soviet grain harvest was about 200 million metric tons, the largest in five years.

Moscow's 1984 production target is 240 million tons. A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds and is equal to 36.7 bushels of wheat or 39.4 bushels of corn, for example.

production in the international marketing year that ends on June 30 is estimated at 686.6 million metric tons, down 12 percent from a record 783 million tons in 1982-83.

Much of that was due to the decline in U.S. production, which was put at 138 million metric tons or about 20 percent of the world total. In 1982-83, when U.S. coarse grain output was 254.6 million tons, it was 33 percent of the total.

A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds and is equal to 39.4 bushels of corn. It is the unit commonly used in world trade.

The monthly report showed that about 762.3 million tons will be utilized in 1983-84, which will exceed production and thereby mean a sharp draw-down in reserve stocks of coarse grains.

By July 1, the report said, the global inventory is expected to be down to 62.6 million tons of grain from 138.2 million tons on hand at the beginning of the marketing year last July 1.

Of the total inventory, the United States is expected to have about 25 million tons of coarse grains on hand on July 1, compared to 98.3 million tons last summer, the report said.

The larger Argentine prospects — up half a million tons since last month — mean a greater availability of grain for export.

"On the other hand, prospects for the South African corn crop have rapidly deteriorated with hot, dry weather this month and further deterioration likely if rains do not arrive soon," the report said.

The forecast for South Africa's corn

harvest is now about 6.5 million tons and could drop to last season's drought-reduced level of just under 4 million tons if there is no quick relief.

"The current forecast virtually eliminates South African corn exports, with the exception of some small exports to surrounding areas" and could lead to substantial increases in the country's import requirement, the report said.

On a global basis, coarse grain

Wineries seek free publicity

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — California wineries seeking a taste of free national publicity from the Democratic National Convention in June are bubbling with ideas.

"Wouldn't you like to have your brand hoisted on national television? I would," said Ed Everett, publisher of Wine Trade, an industry newsletter.

Convention officials said they have been inundated with inquiries from wineries interested in everything from running wine country tours to issuing commemorative labels and

providing wines for the party brass.

The convention host committee has named John DeLuca, president of the California Wine Institute, to coordinate the inquiries. The institute represents 415 of California's 430 wineries.

And Behlen of the host committee said it has received "42 million phone calls" aimed at mixing wine and politics.

"Of course, everybody's interested in promoting their own product," Behlen said.

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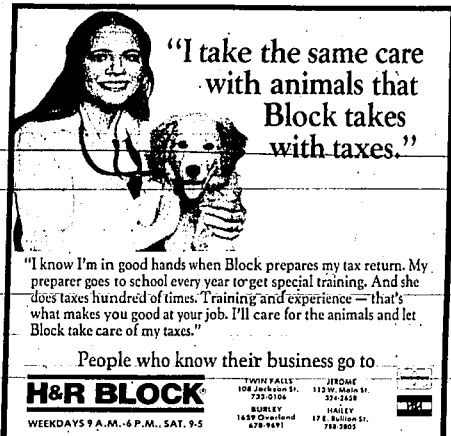
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Nation's meat supply to be slightly smaller

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's meat supply will be slightly smaller than the Agriculture Department predicted because of the low sign-up in the government's new program to curb milk production.

As a result, livestock prices will be slightly higher than forecast earlier, meaning that shoppers could see somewhat higher retail meat prices than had been forecast, mainly for ground beef.

Officials said in a new supply-and-demand report that total 1984 meat and poultry production is expected to be about 54.3 billion pounds, down 1.5 percent from last year's record of 55.1 billion pounds. The new forecast also was about 0.5

percent less than had been forecast in a similar analysis on Jan. 24.

"The downward revision in total meat output is attributable to lower beef production," the report said. "Low sign-up in the milk diversion program suggests that dairy cow slaughter will be less than previously assumed."

Under the dairy plan, farmers will be paid to reduce milk output over a 15-month period that began on Jan. 1. However, only about 12 percent of the nation's dairy farmers enrolled in the program, representing only 5.5 percent of the estimated milk production.

Consequently, dairy producers will be sending fewer cows to slaughter than the department had

predicted, meaning a smaller supply of beef. Most cow beef is used for hamburger or processed food items.

"Lower output of cow beef this winter and spring should result in more imported beef in 1984," the report said.

Beef imports were estimated at 1,875-billion pounds, an increase of 75 million pounds from the January estimate but still substantially below the 1983 import level of 1.931 billion pounds.

The report said the 1984 average price of choice-grade steers, sold on the Omaha, Neb., market now is expected to be in the range of \$64 to \$70 per 100 pounds, up \$1 from prospects last month. Fed cattle averaged \$62.52 per 100 pounds in 1983.

Cattle on feed 2% below levels of year ago

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department says the number of cattle being fed for the consumer market as of Feb. 1 in the seven major states totaled 7.1 million head, down 2 percent from a year ago but still 12 percent more than two years ago.

Feedlot inventories were down from a year earlier in only three of the states, however, while showing in-

creases or holding steady in four. Marketings of "fed" cattle in January totaled 1.57 million head, down 4 percent from a year earlier but 3 percent more than in January 1982, the report said.

The placement of new cattle and calves in feedlots last month was up 5 percent from a year earlier and 7 percent above levels of two years ago. Feedlot cattle inventories as of Feb.

1 in the seven states, which account for about three-fourths of the nation's beef, and their percentages of a year earlier, included:

Arizona, 407,000 head on Feb. 1 and 107 percent of a year earlier; California, 550,000 and 100; Colorado, 930,000 and 94; Iowa, 1,000,000 and 83; Kansas, 1,200,000 and 100; Nebraska, 1,760,000 and 99; and Texas, 1,980,000 and 106.

Corn growers back stand against new European rules

CHICAGO (AP) — The United States must oppose proposed European import restrictions on corn gluten feed or risk future limitations on other products, including soybeans, leaders of the National Corn Growers Association say.

A delegation from the corn growers' group returned early this month from five European Common Market countries, where members expressed their opposition to the proposed restrictions.

Varel Bailey, first vice president of the association and a member of the

delegation, said the issue was one of market access.

"If we fail, we will continue to lose agricultural markets in the European community," he said, noting that soybeans and soybean products could be targeted next for restrictions if the United States concedes the corn gluten feed issue.

The Common Market proposal would limit imports of U.S. corn gluten feed — a byproduct derived in the wet milling process used to obtain starch, sweeteners and ethanol from corn — to 3 million metric tons a year.

Peanut crop support price unchanged

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government support prices for this year's peanut crop will remain unchanged from 1983, says Agriculture Secretary John R. Block.

The support rate will be \$550 per ton for peanuts grown within a farm's 1984 quota and \$185 per ton for "additional" peanuts, Block announced.

Under law, the 1984 national peanut

support price must be no lower than the 1983 price, adjusted for any increase in costs of production. The increase cannot be more than 6 percent.

However, Block said the Agriculture Department estimates that peanut production costs actually declined last year, so no increase is necessary.

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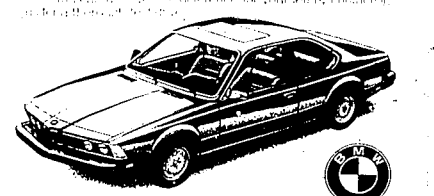


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U.S. blacklists Latin American meat

By DON KENDALL, AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department has banned further meat imports from six Latin American countries because their inspection systems fail to match U.S. standards, including weak or non-existent procedures for detecting illegal residues of DDT, PCB and other toxic chemicals.

Officials said the ban will apply, effective immediately, to meat imported from the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua and Panama. Less than 5 percent of U.S. meat imports come from those countries.

Federal law requires the meat inspection program of a foreign country to be "at least equal" to U.S. standards before it can ship meat to the United States.

Although the banned imports are not large in relation to U.S. meat supplies, they are economically important to some of the poorer nations of the Caribbean Basin, a region the Reagan administration has vowed to help.

Last summer the department announced a crackdown on 23 countries that ship meat to the United States, saying their inspection systems did not meet U.S. standards.

"has no health concerns about meat products previously imported" from the six countries because products are checked when they enter the United States "to assure that they are safe, wholesome and accurately labeled."

In his official notice, Houston said that when the six countries correct their inspection deficiencies and fully comply with U.S. standards, they can be restored to the approved list of foreign suppliers.

About three-fourths of U.S. meat imports come from Australia and New Zealand, which were among the countries initially given U.S. approval. The others included Canada, Denmark, Hungary, Italy, Poland, West Germany and Yugoslavia.

The 23 countries announced last July 15 as being deficient in their inspection systems and risking being barred were Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Mexico, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and Uruguay.

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Milk record for '83

BOISE (AP) — Although consumption continues to lag, Idaho milk production hit a record 2.3 billion pounds last year and opened 1984 ahead of even that pace, according to the Agriculture Department.

But while production last year was 2 percent higher than 1982's output of just over 2.25 billion pounds, it trailed the percentage increase posted across the country. Nationally, milk production rose 3 percent to another record of 40 billion pounds.

Crop Reporting Service analysts said the increase was due to higher production per cow since the year-

long average size of the state's dairy herd remained stable at 174,000 head.

The analysts said January production by Idaho dairymen at 178 million pounds ran 1 percent higher than a year earlier even though the average number of cows in the state herd was 3,000 lower than in January 1983.

Output per cow was up 2 percent last month to offset the herd reduction and account for the higher output.

Nationally, January milk production remained stable at 11.5 billion pounds when compared to a year earlier.

As recently as Dec. 27, the department said 14 of those countries had not complied and would be barred from shipping meat to U.S. markets as of Jan. 1. Most of the 14 hurriedly brought their inspection systems into line, leaving only the six Latin American countries.

The department's ban was disclosed this past week in the Federal Register, the government's official publication for legal notices and rulemaking. No regular public announcement was issued.

Donald L. Houston, administrator of the department's Food Safety and Inspection Service, said the agency

Wheat crop condition 'poor to fair'

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government weather report may have tried to live up to the old saw that each year's wheat crop has to be killed off at least a few times before the harvest is ready.

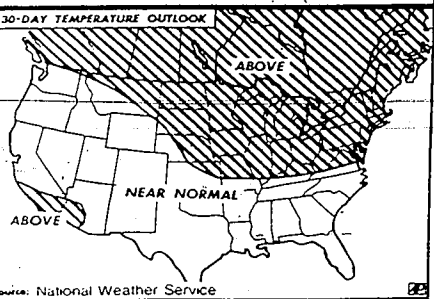
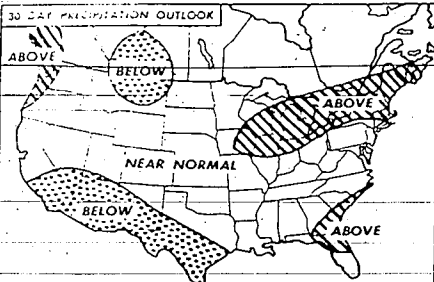
The Joint Agricultural Weather Facility says "unusually warm weather melted most of the remaining snow cover in the major winter wheat producing areas, leaving fields vulnerable to freezing and thawing."

Further, said the facility's weekly report, the winter wheat crop was "in poor to mostly fair condition" in Texas, and in fair to good shape in the rest of the nation.

"Warmer temperatures and showers encouraged early spring growth of small grains in southern areas," the report said. "Growers applied top-dressing (fertilizer) when weather and field conditions permitted."

The facility, which is operated by the departments of Commerce and Agriculture, said the Kansas wheat crop "traditionally the largest was rated 'fair to mostly good.'"

The report covered Feb. 6-12, which included a mass of frigid arctic air spreading south to the Gulf coast and Florida early in the week. Some new citrus growth in northern crop areas may have been burned by frost, and tender vegetable growth was slowed by the cold, the report said.



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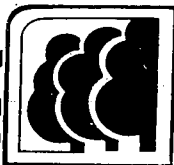


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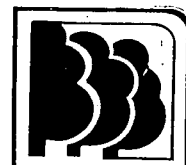


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By SCOTT KRAFT
The Associated Press

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No matter that the trash cans overflow, the exhaust fumes can be overwhelming and the scraggly evergreens and oak trees provide little shade.

Every weekday afternoon, about 30 elderly ladies from the neighborhood stop by and sit for a while on the bench at 90th Street and Broadway.

The ladies are not poor. They have saved. They say they are "comfortable" in retirement. They savor their friends and family. Most of them are long-time residents of this Manhattan neighborhood who now share their stately old 13-story apartment buildings with young newcomers.

The sidewalks in this neighborhood are lined with tiny storefronts. The Ben Franklin paint store is across from the French dry cleaner. An Oriental market is down the block from a designer dress shop. One restaurant specializes in macrobiotic food, another in mandarin cuisine. The Greek cafe sells baklava and Danish pastry. Above the street, pop music wafts from the open windows of a dance studio.

From Lincoln Center, 25 blocks

south, to Columbia University, 25 blocks north, long-time residents can be seen sitting on the green stait benches.

Dorothy and her friends gather at 90th Street regularly until winter's bluster turns bitter. Then they retreat to the apartments, where they look down on Broadway from their windows.

They were on their bench recently, sitting in a row, hats neatly in place, arms looped through the straps of their handbags. City life has taught them about safety. And they shy away from the parks — no hobdebs of crime, they say.

Out on the bleak traffic island, the ladies of the bench fade into the scenery. They like that just fine. And they don't give their last names to strangers.

"You don't need that, young man," Dorothy said, scolding.

For most of four decades, Dorothy was part of the bustle of Broadway. She was a legal secretary, scurrying back and forth between her apartment, at 92nd Street, and her office, downtown.

"I used to see these people sitting on benches. But I sure never thought I'd be out here," she said.

Now in her 70s, retired and living alone, she is out here, looking for conversation.

Dorothy met Fannie, 79, on the bench and they've been good friends ever since. There's a retired professor from Hunter College on the bench, a retired accountant and a retired school teacher.

"Dorothy's daughter, a neurologist in Chicago, came to visit this summer. When the daughter asked what mother did every afternoon, Dorothy told her about the benches. So the two of them went to the benches together."

"Now every time my daughter calls, she says, 'How are the benches? How are the people on the benches doing?'"

Sitting on the bench, she observed, is "a nice way to pass the time."

On the coldest days of winter, Dorothy and Fannie look down on Broadway from their apartments. Sometimes, they said, they venture forth, stopping for a coffee and bran muffin at the Argo restaurant, one of the ubiquitous city diners with plastic-covered seats and plastic-coated menus in the booths.

"It's "the only decent place," said Fannie, the type of place that will let old ladies sit for hours in front of a 40-cent cup of coffee.

They might pick up some groceries at the market or call a taxi to take them two or three blocks to a friend's house.

Sitting on the benches, Dorothy and Fannie sometime worry about accidents. But the limousines, cabs and trucks that hurtle past at 35 mph also make them feel safe.

On park benches, they say, they feel more vulnerable. There's no one to hear their screams.

Besides, this is familiar territory for the ladies, many of whom have spent their whole lives in the neighborhood.

They talk about the changes they've seen. Back in the 1930s, people would come from all over New York City to

stroll past the movie houses and restaurants on this stretch of Broadway about two miles north of Times Square.

The ladies on the bench say it turned bad in the 1950s, into the scruffy neighborhood of tenements and gangs that was the backdrop for "West Side Story." The neighborhood is more tame today, but not tame enough for the ladies on the bench.

"Almost every night there's a stabbing or a beating or a murder. They've got all these new stores, but they're not getting rid of that element," Fannie said.

A man with a bushy black beard and second-hand overcoat sat rattle at the end of their bench. They know him. "He's crazy," Dorothy whispered, tightening her grip on her pocketbook.

The husband of one of the regular bench ladies sat down on the bench recently, Fannie said, and "started talking a blue streak about how his wife was in the hospital and he was having to do all the housework."

Fannie shook her head. "And they say it's only women doing the talking," she said. "I'm talkin' just as much as the women."



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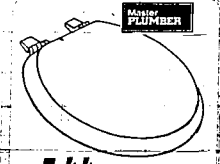
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Grisly art is record draw for museum

By MARILYN AUGUST
The Associated Press

PARIS — Francis Bacon, the painter who like Aeschylus cannot get the smell of human blood out of his sight, has brought his mutilated bodies, twisted torsos and disfigured faces to the French public.

Sixteen large works, priced at \$300,000 each, are currently showing at the Maeght-Lelong Gallery, including two triptychs.

For the 73-year-old Bacon, who is regarded as one of the most powerful contemporary painters, it is his first one-man show here since 1977, and a prelude to a major retrospective next year at the Tate Gallery in London.

Critics say the works illuminate Bacon's obsession with murder, cruelty and violence. But the Irish-born artist says he is simply conveying the reality of the 20th century as he sees it.

That reality, critics say, is "deeply disturbing, even disgusting," for it tragically portrays humanity in deterioration and decay.

"Even though there is glass protecting these paintings, it wouldn't take much to turn this gallery into a butcher shop," wrote Franck

Maubert in the news weekly, l'Express.

Bacon's grim message has been received here with unexpected enthusiasm. The gallery reports several hundred visitors a day, and up to 1,500 on weekends.

"The show's success has surpassed our expectations, with visitors who rarely venture into art galleries. We have had hundreds of school children, senior citizens and punks," said Ann Gallard, press attaché for the prestigious Night Bank gallery.

"Not even Miro, Chagall or Giacometti shows were this popular," she added.

Bacon did not begin painting until the early 1940s after asthma kept him out of the army.

In this exhibition, his self-portraits and studies of Michel Leiris — a French author who has written extensively on Bacon — are three-dimensional dissections of the human face.

A 1976 portrait of Leiris lacks a chunk of chin. Another has a bushy-in skull. Bacon never painted in the presence of his models, say they he preferred working from memory or photographs.

The most sensational paintings

feature torsos or hunks of amputated flesh, mounted on pedestals against a bright orange or red background. For Bacon, orange was the color of both the sun and fire-life and death.

"Blood abounds. It drips from unrecognizable carcasses. It trickles into the spectator's line of vision from behind partially closed doors."

In "Oedipus and the Sphinx, After Ingres" (1983), blood seeps through the bandaged leg of a muscle-bound Oedipus contemplating a deformed sphinx.

In "Statue and People in a Street" (1983), which is also done against a bright orange background, tiny fuzzy figures are juxtaposed with a bizarre

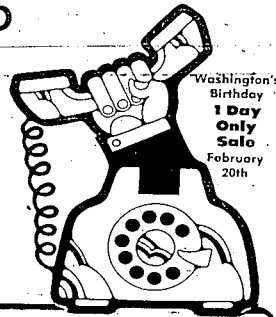
form enclosed in a glass box. The form has four buttocks, a thigh and a calf.

Other major works, which Bacon calls "studies because they capture states of movement," highlight humanity's inherent brutality.

"What emerges from this merciless confrontation ... is the substance and truth of a body in crisis, at the height of tension and vulnerability," wrote Jacques Dupin in the show's catalog.

Gallery Director Francois Bruller reported one sale and several offers. The works will be at the Maeght-Lelong until the end of February when they will go to the Marlboro Gallery in London.

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Sculptures rely on technology

By JEFF BARKER
The Associated Press

BELLEFONTIE, Pa. — Drawing on his skills as both a sculptor and high-tech wizard, Robert Fisher combines art with science to create galleries from steel and brass, and orchids from plexiglass.

Fisher, 44, often uses computers to help him design sculptures, which he has created for churches and casinos, offices and apartment buildings around the country.

For a Quincy, Mass., office building, he made "Galaxy," a 78-foot-high suspended cable structure that glints as it picks up sunlight, moonlight or lamplight.

He used a graphic arts computer to help turn a mass of airplane cable, brass and stainless steel into a sculpture designed in the artist's words, "to impact the mind and to outward from one's ordinary life and world into a futuristic and breathtaking dreamspace."

Called "Northern Lights," the 58-foot-high piece has 5,000 different components and weighs 700 pounds.

It was commissioned for an atrium at Playboy's hotel and casino complex in Atlantic City, N.J., in 1981, but problems with its positioning ultimately led to its removal. According to Fisher, it has since been donated by the casino to the Atlantic City Historical Commission.

While some artists frown at what they consider the rigidity of modern technology, Fisher believes an artist can use high-tech to enhance the creative process.

Assailing the use of technology for the sake of it, Fisher terms his method "a rejection of the tyranny of technology and a celebration of the freedom it can offer."

For his latest project, Fisher subjects plexiglass tubes to the heat of a blowtorch, then craves the crazily swollen tubes with a table-saw to create orchid-like petals.

"You often see plexiglass used for storm windows," the curly-haired sculptor said. "But what I'm doing here is asking artists' questions of technology."

Fisher is making 400 artificial orchids under a \$50,000 commission from the soon-to-be-completed Harrah's Boardwalk Hotel and Casino at Trump Plaza in Atlantic City.

The orchids will be set into lighted transparent tubes to serve as the focal point of a lavish gourmet restaurant in the casino, which is aiming for an opening this spring.

A single purplish-white orchid used as a model sits in the center of Fisher's studio, which is actually a garage heated by a wood-burning stove.

The Cleveland-born Fisher comes by his use of science naturally. He was a triple-major at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in engineering, humanities and visual design.

He also earned a master's degree in industrial design, before embarking on a sculpturing career here among central Pennsylvania's rolling Allegheny Mountains.

Fisher says he typically calls on computers for large projects "in which the scale of the work and its integration into the architecture are complex."

In his "Galaxy" sculpture, for example, the artist used a Penn State University computer to "preview" what the massive hanging sculpture might look like from different angles before the sculpture or even the building it occupies — was constructed.

The computer was an invaluable time-saver, Fisher said, because he kept changing his design for the work. His goal was to give the sculpture the feel of a real galaxy, with brass tubes suspended from silver cable forming the familiar spiral pattern.

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Lloyd's still issues strange insurance

By WILLIAM S. COWLES
The Associated Press

LONDON — Lloyd's of London, insurers of everything from supertankers to Elizabeth Taylor's violet eyes, is rebounding from years of scandal and big losses with the flexibility that has helped it prosper for three centuries.

Today, this insurance exchange founded to protect colonial-era sailing ships reaches even into space: The two satellites recently launched into faulty orbits by the U.S. shuttle Challenger were covered by Lloyd's policies.

Lloyd's spokesman Stanley John says profits are up, record numbers of wealthy investors are willing to back underwriters in the market, and Lloyd's is adopting new regulations to polish up its scandal-tarnished name.

"The success of Lloyd's rests on the flexibility afforded by its free market system," he said in an interview. "It relies on personal integrity of members rather than on rules of behavior that would slow the market down or inhibit the taking of new risks."

Theoretically, any risk is insurable. "There are no bad risks, only bad rates. We'll insure virtually anything where monetary risk is involved, barring, for example, a woman's virtue or a gambler's luck," he said.

Lloyd's consists of about 250 brokers who present clients' requests for insurance to one or more of 417 underwriting syndicates. The underwriters propose a premium they will take to assume liability and if the client accepts it, a policy is born.

The market pioneered automobile and airplane insurance, and has insured space satellites since 1965, when

the risk came on the market with the first Intelsat Early Bird orbiter. Premiums for satellites range from 5 to 15 percent of the amount insured, John said.

On the recent U.S. space shuttle mission, Lloyd's was responsible for insuring Western Union's Westar VI for \$37 million and the Indonesian government's Palapa B2 for \$35 million about a third of their total values, John said. The remaining \$108 million of insured value was covered mainly by U.S. insurers to spread the risk, he said.

The shuttle launched the two communications satellites into orbits too low to make them usable. As a result, a Lloyd's underwriter said afterward, future premiums on satellites will be higher.

Lloyd's also pioneered special personal insurance. It promised to pay \$1 million if Miss Taylor's alluring eyes suffered damage from heavy makeup during the filming of "Ash Wednesday" — for a premium of \$2,000 a day.

Betty Grable's legs were insured for \$1 million. Soccer star Pele had his knees insured, tennis player Bjorn Borg his arm, singer Frank Sinatra his voice, and American starlet "Chesty" Morgan her bust.

Pieces of anatomy are not themselves insured because "the knee bone's connected to the thigh bone," John said. "We insure against loss of income due to disablement that might ruin a performer's talent and his livelihood."

Specialty policies represent only a fraction of Lloyd's income. The majority comes from policies against shipwreck, general liability and property damage, he said.

Historic site in peril

NEW HARMONY, Ind. (AP) — Once the home of perhaps the best-known of the nation's 19th century utopian societies, little New Harmony is looking for government help in hopes of surviving the 20th century.

The Wabash River, which runs just 1,000 feet west of the town, is creeping closer every day because of erosion. If unchecked, the river will almost certainly crumble the town foundations.

Using old maps, state geologist Robert Shaver found that from 1806 to 1978, the meandering Wabash, which forms the border of southern Indiana and Illinois, advanced on the town by an average of 50 feet a year.

From 1978 to 1982, however, the river has moved an average of 138 feet a year. For each of the past two years, he said, the Wabash moved almost 200 feet closer.

"It's picking up speed," Shaver said. "If erosion continues at its present rate, there will be water in the village within 10 years."

To prevent the town of about 1,000 people from washing into the Gulf of Mexico, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has recommended a \$2.1 million erosion control plan that would dump 162,000 tons of rock along more than a mile of riverbank.

The town board has endorsed the Corps' idea and is now looking for

financial support. The town's annual budget is \$189,000.

Donald Hatfield, the town board president, said the town had received pledges of support from the area's congressional delegation. Both Indiana Gov. Robert Orr and Illinois Gov. James Thompson asked for the Corps of Engineers' study. Orr has said Indiana will pay for part of any erosion control project.

Hatfield said town officials will draft a formal request for state and federal money for the Corps plan if no objections come from Orr's office, which is still considering the proposal.

"I will expect Governor Orr to be very responsive," he said.

New Harmony preserves the memory and buildings of two utopian societies formed there in the early 1800s when intellectuals and religious groups, disillusioned with conventional society were setting up "ideal" communities across the country.

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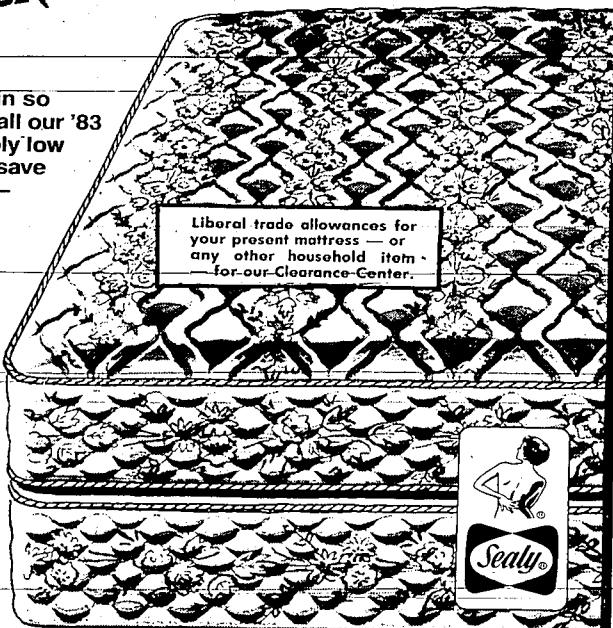
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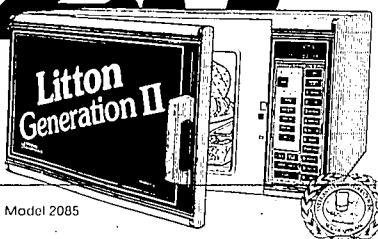
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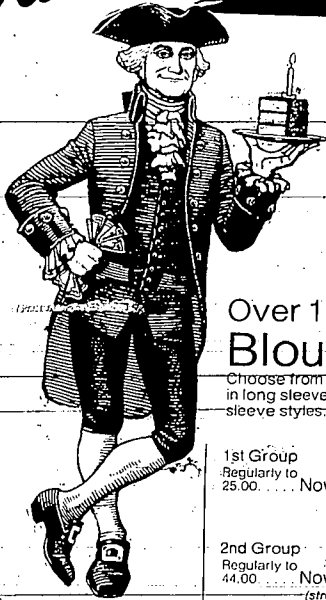
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Male midwives encounter resistance

By BEN DOBBIN
The Associated Press

LONDON — Until recently, Paul Lewis could have gone to jail for what he now does for a living.

When Philip Chalmers, told his mother in 1980 that he wanted to pursue the same career, she objected. All their clients, and all but a handful of their 25,000 working colleagues in Britain, are female.

Lewis and Chalmers are male midwives.

The two expect to remain a rarity, but are aware that some professionals and feminists in the medical world still regard male midwives with a mixture of caution and hostility and are monitoring their every move.

They are among 49 men who have taken advantage of an experimental program set up in two hospitals in the mid-1970s to see whether midwifery should, despite the 1976 act banning sex discrimination, remain the preserve of women.

Most expectant mothers. It was found, didn't object to the men. So last September a law was passed allowing men to practice midwifery in Britain for the first time since 1858.

Lewis, 34, never expected an easy time of it. "I think there's still a lot of resentment about people taking on jobs that are closely identified with male or female roles — anyone who belongs to a minority is either seen as very good or seen as useless," he said in an interview with The Associated Press.

"You really have to push yourself. You have to have a particular desire or empathy for this kind of work."

Midwives deliver 7 of every 10 babies born in Britain. Unlike the United States, where in some places it remains illegal, midwifery is long established here and doctors usually become involved in childbirth only when abnormalities occur and surgery is required, or when patients decide to pay for a physician's care.

Most midwives are also qualified nurses. Lewis, who worked in child psychology and nursing before becoming the first male midwife at London's Dulwich Hospital last November, regarded midwifery as a base for a teaching career in general nursing.

"But when I got involved in midwifery, it had a hold of its own," he said.

"The mere presence at a birth is fascinating and exciting beyond belief. I can come home after work having seen three kids being born and I'm on cloud 9."

The exhilaration of his work makes up for the low pay, with first-year salaries as little as 3,000 pounds (\$4,200) a year up to 12,000 pounds (\$16,800) for a senior midwifery officer.

It wasn't always so unprofitable. The French Huguenot Chamberlains, all male midwives, carved out a niche in London in the early 17th century by catering exclusively to many wealthy families.

By 1858, the medical establishment, seeing its livelihood threatened, countered with a law introducing



Paul Lewis helps train midwives at Dulwich Hospital in London

midwifery into medical students' training. It then became a criminal offense for anyone to practice midwifery outside the medical profession.

The 1902 Midwives Registration Act allowed women into the field, and they soon monopolized it.

When a movement to introduce men into midwifery emerged in the 1960s, "there was a big outcry from those who saw it as a last preserve of women," Lewis said.

"I can understand that because I think the medical profession is incredibly male-dominated — relations between doctors and nurses was that of the master, handmaiden."

In his working day, he added, "you can see more clearly how some men treat women, and I'm horrified by it."

Now that men have broken the legal sex barriers, their biggest challenge continues to be their acceptability to women patients, said Ruth Ashton of the Royal College of Midwives, which in the beginning strongly opposed

male midwives.

"I have reservations that mothers might face pressure in saying they don't want male midwives," Ms. Ashton said. "There is always the pressure against them for being different and not accepting male midwives. It's a system pressure, what the system does to people to make them conform."

At Stirling Royal Infirmary in Scotland, which has two staff male midwives and is training 60 others, "male midwives have been perfectly acceptable," said senior midwife officer Peggy Forrest.

"We haven't had any problems. If a mother doesn't want a man, they don't get one. The mother has a complete choice."

Philip Chalmers, 24, who works at London's Whittington Hospital, said that some women patients have refused him.

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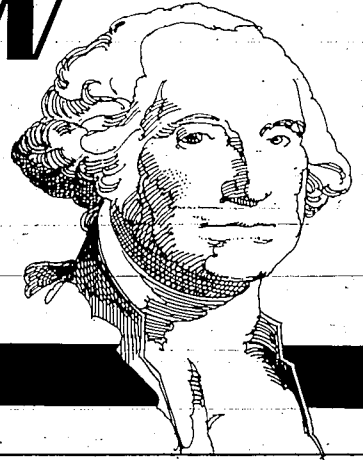
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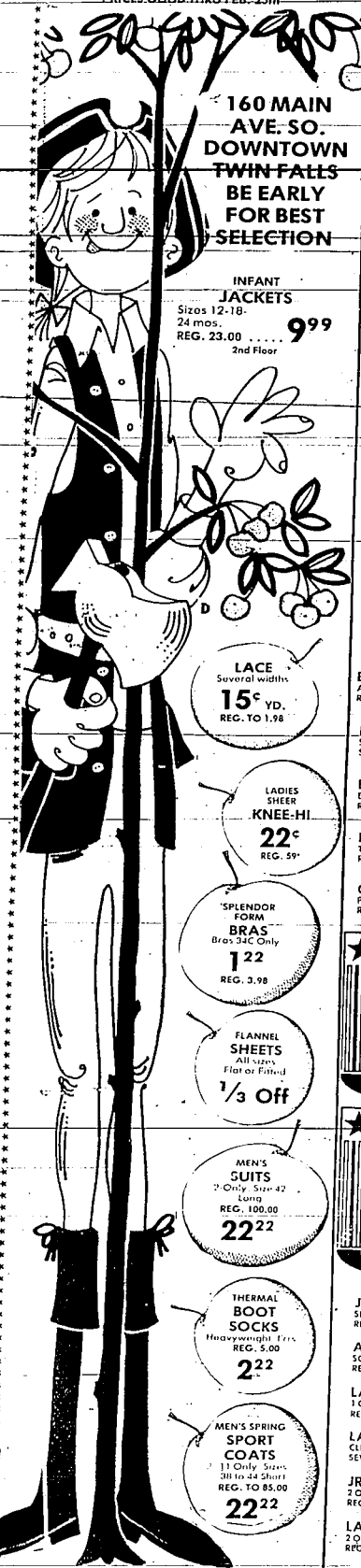
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Tile comes out of the bath room, kitchen

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By LINDA LOWE MORRIS
The Bullmore Sun

Ceramic tile — one of the few things of great beauty that small children and determined dogs cannot destroy — is finally coming out of the water closet.

More and more designers are taking tile beyond the kitchen and bathroom into living rooms, entrance halls, dining rooms, patios and even bedrooms because they've found — in the world of building materials — that nothing else is as durable and easy to take care of while still offering so many possibilities in color, texture and design.

Tile is being used today for floors, wallcoverings, countertops and built-in furniture. Ceramic tile is a mixture of clays, shaped and fired at temperatures as high as 2,250 degrees Fahrenheit. Glazed ceramic tiles are taken one step further and receive a coating that hardens in the firing to a glass-like finish.

Until just a few years ago, glazed tiles were only used on walls, since they were not durable enough to stand up to floor use. Improved production techniques have changed that and even some hand-painted tiles can be made strong enough for use on the floor.

One of the greatest advantages of tile is its flexibility, according to Juan Montoya, a New York-based designer and board member of the American Society of Interior Designers, who gave a talk on Italian tile recently for the local chapter of ASID.

"There is great variety within the material," he said.

"Tiles in any environment can add warmth, express important architectural features and create scale," he added. They can also highlight fixtures, create curves and other shapes "and best, can beautifully work with other materials."

In the kitchen, for instance, contrasting areas of tile can be used to define work areas. In hallways it can be used to subtly direct traffic. It can delineate the perimeter of a room to visually separate it from another area.

In each case, the design of the tiles can be arranged to follow the architecture of the space.

All types of geometric patterns can be created from different colors, patterns and sizes of tile. In some cases these patterns can be used to visually correct a problem.

In a long, thin room, for instance, horizontal stripes of tile can be used to make the room seem shorter.

"In a large entry foyer," said Michael Storms, "we've done a mosaic using fairly large tiles which ended up looking like an oriental carpet by utilizing very flat patterns in sections and then smaller format tiles to form a border."

"I have used tile in order to divide spaces, in order to create a focal point where you have a center from which you go to other areas," Montoya said. "A focal point gives a sense of direction. This goes back to the old traditional design of homes in Europe where the idea of a patio became the center."

Hand-painted tiles can be used to create murals in a living room or serve as accents in a kitchen counter. Colored grouting provides contrast to bring out the shape of solid color tiles. Tiles can also be incorporated with wood, plastic or metal strips to vary the look.

Tile does have disadvantages. It's a cold material and rather noisy but both of these defects can be alleviated by combining tile with carpet or area rug.

Tile is an unforgiving surface; glasses break and feet get tired more easily than they would on softer materials.

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Hikers braving elements

By MARY ESCH
The Associated Press

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. — With the mercury at minus-20 and falling, Brian Legault thawed his moustache over a mug of buttered cocoa and prepared to "take himself in a down cocoon for the night."

On the other side of ice-capped, 5,114-foot Algonquin Peak in New York's Adirondack Mountains, two Philadelphia men were snuggled in a snow cave, where they had been living for two weeks. Three men and two women from Montreal were struggling to keep warm in a three-sided log lean-to five miles away.

What moves a person to strap steel-pronged crampons onto bulbous rubber boots, tote a 50-pound pack up an icy peak in sleet and piercing winds, dine on buttered gruel and hot Jello, sleep in a snow burrow and risk death from simple mistakes like sweating in one's long johns?

"I know it sounds crazy to most people," says Dr. Edward Hixson, a Lake Placid surgeon who has been hiking in the Adirondacks for 25 years and has been "blasted" by several expeditions the past two springs.

"One reason I like it is that it's so easy to travel on snowshoes or skis," says Hixson. "Also, you're relatively alone. And the scenery is so much different than in summer."

"And there's a certain satisfaction in being able to do it well," he says. Whatever the attraction, a growing number of people are packing up their ice axes and six-pound sleeping bags and heading for the mountains to die in the snow and survey the world from a frozen summit.

"If you hiked up to Marcy Dam (a popular base camp in the heart of New York's highest Adirondack peaks) in the winter 20 years ago, you almost never saw anyone," says Steve Frauenthal, who has been a leader in the Adirondack Mountain Club's winter mountaineering school for 13 years. "Now, there's almost always someone camped out. It's unusual not to find broken trails to the summits."

On a late January weekend when the temperature dropped to record lows across the country, hikers and snowmobilers were bivouacked all over the high peaks region around the Adirondack Loj, where Frauenthal was instructing 30 men and women in winter mountaineering.

The students, ranging in age from 13 to 66, tried out crampons, ice axes and snowshoes. But most of the instruction centered on coping with weather.

The Adirondacks are known for extreme and changeable weather. Hixson says the Adirondacks have weather as severe as the Himalayas. On a clear, subzero day, winds may gust to 75 mph on an open summit — ideal conditions for frostbite on any exposed flesh.

But the really dangerous weather is rain or sleet. It's easy to stay warm and dry by adding or shedding layers of clothes while hiking on a cold, clear day. But once clothes are dampened by sweat, rain, snow, or a fall through a snowbridge into a stream, dropping temperatures quickly lead to hypothermia — chilling that can be fatal.

Long underwear made from polypropylene, a synthetic fiber that dries quickly and keeps perspiration away from skin, is the high-tech replacement for wool, the old standby. Cotton has no insulating value when wet and is almost impossible to dry.

Ranger Pete Fish, talking to a group gathered around the wood stove in the hiker's building near the Loj, told horror stories of hikers found frozen because they wore the wrong clothes. "Two years ago a cross-country skier from Elberta died on the side of Wright Peak through a whole series of errors — plighted-ness being prime among them," he says.

"He didn't register. He went out alone. He ignored the Lake Colden caretaker when he told him to turn back. He was wearing cotton knickers, a Western shirt, a vest and cotton parka," says Fish.

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