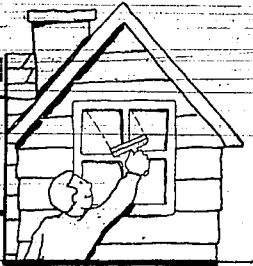


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Chief astronaut criticizes shuttle dangers

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Compromises on safety made in the shuttle program months before the Challenger's disastrous launch "proves to me that there are some very lucky people around here," chief astronaut John Young wrote in a post-accident memo.

Young's March 4 memo was released Saturday by NASA headquarters in Washington after The Houston Post published a copyrighted story on it Saturday. In making the document public, NASA also released a brief statement from shuttle chief—Adm. Richard Truly—Truly said he concurred with the "thrill" of Young's Johnson Space Center, also wrote that problems treated as "accepted conditions" were "potentially as catastrophic" to the space program as the Jan. 28 Challenger explosion in which seven crew members died. Such problems began as early as October 1984, the memo said. Young said some of those conditions still exist.

Copies of the memo went to all astronauts; Truly; W.S. Abbey, the head of the flight crew operations; and other NASA officials. Young included a list compiled Feb. 27 of "systems safety-related items that ought to be fixed so we do not lose any more space shuttles and flight crews." He called the list "awesome," and wrote, "The list proves to me that there are some very lucky people around here." "We have already... launched with less than certain full reliability and full redundancy of the systems, including the flight crews, that we operate. We are under continuing pressure to launch without full-up

avionics from computers to other sensors," he said. He said conditions accepted for previous launches "could have been or are now potentially as catastrophic to the Space Shuttle Program as the 51-L (Challenger) accident." Young said NASA should make flight safety first on its priority list. "The enclosure (listing earlier problems) shows that these goals have always been operative ones. It also shows overall Flight Safety does not win in these cases. Flight Safety, to be safe, has to have real teeth in it. It will not be free. "For starters, we should not allow any increase in the inherent risk of operating the

space shuttle just to increase the launch rate, or reduce operating costs, or fly unsafe payloads." Young said in his memo. The Challenger exploded 73 seconds after liftoff during record-cold temperatures at the Florida launch site. He concluded by saying that neither the shuttle program nor its astronauts can survive if flight safety is not given top priority. "If management's system is not big enough to stop the Space Shuttle Program whenever necessary to make flight safety corrections, it will not survive and neither will our three space shuttles or their flight crews," Young said.

Farmers face yet another credit crunch

By JIM DRINKARD The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Agriculture officials are saying this year's spring credit crunch will be somewhat worse than the one farmers lived through a year ago, when it took a frenzied last-minute scramble to get loans in time for crop planting.

Planting time — E1

Even then, about 5 percent of producers who wanted to plant crops were unable to get the financing they needed, and money for the most risky borrowers will be much tighter this year than in 1985, financing spokesmen say.

To meet the demand a year ago, farmers borrowed from relatives, states, even money into emergency lending programs and many commercial banks gnawed their teeth and threw good money after bad.

Whether the same sources can be tapped again is in doubt. "As a crisis situation continues, you get banks further into a corner," said Bob Jolly, an Iowa State University agricultural economist who recently surveyed farmers in that hard-hit state about their credit needs.

"You borrowed all that Aunt Tessie was able to give you last year, so what are you gonna do this year?" Added Weldon Barton, a lobbyist for the Independent Bankers Association of America: "Conditions have really deteriorated further in terms of the prices of commodities and the ability of farmers to repay debt."

Many banks likely will decide to go along with their borrowers for another year, declining that loaning more money to a farmer protected by federal subsidies and crop insurance is less risky than forcing the borrower into liquidation and taking over land and equipment whose values still are dropping.

"There just aren't a lot of options," Jolly said. "The Farm Credit System: the nation's largest farm lender, says 20,000 or so of its 309,000 customers for operating credit are severely delinquent and at risk of not being able to pay."

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Senators praise early fund release

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Idaho's Republican Congressmen have applauded Agriculture Secretary-designate Richard Lyng's move to make nearly \$2.3 billion in Farmer Home Administration loans money that was earmarked for use in April and September available immediately.

Insured loan money for the first and second quarters of the fiscal year was exhausted on Tuesday, says James McClure and Steve Symms sent a letter to Lyng the following day, asking for the early release of third and fourth quarter funds.

"This is a critical time of year for farmers," Symms said. "Without an early release, spring planting would have been severely disrupted."

If third and fourth-quarter money for the loans is depleted, the FmHA may be able to make a one-time transfer of 25 percent, or \$525 million, of the money to the insured account, Symms said. The Idaho senators were scheduled to meet with FmHA Administrator Vance Clark next week to discuss that development.

"Freeing third and fourth quarter money now is a positive step," said McClure, "but ensuring there is another reserve we can draw on later, if needed, would be even more reassuring."

loan payments. By all accounts, these farmers will be unable to find a credit home.

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Practice pull

Members of the National Guard, 116th Armored Cavalry, practiced various skills Saturday at the Twin Falls Army. Here, guard members practice assembling a 30-foot radio antenna structure that allows for effective transmission over greater distances than can be obtained from the ground. Guard members meet here one weekend a month.

Times-News photo/SKYTE SAVESON

Frenchmen kidnapped; bomb kills 5

Beirut gunmen nab TV crew; violence in streets escalates

The Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Four French television crewmen were kidnapped Saturday by gunmen in western Beirut, witnesses said. The attack came hours after an anonymous caller claiming to speak for the Islamic Jihad group threatened to kill one person in another group of French captives.

Earlier, a car bomb explosion killed five civilians near an office of President Amin Gemayel's Phalange Party, police said, and random shelling by Christian gunmen killed two more in Beirut's Moslem sector. The journalists from France's Antenne-2 television station were identified by other French reporters as Philippe Rochot, Georges Hensen, Ouel Cornea and Jean-Louis Normandin.

They were seized by gunmen near the Sultan Ibrahim restaurant in the seaside Jnah district Saturday afternoon, according to the witnesses.

The Lebanese driver of their car was held with them for about seven hours, then released and warned not to talk about the abductions, other French newsmen reported.

They said they became concerned after the four victims failed to return to their hotel in west Beirut.

No group claimed responsibility for seizing the Frenchmen, who had flown to Beirut after Islamic Jihad, or Islamic Holy War, claimed Wednesday to have killed researcher Michel Scurat, one of four Frenchmen it claims to have held captive for months. Scurat's body, however, has not turned up.

Seven American kidnap victims also remain missing in Beirut.

In Paris, an emergency meeting was held early Sunday in Premier Laurent Fabius' office to study the latest attack against French citizens.

Fabius told reporters after the hour-long meeting that the information received from Beirut was "very worrying."

"It has taken a turn for the worse," he added. Fabius said he called the French ambassador in Beirut and "gave instructions to try to do the maximum and to make contacts with Lebanese authorities to try to find the kidnap victims."

Police said the earlier car bombing injured 42 people. The blast was the eight in Christian east Beirut since Jan. 15, when Gemayel loyalists crushed rival Christian forces. Most of the bombings have been aimed at Phalange offices.

Christian and Moslem militiamen meanwhile battled with artillery across the Green Line, which divides the capital into sectarian halves. Police said the shelling killed two civilians and wounded at least three in western Beirut.

Police said the car bomb exploded at 1:15 p.m. in a street crowded with weekend shoppers in the Ashrafyeh district. It damaged the Phalange office, on the first floor of a six-story building, and set 35 cars and a gas station afire.

Chief Warrant Officer Youssif Bitar, a top police explosives expert, estimated the car was packed with 175 pounds of TNT. He said the explosives were wired to four 81mm mortar shells which failed to detonate. No group claimed responsibility.

Astronomers: See comet soon or be sorry

By LEE SIEGEL The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — If you haven't seen Halley's comet yet, it's now or never, say astronomers who urge people to crawl out of bed at an "ungodly hour" and watch the famous fuzball in the sky.

"The average person thinks anything less than bright fireworks may not be worth the effort," said Andrew Fraknoi, executive officer of the Astronomical Society, of the Pacific in San Francisco.

"But it is Halley's comet, and you'll be sorry you missed it. If you can't see it this month or in April, you won't be able to see it until 2061."

There are three prime viewing periods left for comet watching: all when moonlight won't obscure the comet, how long depends on March 21, about April 1-12 and from about April 24 through May 4.

International Halley Watch astronomer Steve Edberg in Pasadena. Views will be best from the tropics and the Southern Hemisphere. Northern Hemisphere observers will get their best view by finding a fairly dark location with an unobstructed view of the appropriate horizon.

Binoculars will help to locate the comet and to see its tail during the first two periods. They will be essential in late April as the comet speeds away from Earth.

To see the comet this month, "you've got to get up at an ungodly hour, and a lot of people are lazy and don't want to get up," said Alan MacRobert, an editor at Sky & Telescope magazine in Cambridge, Mass. "But it would be a shame to miss this. The opportunity is never going to come again in most people's lifetimes."

Here are Edberg's suggestions for seeing the comet: THROUGH MARCH 21: From latitudes equal to southern Canada through the central United States, travel to a viewing spot with an unobstructed view of the east-southeast horizon about a half-hour to one hour before sunrise. Scan the horizon with binoculars to locate the comet, which will look like a hazy star with a tail. Once located, you may be able to see the comet with the naked eye.

APRIL 1-12: The comet will be visible only south of about 39 degrees north latitude, a line running roughly from Portland, Ore., to Mexico City, southern France and Sapporo, Japan, low above the southeast horizon April 1, moving to low above the south-southwest horizon by April 12.

In the central United States and similar latitudes, it will rise earlier each night, starting about 3 a.m. April 2 and by about 10 p.m. April 12. In latitudes comparable to the southern United States, it will rise

about 2 a.m. April 1 and roughly 7:30 p.m. April 12.

APRIL 25 THROUGH MAY 14: The comet will be very faint and more difficult to spot. If you hold your fist at arm's length, it will be about three fist-widths below the bright star Regulus, which is about six fist-widths to the right of the Big Dipper.

The comet will be visible after evening twilight from most of the Northern Hemisphere, except latitudes equivalent to Alaska, northern Canada, northern Scandinavia and the northern Soviet Union. In latitudes equivalent to the northern United States and southern Canada, the comet will be seen about two fist-widths above the south-southwest horizon.

Briefly

Flood watch issued in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Heavy rains hit northern Utah last Saturday, prompting the National Weather Service to issue a flash flood watch for six counties.

The watch, which was to end at midnight, included Salt Lake, Utah, Cache, Weber, Morgan and Davis counties.

Morgan, Weber, and Cache counties, along with Wasatch County, were declared disaster areas by Gov. Norm Bangerter due to extensive flooding triggered by a week of wet weather in mid-February.

Weather officials also issued a high wind warning for the state's mountains and western valleys. Gusts up to 65 mph were clocked at Snowbird Ski Resort east of Salt Lake City, and 59 mph at Cedar City.

Campus shanties attacked

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A flaming bottle was hurled at a pair of shanties built on the University of Utah campus to protest South African apartheid policies, but no one was injured in the incident early Saturday morning, authorities say.

University Police Chief Wayne Shepherd said officers called to the scene shortly after midnight found a shattered pop bottle and a charred area on a sidewalk about 20 feet from the makeshift buildings. Shepherd said the incident was being investigated, but there were no suspects. He said security would be tightened around the area.

The first shanty was built about three weeks ago to urge the university to divest its holdings in companies doing business with South Africa, said graduate student Spencer Hammond, co-chairman of University of Utah Students Against Apartheid.

He said the second was built a week later, and the protest group has vowed to build an entire shanty town to make their point.

Directors give Spielberg nod

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Snubbed by the Motion Picture Academy, seven Spielberg was honored by his peers Saturday with the award for

best direction of 1985 by the Directors Guild of America for "The Color Purple."

"If I am one of the nominees for that award, I thank you for that," Spielberg said, making an obvious reference to the fact his name was missing among the five nominees for Oscars for best direction for 1985.

The award to Spielberg marks only the third time over that the Directors Guild Award has diverged from the Oscar.

Bishops to ignore subpoena

WASHINGTON (AP) — A national organization of Roman Catholic bishops said Saturday it won't comply with a court subpoena for records of its anti-abortion activities because it raises "grave constitutional issues" of religious freedom.

The National Conference of Catholic Bishops said through spokesman William Ryan that it would risk a contempt of court citation for refusing to comply with the subpoena, which was issued in connection with a lawsuit challenging the Roman Catholic Church's tax-exempt status.

The bishops, meanwhile, said in a separate statement that because abortion is "a grave moral evil," there is no such thing as legitimate dissent by Roman Catholics against the church's position on the issue.

The statement by Bishop James Malone, the conference president, was issued Saturday in response to an advertisement placed in last Sunday's New York Times by a group of Catholics asserting the right to dissent from church teaching on abortion and other controversial issues.

Planes apparently hit: 2 die

CHICAGO (AP) — Two single-engine planes apparently collided in the air west of Chicago on Saturday, and one of the private craft crashed, killing the two people aboard, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

A Cessna 206 and Cessna 172 collided shortly before 4 p.m., eight miles west of St. Charles, FAA spokesman Mark Edolstein said. St. Charles is about 30 miles west of Chicago.

Crunch

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able to get the money they need for this spring's crop.

There is no similar estimate for the likely failure rate among commercial banks, which hold about \$37 billion in operating debt, but analysts have said they expect 6 percent to 8 percent of farmers to come up empty in their search for planting loans.

Those farmers traditionally turn to the government for help. The Farmers Home Administration, the lending arm of the Agriculture Department, is known as the farm lender of last resort.

"There is no way" the agency can absorb all of the farmers rejected by other lenders, says FmHA administrator Vance Clark.

Demand for loans has been heavy, and the agency has only about \$3.2 billion available — half for direct loans, half for guarantees of loans made by other lenders. That compares with \$4.7 billion that flowed out last year, three-fourths of it in direct lending.

"We have a loan program, not a grant program," Clark told a recent congressional hearing, adding that the agency will enforce a strict cash-flow requirement.

FmHA, because of the very nature of its program, already has an overload of bad debt. Of \$28 billion in farm loans, about one-fourth are delinquent, many with no payments having been made in years.

Asked how many of those delinquent loans will wind up in default, Vance said: "I don't know. It's going to be a big number. It's going to shock you and it's going to shock me. The ones I've looked at in that category are disasters. It makes a bank sick."

Vance said the agency will make a strong effort to keep its current borrowers alive through restructuring loans, including deferring some payments to give those farmers with

a chance of survival the breathing room they need to recover.

"To meet this year's demand from farmers rejected by commercial or Farm Credit lenders, the agency is counting on \$115 million in new interest-rate subsidies authorized in the new farm law and just being put into effect."

That could generate \$5.5 billion in guaranteed commercial loans by bringing interest rates low enough to allow farmers to show sufficient cash flow, the agency believes.

It remains to be seen how the program is accepted by lenders, who are pursuing their own federal aid requests. One leading proposal is a plan to let commercial banks write

down loan losses over a period of time, perhaps 10 years, spreading out the pain of the current crisis and making it more manageable.

Last week Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, indicated support for some version of the idea, and Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., promised swift Senate floor consideration.

In the meantime, Jolly says, farmers and their lenders are in trouble together and are muddling through.

"We're watching a restructuring of the farm sector, but it's going to be a long, agonizing process," he said.

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Today's weather

Indoor spring cleaning might be wise

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today and Monday variable clouds with occasional rain and a chance of thundershowers. Windy at times. Daily highs mid 40s to low 50s. Overnight lows in the 30s.

Camas Prairie, Hailey and the Lower Wood River Valley: Today and Monday variable clouds with occasional snow. Windy at times, especially on the prairie. Daily highs in the 40s. Nightly lows in the 30s.

Northern Utah and Nevada: Today: Cloudy with periods of rain or snow; showers and a few thundershowers through Sunday. Snow level dropping to 5000 feet by this morning. Showers tapering off this afternoon, then developing again by Monday morning.

Lews tonight from near 30 in the north to the upper 40s in the extreme south. High today and Monday from the mid 40s north to low 60s south.

Nevada: Snow level lowering to near 9000 feet by this morning. Expect a chance of few snow or rain showers then clouds increasing from the west late this afternoon and tonight. Occasional rain or snow spreading over the area tonight and Monday.

Synopsis: Flood warnings remain in effect for the lower reaches of the Payette River, which was forecast to continue rising throughout the night. Also, a heavy snow warning exists for the mountains of southern Idaho, the National Weather Service said.

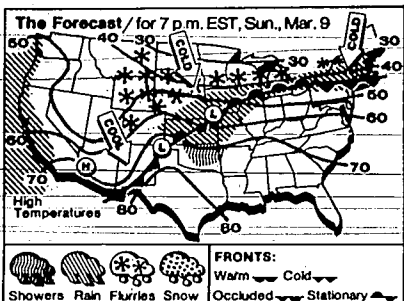
Heavy snow fall and was expected to continue as the storm system proceeds westward.

Pocahontas had a thunderstorm Saturday afternoon. Small hail fell and the visibility was reduced to one-half mile.

The low temperatures Saturday ranged in the 30s and 40s with the coldest report being 26 degrees at Elk River. Early afternoon temperatures were ranging in the 30s over the mountain valleys to the 40s over most locations with the highest so far being 54 at Twin Falls. The evening cloud cover caused the temperatures to rise slowly.

The warmest temperature in the state Saturday was 54 degrees at Twin Falls, and the coldest was 20 at Elk River.

The extended outlook for southern Idaho shows partly cloudy with a chance of rain and snow showers at



times. Highs will range from the 30s in the mountains to the 50s in the low valleys. Most overnight lows will be in the 20s and 30s.

Elsewhere in the nation Saturday, the warmest reading was 92 degrees at Laughlin, Nev., and the coldest was 18 degrees below zero at Houghton Lake, Mich.

Idaho road report
BOISE (AP) — Continued rain kept most highways across the state wet Saturday night, the Idaho Transportation Department reported.

Conditions:
U.S. 95 — Plummer-Coeur d'Alene, dry; Coeur d'Alene-Sandpoint, dry; Sandpoint-Canadian border, dry; Blaine-White-Bird-Hill, wet; Grandville-Winchester, wet; Winchester-Lewisville, wet; Lewisville-Moscow, wet; Weston-New Meadows, wet; Marsing-Oregon border, wet.

Interstate 90 — Fourth of July Canyon-Burley-Madras, wet.

U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Lolo Pass, wet.

Interstate 84 — Caldwell area, wet; Boise area, wet; Boise-Glenns Ferry, wet; Bliss-Twin Falls, dry; Twin

Falls-Burley, dry; Burley-Utah border, wet, rain; Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, wet, rain; fog; Donnelly-New Meadows, wet.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, wet, rain; rocks on road; Idaho City-Lowman, wet, rain; Grand-Jackson, CLOSED.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet, fog; Fairfield-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco, dry; Arco-Idaho Falls, wet; Idaho Falls-Ashton, wet; Ashton-Montana border, wet.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming border, wet.

Idaho 31 — Mountain Home-Nevada border, wet, rain.

U.S. 93 — Nevada border-Twin Falls, dry; Twin Falls-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, wet; Fruit-Hatfield, wet.

Idaho 25 — Shoshone-Ketchum, icy; Ketchum-Galen Summit, icy spots.

Idaho 16 — Elk River-Pocahontas, wet, rain.

Interstate 15 — Utah border-Idaho Falls, wet, rain; Idaho Falls-Montana border, wet, rain.

U.S. 30 — McCallum-Wyoming border, wet, rain.

U.S. 91 — Downey, Preston-Utah border, wet, rain.

Californians flee from floods again

By The Associated Press

Renewed rain-over-flood-stricken northern California contributed to flooding that forced some residents of one town from their homes Saturday, while bitter cold in the East toppled two dozen low temperature records, some a century old.

Up to 2 feet of snow fell in the Sierra Nevada, while Wyoming posted a record high for the date.

Flood warnings and watches were issued for parts of northern California and many streams in Idaho, and winter storm warnings were posted from California's Sierra Nevada through Nevada's Tahoe Valley, the mountains of Idaho and into Colorado.

At least 150 residents of Anderson, Calif., south of Redding, fled their homes overnight after flooding caused by heavy rain and a ruptured irrigation channel, and 350 others left their homes voluntarily, estimated Police Lt. Gary Stainbrook.

Torrential rain started falling at 5 p.m. Friday, "and within minutes water was lying in the streets. The storm drains couldn't handle it," Stainbrook said.

About five hours later, a 25-foot break opened in an irrigation channel in the town of about 7,300 people, and water was up to 2½ feet deep in parts of the town.

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Democrats get along, set rules for '88

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic Party officials, settling aside their tradition of internal bickering, on Saturday heeded the call of their chairman and swiftly adopted rules governing the campaign for the party's 1988 presidential nomination.

Party chairman Paul G. Kirk Jr. also appealed to them to discourage "any premature and false barometer of the 1988 nominating process, such as straw polls." He punctuated his appeal by noting that CBS News had distributed ballots to delegates and he urged them to "leave them blank."

The CBS survey asked the Democrats to name their personal choice for the nomination and identify the Democrat with the best chance of carrying their state.

Martin Pilsner of CBS said the network distributed several hundred ballots, but only 70 or 80 were returned—and many of those were blank. The response was too skimpy for a valid reading of the delegates' sentiments, he said.

Kirk had urged the party to avoid a wholesale revision of the rules and approve relatively minor modifications in the provisions that guided the 1984 nomination campaign.

At a news conference after the meeting, an obviously pleased Kirk said the Democrats had come through the rules process with the appearance of "a party that has its act together."

The revised rules increased the number of elected and party officials who will automatically be named delegates to the nominating convention; lowered the percentage of the vote can-

didates would need to be awarded delegates; and opened the way for Wisconsin to resume holding its open primary.

But while 1988 held the spotlight at the meeting of the Democratic National Committee, Kirk reminded the delegates that "we can't wait for 1988, the battle will take place in 1986."

Earlier in the three-day party meeting, Kirk announced a \$1.2 million program to strengthen state parties as they gear up for the midterm elections in which the major goal of the Democrats is to regain control of the Senate.

The Democrats must pick up four Senate seats to regain the majority they lost in 1980.

The Democrats have undertaken massive and often divisive revisions of their rules after nearly every presidential election since 1968 — and they lost four of the five elections since that year.

Nation

Police answer dog of a call

MILWAUKEE (AP) — No one can accuse police here of dogging it.

When a dispatcher heard only breathing from a caller, he believed someone was in distress, so he pinpointed where the call came from and sent an officer.

Policeman George Hawn arrived at the house minutes later. When he got no response, he tried to get a key from a neighbor.

He was unsuccessful, so he kicked in the door, said Assistant City Attorney R. Scott Ritter.

Finally inside, he spotted the caller lying on the floor next to the phone.

It was a dog.

While the owner, Betty A. Hood, was away, the dog knocked the phone off the hook and accidentally pressed a button programmed to dial the police department, said Ritter.

But Ms. Hood is not amused — she filed a claim seeking to recover the cost of the damage to her door in the Nov. 11 incident.

Briefly

City leaders predict tax hikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The loss of federal revenue sharing money this year will force cities to raise property tax rates by an average 25 percent if they are to maintain services, a survey of city leaders said Saturday.

Officials in 58 percent of the 655 cities surveyed said they anticipate a combination of tax increase and spending cutbacks because of the scheduled end of general revenue sharing.

The National League of Cities released its survey as some 3,500 mayors and council members from across the country were opening their three-day congressional conference in Washington on Sunday.

The officials have protested strongly the reductions in federal aid to local governments proposed by President Reagan in his fiscal 1987 budget. Their highest priority has been on reviving the \$4.6 billion revenue sharing program, the program of no-strings aid to cities that is scheduled to expire this fall.

Passengers line up for flights

The Associated Press.

Flight attendants walked picket lines Saturday in the second day of their strike against Trans World Airlines over concession demands, and passengers whose flights were canceled lined up to wait for space on other carriers.

"We're going out to win," attendants' spokeswoman Helen McDermott said Saturday at the strike headquarters in St. Louis, Mo.

The nation's sixth-largest carrier had called off half its flights when the strike started Friday, but hoped to get more planes into the air starting Sunday by using newly hired attendants and management personnel.

GE workers ask for respect

BOSTON (AP) — The 7,400 General Electric Co. workers on strike at three Massachusetts plants aren't looking for a change in management attitudes, leaders say.

"We're not like matchsticks," said Ronald Malloy, business agent for Local 201 of the International Union of Electrical, Electrical, Technical, Salaried and Machine Workers.

Malloy claims company foremen treat the union's shop stewards with disrespect.

The strike, which began Feb. 21, has halted work on more than \$1 billion of GE's contracts to build engines for F-18 jets, Army helicopters and other military aircraft.

Hunger relief total released

LOS ANGELES (AP) — USA for Africa has raised \$44.5 million for hunger relief, most of the money in royalties from the Grammy-winning "We Are the World" recording by 45 rock stars, according to a report released Saturday.

The audit, published to coincide with the first anniversary of the single's release, said USA for Africa's directors had spent, or allocated about \$19 million for immediate famine relief in eight African nations.

An additional \$24.5 million was committed by USA for Africa on Feb. 27 for long-term cultural and health projects in Africa. About \$900,000 has been spent or allocated for efforts in the United States.

Reagan: Contra aid foes ignoring threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan warned Congress on Saturday that rejecting his plan to help Nicaraguan rebels means caving in to "a powerful Soviet bloc challenge to spread communism throughout Central America."

The president, in his weekly radio address from Camp David, Md., delivered another broadside of tough talk designed to counter congressional resistance to his proposal to send \$100 million in aid to the Contras battling Nicaragua's Sandinista government.

With his plans getting a cool reception on Capitol Hill, Reagan announced Friday that he was sending diplomatic troubleshooter Philip Habib to Central America, to try to seek a negotiated settlement of the region's conflicts.

In his address, Reagan said the upcoming vote in Congress is of "supreme importance" to U.S. security. His policy, Reagan argued, will "keep Central America free without committing American troops."

The president said Habib's diplomatic mission must be bolstered by aid to the rebels, or "the communists will feel no need to negotiate. Without power, diplomacy will be without leverage."

"History will soon record whether the United States Congress, faced with a powerful Soviet bloc challenge to capture Nicaragua and spread communism throughout Central America, stood by and watched or had the courage to stand up for freedom and American security," Reagan said.

"How can Congress ignore this storm, gathering so close to our homeland?" Reagan asked.

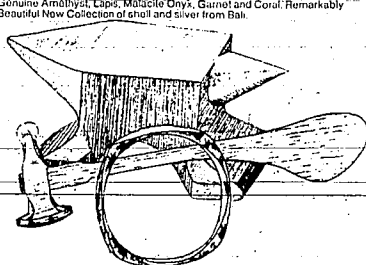
Delivering the Democratic Party's response to Reagan's radio talk, Sen. James Sasser of Tennessee said: "It's absurd to suggest that anyone who opposes the immediate allocation of \$100 million in military aid to the Contras is an unwitting dupe of Fidel Castro or (Nicaraguan leader) Daniel Ortega."

"Accusations of that sort can only come from a simplistic, black-and-white view of Central America. And I fear they betray a fundamental misunderstanding of the region," Sasser said.

Sasser called for "bilateral talks between the United States and the Sandinistas. We should work for a cease-fire in the region. We should suspend our own military exercises in Honduras as evidence of good faith."

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Sakharov call interrupted

BOSTON (AP) — The telephone line went dead Saturday when the wife of Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov told him she had met with physicians who called him one of the Soviet Union's greatest scientists, relatives said.

Sakharov's stepson, Alexei Semynov, said he believed the line was jammed by Soviet officials to harass the 63-year-old dissident, who lives out of 100 foreign visitors in the closed city of Gorky.

But the physicist's son-in-law, Efram Yankelevich, said the disconnection may have been a mistake.

"It's not clear if the Soviets thought science was too sensitive a subject or if it was accidental," Yankelevich said in a telephone interview from his Newton home, where the call was placed.

Sakharov's wife, Yelena Bonner, 63, has been staying at Yankelevich's home on a six-month visa for medical treatment.

Sakharov told his wife Saturday he was well and working on his research at their apartment, Semynov said.

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Briefly

Flood watch issued in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Heavy rains hit northern Utah late Saturday, prompting the National Weather Service to issue a flash flood watch for six counties.

The watch, which was to end at midnight, included Salt Lake, Utah, Cache, Weber, Morgan and Davis counties.

Morgan, Weber, and Cache counties, along with Wasatch County, were declared disaster areas by Gov. Norm Bangerter due to extensive flooding triggered by a week of wet weather in mid-February.

Weather officials also issued a high wind warning for the state's mountains and western valleys. Gusts up to 65 mph were clocked at Snowbird Ski Resort east of Salt Lake City, and 59 mph at Cedar City.

Campus shanties attacked

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A flaming bottle was hurled at a pair of shanties built on the University of Utah campus to protest South African apartheid policies, but no one was injured in the incident early Saturday morning, authorities say.

University Police Chief Wayne Shepherd said officers called to the scene shortly after midnight found a shattered pop bottle and a charred area on a sidewalk about 200 feet from the makeshift building.

Shepherd said the incident was being investigated, but there were no suspects. He said security would be tightened around the area.

The first shanty was built about three weeks ago to urge the university to divest its holdings in companies doing business with South Africa, said graduate student Spencer Hammond, co-chairman of University of Utah Students Against Apartheid.

He said the second was built a week later, and the protest group has vowed to build an entire shanty town to make their point.

Directors give Spielberg nod

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Snubbed by the Motion Picture Academy, Spielberg was honored by his peers Saturday with the award for best direction of 1985 by the Directors Guild of America for "The Color Purple."

"If some of you are making a statement — thank God — I thank you for that," Spielberg said, making an obvious reference to the fact his name was missing from the five nominees for Oscars for best direction in 1985.

The award to Spielberg marks only the third time ever that the Directors Guild Award has diverged from the Oscar.

Bishops to ignore subpoena

WASHINGTON (AP) — A national organization of Roman-Catholic bishops will Saturday comply with a court subpoena for records of its anti-abortion activity because it raises "grave constitutional issues" of religious freedom.

The National Council of Catholic Bishops said through spokesman William Ryan that it would risk a contempt of court citation for refusing to comply with the subpoena, which was issued in connection with a lawsuit challenging the Roman-Catholic Church's tax-exempt status.

The bishops, meanwhile, said in a separate statement that because abortion is "a grave moral evil," there is no such thing as legitimate dissent by Roman Catholics against the church's position on the issue.

The statement by Bishop James Malone, the scene president, was issued Saturday in response to an advertisement placed in last Sunday's New York Times by a group of Catholics asserting the right to dissent from church teaching on abortion and other controversial issues.

Planes apparently hit; 2 die

CHICAGO (AP) — Two single-engine planes apparently collided in the air west of Chicago Saturday, and one of the private craft crashed, killing the two people aboard, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

A Cessna 206 and Cessna 172 collided shortly before 4 p.m., eight miles west of St. Charles, FAA spokesman Mark Weinstein said. St. Charles is about 30 miles west of Chicago.

Forecast for 7 p.m. EST, Sun., Mar. 9

High Temperatures: 60-70
Low Temperatures: 30-40

FRONTS: Warm, Cold, Stationary

Conditions: Showers, Rain, Flurries, Snow

National Weather Service NOAA, U.S. Dept. of Commerce

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding: Today and Monday variable clouds with occasional rain and a chance of thunderstorms. Windy at times. Daily highs mid 40s to low 50s. Overnight lows in the 20s.

Camas Prairie, Halley and the Lower Wood River Valley: Today and Monday variable clouds with occasional snow. Windy at times especially on the prairie. Daily highs in the 40s. Nightly lows in the 30s.

Northern Blah and Nevada: Utah: Cloudy with periods of rain or snow showers and a few thunder showers through Sunday. Snow level dropping to 5000 by this morning. Showers tapering off this afternoon, then developing again by Monday morning. Lows tonight from near 30 in the north to the upper 20s in the Twin Falls. Highs today and Monday from the mid 40s north to low 60s south.

Nevada: Snow level lowering to near 5000 feet. Fairly cloudy but with a chance of few snow or rain showers then clouds increasing from the west late this afternoon and tonight. Occasional rain or snow spreading over the area tonight and Monday.

Synopsis: Flood warnings remain in effect for the lower reaches of the Payette River, which was forecast to continue rising throughout the night. Also, a heavy snow warning exists for the mountain areas of southern Idaho. The National Weather Service said.

Heavy snow fell and was expected to continue as the storm system proceeded to the east.

Pocatello had a thunderstorm Saturday afternoon. Small hail fell and the visibility was reduced to one-half mile.

The low temperatures Saturday ranged in the 20s and 30s with the coldest report being 26 degrees at Twin Falls. Early afternoon temperatures were ranging in the 30s over the mountain valleys to the 40s over most locations. Highs so far being 54 at Twin Falls. The extensive cloud cover caused the temperatures to rise slowly.

The warmest temperature in the state Saturday was 54 degrees at Twin Falls, and the coldest was 26 at Elk River.

The extended outlook for southern Idaho shows partly cloudy with a chance of rain and snow showers at

times. Highs will range from the 30s in the lowlands to the 40s in the low valleys. Most overnight lows will be in the 20s and 30s.

Elsewhere in the nation Saturday, the warmest reading was 92 degrees at Laughlin, Nev., and the coldest was 18 degrees below zero at Houghton Lake, Mich.

Idaho 35 — Burley-Utah border, dry; Boise-Idaho border, dry; Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, wet, rain, fog; Donnelly-New Meadows, dry.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, wet, rain, rocks on road; Idaho City-Lowman, wet, rain; Grandjean-Stanley, dry.

U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-Fairfield, wet, fog; Fairfield-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco, dry; Arco-Idaho Falls, wet, Idaho Falls-Idaho, wet; Ashton-Montana border, wet.

U.S. 26 — Idaho Falls-Wyoming border, wet.

Idaho 51 — Mountain Home-Nevada border, wet, rain.

U.S. 93 — Plummer-Coeur d'Alene, dry; Twin Falls-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco, dry; Arco-Salmon, wet, rain; Trail Pass, wet.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, icy, wet, rain; Twin Falls-Trypan, dry.

Interstate 86 — Kraft River-Pocatello, wet, rain.

Interstate 45 — Utah-Idaho border, Idaho Falls, wet, rain; Idaho Falls-Monda Pass, wet.

U.S. 30 — McCall-Mountain-Wyoming border, wet, rain.

Idaho 91 — Downey, Preston, Utah border, wet, rain.

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Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — Continued rain kept most highways across the state wet Saturday night, the Idaho Transportation Department reports.

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Crunch

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 able to get the money they need for this spring's crop.

There is no similar estimate for the likely failure rate among commercial banks, which hold about \$37 billion in operating debt, but analysts have said they expect 6 percent to 8 percent of farmers to come up empty in their search for planting loans.

Those farmers traditionally turn to the government for help. The Farmers Home Administration, the lending arm of the Agriculture Department, is known as the farm lender of last resort.

"There is no way" the agency can absorb all of the farmers rejected by other lenders, says FmHA administrator Vance Clark.

Demand for loans has been heavy, and the agency has only about \$3.2 billion available — half for direct loans, half for guarantees of loans made by other lenders. That compares with \$4.7 billion that flowed out last year, three-fourths of it in direct lending.

"We have a loan program, not a grant program," Clark told a recent congressional hearing, adding that the agency will enforce a strict cash-flow requirement.

FmHA because of the very nature of its mission, already has an overdraft limit of \$20 billion in farm loans, about one-fourth are delinquent, many with no payments having been made in years.

Asked how many of those delinquent loans will wind up in default, Vance said: "I don't know. It's going to be a big number. It's going to shock you and it's going to shock me. The ones I've looked at in that category are disasters. It makes a banker ill."

Vance said the agency will make a strong effort to keep its current borrowers alive through restructuring loans, including deferring some payments to give those farmers with

a chance of survival the breathing room they need to recover.

To meet this year's demand for farmers rejected by commercial or Farm Credit lenders, the agency is counting on \$15 billion in new interest-rate subsidies authorized in the new farm law and just being put into effect.

That could generate \$5.5 billion in guaranteed commercial loans by bringing interest rates low enough to allow farmers to show sufficient cash flow, the agency believes.

It remains to be seen how the program is accepted by lenders, who are pursuing their own federal aid requests. One leading proposal is a plan to let commercial banks write

down loan losses over a period of time, perhaps 10 years, spreading out the pain of this current crisis and making it more manageable.

Last week Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, indicated support for some version of the idea and Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., promised swift Senate floor consideration.

In the meantime, Jolly says, farmers and their lenders are in trouble together and are muddling through.

"We're watching a restructuring of the farm sector, but it's going to be a long, agonizing process," he said.

Californians flee from floods again

By The Associated Press

Renewed rain over flood-stricken northern California contributed to flooding that forced some residents of one town from their homes Saturday, while bitter cold in the East toppled two dozen low temperature records, some a century old.

Up to 2 feet of snow fell in the Sierra Nevada while Wyoming posted a record high for the date.

Flood warnings and watches were issued for parts of northern California and many streams in Idaho, and winter storm warnings were posted from Nevada's Sierra Nevada through Nevada's Tahoe Valley, the mountains of Idaho and into Colorado.

At least 150 residents of Anderson, Calif., south of Redding, fled their homes overnight after flooding caused by heavy rain and a ruptured irrigation channel, and 350 others left their homes voluntarily, estimated Police Lt. Gary Stainbrook.

Torrential rain started falling at 5 p.m. Friday and within minutes water was lying in the streets. The storm—people shouldn't handle it—Stainbrook said.

About five hours later, a 25-foot break opened in an irrigation channel in the town of about 7,300 people, and water was up to 2 1/2 feet deep in parts of the town.

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Democrats get along, set rules for '88

Nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic Party officials, setting aside their tradition of internal bickering on Saturday heeded the call of their chairman and swiftly adopted rules governing the campaign for the party's 1988 presidential nomination.

Party chairman Paul G. Kirk Jr. also appealed to them to discourage "any premature and false barometers of the 1988 nominating process, such as straw polls." He punctuated his appeal by noting that CBS News had distributed ballots to delegates and he urged them to "leave them blank."

The CBS survey asked the Democrats to name their personal choice for the nomination and identify the Democrat with the best chance of carrying their state.

Martin Plisner of CBS said the network distributed several hundred ballots, but only 70 or 80 were returned, and many of those were blank. The response was, too skimpy for a valid reading of the delegates' sentiments, he said.

Kirk had urged the party to avoid a wholesale revision of the rules, and approve relatively minor modifications. In provisions that guided the 1984 nomination campaign.

At a news conference after the meeting, an obviously pleased Kirk said the Democrats had come through the rules process with the appearance of "a party that has its act together."

The revised rules increased the number of elected and party officials who will automatically be named delegates to the nominating convention; lowered the percentage of the vote can-

didates would need to be awarded delegates; and opened the way for Wisconsin to resume holding its open primary.

But while 1988 held the spotlight at the meeting of the Democratic National Committee, Kirk reminded the delegates that they can't wait for 1988; the battle will take place in 1986.

Earlier in the three-day party meeting, Kirk announced a \$1.2 million program to strengthen state parties as they gear up for the midterm elections in which the major goal of the Democrats is regain control of the Senate.

The Democrats must pick up four Senate seats to regain the majority they lost in 1980.

The Democrats have undertaken massive and often divisive revisions of their rules after nearly every presidential election since 1968 — and they lost four of the five elections since that year.

Police answer dog of a call

MILWAUKEE (AP) — No one can accuse police here of dogging it.

When a dispatcher heard only breathing from a caller, he believed someone was in distress, so he pinpointed where the call came from and sent an officer.

Policeman George Hawn arrived at the house minutes later. When he got no response, he tried to get a key from a neighbor. He was unsuccessful, so he kicked in the door, said Assistant City Attorney R. Scott Ritter.

Finally inside, he spotted the caller lying on the floor next to the phone.

It was a dog.

While the owner, Betty A. Hood, was away, the dog knocked the phone off the hook and accidentally pressed a button programmed to dial the police department, said Ritter.

But Ms. Hood is not amused — she filed a claim seeking to recover the cost of the damage to her door in the Nov. 11 incident.

Briefly

City leaders predict tax hikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The loss of federal revenue-sharing money this year will force cities to raise property tax rates by an average 25 percent if they are to maintain services, a survey of city leaders said Saturday.

Officials in 58 percent of the 655 cities surveyed said they anticipate a combination of tax increase and spending cutbacks because of the scheduled end of general revenue sharing.

The National League of Cities released its survey as some 3,500 mayors and council members from across the country were opening their three-day congressional conference in Washington on Sunday.

The officials have protested strongly the reductions in federal aid to local governments proposed by President Reagan in his fiscal 1987 budget. Their highest priority has been on reviving the \$4.6 billion revenue sharing program, the program of no-strings aid to cities that is scheduled to expire this fall.

Passengers line up for flights

The Associated Press

Flight attendants walked picket lines Saturday in the second day of their strike against Trans World Airlines over concession demands, and passengers whose flights were canceled lined up to wait for space on other carriers.

"We're going out to win," attendants' spokeswoman Helen McDermott said Saturday at the strike headquarters in St. Louis, Mo.

The nation's sixth-largest carrier had called off half its flights when the strike started Friday, but hoped to get more planes into the air starting Sunday by using newly hired attendants and management personnel.

GE workers ask for respect

BOSTON (AP) — The 7,400 General Electric Co. workers on strike at three Massachusetts plants said seeking the usual more money or greater benefits. They're looking for a change in management attitudes, leaders say.

"The issue of the strike is really respect, being treated like people, not like machines," said Ronald Malloy, business agent for Local 201 of the International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Technical, Semiautomated and Machine Workers.

Malloy claims company foremen treat the union's shop stewards with disrespect.

The strike, which began Feb. 21, has halted work on more than \$1 billion of GE's contracts to build engines for F-18 jets, Army helicopters and other military aircraft.

Hunger relief total released

LOS ANGELES (AP) — USA for Africa has raised \$44.5 million for hunger relief, most of the money in royalties from the Grammy-winning "We Are the World" recording by 45 rock stars, according to a report released Saturday.

The audit, published to coincide with the first anniversary of the single's release, said USA for Africa's directors had spent or allocated about \$19 million for immediate famine relief in eight African nations.

An additional \$24.5 million was committed by USA for Africa on Feb. 27 for long-term agricultural and health projects in Africa. About \$900,000 has been spent or allocated for efforts in the United States.

Reagan: Contra aid foes ignoring threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan warned Congress on Saturday that neglecting to help Nicaragua rebels means caving in to "a powerful Soviet bloc challenge to spread communism throughout Central America."

The president, in his weekly radio address from Camp David, Md., delivered another broadside of tough talk designed to counter congressional resistance to his proposal to send \$100 million in aid to the Contras battling Nicaragua's Sandinista government.

With his plans getting a cool reception in Capitol Hill, Reagan announced Friday that he was sending diplomatic troubleshooters Philip Habib to Central America to try to seek a negotiated settlement of the region's conflicts.

In his address, Reagan said the upcoming vote in Congress is of "supreme importance" to U.S. security. His policy, Reagan argued, will "keep Central America free without committing American troops."

The president said Habib's diplomatic mission must be bolstered by aid to the rebels, or the communists will feel no need to negotiate. Without power, diplomacy will be without leverage.

"History will soon record whether the United States Congress, faced with a powerful Soviet bloc challenge to capture Nicaragua and spread communism throughout Central America, stood by and watched or had the courage to stand up for freedom and American security," Reagan said.

"How can Congress ignore this storm, gathering so close to our homeland?" Reagan asked.

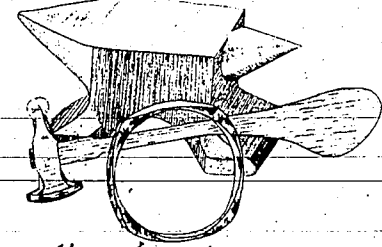
Delivering the Democratic Party's response to Reagan's radio talk, Sen. James Sasser of Tennessee said: "It's absurd to suggest that anyone who opposes the immediate allocation of \$100 million in military aid to the Contras is an unwitting dupe of Fidel Castro or (Nicaraguan leader) Daniel Ortega."

"Accusations of that sort can only come from a simplistic, black-and-white view of Central America. And I fear they betray a fundamental misunderstanding of the region," Sasser said.

Sasser called for "bilateral talks between the United States and the Sandinistas. We should work for a cease-fire in the region. We should suspend our own military exercises in Honduras as evidence of good faith."

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Sakharov call interrupted

BOSTON (AP) — The telephone line went dead Saturday when the wife of Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov told him she had met with physicists who called him one of the Soviet Union's greatest scientists, relatives said.

Sakharov's stepson, Alexei Semyonov, said he believed the line was jammed by Soviet officials to harass the 64-year-old dissident, who lives cut off from foreign visitors in the closed city of Gorky.

But the physicist's son-in-law, Efrem Yankelevich, said the disconnection may have been a mistake.

"It's not clear if the Soviets thought science was too sensitive a subject or if it was accidental," Yankelevich said in a telephone interview from his Newton home, where the call was placed.

Sakharov's wife, Yelena Bonner, 63, has been staying at Yankelevich's home on a six-month visa for medical treatment.

Sakharov told his wife Saturday he was well and working on his research at their apartment, Semyonov said.

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We should not make English use official

In the pile of well-meaning, but off-the-mark, proposals which have been floated by some of our Idaho legislators this winter, a bill to mandate English as the "official" language of Idaho strikes us as particularly worthy of defeat.

Wisely, in our view, the Senate State Affairs Committee voted this week to table the measure, which had passed the House on a 73 to 9 vote.

The Senate committee's action was sound for several reasons, not the least of which is a widely held perception that the proposal was aimed at Hispanics and Asians, and would have left the impression that the legislators were bigoted.

There are good reasons, in our view, for encouraging immigrants of all nationalities to learn English when they come to the United States.

In America, the ability to speak and write in English is a threshold skill, necessary for full equality in our modern society. Bilingual educational programs, which we do not support, only retard that important step.

We support the measures brought up in the committee which would require English versions of legal documents and examining the costs of election ballots in multiple languages. These are reasonable steps the state should take.

But encouraging the use of English by such measures is not the same as mandating its use. The one promotes the public good. The second infringes on personal liberty, free choice and the civil rights of citizens.

The House passed bill was similar to a Draconian measure proposed by Sen. Steve Symms to make English the official language of America. Both are insensitive and send an inappropriate message to Idaho's minority groups.

The Senate committee acted well in turning down this bill. The Congress should do the same with Symms' proposal.

Citizens should be encouraged to learn English for the benefits that literacy will bring. But they should not be forced to do so.



U.S. policy should hasten Soviet fall

MOSCOW — The acrid aroma hanging over the Communist Party congress was the incense of the communist church: burnt reputation. Gorbachev trashed the reputation of Brezhnev, as Brezhnev had done to Khrushchev, who did unto Stalin... world without end, amen.

In the aftermath of the dreary congress, the trajectory of Gorbachev's reputation in the world will be compressed. The steepness of its decline will mirror its sharp but short rise during his first year.

Now the United States must design a policy for the opportunities and dangers to be posed by the accelerating decline of the Soviet Union in the Gorbachev era.

Gorbachev's historic role will be to kill the illusion that makes him seem, temporarily, more interesting than he is. The illusion is that the Soviet system is pliable to the will of the leader, and that leaders come with diverse wills.

Actually, the leader is, inevitably, an expression of the system that molded him as he rose through it. Problems blamed on the physiognomies of deceitful leaders are now going to be seen as deriving from the unchanging ideology that rationalizes and makes primitive the self-replicating ruling class.

Gorbachev has turned a scowling face toward the party — the only instrument for controlling the state — and said simply: Control better. Indeed, at the conclusion of his five-hour speech to the congress he praised "brightening the vanguard role of the party."

Gorbachev wants to achieve economic rationality without an economic market, and with a command economy. That is impossible. He denigrates industries that manufacture goods without consumer demand. But consumer demand is ir-



George Will

relevant in a state run by a party with the "vanguard role" of pulling the benighted people to their "real" interest, which is the convenience of the state. Admit the principle of consumer sovereignty and the seamless web of Soviet tyranny would unravel.

Here, then, is the paralyzing paradox of Soviet society. It is supposed to be a collectivist society ruled by "science" rather than individualist interests. Yet the interests of the individuals in the ruling class require the pretense of a "science" of progress that is the basis of that class's claim to privileges.

It has been said that the problems confronting the industrialized democracies are solvable by policy changes, whereas Soviet problems require systemic changes. Nothing announced or even foreshadowed at the congress suggests such change. So the Soviet crisis of concealment will continue, and the Soviet Union will become increasingly suited to the modern world.

Pat Moynihan says the delicate U.S. task is "managing the decline" of the Soviet Union. He has come to see that they are doomed; they must become ever more dangerous." Henry Rowan of the Hoover Institution, writing about "living with a sick bear," says the interest of the West is in "letting the Soviet system decay."

Dionisios Moynihan stresses Soviet decline is "for warehouses," meaning with regard to correct conservatives "whose disposition is to angst: the decline of the West. The rise of the

SSA's Rowan, a conservative, stresses Soviet decline to counter the liberal agenda. He argues that Soviet "economic sickness, as opposed to negotiations on arms, is a much more promising path to achieving an improvement in our security."

The Soviet Union has passed the apogee of its doomed attempt to keep pace with the West. As the world becomes more complicated and rapidly evolving, it requires of societies fluidity, adaptability and other prodigies of freedom. The Soviet Union will see the gap between it and the democracies widen — and if the democracies keep their nerve and keep the pressure on.

One Soviet strategy will be the combination of parasitism and cynicism known as detente; more substituted trade with the West, more purchases of technology, more espionage, more anesthetizing of Western publics. The West may, yet again, that detente, which the Soviet regime desires as an alternative to systemic change, will stimulate such change. Or, the West may order detente to assuage Soviet desperation that could result in a lunge for supremacy through aggression.

The sensible way to respond to Soviet decline is by hastening it. Policy should be detente, and more of the Reagan Doctrine of increasing the cost of the Soviet Empire by supporting insurrections at the margins of the empire (Afghanistan, Nicaragua, Angola).

The Soviet Union is no longer (in Churchill's words) a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma. It is conspicuously an ivory trapped in a bureaucracy drunk on a 19th-century fallacy, Marxism. It is a system being driven toward suffocation and anemia; its deserved destinations.

George Will writes for Newsweek.

Welfare paradox: The more we provide, the worse it gets

WASHINGTON — Is the nation's welfare system creating poverty rather than reducing it? Two Ohio University economists, Lowell Galloway and Richard Vedder, advance that argument in a paper published last month by the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas. Their contention merits a look.

"At least 5.7 million people," the authors say, "are living in poverty by choice as a result of the generosity of public welfare."

In addition, \$1 billion in welfare spending increases the poverty population by 250,000. Put simply, we are experiencing more poverty because we have been increasing the amount we pay people to be poor." To arrive at these conclusions, the authors developed a correlation between welfare spending and poverty levels throughout the nation in the years 1966-1984. They came up with some eye-opening data. The poverty rate in 1966, when Lyndon Johnson's "war on



James Kilpatrick

poverty" got under way, was 14.7 percent. It dropped to a low of 11.1 percent in 1973, and then climbed back to 14.4 percent in 1984.

Statistically speaking, we are virtually back where we started 20 years ago.

Yet there is a difference. Two decades ago, a theory was widely advanced that people were trapped in poverty for want of economic opportunities. "Today's structural poverty is something else. It's much greater extent it is poverty by choice. By that we mean that people choose poverty levels of income over non-poverty levels because they feel the combination of income

and leisure which accompanies poverty to be preferable to non-poverty."

The two economists looked at poverty and welfare, state by state, between 1969 and 1973. In this period, only four of the 10 states that spent the most on Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) experienced a reduction in their poverty rates. These were Minnesota, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin. Vermont showed no change. But five of the 10 biggest welfare spenders — California, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michigan and New York — experienced increases in their poverty rates. New York's increase was a phenomenal 20.7 percent.

Meanwhile, the 10 states that were spending the least on AFDC were having a very different experience. Their poverty rates were going down by an average of almost 25 percent. These 10 are Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee and

Texas. The statistics, the authors say, "dramatically confirm that high levels of welfare benefits are not the magic road to eliminating poverty. All but the low-benefit states show considerably more progress in eliminating poverty than the nation as a whole." Galloway and Vedder made a special study of poor children. In 1969 the poverty rate for persons under 18 was 13.8 percent. By 1984 it had risen to 21.1 percent. If the level of AFDC in 1984 (in real terms) had been no higher than in 1969, the poverty rate among children would be 3.9 percentage points lower. Forget the numbers. The authors' point is that the difference amounts to 2.5 million children.

Look again, thinking of poor children, at the 10 highest and the 10 lowest AFDC states: Between 1969 and 1973, the number of children "in poverty" in the 10 highest

AFDC states increased by an average of 27.9 percent. In this same period, in the 10 lowest states, the rate fell by 17.4 percent. In 1969 Texas had a far higher rate of child poverty than New York. By 1973 the positions were reversed. "What price public welfare?"

The statistics are so firmly hard to absorb at a quick glance. Because I am by nature suspicious of all statistics that I do not stack myself, I suspect there is more to the story than meets the eye.

Certainly not many households on welfare would think their government is treating them generously. Definitions of "poverty" vary enormously. Even so, the evidence is startling. We seem to have tumbled into a senseless situation in which the more benefits we provide, the worse the picture gets.

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

Letters/ Don't allow transfers of county hospitals to bypass referendum

Let the taxpayers decide

Dear Sen. Denton Darrington: I am scheduled to present testimony at the coming committee hearing regarding HB-579, the transfer of county hospitals. Since Magic Valley Regional Medical Center currently is my competition in two businesses, I certainly understand what competition from a potential foe would mean to my business. I would like to compete with local taxpayers should, in my opinion, be the decision of the local taxpayer.

I realize that the Idaho Hospital Association, the Idaho Association of Counties and County Hospital Administrators have lobbied long and hard in requesting that you pass the bill. And during the House debate on February 28, Rep. Donna Scott stated that this bill should not require a referendum because it was too complicated for the people of the counties to understand.

We appreciate the efforts of these concerned citizens and their commitment to do what they feel is in their best interests. And we appreciate that they have spent to circumvent the "will of the people."

Let me assure you that the will of the people in Twin Falls County is to have this issue determined by the county's registered voters and not by the Legislature. And I will be prepared to provide the Senate Health and Welfare Committee and the full Senate with conclusive evidence that nearly every business person in Twin Falls, Idaho agrees with my position on this issue. I look forward to meeting with the com-

mittee on Tuesday. GARY L. THETTEN, President, Idaho Home Health and Hospice, Twin Falls

Working in strange ways

The news of abandoning the plans to construct a new power plant at Minidoka Dam came in an obscure corner on the back page of a newspaper. The old plant was to become a museum and the area to be landscaped with amenities for visitors and fishermen. Construction plans were speedy and nobody seemed to worry about the cost.

Of course it is a disappointment that the project is being scrubbed, and it is regretted that so much money went down the drain in surveys, drawings and public meetings.

The bureaucracy has strange ways. It was a struggle to get sister dam American Falls rebuilt when it sprung a leak. The bureaucracy dragged its feet. The irrigators went into action, and fortunately the "filling waters" is paying the reconstruction bill.

It may be a long time before the venerable old Minidoka Dam plant is rebuilt, and high spending bureaucrats will have to sober up under the restrictions of the Gramm-Rudman law that was pushed by the President and approved by the willy-nilly Congress.

ALVIN HOLMES, Burley

Complaints are unfounded

I read with interest the Burley utility customer's Feb. 25 letter to the editor. The letter said in part, "Although I only owned them \$20, my wife, child and I went without power and water for a day and a half." Recognizing that I have two sides to every story, as Mayor I feel that the other side should be told. The City of Burley has taken a great deal of undeserved and unsubstantiated abuse by a very few citizens and an organization purporting to represent a few persons.

In reviewing the utility customer's account we found that these events occurred. An \$11.62 overdue balance, carried from the August 1985 billing, was paid with the September 1985 balance on Oct. 2, 1985. On Dec. 10, 1985, \$10 was paid on the November, 1985 billing of \$49.82. On Dec. 19, 1985, a yellow tag was issued, which warns that the power will be disconnected the next business day if nothing further is done about the account. The \$20 service fee was not levied.

Note — It is only this past month that the city has started to add that service charge to the accounts. The next day, Dec. 20, 1985, the utility customer signed an agreement with the city of Burley to bring the account current by Jan. 3, 1986. This was done on Jan. 2, 1986, one day early.

Now then, although the city has not received payment to date for the January, 1986 account balance the city connected utilities at a new address for this utility customer on Feb. 14, 1986, because she was moving to the new address. At the same

time the city continued to serve power at the former address until Feb. 18, 1986, as requested to allow the time to move.

At no time was the power supply interrupted and no extra charges have been assessed. The utility customer has over 18 business days delinquent, the city allowed the customer to have utilities at two residences over the three day "President's Day" holiday to facilitate the move.

The foregoing statements, numbers and dates are documented and on file in the city office.

The city of Burley deserves a retraction by the customer.

Any other accusations that are brought to our attention, will be answered in the same documented and concise manner.

If those involved would prefer not to have their names published, the accounts can be referred to as "A," "B," "C," etc. However, the city will need to be contacted as to the account names and addresses to identify the proper account. Then the responses will be made anonymously to the press.

KEN FRONK, Mayor, Burley

McClure used by friend

I am amazed at Sen. James McClure's continued justification of his maneuvering to obtain the \$3.9 million for land owned by his supporter and friend.

He, along with other members of Congress passed legislation a few years back to make sure land purchased by the federal government from private individuals received a fair and just price.

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For all of us here in Idaho, why doesn't the good senator admit he was wrong and let the process used by all proceed as outlined by Congress. The courts would make the decisions.

I'm sure we will go along with the senator's decision — whatever it is — even though it may cost the public more. We are all pleased this access will be in public ownership. It's just too bad a good friend of the senator used him to make millions out of a scheme they undoubtedly planned well for.

BILL NELSON, Twin Falls

Opinion Letter

Quit blaming unions

To Jon Beckmon:
It finally comes out, what is bugging you. You blame the unions for the conditions existing today. In 1936, I was the same age as you are now. The same conditions existed then: unions were of no consequence, they had no rights, no wage to amount to a hill of beans, no working conditions, no benefits.
All they had was a 10 to 12 hour day, depending on where one worked. The pay scale ranged from \$1 to \$3 per day. I worked many an hour for 15 cents and was glad to get it. Unions didn't cause the condition then nor cause the condition now. I have worked at all kinds of jobs to support my wife and daughter, and pay my rent. It wasn't until I joined a union that I was able to get out of paupers' gutter and start to live like a human being, to begin to accumulate a few worldly possessions. Now after all these years you and others like you want to put me in a pauper's status.
President Roosevelt sought to help

the working man better himself by encouraging the workers to unite, to become organized. President Roosevelt made enemies of big business.
They have tried every trick to overturn unions gains for the working man, all working men, union and non-union. They sell the big lie, they paint the picture that all unions are corrupt. It is alright for big business to live high on the hog but not their employees.
They are still trying to return the working people to the sweat shops; apparently you haven't read about the sweat shops. Well, they are returning. The garment industry in California and back East are employing wetbacks to cut cost to compete with foreign countries whose labor costs are less than half what the same articles cost our domestic manufacturers.
You blame unions for the conditions that exist. I blame government for allowing foreign countries. It's cheap labor, people like you who would sell out their friends and neighbors to save a buck. Saving a

buck is alright as long as it doesn't go over seas.
Our dollar is over valued. Why are so many companies moving overseas, closing their plants here? They lust for high profits, to bell with working man, men's stupid, he will try any how to save a buck, regardless who it hurts even if it is his own self.
Our government helps the third

world countries by gifts and loans of yours and my money paid through taxes to improve their standard of living by producing goods which they flood the market under cutting all that the unions have fought hard to obtain—working conditions, etc.
—Jon—you need a course in economics. You don't really know what it is all about. Unions did not cause the condition that exist today.

Your government and big business which includes the big international bankers are to blame.
The condition exist in this state is because the powers that control wants to keep this state as a recreational, a vacation state, unsullied by factory smoke, a fact that I greatly appreciate. The daily papers are full of retardation. We don't want a business of that type, no roads in the

forest because they will log it off, etc.
My advice to you "get off your behind, really try to find work, quit blaming unions for your inability to see beyond the end of your nose, take my friend told me with a grain of salt, quit free loading, and give the world a hand."
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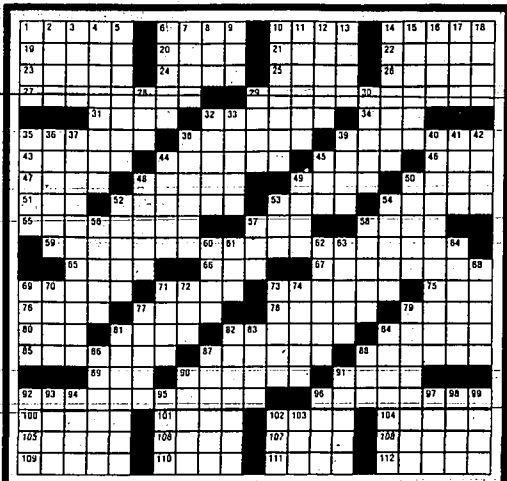
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Swedish authorities seek author of letter regarding Palme murder

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — (AP) — Police said Saturday they had more to go on than they were letting on in Prime Minister Olof Palme's assassination. They also said they were trying to contact the author of an anonymous letter they received about the murder.

"We want to get in touch with this person," Stockholm Police Commissioner Hans Holmer said. He noted, "without elaboration, that the letter 'made some interesting observations' about the night of Palme's death.

He would say little about the letter, but mentioned that it contained the words "23 past 11," roughly the time of night that "Palme" was shot while walking home Feb. 28 with his wife Lisbet, 55.

Holmer spoke at his daily news conference on the Palme investigation. He did not indicate how important police considered the letter to be.

The investigation, described as the biggest in Swedish history, began its second week Saturday.

"We know more than we are disclosing. We are not working on a single clue but on a number of clues," Holmer said, "without giving

details." Holmer said two .357-caliber Turkish newspapers, meanwhile, printed a photograph of a fugitive Kurdish militant they said was a suspect in the Palme killing, and said Swedish police had asked Turkish authorities for information on Kurdish activists.

Holmer said two 157-caliber Magnum bullets recovered from the shooting site, one believed to have killed Palme and the other that apparently grazed his wife without seriously hurting her, were on their way to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington.

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Blast mars Colombian election eve

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Guerrilla violence, including a bomb tossed into a Caribbean port restaurant, killed seven Colombians, police said Saturday on the eve of national elections.

The government placed the army on a state of alert Saturday and called reservists up for duty.

President Belisario Betancur has vowed to "have" problem-free elections by running candidates for the first time on Sunday, and Betancur

said last week that the election would be clean.

The Ministry of Government said in a news release Friday, without elaborating, that 200 government employees had been fired for trying to engineer election fraud.

On Friday, in Turbo, northwest Colombia, near the border with Panama, leftist insurgents threw a bomb inside a local diner, killing a policeman and a civilian and injuring nine people, police said in a communiqué.

In Bogota, the capital, two guerrillas were killed and another was wounded Friday after taking a mother and her two daughters

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Antigua says it won't take the Bhagwan

ST. JOHNS, Antigua (AP) — Immigration authorities on this east Caribbean island denied reports that Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh had arrived after being barred from Britain, and said he would not be welcome.

Jeremiah Joseph, immigration service superintendent for the island nation of Antigua and Barbuda, said Rajneesh would be "declared persona non grata if he ever lands here."

He said immigration officials at all ports of entry had been instructed to allow Rajneesh to enter the island.

The guru, 54, arrived in London Thursday and was held overnight at detention center at Heathrow Airport, according to a spokesman for the British Home Office. The spokesman, who was not identified in accordance with government rules, said Rajneesh flew out about 1 p.m. Friday on his private jet after being refused entry because of his conviction of violating U.S. immigration laws.

The spokesman said Rajneesh was headed for the West Indies, Press Association, the British domestic news agency, quoted an unidentified official at Heathrow as saying the plane was thought to be headed for Antigua, a former British colony.

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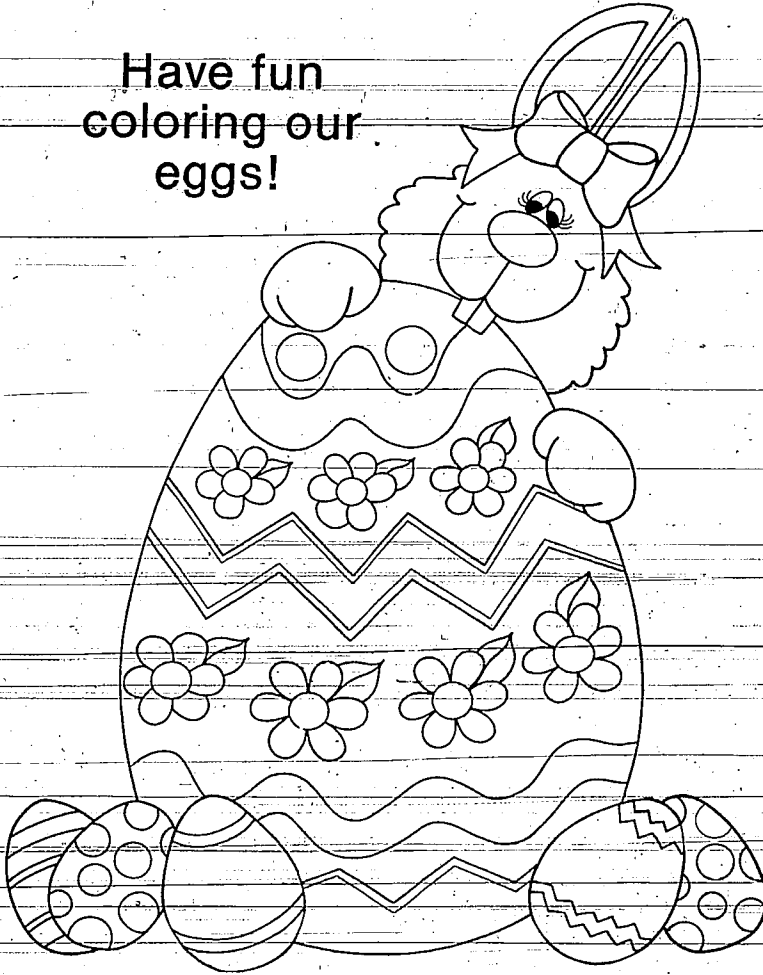
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Tass labels mission order hostile

MOSCOW (AP) — Tass said Saturday that the U.S. order to reduce Soviet staff at U.N. headquarters in New York was a hostile move and accused the United States of spying on U.N. diplomats.

Washington ordered the Soviet U.N. diplomatic staff cut from 275 to 170 by April 1, 1988, saying staff levels are unreasonably high and Soviet personnel were engaged in espionage and other non-diplomatic acts.

The cuts are to begin Oct. 1, the

U.S. mission to the United Nations said Friday in a note to reporters.

The U.S. note said its imposition of a ceiling on Soviet staff was "consistent with our obligations" under international law and under the Headquarters Agreement between the United Nations and the United States.

Tass, the official news agency, did not say Saturday what the Soviet response might be, but said the order violated the U.S. agreement on acting as host for U.N. head-

quarters and said U.N. lawyers were studying the issue.

It said numerous countries raised "quite justified doubts" about keeping U.N. headquarters in New York.

In a dispatch from New York, Tass accused the United States of spying on the United Nations:

"The United States intensively exploits the fact that the United Nations headquarters is located in New York for espionage purposes — even the American press has to admit that," Tass said.

Aide sees no role for Marcos

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A top political strategist for Ferdinand E. Marcos said Saturday the deposed president fled without leaving instructions, and he sees no clear way Marcos can still play a role in Philippine politics.

Leonardo Peñafiel, who was Marcos' political affairs minister, said he thinks that new President Corason Aquino should declare a revolutionary government and write the kind of constitution he wants.

"Sometimes we are gulled by that proverb that beggars cannot be choosers. We have to accept the situation," Peñafiel, 61, said in a telephone interview.

Gen. Fidel V. Ramos, the armed forces chief, meanwhile sent investigators to check a report that an encounter between the military and communist rebels killed 90 civilians last week in Tagum, a rebel stronghold on southern Mindanao Island.

A military spokesman, Col. Luis San Andres, denied a report that military forces bombed a village on the edge of Tagum.

In an indication of the degree of normalcy that has returned to Manila, four military officers who took part in the four-day revolt that ousted Marcos were guests at a Rotary Club dinner, which ended with the awarding of a plaque and a guava tree seedling to thank Col. Gregorio Honasan.

Asked if he thought Marcos might return to power, Honasan said, "All the money in the world cannot buy 'People's Power,'" prompting the 200 businessmen to cheer and chant his nickname, "Gringo."

Marcos fled into exile Feb. 25 when hundreds of thousands of people crowded Manila streets to keep troops and tanks from attacking military defectors supporting Mrs. Aquino, who espoused People Power to help oust Marcos.

Cambodian rebels claim deadly attack

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Cambodian guerrillas claimed Saturday that in a "surprise" attack March 3, they killed 105 Vietnamese soldiers, wounded 150 and caused huge damage at the provincial capital of Kompong Speu in Cambodia.

Communist rebel Khmer Rouge Radio claimed the guerrillas "entirely took control" of Kompong Speu.

It was the latest Khmer Rouge claim of stunning attacks on Vietnamese positions in Cambodia. Independent confirmation was lacking and nothing was said of rebel casualties.

The Khmer Rouge ruled Cambodia from 1975-78 and is the strongest of three major groups fighting Cambodia's communist government, installed with the help of Vietnamese forces who invaded Cambodia late in 1978.

The radio said storage areas, vehicles, buildings and arms were destroyed in the raid on Kompong Speu.

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Hospital plan redefines public health care

By JANE ROBINSON
Times-News writer

Analysis

HB 579: Death knell for county hospitals?

By JANE ROBINSON
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—Twin Falls County Board of Commissioners and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center have found a way to perform bypass surgery without ever notifying the patient.

Proponents argue House Bill 579 would allow county-owned hospitals to compete in the health-care marketplace.

Critics argue it would also allow the facilities built with tax dollars to be transferred without a vote of the people who paid for it.

The Twin Falls County commissioners laid the proposal because they say it would simultaneously open up public input while restricting public access.

The proposal raises several serious questions over accountability, liability and the structure of the non-profit corporation that supposedly would give more access to the facilities.

But the biggest dilemma may be the one posed to local residents — should the hospital be a public or a private hospital?

Since 1979, MVRMC has received no state aid — money from local taxes. While tax money went to build the facility, tax money has not gone to maintain operations for the last seven years.

That means that for the last seven years, MVRMC has been maneuvered into a room without a door. The hospital must operate

with all the limitations of a public facility, such as opening records and marketing plans to everyone including competitors, while receiving none of the benefits, i.e. tax money.

By depriving a public institution of public money, the county has forced the hospital to operate as a business.

"We cut them loose to sink or swim, and we're trying to let them swim," said Commissioner Marvin Hempleman last week.

But state law does not allow government entities to make profits. Instead, the county has generated a "surplus" without which, it would have closed its doors long ago.

By cutting back on full-time staff and expanding services allowed under the law, MVRMC ended the 1985 budget year with a \$2 million surplus, which must be used to pay the debt.

But patient admissions are down, Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements are dwindling, and physicians can offer outpatient services at a profit. Plus, MVRMC is saddled with a \$30 million debt for expansion, which in hindsight opponents say was unnecessary.

"What's a hospital to do?" The answer from commissioners and MVRMC is in HB 579 — turn the hospital over to local business and community leaders, who apparently will run it better than the last group

of business and community leaders — the hospital board — ran it.

The county will still own the building, and MVRMC will be able to operate the way a real business should.

"This really gives local control to the people," said Twin Falls County Commissioner Judy Felton. "It provides more public input. Citizens of the community would be the final decision makers."

Under the proposal, the institution could only be transferred to a non-profit corporation whose membership must be "broadly representative of the residents of the community."

The bill does not stipulate how many members. Kent Taylor,

MVRMC's attorney who wrote the bill, has said 50 to 60. But they would be appointed, not elected by voters.

And they would be elected not by commissioners, but by the current hospital board.

In turn, the cadre of 50, which would have no voting authority in the operations of the non-profit corporation, would elect a governing board for the holding company. The bill does not specify the number on the governing board, but Taylor and Felton have said about 12.

The current hospital board has 12 members. When asked who would reappoint the 50 to 60 members under this proposal, Felton said the 12 on the governing board. That means the people

who would be elected by a committee would elect the people who would elect them. Voters would have no say in the matter.

"I think we should be willing to say that, yes, we have the confidence to let these people run it without having to report every move," Felton said.

"I think we should be willing to take county commissioners, who are elected officials, out of the appointment process."

"We're willing to pass our authority to other members of the community because I think they can handle it," she said. "The press loses authority, but I think they can run it without the watchful eye of the

press, saying they couldn't operate this hospital at a profit, and the county had to come up with \$120,000 to operate it," Duff said.

"With the rise in health care costs, the problem would be much worse than that today."

Faced with either trying to find more money, or closing the doors, Duff said he feared hospitals would close.

"If this bill passes, we would not have hospitals left in the community," he said.

Duff also opposed the bill on grounds it allowed counties to bypass valuation statute, which he said was unconstitutional in Idaho law. See COUNTY on Page B2

Not everyone agrees this bill would provide more, not less local input.

Rep. Donn Sorenson, R-Boise, argued the bill is designed for only one purpose — to circumvent local voters.

Administrators of other county-owned hospitals, such as Ed Richardson of Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert, say county-owned hospitals were built with taxpayer money, and taxpayers should have a chance to say what happens to them.

But in a real question still remains: In the changing health care market, are county-owned hospitals still worth the investment? See MVRMC on Page B2

Granges need new blood, says official

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

FILER — The National Grange must inject new blood into its aging leadership if it is to "get our fraternity into high gear again," Edward Anderson, manager of the 118-year-old farmer organization, said Saturday.

Despite a strong foundation, the Grange throughout the country steadily is being weakened by entrenched leadership and slipping interest from youth, he told 80 members at the Filer Grange Hall.

Anderson, the group's top national official for the past six years, urged local and state leaders to spark change by placing limits on officers' terms. He also said the leaders should offer new, relevant programs at meetings to interest potential members.

Anderson spoke during a five-day tour of Idaho granges ending in Idaho Falls on Saturday.

At the national level, a wide-ranging committee of Grange members and outside experts has been studying youth programs, which he described as a major organizational weakness.

"Our young people are not participating nearly to the percentage we think they should be," Anderson said.

The National Grange has a goal of building new leaders for agriculture and rural communities. But, "a question whether we are very serious about that," Anderson said candidly.

Many local granges have offered little opportunity for younger members because leadership positions do not have set terms and the same people hold them year after year, he said.

The problem has existed at the Washington, D.C., headquarters as well. Several national masters have lingered 14 to 18 years in office. "That's too long for anybody to be in any position in the grange," Anderson said.

The longevity discourages development of many potential leaders who would serve willingly for a year or two, "because it's a lifetime sentence," Anderson joked.

Advancing age of leaders also is a problem. In some granges, even 40-year-old members are in short supply, he said.

Several steps might help to attract younger grangers, Anderson told the Filer audience.

National policy was changed two years ago to allow state and local granges to restrict terms of officers and committee heads, but few have used the new freedom, he said. They should start limiting the terms to encourage turnover in top ranks.

"(Leaders) are going to have to get out of the way," he said.

Grange officials also should develop new, interesting programs able to compete with other business or leisure attractions for people's time, he said.

A new class of members for people who want to support the grange in a limited way also could aid in some areas, Anderson said. State granges could accept or reject the idea.

Anderson, who chucked that the Filer meeting was his seventh national supper since Thursday, also touched on some national farm and economic issues:

• If Congress or the president do not make selective cuts in time, the 1997 cutbacks ordered by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction act will be widely felt, he said. "I can assure you, the \$55 billion (cut) is going to hurt very, very many people," he said.

• Congress is likely to authorize a tax to help cut the national debt, Anderson predicted. However, the Grange will oppose any new all-tax that affects consumers at the pump, because the burden should be spread across all taxpayers, not just gasoline consumers.

• The 1985 Farm Bill is likely to be amended. See GRANGE on Page B2

Teen stress, suicide addressed at seminar

JEROME — Teen stress, depression and suicide will be the topic of a special workshop, sponsored by the parents and teachers of the Idaho Education Assoc. in Jerome, Shoshone, Wendell and Gooding.

The seminar will be March 18, from 7 to 10 p.m., at the Jerome High School Auditorium. The seminar is free and open to the public.

Featured will be George Gunn, a Nampa High School counselor, who has worked extensively in peer intervention programs. He will address the myths of suicide, and the characteristics to watch for and where to receive help.

The Nampa High School Drama Club will dramatize vignettes of stress experienced by students in secondary schools.

Sponsoring the event is a newly created "community group," Suicide and Family Education, SAFE. The group is composed of concerned parents, HCA, members and members of the ministerial group in Jerome.

Two teens committed suicide this year in Jerome and seven others at organized suicides.

Templeton Roy Parton, a counselor at Jerome High School, said the seminar is aimed at the community and parents to educate them on the problems and resources to prevent suicides.

For more information on the SAFE group, call Parton at 324-8138, or Steve and Patty Gorrell at 324-0360.



County jail upgrades fire safety

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Two more fire safety improvements were implemented last week at the Twin Falls County jail, in accordance with an agreement reached in a lawsuit over the facility.

A "crash bar" was installed Tuesday on the door at the base of a fire escape slide outside the Courthouse, Sheriff Jim Munn said. The door had been padlocked.

With the addition of the push bar, the door still will be locked from the outside. The door will not have to be pushed to the inside of the door to open it.

Munn said he doesn't think the crash bar on the door will be a security risk. An alarm will be installed to alert officers in case the slide is used for something other than a fire escape route, he added.

The crash bar cost about \$230. It was installed this week by a county custodian and a jail trustee.

A new fire door was installed Tuesday by county workers in the main jail on the fourth floor of the Courthouse, Munn said. It is a 1-hour fire door, that is, a door that would hold off flames for an hour. The new door replaces a 30-minute fire door, which leads to the main stairway at the Courthouse, Munn added.

The sheriff said he didn't yet know the entire cost of adding the new door.

Under the terms of the agreement, April 15 was the deadline for the county to install the new locking system at the base of the silo and a "proper" fire door.

The improvements were part of an agreement county officials reached over a lawsuit filed in 5th District Court against the Board of County Commissioners and Munn Oct. 22 by two jail inmates. The inmates alleged that conditions at the jail were unsafe.

The county and attorney Greg Fuller, who filed the lawsuit on behalf of the inmates, reached an agreement Feb. 11. The terms of the pact closely matched the demands of the inmates.

In addition to the interim improvements, the county agreed to reduce the jail population to not more than 20 inmates and place before county voters a bond proposal to finance the building of a new jail.

Munn and his staff have already completed several of the stipulations in the agreement, including adding a new fire exit, reducing the jail population and adding another meal for the inmates. He also has initiated studies to replace the old lock and door system.

Munn said the next project will be replacing the standard light bulbs in the jail with fluorescent fixtures.

The items in the agreement were the suggestions of experts who had toured the jail.

Twin Falls County Jail Commander Tom Norris stands by the fire exit leading to the silo escape route

Woman wins injury claim against HCA

TWIN FALLS — A Twin Falls County woman was awarded \$26,645 Wednesday in her lawsuit against the Hospital Corporation of America over a claim that she fell in the parking lot of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center two years ago.

Jacqueline Daugherty filed a \$27,000 lawsuit Oct. 6, 1983 in 5th District Court against the West Virginia corporation, and its sister company, HCA Management Company Inc., a Delaware corporation.

HCA manages Magic Valley Regional Medical Center through a contract with Twin Falls County.

Daugherty claimed she received permanent back injuries March 26, 1983 when her heel caught in a hole in the hospital parking lot and she fell. She also stated she fell again on some debris near her car.

Mrs. Daugherty claimed the company was negligent in its responsibility to maintain safe conditions at the hospital.

HCA later filed a counterclaim, alleging Daugherty's husband, Marvin, was responsible for the incident. Mr. Daugherty who was crucified at the time, was leading his wife through the parking lot and led her over the

obstacles, the company claimed. Mrs. Daugherty had just been treated for an inner-ear condition.

The trial started Tuesday in Twin Falls. The jury returned with a verdict Wednesday. The panel found that HCA and HCA Inc. were 70 percent negligent, Mrs. Daugherty was 25 percent negligent and Mr. Daugherty 5 percent at fault, according to the jury verdict.

John Doerr of Twin Falls represented HCA in the case, while Boise attorney Donald W. Loeck was the plaintiff's lawyer.

The couple couldn't be reached for comment Friday.

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Magistrate court

The following civil cases were filed this past week in 5th District Magistrate Court in Twin Falls:

John T. Lezany and Ann Lezany vs. Charles Scherer and Kim Scherer. The plaintiffs filed a residence to the defendants where the defendants vacated the premises without giving a written notice and without payment of rent. Therefore, the plaintiffs seek the sum of \$770.60 plus interest for cleaning and repair of the premises, plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Miller Collections vs. Gary Edson and Jane Doe Edson d/b/a Seamless Gutters. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$1,017 plus interest for overdue account, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Leigh Kelley vs. Ortha Pribble Jr. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$770.60 plus interest for service rendered, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Magie Valley Credit Bureau Inc. vs. Leonard Andrew Aranda and Magie Valley Credit Bureau Inc. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$813.97 for overdue accounts plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Magie Valley Credit Bureau Inc.

vs. Robert L. Greer and Brenda Greer. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$256.20 for overdue accounts plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Barry Pague vs. Darrell Mingo d/b/a Mingo Farms. The plaintiff seeks a personal employment contract with the defendant rendered services to defendant as a truck driver. The plaintiff alleges the defendant has not paid wages and has refused to return items of personal property. Therefore, the plaintiff seeks the sum of \$869.92 for unpaid wages, additional damages in the amount of \$1,739.84, \$514 for loss of personal property plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Actna Finance Company vs. Jack Draper and Kathryn Draper. The plaintiff seeks the amount of \$1,000.00 plus interest for promissory note and security agreement in default, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

ITT Financial Services vs. Michael Davis and Tina Davis. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$2,500.42 plus interest for promissory note and security agreement in default, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Actna Finance Company vs. Brian Atwell. The plaintiff seeks the amount of \$3,514.80 plus interest for promissory note and security agreement in default, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Actna - Finance Company vs. Donald E. Markley and Tina M. Markley. The plaintiff seeks the amount of \$3,403.64 plus interest for promissory note and security agreement in default, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Professional Service Agency vs. Harry A. Smith. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$157.05 for overdue account plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Professional Service Agency vs. Nelson Dean Slaymaker and Deena Rose Slaymaker. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$1,607.05 for overdue account plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Gary E. Struthers vs. Joyce Tobbs. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$1,500 plus interest for payment of overdue loans, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Edward Noel d/ba Check Savers vs. Steve Hall and Dee Hall. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$53 for non-sufficient funds check plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Gary Nelson vs. Ace Hansen Chevrolet Inc. and Ace V. Hansen. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$6,500 for trucked sold to defendant plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Mary Ann Smith, personal representative of the estate of Jack R. Smith vs. Dee Jennings. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$725.38 plus interest for overdue account, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

C & S Trucking Inc. vs. William Boyer d/ba B C Enterprises. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$2,899.03 plus interest for goods and services furnished to defendant, cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Archie Newsome vs. Joe Sicilia Inc., Mark A. Hale and Cresco Line Inc. The plaintiff alleges that defendant Hale was negligent in operating a motor vehicle owned by defendant Sicilia, causing an accident and resulting in injuries suffered by the plaintiff. Therefore, the plaintiff seeks medical and hospitalization costs, general damages in the sum of \$25,000, plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

John E. Evans vs. Scott Refrigeration. The plaintiff seeks the sum of \$36,666.61 for overdue wages, value of his vacation and bonus plans as provided in the employment agreement plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Evans, Rush plan statewide agricultural roundtables

BOISE — Gov. John Evans and Idaho Director of Agriculture Dick Rush will meet with Magic Valley farmers and business people as part of a statewide series of agricultural roundtables.

Four are scheduled in south-central Idaho. They are at:

- Mountain Home, 2-4 p.m. Thursday, El Dorado Restaurant.
- Rupert, 2-4 p.m. Friday, City Hall.
- Carey, 9-11 a.m., Saturday, The Loading Chute Cafe.
- Jerome, 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Idaho Inn.

Evans announced that he, Rush and Dick Gardner, state agricultural economist, are seeking opinions on a variety of farm topics. They include: impacts of the federal Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction act on Idaho agriculture; state legislation, Evans' emergency farm programs, energy costs, water policy and other.

Sunshine mine will reopen

KELLOGG (AP) — The Sunshine mine, which has been idle since Feb. 15, will reopen as planned March 16, according to Sunshine Mining Co. officials.

Sunshine personnel officer Tim Olson of Boise said company officials are unsure how many of the mine's 400 idled workers will be called back to work.

"It'll be a number sufficient to operate the mine," he said Friday.

The mine, the nation's largest silver mine, was shut down to reduce above-ground inventories of silver ore.

Members of the United Steelworkers of America Local 509 voted Feb. 22 to reject a company-proposed package of wage and benefit cuts.

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District court

The following civil cases were recently filed in 6th District Court in Twin Falls:

Marilyn Anderson and George Anderson vs. Black Sea Company, Black Trucking Inc. and Robert D. Sample. The plaintiffs allege defendant Sample was negligent in operating a motor vehicle owned by

other defendants causing an accident and resulting in injuries suffered by plaintiff Marilyn Anderson.

Therefore, the plaintiffs seek general damages in the sum of \$100,000; special damages in the sum of \$25,000; additional damages for medical expenses, loss of consortium in the sum of \$25,000, punitive damages in the sum of \$50,000, damages to the vehicle of the plaintiffs; cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

Magie Valley Regional Medical Center vs. Delpha Boun. The plaintiff seeks the amount of \$10,531.85 for overdue account plus cost of the suit and attorney's fees.

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Marriages/divorces

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week in Twin Falls County:

Robert Wayne Wright and Ada Kristine Story. Twin Falls; Scott Lee Turner and Dawn Anna Brenitz; Lee Donald Eric McEntarfer and Deborah Annette Allman; Twin Falls; Dean Mayo Haslam and Bonnie Jean Abraham; Hansen; John Heck Jr. and Sharon Denise Wilson; Twin Falls.

The following divorces were granted recently in 5th District Court in Twin Falls:

James E. Yarbrough vs. Cammie I. Yarbrough, Majeone E. Woody vs. John H. Woody, Karen Goffin vs. Ray Kenneth Goffin, Thomas M. Tillman vs. Joanne D. Tillman, Jalen Michele DiPietro vs. Joseph Francis DiPietro, Sherie Weigle aka Sherie Hull vs. Jeffrey Weigle Dorothy M. Barnes vs. George Wesley Barnes.

The following divorces were filed recently in 5th District Court in Twin Falls:

Karen Sue Cooper vs. Douglas Roy Cooper, Carey Hamilton vs. Ronald B. Hamilton, Richard A. Vandenberg vs. Patricia M. Vandenberg, Janet Lucille Hasley vs. David Lynn Hasley, Lynn LaMont Lee vs. Gloria Ann Lee, Sherri Lynn Mingo vs. Darrell Curtis Mingo, Clyde Franklin Ridgway vs. Mary E. Ridgway, Charles Michael Crawford vs. Veronica Lynn Crawford, Todd Owen Romans vs. Roma Romans.

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Interstate banking plan draws fire

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The chairman of the California League of Savings Institutions says it will oppose a plan to establish interstate banking in California, contending such a move could create a drain on funds invested in the state.

"We oppose national reciprocal interstate banking arrangements involving other states — now or later," Gerald D. Barrone told the trade group's annual management conference here Friday.

"New York-based banks want to open in California for only one reason — deposits," he said. "If permitted to take deposits here, there are no guarantees that those funds will be invested in the state."

But the arguments were in response to an agreement announced last week after years of negotiations between major California and New York banks.

Under that agreement, which must be approved by legislators,

California would be opened as early as next January to regional interstate banking involving Hawaii, Alaska, Arizona, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Oregon and Washington.

In January 1990, after California banks have had time to strengthen themselves with regional acquisitions, the state would be opened to New York banks. California banks, in turn, would be able to move into New York, but not as much activity was expected in that direction.

John Hutchinson, executive director of the Idaho Hospital Association, could not be reached for comment.

Duff said he was not opposed to the concept — of allowing county-owned hospitals the chance to compete and survive in the current health care market.

"County hospitals need something," he said. "They're an endangered species. But I don't think this bill is the way to do it. Taxpayers are entitled to know what their county is doing with their assets."

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"A private hospital can limit who they admit," said Larry Duff, a Rupert attorney who has represented various hospitals around Idaho for 17 years.

"A county hospital must admit

anyone who needs care," he said. "Anything that loses money for a private hospital, such as an emergency room or obstetrics, they don't have to offer."

Everyone says the situation cannot continue without a remedy. But

the proposed cure, HB 579, now pending in the Senate Health and Welfare Committee, may kill the patient.

"If this is passed, we would not have hospitals left in the community," Duff said.

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"The problem with this bill is the way it was drafted," he said. "There is no assurance that county assets would not be given away, or transferred at below fair market value."

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Obituaries

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GOODYING — Any Idell Varin, 76, of Gooding, died Saturday morning at the Green Acres Care Center in Gooding. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Paul Stevens
JEROME — Paul Stevens, 83, of Jerome, died Saturday at the Wood River Convalescent Center in Shoshone. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Bergin Funeral Chapel in Shoshone.

Irene M. Coker
BUHL — Irene M. Coker, 95, of Buhl, died Friday at the Emerald Hills Nursing Home in Ukiah, Calif. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hopkins-Buhl Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

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Services

KETCHUM — The funeral for Clarice E. Blechman, 69, of Ketchum, who died last Friday, will be held Monday at 11 a.m. in Our Saviors Catholic Church in Ketchum. Interment will be held later at a private service in Ketchum Cemetery, under direction of Wood River Chapel.

HAGERMAN — A graveside service for Janet Gabele O'Henry, 73, of Hagerman, who died Wednesday, will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday at the Huguenot Cemetery. Friends may call at Demary's Gooding Chapel today from 10 to 2 p.m.

CASSIA MEMORIAL
Admitted
Donna Hooper, Nancy Young, McCord Larsen and Annie Brownell, all of Burley; Fred Meador of Rupert; Shelly Rasmussen of Oklaton; and Carmen Leon of Hazelton.

Released
Robert Armenta and Natalie Auld, both of Burley; Janet Burch and daughter and Angie Rodriguez and daughter, both of Oakley; and Mario Marin of Rupert.

Burial
Daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Leon of Hazelton; and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Young of Burley.

GOODING COUNTY MEMORIAL
Admitted
Margaret Flamm and Robert Heltzer, both of Gooding.
Earl Hobday of Biding; Christine Cobble of Jerome; and Grace Johansson of Gooding.

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Released
Cory Gullies, Mrs. Ted Reddy and daughter, Mrs. Gordon Stutzman and daughter, Mrs. Raymond Ware and son and Edwin Wilkins, all of Twin Falls; Bernard Harter, Steven Fairchild, Mrs. Brian Hopwood and son and Kathy Lombard and daughter, all of Jerome; Hilda Hilder and her husband, both of Gooding; Nina Landin of Hansen; Annie Stree of Kimberley; Floyd Truog of Rupert; Mrs. Richard Turner of Jerome; and Mrs. Retiguo Larios of Heysburn.

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amended yearly in Congress to ease its effects on various segments of agriculture, he predicted.

"A high interest rate, and the strongest of all factors are the two biggest problems facing agriculture," he said.

"Increased export activity alone will not solve the farm income crisis because prices offered in world markets for most crops are below farmers' costs of production.

"During his Idaho trip, which was preceded by an appearance before the National Farmers Union annual meeting in Spokane, Anderson also toured farms in the Panhandle and addressed the state House of Representatives at Boise.

Elected Master of the National Grange in 1979, Anderson and his family operate a livestock farm near Omaha.

Glenns Ferry ends potato plant negotiations

By CAROLYN DILWORTH
Times-News correspondent

GLENN'S FERRY — City and county officials and representatives of a proposed potato processing plant have dropped lease negotiations for 37 city-owned lots near the plant site, Mayor Dayle Messerly said Thursday.

In a private meeting held Feb. 26, both parties agreed to turn the property over to the Glenns Ferry Economic Development Corporation to be used for enticing other business into the city, Messerly said. A controversy about the property arose

last month when the City Council approved a proposal to raise the rent on the lots to \$3,000 up from \$100 the previous owner of the facility had been charged.

Messerly read a letter to the council from Magic West representative Bill Schow in which Schow said the recent negotiations were "positive."

"It was in the best interest of the city of Glenns Ferry not to lease the property known as the old football field to Magic West at this time. Therefore, negotiations for the lease have ceased," Schow's letter said.

Messerly said that if Magic West finds a need for the property later, negotiations could be resumed.

He said other issues concerning water use, truck routes, police protection, and waste disposal were discussed at the Feb. 26 meeting and resolved.

Schow said Friday he hopes to "pinpoint a production start-up date" in two weeks. He said the firm has hired a secretary and is currently painting and upgrading the facility. He expects to employ about 65 workers when production starts.

In other business: "Curly" Schomber asked the council to form a City Airport Development Board. With a board, Schomber said, the present airfield could possibly be upgraded and the

gravel runway could be replaced with a 3,000 foot asphalt runway.

Schomber said he learned at a recent meeting airport managers that if Glenns Ferry could provide the gravel base and manpower, the chances of the state providing "100 percent of the asphalt materials" was very high.

The council agreed to form a board, and Messerly assigned Councilman Larry Rose to meet with airport manager Don Cunningham to select a board— from the list of volunteers given them by Schomber.

The council decided to raise sewer and water rates, but a decision on the rate of in-

crease was delayed until further information can be compiled.

"We are presently running in the hole," said Councilwoman Jessie Ketting. She said there is no operating money, and other budgeted areas have had to be "reshuffled" in order to meet pay expenses. The council agreed a rate hike is necessary to meet present problems and raise the \$35,000 needed to upgrade the city's sewer system.

The last increase in rates was in 1982. Council members Doris Mae Sellman, Bob Edilsson, and Rose were assigned to serve with the mayor and Police Chief Dave Hartway on a committee to select a new law enforcement officer.

Long-term effort pays off in inventor's 'smog eater' device



Bob Sewell, flanked by sons Bob Junior, right, and Barry, display the Smog-Eater

By TERRELL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — When inventor Bob Sewell was a small boy in Nebraska, his mother told him, "Think. Keep on thinking. People who don't think are lazy."

When he was 12, Sewell's family moved to Los Angeles, Calif., and the boy was always trying to think of a way to get rid of the smog that burned his eyes.

A few early tries, like glasses with cloth filters didn't work, but he wasn't discouraged. By now, continuous thinking through trial and error was a habit.

Intigued that certain chemicals would absorb smoke, he used them in all kinds of experiments for many years. He continued work on his "hobby" while he finished school at the Berkeley School for the Deaf and after he got married and went to work in the aircraft industry, doing drafting and sheet metal work. He brought his pollution control work to Gooding in 1965 where he made a living doing sheet metal and hydraulic brake work and working with deaf children at the state school.

Finally, three months after his mother died in 1974, Sewell awoke suddenly at 4 a.m., told his wife, Lucille, on the shoulder, and said he had dreamed about a "smog eater" with the solution he had been searching for.

"Write it down before you forget," Lucille advised.

By 1979, Sewell had a patent on his invention, the Universal Smog Eater. Since then, he has improved it several times and now wants to go

into business manufacturing and selling the device.

Meanwhile, Sewell's thinking habit continues. He reads profusely, studying Popular Science, Popular Mechanics, Pollution Control, Pollution Engineering and Newsweek magazines. Articles are clipped and filed into his many boxes of reference material collected from a myriad of sources.

Bob Sewell Jr., 20, the only hearing member of the Sewell family, has been working with his father about 12 years, helping with communications and research.

"It's like he was the brains of the whole project and I was his voice," says Bob Jr., a lanky young man.

During high school, he recalls, there was pressure for him to help his father, to learn public speaking skills and learn about "his father's work to be able to describe it well. "Looking back on it, I'm thankful for those kinds of pressures," Bob Jr. says. "Besides, he appreciates my help."

Although he is engaged to be married April 12 and is in the process of moving from his parents' home to his own home, Bob Jr. says he will continue to work full time to promote his father's invention.

"It's a very important project," he says sincerely. "Keeping the earth safe for plants, animals and humans is his main concern."

The whole-family supports — and tolerates — the resident inventor.

Bob Jr. says. His brother, Barry, 19, helps with experiments and has recently left a few medical degrees to add to the Smog Eater. Lucille cheerfully does typing and logo

design.

"She mainly supports the family and makes sure everyone stays sane," says Bob Jr., drawing a chuckle from his father.

"A lot of friends have been a great support," he adds. "They check to make sure we are continuing our progress."

The family's main challenge is to keep Dad "on one track," promoting only the Smog Eater and putting other inventions on hold.

Lead-powered houses, refrigerators with transparent doors, a new kind of cargo submarine and automatic altitude-tuners for cars and all have to wait behind the Smog Eater.

Inventing, says the senior Sewell, seems to be a family trait. His brother designed a solar collector for Iowa City, Iowa, and also a portable lunchbox with a heater inside it.

Sewell's cousin invented an outlet plug for automobiles and a unique type of water well.

When something goes wrong around the Sewell home in Gooding, says Bob Jr., the inventor "always has a solution and a better design for it."

Despite a heart attack and open heart surgery in 1979, the elder Sewell eagerly works daily on the promotion of his Smog Eater.

"There's no way he can get it off his mind," says Bob Jr. "There's a lot of pressure involved in being an inventor. He's not relaxed when he works."

"In a way, he keeps us alive. He's a 24-hour thinking machine."

Cylinders absorb emission fumes; can be adapted for chimneys, too

By TERRELL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — For 12 years, inventor Bob Sewell has worked steadily to develop his Universal Smog Eater, a device that attaches to the end of an exhaust pipe and, through a chemical reaction, absorbs emission fumes.

The Smog Eater for cars and trucks is designed to replace catalytic converters and standard mufflers, Sewell says. He claims it will cost less and be more effective.

Each of the two cylinders of the 10-pound Smog Eater is 4 inches in diameter and about 12 inches long. The first contains three pounds of pellets Sewell has named Miracle Air Crystals. These crystals and the

design of filtration around them are the heart of Sewell's invention.

His tests show the device eliminates more hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide and ozone than catalytic converters do. The cost will be about \$600, depending on the size of the vehicle, Sewell says. The cylinder is then refilled.

The second cylinder, Sewell explains, is a muffler with a unique air-flow standard in combination with the cylinder of air crystals, helps increase engine power and fuel mileage while removing the "unfavorable products of combustion."

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demonstrating long-standing economic losses and a deteriorating quality of life, Herring said.

This designation could help the city's chances for the community block grant, he said. Using the money to make jobs happen is what it's all about," he added.

Herring has been helping the city prepare its state community block grant application, and he told the City Council Monday the city could apply for a maximum one-year grant of \$350,000.

He said the money would be used to develop the industrial park, estimated to cost \$815,000.

The state council community block grant funds are projected to come from an EDA grant and from matching local funds, Herring said. The local funds could be a combination of "in-kind labor," city funds and money raised from local businesses, he said.

He said the grant monies will be used to install larger water lines to serve the area, upgrade the sewer system, to the site build an access road and install a railroad.

See GRANTS on Page B4.

Judge OKs family visit with boy

By RONDA TAYLOR
Times-News correspondent

BURLY — The paternal grandparents of Jeffrey R. Hayden will be allowed to visit their grandson during spring break within the state of Idaho, Judge Nathan Higer ruled Friday in Cassia Magistrate Court.

Higer also ordered all parties to undergo psychological evaluations by two Twin Falls psychologists. He asked that the testing be done during spring break or as soon as possible.

Jeffrey was orphaned on Jan. 4 when his father, Kenneth A. Hayden, broke into the Paul residence of his ex-wife, Judith McLean, and shot her to death. Kermit McLean, Judith's husband, then shot and killed Hayden in self defense.

Jeffrey had previously been the subject of a bitter custody dispute between his parents, who had adopted him as an infant. He was abducted in June 1981 by his father and returned to his mother almost a year ago. See HAYDEN on Page B4.

Dog ordinance spurs dispute

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — An alleged dog bite in Shoshone has unleashed confusion over the city's dog-at-large ordinance, caused a \$250,000 tort claim to be filed against the county and strained communication between city and county law enforcement officials.

At odds in the case are Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff Greg Johnston and Shoshone's new Police Chief Dennis Peyman. Others involved include a variety of city and county officials.

The issue began Oct. 27, 1985, when Johnston was cited under Shoshone's "dog-at-large" ordinance after his dog allegedly attacked and bit

Peyman's 11-year-old son, Jamie.

The latest chapter was written this week when Johnston's March 4 court date was cancelled because the city's misdemeanor charge had been dismissed by Fifth District Magistrate Melvin Edwards four days earlier.

Camas County Prosecutor John Dewey, who was appointed special prosecutor in the case Feb. 10, asked Edwards to dismiss the charge claiming "the state lacks sufficient evidence to proceed," according to court records.

Edwards and Dewey were both appointed to handle the case when Magistrate J. William Hart and Lincoln County Prosecutor Doug Rose were disqualified because they work with Johnston in regular county law

enforcement affairs.

This week's court action does not affect a tort claim that was filed Jan. 30 by Peyman and his wife, Julie, who are asking for \$50,000 in medical damages for injuries to their son's head, back, neck and arm, \$50,000 punitive damages and \$19,000 general damages.

The claim, which was filed against "the county" and not Johnston, Peyman's attorney William Hoffeldt of Twin Falls alleges Johnston "maintained, kept and used the dog on county business" and transported the dog in a county vehicle.

The Peymans said in their claim that at the end of the day, Johnston, who lives in Richfield, put the dog in

Sewer deficit reversal under way

By LINDA LARSON
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — An audit report shows a \$160,000 deficit in the Rupert sewer department, but steps are already being made to correct the problem.

Auditor Elden Condie, of Glines and Condie accounting firm, explained to the Rupert City Council this week that the sewer department could not be allowed to drain money from the general fund to cover its red ink.

"You must use the tax base for other things," said Condie. "If you don't show a profit in each department after depreciation, you'll be hurting down the road."

Mayor Bill Whitton reported that the city was well aware of the problem and that steps are being taken to correct the deficit.

Whitton said the city has been plagued with sewer problems even though the system is relatively new. He said a rate study review has been prepared by CH2M Hill, an engineer-

ing firm, and residents can expect a rate increase in their sewer bills.

Whitton had said earlier that funds for sewer improvement will be sought through state and federal grants. He said it would cost at least \$2 million to rehabilitate the sewer system, and outside funding would be needed.

Infiltration into the sewer lines of irrigation water is a primary problem, Councilman Ron Klobe is trying to find alternatives to the city's present system of flood irrigating by residents.

Decay may help Gooding in effort to find EDA grant

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Deteriorating economic conditions in Gooding may work to the city's advantage when it enters the "fierce" competition for grants aimed at creating new jobs this year, said Joseph Herring, executive director of Region IV Development Association.

The city is planning to apply for grants to build an industrial park at the northeast edge of town using community block grants and grants from the Economic Development Administration.

Herring said the council community block grant funds are limited this year because of cut-backs in federal spending. Competition statewide will be fierce, he said, with as many as 14 applications coming from the eight Magic Valley counties alone.

Gooding County, along with Lincoln, Camas and Mindokla counties, has been declared by the EDA an area of "long term economic deterioration,"

demonstrating long-standing economic losses and a deteriorating quality of life, Herring said.

This designation could help the city's chances for the community block grant, he said. Using the money to make jobs happen is what it's all about," he added.

Herring has been helping the city prepare its state community block grant application, and he told the City Council Monday the city could apply for a maximum one-year grant of \$350,000.

He said the money would be used to develop the industrial park, estimated to cost \$815,000. The state council community block grant funds are projected to come from an EDA grant and from matching local funds, Herring said. The local funds could be a combination of "in-kind labor," city funds and money raised from local businesses, he said.

See GRANTS on Page B4.

Free legal Grants aid offered

TWIN FALLS — Free legal help is being offered by Idaho Legal Aid Services, Inc., to low income persons in Gooding and Halley starting this month.

Paula Brown Sinclair, managing attorney for Legal Aid, said clinics will be held twice monthly in each town.

She said legal assistance will be available for problems involving social security, food stamps, unemployment and county assistance, housing and consumer matters. However, Legal Aid does not generally handle cases involving criminal charges, divorce and child custody or personal injury and workmen's compensation, she said.

The clinics in Gooding will be held at City Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. In Halley, the clinics will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the law firm of Roark, Donovan, Proggessitt & Elkins.

No fees are charged for Legal Aid services, and eligibility is based on family income and number of dependents.

"You need not be penniless to qualify," Sinclair said. "Usually a family which qualifies for food stamps will also meet our guidelines."

To make an appointment, interested persons may call the Legal Aid office at 734-7024.

Hayden

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later after a nationwide search helped locate him.

Both cases attracted national publicity, including a recent story featuring Jeffrey in People Magazine.

Tom Dalley, Judith McLean's cousin and only relative in Idaho, was awarded temporary guardianship of Jeffrey by Judge Donald R. Workman Jan. 6. McLean's parents, who live in California, approved of granting custody to Dalley.

Almost a month after their son's death, Hayden's parents, Kenneth T. and Thelma Hayden of Chula Vista, Calif., asked the court to consider giving them visitation rights to Jeffrey, their California home during spring break and summer vacation.

They also requested that Dalley, their daughter Patricia M. Korell, young Jeffrey and themselves be subjected to psychological evaluations to "determine the best possible environment" for Jeffrey.

Dalley had requested an evaluation by Dr. Richard Smith and because he had previously evaluated Jeffrey and Ken Hayden during the earlier custody dispute, Brent Nielsen, the Haydens' attorney, had specified Dr. Morris Margret.

Hayden's attorneys will be granted "no long term visitation out of state," according to court documents. He also turned down their request for summer visitation until after the psychological evaluations are completed.

The terms of visitation state that Dalley must be present at the first meeting between Jeffrey and his grandparents. The "get acquainted" meeting is to take place in Dalley's Paul home. The grandparents may take Jeffrey for the day, but may have him for no more than one day at a time, court records said.

Dalley's attorney, Don Chisholm of Rupert, called the rulings "a compromise."

"Tom is not passing judgement on those other people at this time," Chisholm said Friday. He said the judge's orders may be modified depending upon the results of the psychological evaluations.

"If it's in Jeffrey's best interest that they have visitations, then we're not against it," Chisholm said.

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The industrial park has three businesses already committed to building in it, Herring said. He declined to identify the businesses until a March 17 public hearing on the grant, but said the three companies represent approximately 50 new jobs for the Gooding area.

A representative of Arkoosh Brothers Inc. had told the council in January his firm was ready to start building a fresh-pack potato operation in the industrial park as soon as city services can be obtained.

The economically disadvantaged ruling from the EDA also makes the

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Sewell estimates he has about \$100,000 in money spent, time and

at 3 p.m. in City Hall. Herring said the exact amount of the grant application and the businesses prepared to locate in the industrial park will be discussed at that time.

The city was awarded a \$720,000 two-year grant last year to install city water and sewer service to the old state tuberculosis hospital in preparation for a proposed private prison.



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School lunch menus

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 Wednesday: Spaghetti, french rolls and butter, coleslaw, peas and milk.
 Thursday: Macaroni and cheese, peanut butter cup, whole wheat rolls, carrot sticks, berry cobbler, salad bar and milk.
 Friday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, rolls and butter, banana half and milk.

Wednesday: Beef gravy, rice, hot rolls, fruit and milk.
 Thursday: Friday chicken, whipped potatoes, bread and peanut butter and milk.
 Friday: Fish nuggets, french fries, apricot cobbler and milk.
FILER
 Monday: Spaghetti.
 Tuesday: Wieners and nacho cheese.
 Wednesday: Turkey and chicken.
 Thursday: Pizza, peanuts and raisins, peaches, chocolate, cake and milk.
 Friday: Chicken pasta.

CASTLEFORD
 Monday: Tuna casserole, green salad, buttered corn, doughnuts and milk.
 Tuesday: Hoagie sandwich, french fries, fruit, cookie and milk.
 Wednesday: Taco, tater tots, peas, chocolate cake and milk.
 Thursday: Hot turkey sandwich, potatoes and gravy, green salad, cookie and milk.
 Friday: Chili, corn bread, vegetable sticks, peas, ice cream and milk.
CASSIA COUNTY
 Monday: Chicken patty, french fries, fruit, hot roll, school fudge and milk.
 Tuesday: Turkey and noodles, buttered popovers, fruit jello, hot roll and milk.
 Wednesday: Baked potato special, fruit, hot roll and milk.
 Thursday: Baked cheese squares, pork and beans, fruit, cookie and milk.
 Friday: Chicken salad with whole wheat bun, buttered corn, fruit, chocolate cake and milk.

JEROME HIGHS
 Monday: Cannibal bacon pizza, Italian vegetables, red fruit jello, raisin cookie and milk.
 Tuesday: Chicken burger, tater tots, french fry, chocolate chip cookie and milk.
 Wednesday: French dip sandwich, mixed vegetables, fresh apple, chocolate cake and milk.
 Thursday: Corn dog, french fries, peaches, oatmeal cake and milk.
 Friday: Soft shell taco, carrot sticks, green beans, cherries over cake, and milk.

WENDELL
 Monday: Peanut butter and honey sandwich, chicken noodle soup, carrot sticks, fruit and milk.
 Tuesday: Vegetable beef stew, biscuit and honey-butter, peanuts and fruit, salad bar and milk.
 Wednesday: Tacos, buttered corn, doughnuts, fruit and milk.
 Thursday: Macaroni and cheese, buttered green beans, fresh fruit, roll, salad bar and milk.
 Friday: Ham and beans, cornbread, green salad, pineapple upside-down cake, and chocolate milk.

VALLEY
 Monday: Fish wedge, scalloped potatoes, buttered peas, cookie and milk.
 Tuesday: Soft shell taco, buttered corn, fruit jello and milk.
 Wednesday: Chili and crackers, sweet rolls, vegetable sticks, sliced peaches and milk.
 Thursday: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, hot roll and butter, banana and milk.

Friday: Tuna fish sandwich, vegetable noodle soup, carrot sticks, apple crisp and milk.
TWIN FALLS
 Monday: Beefaroni, buttered green beans, applesauce, peanut butter bar, and regular or chocolate milk.
 Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, french fries, maple bar, sliced peaches and milk.
 Wednesday: Beef and cheese pizza, garden salad, garlic bread stick, banana half and milk.
 Thursday: Hamburger deluxe on a wheat bun, potato pinks, buttered corn, chocolate pudding and milk.
 Friday: Fish nuggets, scalloped potatoes,

hot cross bun, mixed fruit and milk.
MINDOKA
 Monday: Tacos, buttered peas, peaches, cake and milk.
 Tuesday: Wrapped wieners, tater tots, pink applesauce, cranberry milk.
 Wednesday: Spaghetti, green salad, peas, bread sticks, and milk.
 Thursday: Oven fried chicken, potato wedges, fruit jello, hot rolls and milk.
 Friday: Parent-teacher conference.
SHOSHONE
 Monday: Submarine sand, veg stick, fruit cookie and milk.
 Tuesday: Hamburgers, fries, pineapple

upside down cake and milk.
 Wednesday: Fried chicken, potatoes, hot rolls, butter, vegetable, fruit and milk.
 Thursday: Soft taco, tater tots, cookie, fruit and milk.
 Friday: Tomato soup, cheese, baked crackers, celery stick, fruit and milk.
MURTAUGH
 Monday: Finger steaks, corn, hot rolls, fruit and milk.
 Tuesday: Hot dogs, tater tots, carrot sticks, fruit and milk.
 Wednesday: Chili, crackers, celery sticks, fruit and milk.

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JEROME ELEMENTARY
 Monday: Tacos, mixed vegetables, fresh apple, chocolate cake and milk.
 Tuesday: Open menu.
 Wednesday: Hot ham and cheese sandwich, potato wedge, seasoned green beans, apple crisp and milk.
 Thursday: Corn dogs, french fries, peaches, oatmeal cookie and milk.
 Friday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, fresh fruit, hot roll and butter, and milk.

BLAINE
 Monday: Fish patties on bun, corn, strawberry shortcake with whipped topping, and milk.
 Tuesday: Taco, glazed sweet roll, sliced peaches and milk.
 Wednesday: Burrito, roll with peanut butter/honey butter, sliced carrots, sliced peas, raisin-pai cup and milk.
 Thursday: Cook's choice.
 Friday: Corn dogs, pork and beans, molasses cookie, applesauce and milk.

BUHL
 Monday: Hot ham and cheese sandwich, french fries and fruit.
 Tuesday: Sausage and pepperoni pizza, orange slices, french fries and pudding pops.
 Wednesday: Curly noodles with turkey, mixed vegetables and apple crisp.
 Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup and fruit.
 Friday: Chicken legs, pineapple, raw carrots, cinnamon rolls and chocolate milk.

HANSEN
 Monday: Burrito, french fries, green beans, fruit cup and milk.
 Tuesday: Turkey, whipped potatoes and gravy, buttered corn, cranberries, hot rolls and butter, jello, and milk.
 Wednesday: Taco, tater tots, spinach, juice bars and milk.
 Thursday: Ham and beans, coleslaw, cornbread and honey butter, peaches and milk.
 Friday: Beef stew and crackers, cheese stick, maple bars, pears and milk.

STATE SCHOOL
 Monday: Hamburger pizza, buttered carrots, apple wedges, maple nut ice cream and milk.
 Tuesday: Pork egg rolls, baked potato bar, winter mix, apricot cobbler and milk.
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 Wednesday: Hamburger on bun, potato patty, peaches, peanut butter bar and milk.
 Thursday: Finger steaks, tater tots, orange wedges, whole wheat roll and chocolate milk.
 Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, vegetable sticks, pears and milk.

GOODING
 Monday: Pizza, green beans, fruit and milk.
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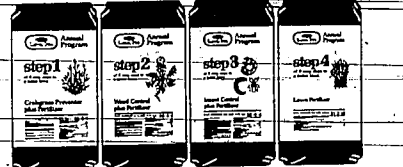
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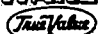
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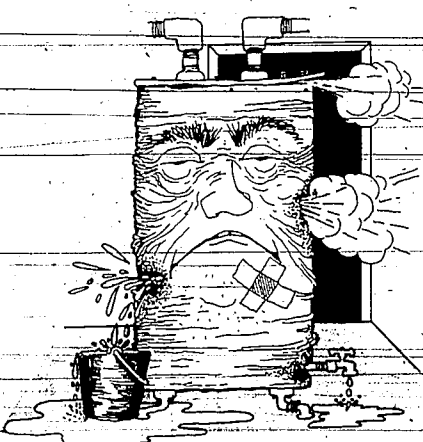
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Manslaughter sentence set

— SHOSHONE — A Hagerman man received a prison term Monday for involuntary vehicular manslaughter in the death of a Lincoln County resident.

Fifth District Judge Phillip Becker in Shoshone sentenced Jimmy Dale Baker, 26, to an indeterminate term in the state penitentiary "not to exceed seven years" on the manslaughter charge which carries a maximum seven-year term and \$7,000 fine.

Baker pleaded guilty in January to the manslaughter charge following the Aug. 4 death of Leslie Sweet in Richfield. Baker also pleaded guilty to a charge of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol.

The charges stem from an Aug. 2 traffic accident on U.S. Highway 93 east of Shoshone. The motorcycle Baker was driving collided with a pickup truck driven by Sweet. Two passengers in the truck also were injured.

Court records indicate Baker's blood alcohol level exceeded 10 percent by volume at the time of the accident.

Baker also was sentenced to three to five years on the DUI charge and will have his driver's license suspended for five years following his release from prison.

Retired teacher named to council

By DIANE SCHORZMAN
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — Mary Pinkston was appointed to the City Council Wednesday by Mayor Robert Sample with the unanimous support of the other council members.

Pinkston will fill the post left by former councilman Beryl Percy moved out of the city limits.

"Mary has lived in the city all her life and she taught school

hard for many years," Sample said in making the appointment.

The retired teacher was selected from a list of three finalists for the post and will fill the remaining two years of Percy's term. Pinkston, whose late husband, Eric, was a former Castleford mayor, is the only woman on the council.

In other business, the council passed the water irrigation resolution for 1986. The fees will remain the same as for last year: \$15 per lot and \$7.50 per half lot.

Dogs

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a fenced backyard in Shoshone. The Peyman allege the yard was not adequate to retain the animal which then "escaped, mauled and caused serious injury" to their son.

At this point, relations between city and county law officers deteriorated.

After Peyman filed the claim, Sheriff Darwin Mills stripped Peyman of his status as special county deputy.

The police chief is normally made a county deputy to aid in smooth operations between the two law enforcement offices.

In a letter sent to the city last month, Mills said "Peyman had become an adversary of the county." Mills said he has barred Peyman from entering Mills' office and from access to the county files and evidence locker.

However, since the city pays the county for dispatch service, Mills agreed to continue to offer such service and work with Peyman "on a professional basis."

Peyman is Shoshone's sole police officer until a vacancy caused by the January resignation of former police chief John Shaffer is filled.

Mayor Tim Ridinger said the city has made arrangements to set up separate city law enforcement files and an evidence locker in the basement vault at City Hall and that the arrangement is working well.

Meanwhile, the city dog-at-large law was declared unconstitutional by Gooding Magistrate Thomas Cushman on Jan. 23 because "it appears to violate the 5th and 6th amendments," court records say. Cushman made the ruling when he was presiding in a case similar to Johnston's.

In that case, the judge ruled "the state did not meet its burden of proof in proving the defendant knowingly allowed his dog to be at large," according to court records.

Ridinger said last month the city is drafting a new dog law and would probably establish a system of fines rather than making the offense a criminal misdemeanor to avoid having to prove an owner "knew the dog was out."

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Tuesday: Chicken pot pie, soup, buttered carrots, green salad, blueberry muffins and milk.
Wednesday: Tacos, retired beans, apple sauce, oatmeal cake and milk.
Thursday: Ham and beans, crackers, green salad, peaches, cake and milk.
Friday: "Casserole," mixed "fruit," donuts and milk.

BLISS
Monday: Fish sticks, pears, peanut butter bar and milk.
Tuesday: Ground beef patties, mashed potatoes w/gravy, hot rolls, green beans, pudding and milk.
Wednesday: Lasagna, tossed green salad, garlic bread, peaches and milk.
Thursday: Ham and beans, corn bread, honey, butter, cake, slaw, chocolate pudding cake and milk.
Friday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, mixed vegetables, hot roll, jelly, birthday cake and milk.

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Tax-battle-weary lawmakers still face struggle over budget

BOISE (AP) — Idaho lawmakers may have their nine-week battle over a tax increase behind them, but what is likely to become as intense a struggle over allocating that state treasury still stands between them and adjournment of the 1986 session.

The 15-month penny sales tax increase, a result of insistence by Senate Republicans that taxes not be permanently raised to end the budget crisis, still awaits final approval by the House — something leaders are confident will come on Monday.

But even with that additional revenue, the total available to finance general state operations next year will remain just under



\$606 million, a level that has moderates concerned needed programs and services will continue deteriorating and conservatives afraid spending may be increasing faster than the state economy's capacity to sup-

port it. Budget writers begin drafting the dozens of bills that comprise the annual state spending blueprint this week, a task that normally takes 40 hours of committee work over at least a two-week period and another week after that for the House and Senate to finalize the plan.

But the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee will be working with proportionately less money in coming weeks, even with the tax increase, than it had to distribute a year ago when it came up with a 1986 budget that was roundly criticized as inadequate.

Although the revenue projection on which the original 1986 budget was based turned out to be overly optimistic by some \$23 million, at the time the committee put the budget together last year it worked on the premise that it would have nearly \$30 million more to spend than the previous year, an increase of 5.2 percent.

At that level, state employees suffered a pay freeze and increases for basic state operations were kept to a minimum. Yet when it came time to approve the allotments for public schools and higher education, the appropriations within the revenue projection were swiftly rejected, and the

House and Senate resorted to pulling an additional \$2 million out of thin air to pad those spending bills so they would finally attract the votes needed to pass. Even then, the budget was still more than \$5 million lower than legislative analysts said was needed to maintain operations through the year at past levels.

But if a 1986 budget of \$587.7 million predicted on increased revenues of over 5 percent and \$2 million in red ink was so inadequate Gov. John Evans refused to sign parts of it, the 1987 budget being put together in the coming weeks could easily be in for even worse reviews.

Treasurer blasts tax legislation

BOISE (AP) — The 15-month penny sales-tax increase approved by the Senate last week was just another example of lawmakers' "Band-Aid approach" to solving Idaho's financial problems, state Treasurer Marjorie Ruth Moon said.

The Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor told the Boise Exchange Club on Friday that comprehensive tax reform was needed in Idaho to end the four-year fiscal crisis in state government.

Miss Moon said the state was transferring its budget problems to local governments throughout Idaho by cutting money from programs considered vital at the city and county levels.

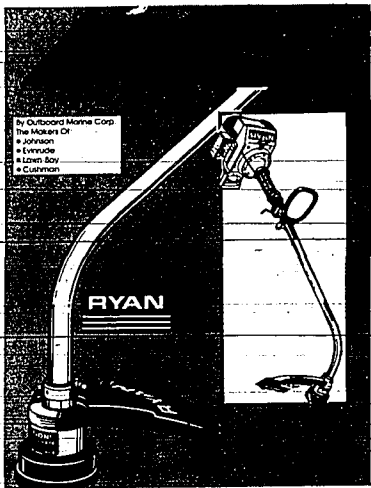
"An effective partnership" between state and local officials would benefit Idaho's economic climate, and we can't have that if one of the partners is being systematically starved," she said.

Miss Moon said she was appalled by the Legislature's "head-in-the-sand, poppa knows best" attitude toward the problems of local government, and by lawmakers' refusal to allow city and county officials to make more decisions on issues that concern them most directly.

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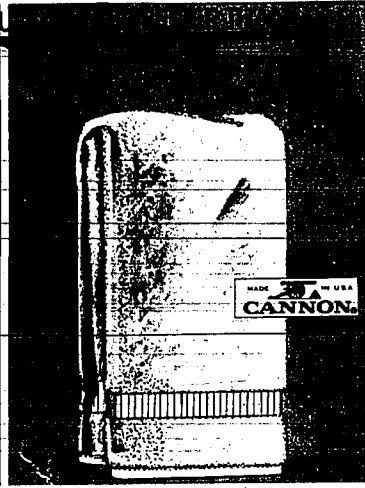
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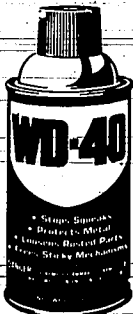
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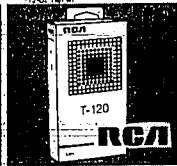
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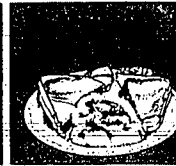
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Group offers to build, lease prison

CALDWELL (AP) — Some business people in Caldwell have offered to build a maximum-security prison in their community and lease it back to the Department of Corrections to help ease crowding in the state-prison system.

Caldwell Unlimited President Wally Frank told the Caldwell City Council last week that private ownership of a new prison would

have the advantage of being taxable, adding revenue to the state's depleted coffers.

Frank asked the City Council to apply for a \$500,000 community development block grant to finance extension of city sewer and water lines to a proposed prison site just north of Idaho Highway 19.

The Legislature has yet to appropriate money for construction of

a maximum-security penitentiary expected to cost from \$15 million to \$25 million.

Eugene Larson, deputy director of field services for the Department of Corrections, said the state would be more than happy to consider Caldwell Unlimited's proposal.

Caldwell is one of about a dozen communities vying to be the site of a new prison.

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Stallings, Hansen appoint top aides

POCATELLO (AP) — Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, has appointed Pocatello attorney Lynn Winmill as his campaign chairman, while Connie Hansen, one of the six Republican challengers for the 2nd Congressional District seat, has named Almo businessman Joyce Ward to lead her campaign.

Mrs. Hansen also announced that Lee Caldwell, a Pocatello accountant, would be her campaign treasurer. Idaho Falls broadcaster Mike Adams will serve as her communications director.

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Some figures out of Magic Valley history pose outside the old Rock Creek Station. Standing, left to right, are Herman Stricker, Mr. Knight and Bill Trotter. The children are Clyde and Bernard Stricker. Mounted are 'Sacramento' Frazier, Jim Mitchell, H.P. Larson, Jack Hewitt, Charles Hewitt and Sam Johnson

A palette of Magic Valley history paints today's

STRICKER RANCH

"Don't you wish you could hear all the stories those old walls could tell?"

Yes, the stories the old Rock Creek store, also known as the Stricker Cabin site, could tell might be a best seller.

Many of the best—and worst—characters in Idaho Territory a century ago stopped by the store. Rock Creek's reputation wasn't always the best, especially in the early days.

The first known murder at Rock Creek was in October 1870. When one Jack Fairchild was shot by George Heath and "couldn't live since three balls had passed through his body," according to the Idaho Tri-Weekly Statesman. The Elko (Nev.) Independent a few months earlier had branded Rock Creek as a den of robbers, warning everyone to give the place a wide berth.

Rock Creek's reputation wasn't any worse, and in many ways, was better than other Idaho communities of the 1860s and 1870s. The settlement was the first post office and voting precinct for what is now Twin Falls County.

It was also a welcome spot for weary travelers on the Oregon Trail.

Charles Walgamot, a recorder of Rock Creek's early history, tells other tales of a typical early western community.

The Rock Creek location had been a watering and camp site on the Oregon Trail. Its written historical record began in 1854 when employees of Ben Holladay, the stagecoach king, decided to locate a home station for the new line at the head of Rock Creek canyon.

Holladay had been the successful bidder in March 1854 to establish the first mail route between the railroad at Salt Lake City and The Dalles, Oregon Territory, via Fort Hall and Boise City.

The first bright red Holladay coach with its black stripes and straw-colored chassis, driven by a smartly uniformed driver, probably stopped at Rock Creek station on Aug. 9, 1854.

Holladay home stations were all built with the same plan. A home station, unlike swing stations, was able to provide meals

By VIRGINIA RICKETTS
Special to The Times-News

and lodging for passengers on the stage line. The station had a huge barn and a blacksmith shop to maintain at least 40 horses.

STATION TENDERS—or operators—were employed by the stage company at a salary of \$40-50 per month. Unfortunately, the record on the Rock Creek station tenders is incomplete. Commodore JACKSON, founder of Mountain Home, was station tender in 1871 and became the first postmaster when the Rock Creek Post Office was established Jan. 1, 1871.

Charles and Irene Trotter were placed in charge of the station in 1869. They continued to operate the eating house and provide lodging for travelers after completion of the railroad on the north side of the Snake River brought an end to stage coach travel from Utah. Johnny Hopkins also operated the station, and the station stood until well into the 20th Century before it was razed.

James Bascom, realizing the potential for a business enterprise at Rock Creek, built a store just west of the stage station and opened for business in 1865. His was the first trading post west of Fort Hall. Since it was situated at the hub of the three major transportation routes of the time, all the traffic passed a few feet in front of his door.

The Kelton, Utah-Boise City freight road, in operation since 1863 over the Goose Creek mountains, was met by the stage road and one branch of the Oregon Trail at Rock Creek. All freight overland to the Northwest passed through Old Rock Creek until construction of a freight road from Tonna, Nev., to Boise provided competition. When John Halley purchased the stage line, he changed the stage route to the Kelton Road.

THE PARADE IN FRONT of the store would have been a Western movie director's dream. Common sights were covered



Bernard Stricker, Herman and Lucy Stricker and daughter Gladys pose outside the 'new' Stricker home in 1904. The first one burned in 1899.

wagon trains, stagecoaches with four or six-horse hitched and freight wagons, often in tandem, carrying as much as a ton and a quarter per animal with as many as 16 mules or oxen per train.

Groups of Indians, miners from the rich canyon mines, and early settlers were also present to purchase their supplies, get the latest news or gossip, or participate in a card game.

Many Oregon Trail travelers remarked on the Rock Creek site in their diaries. One emigrant woman, in August 1869, made a typical entry when she wrote "this Rock Creek store is a great blessing to the emigrants. . . so as they can get a sack of flour for their selves, and something to feed their starving teams on . . ."

At the rear of the store was a tavern and card room, typical of the times. Behind that was a "wet cellar" where the supplies of liquor were kept. Just behind the "wet cellar" was a "dry cellar," used to store other supplies and doubling when necessary as the area's jail. The tavern is gone, but the two cellars are still behind the store.

IN 1876, HERMAN STRICKER and John Botzet purchased the Rock Creek store and its contents, a stable with contents (not the stage barn) and a dwelling for \$5,300.12 from Bascom and John Corder. Stricker and Botzet, in addition to operating the store and tavern, began developing an irrigation system on the land. Botzet sold his interest to Stricker in 1884.

Herman Stricker had immigrated from his native Germany at 15 and served more than four years with Company C of the 5th Ohio Infantry in the Civil War. He had been wounded in the Atlanta campaign. After five months in a hospital, he opened a grocery store in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1867, he and a partner began operating a commissary for the Union Pacific Railroad and

were present when the Golden Spike was driven at Promontory, Utah.

The partners then began freighting to the Snake River mines in Idaho Territory, and opened a store at Springtown, downstream from the current Hansen Bridge.

LUCY WALGAMOTT CAME to Rock Creek to visit her sister, Irene Trotter. In 1878, she was offered a position selling organs and decided to stay, making her home with her sister and brother-in-law, Charles.

Lucy was an accomplished musician who played at dances throughout the valley. Many early settlers and canal construction crew members have recounted how they attended dances at a dancehall near the store.

Herman Stricker and Lucy Walgamott, were married Oct. 1, 1882 and were the parents of four sons and three daughters. Like many home stations, Rock Creek station soon became the nucleus for a small settlement. The community of Old Rock Creek contained many buildings, including a Chinese opium house east of the stage station and the dancehall.

The original six-room Stricker home was located southeast of the store. It burned in 1899 and the family lived in the former tavern behind the store until a new home could be built.

Logs were hauled from Aiblon and placed upright side-by-side to form the stockade walls of the first floor of the new structure. The rest of the construction materials were hauled across the desert and the Snake River Canyon from the railroad at Kimama. The completed home was a showplace that included hand-grained woodwork on the interior and decorative exterior trim. Several years later, the dining room was extended and the rear portion added to complete the current eleven-room structure.

FOR SEVERAL YEARS, the home was used as a hotel for travelers who passed on the trails in front of it. After the store closed in 1897, the post office was moved to the home.

Mrs. Stricker loved trees and flowers. Her yard was landscaped to resemble an artist's palette. Most of the trees were raised from seeds from her childhood home. Two red cedars, brought to her by two cowboys from the hills south of Rock Creek, were especially prized by Lucy, as was a linden tree from Herman's native Germany. The linden tree and one of the cedars still stand in the front yard.

At one time, the walks around the home were lined with bottles which had been discarded from the tavern. Several years ago, the bottles, placed by the Chinese, had to be removed to preserve them from vandalism. East of the home, part of the large orchard of nearly 200 trees still stands.

THE ORIGINAL ROCK CREEK cemetery is west of the store. Although small, its history is interesting because it was the final resting place for gullies, murder victims, an emigrant baby and a freighter who was crushed between his wagons on the hill northwest of the store. Jack Fairchild's gravestone is unknown because his is not one of the names associated with the cemetery. Vandalism has erased the exact location of the individual graves within the cemetery.

In December 1984, The Friends of Stricker Ranch, Inc., was formed to preserve and restore where appropriate the old Rock Creek store and the adjoining Stricker home. The first goal of the group was to remodel the rear portion of the home for living quarters for a caretaker, made necessary by continuing vandalism of the property. When a windstorm last spring removed much of the protective roof from over the old store, it became imperative that a new protective covering be placed over the 120-year-old structure before weather extremes could cause the collapse of the landmark. The protective roof over the store was completed in November and the caretaker's apartment is now nearly complete. Participation in concern for the site during the past year has included all age groups.

Future plans for the site include complete restoration of the home and the landscaping around it. Interpretive trails will be established for the benefit of visitors. Although much has already been accomplished to preserve this historically important site, there is much still to be done.

The Friends of Stricker invite all who are concerned about the preservation of the valley's history to become a member of the organization so future generations will be able to appreciate the important part it played. Memberships are \$5 per individual, \$15 for families and \$30 for businesses per year. Dues may be sent to Friends of Stricker Ranch, Inc., P.O. Box 38, Filer, Idaho 83331; or to Route 4, Box 4542, Jerome, Idaho 83338.

Virginia Ricketts is a Magic Valley historian.



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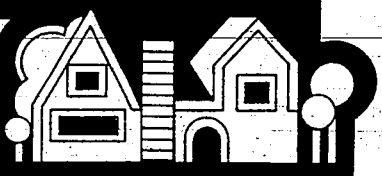
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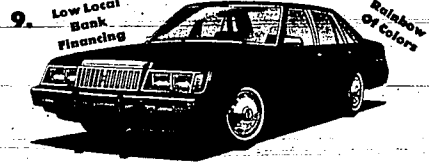
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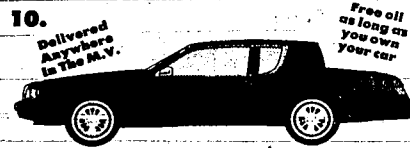
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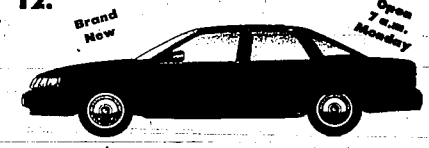
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Eagles down 'Cards, 79-71, for title

Blocker's 27 supplies boost down the stretch

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

ST. GEORGE, Utah — The College of Southern Idaho returned the Region 18 men's basketball title to Twin Falls after a five-year absence by defeating North Idaho College 79-71 in the regional championship game.

The victory was another mound to sophomore guard Chris Blocker, who canned 27 points and provided leadership at the critical

Region 18

CSI

Finals

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Championship game

CSI 79, North Idaho 71

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Snow vs. Dixie

time — although he got a healthy assist in that department from forward Jeff Rekegeweg.



With the victory, the Eagles earned the right to continue their season by hosting the Region 1 championship in a bi-regional game next Friday night.

CSI did not roar to this championship, and for the second straight night went into a deep slowdown over the final seven minutes and relied on its free throw shooting to hold the Cardinals at bay.

The game featured the co-regional most valuable players, which were decided earlier in the day in a meeting of the region's coaches: Blocker and 6-foot-11 North Idaho center Sven Meyer, a West German, shared the honors. But that CSI won the title shouldn't have been surprising since two other Eagles, sophomore Greg Boyd and freshman Erick Newman, joined him on the six-man first unit.

Rounding out that team were Jeff Schofield of Ricks and Alan Andrus of Utah Tech.

A somewhat befuddled CSI crowd or perhaps just was puzzled Saturday night when Boyd did the totally

unexpected, hitting just one of his first 14 field goal attempts — that being a cripple on a fast break. But the 6-4 sophomore guard from Burley hit two out of three coming to the wire, plus a couple of free throws.

It was Rekegeweg, a 6-7 sophomore from Kendallville, Ind., who was fundamental pivot in the game. Five minutes into the second half with CSI holding a 43-42 lead, he reeled off six straight points.

The Eagles managed an 11-point lead on one occasion, but never put North Idaho away.

Coach Fred Trenkle said it was physically impossible for his team to finish up with the characteristic speed-burst its fans are used to seeing.

"We played hard. We just couldn't do it," he said. "It was not great, but it was enough and it keeps our season alive. This game was like two fighters standings toe-to-toe and slugging it out, and our kids had enough to come out on top."

Concerning Boyd's cold shooting,

Trenkle said "I told him a couple of times if he was not going to shoot the ball, he was going to come out of the game. I knew sooner or later, he'd pick some up for us."

North Idaho gave CSI a scare in the first seven minutes, running out to a 22-13 lead. But the Cardinals went dead as Blocker and Rekegeweg triggered a burst that pulled things back to even on Johnson's court-long dash for a layin at the 7-minute and 15-second mark. The teams duelled almost evenly to the half, with Blocker scoring with four seconds left to leave CSI on top 37-36.

Newman got the Eagles going in the second half with an inside shot and Blocker picked up two quick points. But CSI's Ken Goodow and Pariziz pulled North Idaho back to within a point before Rekegeweg went to work. He scored on a short jumper, converted a Newman steal into another cripple and then bombed a third straight from atop the key to open things up to 49-42.

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Goodow 6 2 3 14, Helms 0 0 1 10, Barry 2 0 0 8, Ryan 2 0 0 4, Pariziz 3 0 0 4, Nellies 6 0 0 4, Miller 6 0 0 4, Totals: 27-31 17-29
Halftime score: CSI 37, NIC 36

Wolves stun No. 1 Injuns, take A-4 title

Shooting key to 72-49 win

By RON GATES
Times-News writer

BOISE — "The Wolves are No. 1," chanted Castleford's cheering section 28 seconds from the end of the championship game of the Idaho Class A-4 boys' basketball tournament here Saturday night.

A stunning 49 triumph over top-ranked Shoshone bore that out as Castleford ended a season of frustration at the hands of its Magic Valley Conference archrival.

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Plummer 72, Mackay 62

Consolation final

Kendrick 41, Genesee 38

transition game with a team like them.

"We just came out and shoot the eye out of the basket," said Schurkhe, whose third-ranked Wolves had lost to Shoshone on four previous occasions this season.

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Excited Wolves Gary Reynolds (24) and Ron Owen (44) celebrate Castleford's A-4 crown

season agreed. "Everybody played great. That's the best game we've ever played as a team. The coach told us to go out and have fun and play loose, play to win."

Hinrichs was 9-for-16 from the floor and contributed another point from the free throw line. He was also 3-for-3 on his three-point attempts.

Schurkhe said that Reynolds played his best game of the year. The 6-3 senior forward was second-leading scorer with 14.

Hinrichs had nine rebounds in the first half as the Wolves moved to a 38-30 halftime lead.

Castleford, with a 24-5 record, extended its lead to 17 at 53-36

just over two minutes to play in the third quarter. The Indians could not pull closer than 15 the rest of the way, shooting only 24 percent in the final half.

Chris Taber had 10 points and nine rebounds as the Indians closed their season 24-3.

In the third-place game, Plummer trailed by four at the end of the third quarter. But then Johnston took over, scoring 16 fourth-quarter points including seven from nine from the free throw line.

In the process, he broke the tournament's 16-year-old scoring record held by Bud Abbott of Troy.

Plummer outscored the Miners 29-12 in the game's final 10 minutes,

taking the lead for good with 5:33 remaining.

Mackay had four players in double figures, led by Lance Rosenkrantz with 14 points. The Miners ended their season with a record of 12-7, while the Pirates improved their season mark to 20-5.

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Bobcats scratch way to the title

Ferch leads 82-77 upset of Grizzlies

By JOHN ROLL
The Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — Montana State got 28 points from Kral Ferch and an inspired performance down the stretch by Tony Hampton to carry the Bobcats to an 82-77 victory Saturday night over Montana in the finals of the Big Sky Conference basketball tournament.

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New snow reported at area hills

IDAHO SKI REPORT

Sun Valley — Sun Valley reported six inches of new snow since Friday night, leaving 76 inches on the top of Bald Mountain. There is packed powder and spring snow conditions on all runs. Hours today: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pomerelle — Pomerelle picked up two inches of new snow Saturday, bringing the total to 97 inches at the base and 166 inches on the top of the mountain. Hours today: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Soldier Mountain — Soldier added seven inches of new snow since Friday night, bringing the total to 87 inches at the base and 48 inches at the top. Hours today: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Senators taste revenge

Gooding shuts door on Malad in 70-65 win

By RON GATES
Times-News writer

BOISE — Ah, revenge. Gooding's 6-foot-8 senior forward Brian Darcy scored twice in 25 seconds — the second time on a slam dunk — and Danny Dally and Todd Simis made it stand up with 5-0-6 free throw shooting as the Senators defeated Malad 70-65 for the Idaho Class A-3 boys' basketball championship here Saturday night.

The victory avenged a loss to the Dragons in the title game a year ago in Twin Falls.

Earlier, Kimberly claimed the third-place trophy with a 72-68 victory over Fruitland. Pullatch beat Lapwai 70-61 for the consolation honors.

Simis scored a game-high 30 points to lead his Gooding for the third time in as many nights.

Malad was paced by junior guard Steve Gunnell with 27 points.

The Senators, ranked second in the final Associated Press A-3 prep poll, an unfamiliar wing position. But the strategy became obvious at once, as the 6-1 senior canned three three-



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point baskets in the first 2 1/2 minutes to extend Gooding's lead to nine points.

"He was fresh and he got them then," said Gooding Coach Lou Andersen. "He can go when he's fresh. It opened things up and we got some easy baskets and some baskets in transition."

It was an all-right halfgame throughout the first half, and Gooding's one-point first quarter margin held up throughout the se-

cond period. Darcy put in six points to offset six by Malad's Rodney Sweeten and Gooding went into intermission leading 28-27.

While Simis was accumulating nine of his 11 third-quarter points, Malad's Kevin Archibald kept the Dragons close with two three-pointers of his own and Gooding's lead never got larger than nine.

The Dragons spread their offense in the final frame to enable their long-range shooters to get them back in position, but only Gunnell was able to connect.

In the earlier game, a 29-point fourth quarter earned Kimberly a come-from-behind victory.

The fifth-ranked Bulldogs, who trailed by as many as 12 points midway through third quarter, cut off those 29 from a trio of seniors: Kurt Holcomb finished with 22 and netted a dozen in that span, including a layin at 4:57 to tie the contest at 50.

When a Fruitland player drew a whistle nine seconds later, Mike Stark buried a jumper to hand the lead to the Bulldogs. Brett Wright added nine points down the stretch as the margin increased to seven.

It might have been easy for Kimberly as Fruitland sent the Bulldogs to the free throw line nine times after relinquishing the advantage, including four two-shot opportunities.

But by converting only six of 16 attempts, Kimberly let the Grizzlies chip away at their lead, drawing to

within three points on a Vince Marlarano three-point goal with 26 seconds remaining.

But the 6-1 Marlarano picked up his fifth foul-five seconds later and took his 11 points to the bench. Holcomb netted a free throw for the clincher.

Outboarded 28-20 by the taller Grizzlies and hitting only 32 percent in the first half, the outlook was dim for Kimberly.

"It was a little worried for awhile," said Kimberly Coach Allen Kelsey. "The key was defense early. They put the pressure on us. Our offense seems to click when the defense works and it did in the second half."

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Berry's blocked shot gives Redmen ACC crown

NEW YORK (AP) — Ron Rowan hit a jumper with eight seconds remaining and Walter Berry blocked Dwight "Pearl" Washington's shot at the buzzer to give No. 5 Syracuse Saturday night for the Big East Conference championship and an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

Until a 12-foot jumper from the baseline, the Redmen had never led. They trailed by as many as 13 points in the first half and by 41-28 early in the second half. A 15-4 run, with Mark Jackson hitting three baskets and Willie Glass five points, put St. John's, 30-4, back in the game, trailing on 45-43.

Syracuse, 25-5, pulled ahead again by as many as seven points twice before Marco Baldi, a 6-foot-11 freshman reserve, hit six straight points to pull the Redmen within 66-61 with 4:09 left. At that point, Ron Selkaly, the Orangemen's 6-10 center, fouled out.

Washington, who led all scorers with 20 points and 14 assists, then hit a jumper, but Walter Berry got a three-point play to make it 65-64 with 3:22 remaining. Washington came back with another basket, but Rowan did the same for a 67-66 Syracuse edge.

Once again, Washington came through for the Orangemen, hitting two free throws with 1:17 remaining for a 69-66 score.

Class two free throws with 32 seconds left for St. John's cut the lead to one again, and Washington missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 28 seconds remaining, setting up Rowan's game-winner.

Memphis St. 73 Florida St. 71

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Senior guard Andre Turner hit a short jumper with six seconds left to give 10th-ranked Memphis State a 73-71 victory over Florida State in the semifinals of the Metro Conference basketball tournament Saturday.

Memphis State, 27-4, will meet

College basketball

the winner of the Cincinnati-Louisville semifinal in Sunday's championship game. Florida State ended the season at 12-17.

With Florida State holding a 71-67 lead in the final minutes, the 6-foot-11 Turner, who scored 12 of his 17 points in the second half, went to work on both ends of the court to bring Memphis State back.

He stripped the ball from Florida State guard PeeWee Barber and took it in for a layup to pull the Tigers to within 71-69 with 1:51 left.

Turner then stole the ball from Barber again on Florida State's next possession. Dwight Boyd put in a missed Turner layup to tie the score at 71 with 1:07 left.

Another turnover by Florida State against the Memphis full-court press gave the ball back to the Tigers. Turner waited until the shot clock ticked down before driving the middle of the lane and putting up a 7-footer.

A 17-foot shot from the corner by Florida State's LaRae Davis as time expired rolled out of the basket.

Notre Dame 69 Dayton 55

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — David Rivers scored a game-high 27 points Saturday as No. 12 Notre Dame defeated Dayton 69-55 in the final regular season college basketball game for both teams.

Duke 75 Virginia 70

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — David Henderson scored eight points in the final 3:32 as top-ranked Duke rallied to capture a 75-70 victory over Virginia Saturday and a spot in the final of the 33rd Atlantic Coast Conference basketball tournament.

Trailing 66-64 after a three-point

play by Mel Kennedy at the 3:57 mark, Duke took the lead for good on Henderson's three-point effort at 3:32.

Illinois 73 Minnesota 64

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Glenn Blackwell scored a season-high 20 points and Efrém Winters added 16 as No. 19-ranked Illinois defeated Minnesota 73-64 Saturday in the final Big Ten conference game for both teams.

Kansas 72 Oklahoma 70

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Danny Manning, the Big Eight player of the year, sank two free throws with six seconds left Saturday to lift second-ranked Kansas to a 70-70 victory over No. 15 Oklahoma in the semifinals of the conference's postseason basketball tournament.

The Jayhawks, 30-3, met the winner of the Nebraska-Iowa State semifinal in Sunday's title game.

Manning was fouled in the lane by Oklahoma's Linwood Davis after the Sooners had tied the score at 70-70 with 45 seconds to play.

Kansas, the regular-season Big Eight champion, called a timeout after the two free throws by Manning, a 6-foot-11 sophomore.

Oklahoma's Anthony Bowie interrupted a 20-footer at the buzzer that bounced away.

Oklahoma, with no starter over 6-foot-7, stayed with the taller Jayhawks, who had 7-foot-1 Greg Drelling to complement Manning inside.

Kansas appeared to be pulling away from the Sooners on several occasions, but Oklahoma rallied each time.

both teams, Keith Gatlin's inbounds pass, interrupted for Lew Blasberg's shot by Ferrell, who raced upcourt for the dunk.

Kentucky 83 Alabama 72

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Reggie Cedic Jenkins scored 11 points during a nine-minute stretch when third-ranked Kentucky took command in a 83-72 victory over Alabama to capture the Southeastern Conference basketball tournament championship Saturday.

Louisville 86 Cincinnati 65

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Sophomore forward Herbert Crook scored 19 points as No. 11 Louisville shot 70 percent from the field in a rout of Cincinnati 86-65 Saturday over Cincinnati in the semifinals of the Metro Conference basketball tournament.

Georgia Tech 64 Maryland 62

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Duane Ferrell stole an inbounds pass and scored on a dunk with two seconds left to give No. 5 Georgia Tech a 64-62 triumph over unranked Maryland Saturday and a berth against top-ranked Duke in the final of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

In the other semifinal, David Henderson scored eight points in the final 3:32 as the Blue Devils knocked off Virginia 75-70. The Yellow Jackets, 25-11, will face Duke, 31-2, in the ACC final Sunday.

The Terrapins, 18-13, were in a position to win after Georgia Tech's Mark Price lost the ball out of bounds with five seconds left while trying to drive upcourt between Terry Long and Jeff Baxter.

Fellowing timeouts called by

Perrell was fouled by Gatlin, and although Ferrell missed the free throw after the foul, Georgia Tech's spot in the final was secure for the second straight season.

Last year, Georgia Tech knocked off North Carolina 54-51 in the tournament final in Atlanta.

Long completed a three-point play with 15:37 left to give Maryland its biggest lead at 45-37. A 12-4 Georgia Tech run started by Tom Hammonds and completed by John Salley at the 10:04 mark tied the score at 39.

Michigan 80 Indiana 52

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Roy Tarpley's 21 points paced a powerful Michigan attack as the No. 7 Wolverines clinched their second consecutive Big Ten Championship Saturday with an 80-52 college basketball victory over No. 16 Indiana.

Michigan became the first team to capture consecutive Big Ten titles since Indiana did it in 1980 and 1981. No Wolverines team had repeated since Michigan won three straight titles from 1954-56.

The Wolverines, 27-4 overall and 14-4 in the league, dominated the game from the outset. Michigan led an 18-12 edge with 10:37 left in the first half when Tarpley put in a layup that started a 12-2 run.

When it was over, the Wolverines held a 30-17 lead, and the advantage grew to 44-25 at the intermission.

UNLV 75 N. Mexico St. 55

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Anthony Jones scored 22 points and Armon Gilliam added 18 Saturday as 13th-ranked Nevada-Las Vegas wore down New Mexico State in the second half of a 75-55 victory in the finals of the Pacific Coast Athletic Association basketball tournament.

Miners claim WAC title

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP) — Judd Smith followed his own miss and scored on a rebound with 37 seconds to give Texas El Paso a 65-64 victory over Wyoming in the championship game of the Western Athletic Conference basketball tournament here Saturday.

Wyoming had taken the lead 64-63 with 2:34 left on the clock when 6-foot-11 forward Dennis Dembo, who scored a game-high 22 points, hit a 20-foot jumper.

Eric Leckner, who was named the Most Valuable Player in the tournament, had a chance to give Wyoming a three-point lead when he went to the line with 55 seconds remaining in the game and Wyoming leading 64-63. But Leckner, who wound up with 23 points, missed the front end of the one-and-one and UTEP pushed the ball down the floor for the winning shot by Smith, a 6-9 junior forward.

Both Les Bolden and Dembo put up shots for Wyoming in the final seconds but both missed. Wyoming made its way to the championship on a 67-65 victory over Air Force on a shot at the buzzer by Bolden and a 56-54 victory over New Mexico on a shot at the buzzer by Tuck Boyd.

UTEP, which pushed its record for the season to 27-5, was led by 6-11 center Dave Flett, who had 19 points before fouling out with 5:41 remaining in the game.

The Miners hit 69 percent from the field in the first half and held a 40-34 lead at halftime. The biggest lead of the game, for either team, was eight points as the Miners moved out 42-34 early in the second half.

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Whaley places second in juco 600 final

By The Times-News College track Whaley's teammate Jessica Tolliver, who took the best mark in the triple jump into Saturday's finals on the campus of the University of Arkansas, finished fifth in her specialty in the finals of that event.

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Bullets upset Celtics, who lose Walton

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Gus Williams hit a 30-foot jump shot with five seconds left in overtime to give the Washington Bullets their fifth straight home-court victory, 110-108 over the Boston Celtics Saturday night.

Boston saw an eight-game winning streak snapped as it lost for the 12th time this season. Potentially more costly to the Celtics was the loss of reserve center Bill Walton. He suffered a broken nose, his 13th midway through the second quarter and did not return to the game.

Larry Bird's jumper with 11 seconds left in regulation tied the score at 99, and Robert Parish blocked Darren Daye's shot with two seconds remaining to send the game into overtime. Parish, who had a season-high 25 rebounds, scored the

first four points of the overtime before Washington rallied again to tie. Dan Roundfield hit a 16-foot jumper with 45 seconds left to put the Bullets in front by two, but a pair of free throws by Bird tied the score at 107-107 with 32 seconds to play. Kevin McHale missed a long jump shot, but Cliff Robinson saved the rebound as it was going out of bounds. He passed to Williams deep on the left side, and Williams' shot hit nothing but net.

Williams scored five of his team-leading 24 points in the overtime, after being blanked in the fourth quarter. Robinson had 22 for

Washington. Daye, 20, and Jeff Malone 18.

Kevin McHale led the Celtics with 33 points but did not score in the overtime. Bird, who had four in the overtime, finished with 24 and Parish had 16.

Paul Pressey's second three-point shot in 20 seconds gave the Bucks a tie with six seconds left before Rivers banked in his game winner. Pressey had 30 points.

Paul trouble kept Rivers on the bench for much of the game, but reserve John Battle stepped in with a career-high 22 points.

Battle scored eight points in a 13-5 Hawks run in the second quarter to cut 6 Bucks lead to 38-37, and the Hawks took a 54-52 lead at halftime. Battle scored five more in a 9-0 Atlanta run to give the Hawks a 76-67 lead with 3:39 left in the third quarter.

Pro basketball

Swiss wins Aspen downhill

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — Switzerland's Peter Mueller, who skis Aspen Mountain like he owns it, won for the fourth time here Saturday, edging Peter Wirthberger of Austria in a World Cup downhill race.

Green carries two-shot lead into finals of Doral

MIAMI (AP) — PGA champion Hubert Green birdied five holes in a row and one-putted his way to a 64 that lifted him into a two-stroke lead Saturday in the third round of the \$500,000 Doral-Eastern Open Golf Tournament.

"The veteran Green, who started the day's play seven shots off the pace, made up that deficit with a 29 — the best nine-hole total of the year — over the front side.

I two set pace through three rounds of Kemper

PRINCEVILLE, Hawaii (AP) — Marcel Bozarth and Jill Inkster used a string of birdies to gain a share of the lead Saturday in 10-under-par 206 after the third round of the LPGA Women's Kemper Open.

Two strokes back, at 10-under-par 208, were Chris Johnson and Amy Alcott.

Bozarth, who was the first-round leader, went into Saturday's round at 7-under-par 137. She birdied the 59-yard par-5 second hole, but then ran into trouble on the 5th and 7th holes, shooting a bogey on each.

Golf

"That's something you don't do all that often on the PGA Tour," said Green, 39, who has won 19 tournaments in a 17-year career but has shot 29 on only two other occasions. He did it this time on the strength of his putter.

"I didn't play bad, but it wasn't exactly the result of shots Ben Hogan would have been proud of. But that ball went in the hole and that's nice," Green said.

He chipped in once and one-putted seven other times going out, giving him only nine strokes on the green over the first nine holes.

He birdied twice and one-putted for par on three other holes — including a remarkable save on the 18th — over the back nine and finished the day's play with 22 putts.

"It happened to me some very good breaks," he said. "Over a year, over a number of years, they tend to even out, so you take the breaks in stride. You don't commit suicide when they go against you, and you don't get too

inclined when they go for you."

Tom Kite, a three-stroke leader after 36 holes, had to scramble for a 73 and dropped back to second at 206.

Andy Bean, a two-time winner here, Jim Thorpe and D.A. Weirberg were another stroke back at 207. Bean had a 68, Thorpe 70 and Weirberg 71 in the warm, sunny, windy weather.

Americans rally to take 2-1 Davis Cup lead over Ecuador

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador (AP) — Ken Flach and Robert Seguso defeated Andres Gomez and Ricardo Ycaza 6-4, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 in their doubles match Saturday to give the United States a 2-1 lead over Ecuador in their Davis Cup tennis competition.

Earlier Saturday, 18-year-old Aaron Krickstein completed a straight-set victory over Raul Viver 6-0, 6-1, 6-3. Their match had been interrupted by darkness Friday with the third set tied 2-2.

Krickstein quickly polished off his opponent when play resumed and tied the series at 1-1.

Gomez won the opening singles match Friday, outlasting Jimmy Arias 7-5, 4-6, 4-6, 9-7, 6-4 in a 4½-hour match.

Flach and Seguso needed 2½ hours on the red-clay courts to win the doubles match before a crowd of about 3,000, which half-filled Francisco Cano stadium.

The Americans worked better as a

team than the Ecuadorians.

Ycaza was the most erratic of the four players and Gomez was unable to defend against the Americans' strong play.

The best-of-five competition will wind up Sunday with a pair of singles matches. Gomez will play Krickstein and Viver takes off.

The winner of the series advances to the quarterfinal round of the World Group to meet the winner of the Mexico-West Germany series.

In Copenhagen, Mats Wilander and Anders Jarryd beat Peter Bastiansen and Michael Mortensen 6-3, 6-3 in 1 hour, 30 minutes to give Sweden, the defending Davis Cup champion, an insurance match lead over Denmark in first-round World Group play.

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Hernandez accepts his punishment

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Keith Hernandez of the New York Mets accepted Saturday Commissioner Peter Ueberroth's punishment for cocaine involvement in order to play this year, but insisted he was being excessively penalized because he never dealt in drugs.

Hernandez, who last week said he would fight a one-year suspension imposed by the commissioner, was the last of the players heavily penalized to accept the conditions set by Ueberroth — for holding the suspensions in abeyance.

The commissioner, in a news conference Feb. 28, said the seven players "were involved in a prolonged pattern of drug use and also in some fashion facilitated the distribution of drugs in baseball" by "sharing drugs with, giving drugs to, acquiring drugs from or buying drugs for other players."

Perez's grand slam homer lifts Reds over Phillies

By The Associated Press

Tony Perez, entering his 22nd major-league season, got off to a quick start—in exhibition play—with a grand-slam home run and a run-scoring single Saturday in the Cincinnati victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Perez, who last year became the oldest player ever to hit a grand slam, cleared the bases by lining an 0-2 pitch from Juan Rios over an advertisement for a retirement town painted on the left-field wall.

"You've got to get ready, but I don't care to just get into shape," said Perez, who insists he takes spring training very seriously. "I don't want anybody to get me out, and I don't believe in that thing about waiting until the bell rings (to start playing)."

Perez, who resigned with the Reds as a free agent after his contract expired, is expected to spend the season as a pinch hitter and occasional first baseman, understanding for player-manager Pete Rose the singled home run in the first inning and erased a 4-2 Phillies lead with his bases-loaded homer in the fifth over the left-field wall.

In other exhibition Saturday action the Chicago White Sox beat Pittsburgh 3-2. St. Louis dumped the

Baseball

New York Mets 10-2, the New York Yankees beat Baltimore 4-1. Toronto topped Minnesota 3-2. Texas pounded Kansas City 9-0. Detroit stopped Boston 6-4. Houston—slipped—Los Angeles 4-3. San Diego, got past California 4-1. Oakland 10-3. Montreal beat Atlanta 4-3. Cleveland split its squad and lost 4-3 in 10 innings to San Francisco and beat the Mexico City Reds 7-5 and Milwaukee routed the Chicago Cubs 11-4.

White Sox 3, Pirates 2.

Harold Baines had two hits and scored the winning run for Chicago on Russ Norman's sacrifice fly. With the game tied at 2-2 in the eighth inning, Baines singled off Pirate reliever Cecilio Guante. Baines then, stole second and took third when catcher Ruben Rodriguez's throw

sailed into center field. He scored on Norman's fly to right.

Cardinals 10, Mets 2.

Jerry White drove in three runs and Vic Rodriguez and Willie McGee added two RBI each to pace the defending National League champion Cardinals in their exhibition opener.

Yankees 4, Orioles 1.

Four New York pitchers stopped Baltimore on three hits in the opening exhibition game for both teams and Lou Piniella's debut as Yankee manager.

Blue Jays 3.

Rick Leach singled home Lou Thornton with the winning run in the 11th inning to give new Toronto Manager Jimmy Williams his first victory. Thornton, like Leach a non-roster player, led off the inning with a double off Pete Fillion.

Rangers 8, Royals 0.

Dave Rozema and Rockies Bobby Witt and Ed Correa combined to shut out the defending World Series champion Royals in the exhibition opener for both teams.

Tigers 6, Red Sox 4.

Third baseman Darnell Coles keyed a pair of three-run innings with two runs batted in and two runs scored to spank the Tigers.

Astros 4, Dodgers 3.

Alan Ashby drove in the winning run with an infield single in the sixth inning. Singles by Terry Puhl and Glenn Davis, a wild pitch and Ashby's single accounted for the two runs against losing pitcher Ed Vandenberg.

Padres 7, Angels 4.

Kevin McKeon's two-run triple in the third broke a 2-2 tie and carried San Diego to the victory. The hit scored Tim Lantry and Tony Gwynn and Grag Nettles scored McKeon's with a single.

Mariners 10, A's 3.

Seattle pitchers Mike Morgan, Bill Swift and Steve Fireovid held Oakland hitters for 7 1/2 innings before Barboro Garbey lined a double off Fireovid. Garbey later scored on a two-out double by Bill Bathie.

Expos 4, Braves 3.

Terry Forster walked Rene Gonyea in the ninth inning to force in the winning run. Forster, who walked four batters in the inning, also forced in the tying run by walking pinch hitter Andres Galarraga.

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Valley life

'Silver' models display glamour

Proof that glamour is not confined just to the young, was evidenced recently at a style and beauty seminar where models were all in the official retirement age category. Using the theme "Look for the Silver Living," Jeanne Meyer, a cosmetologist of 20 years' experience, and Maureen Pavletic, a color analyst, used the event to show the "style and class" of these women and to encourage all women "facing 50-60, and beyond to be aware of just how wonderful it can be."



Lorayne O. Smith Spotlight

Models included Liz Fecker, 74, a sales clerk at The Paris; Fern Amick, 70, sales clerk in cosmetics at Sav-Mor Drug; Wanda Engelbrecht, 68, who works part time, and Agnes Martin, retired legal secretary. Easy care hairstyles were shown along with soft makeup techniques, and the importance of wearing one's best colors was stressed. Mayer had hoped to donate proceeds from the event to the Senior Citizens Center, but attendance was not large enough to do more than cover expenses. However, she said the response of those attending was so enthusiastic she plans to make the seminar an annual event.

Brad Carter, son of David L. and Virginia Carter, Kimberly, has been awarded one of 15 University Club scholarships, the most prestigious stipend given at Utah State University, Logan.

The recipients were chosen from among 500 other students who entered the competition last fall. The stipend pays four years of tuition and fees and \$400 in cash per year.

Carter is a straight-A student at Kimberly High School, where he will graduate this spring. He is active in pep band, speech competition and an algebra tutor. He is president of the National Honor Society chapter and a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist. He received the Kimberly Chamber of Commerce leadership award and has been honored for excellence in science and foreign language.

Carter plans to study mathematics and physical sciences at Utah State.

Duplicate bridge players in Magic Valley donned \$100 this week to Hospice of South Central Idaho. Chet Botkin, president of Unit 300, American Contract Bridge League, said the money was raised throughout the past year. Each year the ACBL members support some community cause.

David R. Mead, Twin Falls, is the new vice chairman of the State Health and Welfare Board, according to Archie Service, Pocatello, board chairman.

Travis Dalton, a Jerome High school senior and son of Gary and Karen Dalton, Jerome, has been appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He was one of 10 students nominated by Rep. Richard Stallings for the single vacancy allowed the second congressional district this year.

Dalton lettered in varsity track, basketball and football and holds the school record in the high jump at 6 feet, 7 3/4 inches, and is the District 4 high jump champion. He was a Boys State delegate and belongs to the Jerome High School Student Council and the National Honor Society.

M.F. "Smitty" Smith, Buhl, is the Region 5 Republican Precinct Committeeman of the Year. This is the second time he has received the award, and Lt. Gov. David Ledyard, in making the presentation, indicated it is probably a first in the state. Smith has served as precinct committeeman from Buhl for many years.

Dan Miller, son of George and Ruth Ann Miller, Buhl, was awarded academic distinction for the fall semester at Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash., where he is a junior.

Leslie Weeks, Minidoka, will represent Idaho at the Western State Angus Auxiliary queen contest to be held during the Western National Angus Futurity April 27 in Reno, Nev.

Jeanette Peterson, Wendell High
• See SPOTLIGHT on Page D6

SPRING RITUAL

Weather prompts yearly cleaning instincts

By LORAYNE O. SMITH Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."
But, if the poet had been more practical (and thus not a poet), he might also have said that women's thoughts during the first warm days often take a most unromantic, opposite turn — to spring housecleaning.

Although some young people are curious about the origin of this seemingly quaint and, they believe, outdated custom, results of a completely unscientific sampling of area residents show the custom of washing walls, windows, curtains and going through every closet and cupboard each spring still thrives in our city.

Even more surprising, it seems that participants in the spring ritual and those who scoff at it cannot be neatly divided by generational gap or whether or not they got a paycheck for their daily labor.

Jeni Smith, a young working woman, does it all — walls, cupboards, carpets, windows and the yard — during weekends in March and April. But Colleen Brown, president of the Twin Falls County Home Extension Club, a full-time homemaker, spreads these jobs over

the year and seems unaffected by the spring fever syndrome.

Semantics are important here. Spring housecleaning is not to be confused with housekeeping, since supposedly someone in each household does weekly or general cleaning. And, the subject definitely should not be perceived as a moral issue, even though everyone knows cleanliness is next to godliness.

It's more a matter of personal style how one obtains the cleanliness — particularly in unseen places such as under the bed and the woodwork behind heavy furniture.

Spring cleaners do it all at once in a burst of activity, convinced the damage to domestic tranquility is worth the satisfaction of "having it all done." (This same mystique applies even for some who firmly subscribe to the theory but need several seasons to reach the last closet.)

But there are those who point out, quite logically, that the world won't end if every drawer isn't emptied each year and every wall washed, although there is some general agreement that windows always need washing. Some non-believers say they do these chores — called "deep cleaning" by professionals — on an "as needed" basis.

Patty Hatley, a homemaker with young children, said she does the ex-

tra jobs "in chunks throughout the year" as she has time.

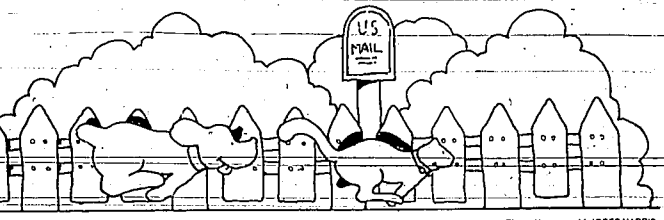
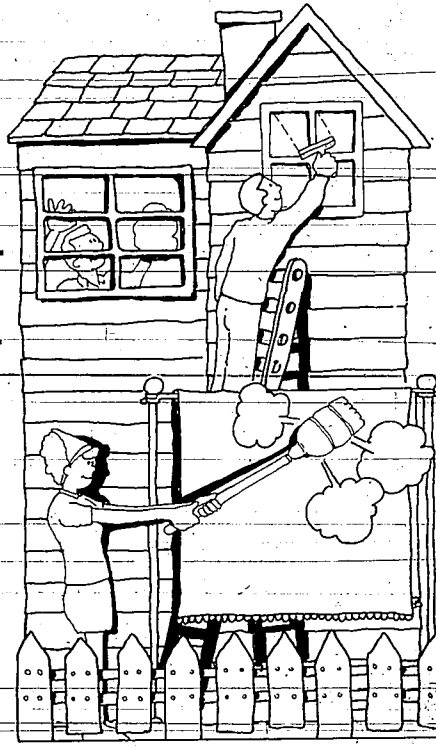
For those who are blissfully ignorant of the subject and probably want to remain so — historical perspective may be enlightening. Spring — housecleaning — a doubtfully began when the first cavewoman cleared out bones accumulated over the winter.

Banishing the grime and dirt of winter as the days grow lighter has continued down through the centuries, spurred by an almost primal urge, which can affect men, too.

Gordon Curtis, Murtaugh, said it's a family project at his place, with both he and his wife washing windows one week and tackling other spring cleanups, even to hosing the driveway. Many other people mentioned putting winter clothing away and opening windows to air out the house as regular spring chores.

And anyone who lived without benefit of modern furnaces and vacuum cleaners, especially in old, non-insulated farmhouses, knows why spring housecleaning was once necessary. Most older adults interviewed recall how entire rooms would be emptied and rugs, even mattresses, taken outside for airing. Patty Hatley, a homemaker with young children, said she does the ex-

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Times-News graphic/GREG HARRIS



Walter Matthiesen was a dairy farmer for over 30 years.

Former dairyman seeks clues about Grassy Hill

By LORAYNE O. SMITH Times-News writer

Elder
FILER — Walter Matthiesen would like to know more about the ill-fated settlement at Grassy Hill in Owyhee County some 20 years ago. The retired Filer area farmer says he remembers visiting the area, located southwest of Roseworth, as a small boy because his father had several relatives living there.
A bachelor uncle, Henry Matthiesen, was one of the many hapless people who attempted to wrest a living from the sagebrush desert. His experience may be typical, Matthiesen believes.
"He built a one-room shack on

his claim and tried to dig a well with pick and shovel. The dry hole proved to be a rabbit trap," Matthiesen says. "He proved in on his homestead, and paid taxes for many years, finally turning it back for unpaid taxes."
Matthiesen presumes his uncle cleared the land of brush because his father purchased a sagebrush grubber from his brother's claim; "the machine" was made by Krengels in Twin Falls.
Apparently the fatal flaw in the
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Yukking it up

Appropriate use of humor may aid workplace

By DON OLDENBURG The Washington Post

When constant complaining about a few unbearable customers was dragging down morale at a Pennsylvania bank, the president called in a management humor consultant who recommended he initiate a

"Worst Customer of the Week Award," to be presented — along with a bottle of champagne — to the employee with the best Friday afternoon tale of woe.

"Humor changed their perception of the situation," says David Baum, the Philadelphia consultant who turned dread into drillery at the Doylestown bank. "Tellers were soon calling the worst customers over to their windows in hopes of winning the champagne. The customers felt some positive attention and stopped being such pains."

Balancing gravity and levity in the workplace is hardly funny business.

While lip service has long been paid to a sense of humor at work, traditionally the closer you got to the bottom line — money — the fewer laughs you heard.

Today, however, personnel officers and executive headhunters may mark "sense of humor" as a major plus on job applications. Ads in business magazines promote products such as executive joke newsletters and the "Instant Card" laughmakers filed on 4x6 cards in 97 subjects" for \$19.95. And social scientists who 15 years ago would have jeopardized the academic credibility by investigating humor are now making careers of researching wit and whimsy.

"Appropriate use of humor in the workplace enhances communication, motivation, creativity and ultimately productivity," says Baum, 30, who, besides consulting businesses and organizations on humor, doubles as coordinator of training and development at Philadelphia's Thomas Jefferson University.

Based on his five-month study of humorous interaction at Shared Medical Systems, a 1,200-employee computer firm on the outskirts of Philadelphia, Baum stresses that humor is a powerful tool that can provide a competitive edge in climbing the corporate ladder.

According to a recent survey sponsored by Robert Half International, corporates America thinks business is best when it isn't strictly business.

The executive recruitment franchise firm headquartered in New York asked executive vice presidents and personnel directors of 100 of the nation's largest corporations: "Do people with a sense of humor do better the same, or worse at their job than those people who have little or no sense of humor?"

Eighty-four percent of the exec roped employees with a sense of humor did a better job. "People with a sense of humor tend to be more creative, less rigid and more willing to consider and embrace new ideas and methods," says Robert Hall, warning that in the long-run, the joke will be on companies that frown on badinage.

While Henry Youngman has yet to leave his mark on most boardrooms, changes in the American workplace, say social scientists, are gradually changing the profile of the prize

employee of the '80s — independent, autonomous and creative, someone who tends to work hard, play hard and laugh hard. CEOs increasingly ask the manager with a sense of humor, "Take the initiative, please." But experts warn not to turn in your pin-stripes for a clown costume. As always, a good punch line depends on good timing.

"Humor is one of the prime social adaptive mechanisms that we have," says John Parrish Sprowl, a University of Connecticut professor of communications science who has been conducting research into what is funny.

Work, says Sprowl, provides common ground for congeniality. "In the workplace," he says, "there is a special need to gain cohesion with people you maybe wouldn't have chosen to be with in other situations."

Researchers consider job/humor relationship

The Washington Post

Do some occupations promote humor more than others?

"The more opportunity you have for social interaction, the more likely you will have a lot of humor," says John Parrish Sprowl, professor of communications science at the University of Connecticut. "If you have attractive colleagues who can't chat, you won't have much humor."

Says Temple University psychologist and humor researcher Jeffrey Goldstein: "Humor is situational. Salespeople tell jokes because people expect it of them. It comes with the territory."

A sampling of Goldstein and Sprowl's views on workplace wit:

- Clerical professions. Predictably, college professors or quantum physicists generate a type of humor related to their specialties. In other words, the bathroom wits nearest the philosophy department is apt to have such graffiti as "God is Dead — Nietzsche. Nietzsche is Dead — God."
- High-pressure professions.

Surgeons, police officers and firemen often indulge in humor related to disaster, death and the macabre. "When a surgeon jokes about forgetting his wristwatch inside a patient during surgery, it's a way of distancing himself from the reality of the event, a way of stepping back a half step from the pressure . . . and reduce the emotional intensity."

• Repetitive professions. "If the work is terribly routine, anything would be funny. Spilling the coffee could provoke wild laughter."

• Physical professions. Construction workers and athletes are apt to lean toward physical humor — sexual jokes, humor about the body and a towel-snapping sort of horseplay.

• Leadership professions. "Being powerful is like being a lady. If you have to tell people you are, you aren't." — a line attributed to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. "Politicians and business leaders," says Goldstein, tend to be "self-deprecating in their public humor as a way of endearing them to the public."

Cleaning

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trouble with his Saturday cleaning guild, told how his grandmother would put rugs on the line and "beat the hell out of them."

But times have changed and modern homes are easier to keep clean, which explains why some survivors of this vigorous routine are glad to forget it.

Scuffers of what they view as an exercise in insanity clearly are not content with the easygoing of either young or employed women.

Why then, despite modern cleaning equipment and snuggler hoses, does the age old ritual persist? Mostly, it seems, because of cultural background.

While some daughters, and sons, too, deliberately alter their ways of fighting dirt in reaction to an overzealous mother, most women simply continue their mothers' practice.

But there are modern differences. Clairlean Beams, who paints houses, sold her "old-fashioned like my mother" vacuum she loved the way it would cave in if not washed yearly.

But she can forego buckets and mops for a vacuum because her walls are carpeted. Getting spring chores done including washing windows and removing cobwebs, "makes her feel like a new woman," she said.

She has observed in her painting jobs that the growing popularity of "green" versus "toxic" cleaners is increasing the need for "deep cleaning."

Judice Goley, Kimberly, is a

Elder

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development project was the presumption that the land could be farmed without irrigation. An article-written-by-longtime-Three-Greek-rancher Lola Blossom for Owyhee Outposts No. 9, published by the Owyhee County Historical Society, described the settlement.

"Around 1915 a bunch of folks from the East and Midwest tried dry farming on the desert from Cedar to Clover Creek and further west."

Sometimes the "Grassy Hill" settlers en route for supplies stopped at his parents' home while he was a small boy, and Mathiesen recalls names of some half dozen of them, but says his knowledge none of them is still living.

The widow of one, Mrs. Armin List, who was Mathiesen's first teacher at Clover, lives in Jerome. She says her husband owned land at Grassy Hill before World War I, but he "let it go" before their marriage and she has no idea who promoted the development which spoiled financial loss for all concerned.

Mathiesen's father, Peter Mathiesen, was a little more fortunate, for he homesteaded southwest of Castleford. The family came to Magic Valley in 1915 from Oregon. Mathiesen was born Oct. 11, 1911, in Sherwood.

As a child he had asthma so severely his parents were advised to move to Idaho, Arizona or Colorado, they chose Idaho because his father's cousin was a Lutheran minister in Twin Falls and had writ-

ten favorably of the area.

The family lived in Twin Falls for a year - he thinks on a McKinley Street since that address is written on the back of a family picture.

Then in 1916 they moved to "the last place on the road going west of Castleford." There was just sagebrush and the Salmon canyon beyond their farm. His father helped in the construction of the Clover Road and also worked at Grassy Hill.

Rattlesnakes were plentiful on their Castleford homestead when he was a child; and Mathiesen says a neighbor who knew "just how to kill them right" would take the fat from the snakes and "render it for medicine."

Mathiesen recalls his younger brother, Marvin, once called for him to "look at his big worm."

"I knew it wasn't any worm," Mathiesen chuckled. "It was a rat."

Since it was "quite a ways to school," his parents moved southwest of Filer so Walt could attend school in Clover. He first attended public school in that community and then the Lutheran School there which did not then go to the eighth grade. He graduated from eighth grade at the old Poplar Hill Country School and from Filer High School in 1930.

"Times were so bad, we didn't even have an annual that year," Mathiesen says. He first worked for his father until his marriage in 1934 to Thelma Rangen. They farmed southeast of Twin Falls for six years, then located southwest of Filer so

their children also could attend the Clover Lutheran School.

He and his wife were in the dairy business for 30 years and still reside in the rural home on their "Diverted Farm." They sold milk "all over the country," including the Jerome Cooperative Creamery, the former Youngs Dairy and then Mountain Empire Dairy Association (MEDA) at Jerome.

In 1960 the Mathiesens built a milking parlor with 100 milking machines and at their peak operation had 120 cows. The dairyman was particular about the hay he fed his herd, buying third cutting hay crops and then baling it himself.

During the severe winter of 1948-49 Mathiesen had to throw out milk because of no place to store it when the cans could not be picked up because of impassable roads.

Both the milk in their cans and ears and tails of newborn calves, as well as feet on beef cattle, froze that winter, he says. He figures that had winter cost him about \$1,500.

But he had a diversified operation, living up to the name of his farm. He raised poultry and also sheep. When he lived southeast of Twin Falls he raised cocker, breeding stock for Swift and Co.

The retired farmer belonged to the Farm Bureau and was active in the Guernsey-Cattle club on local, state and national level. In addition to his interest in local history, Mathiesen enjoys woodworking.

He and his wife have two children, Theresa Wilson, Reno, Nev., and Larry Mathiesen, Buhl, and two grandchildren.

Club calendar

"The Club Calendar" is published weekly in The Times-News. Items for the calendar should be brought to the Times-News office in Twin Falls or mailed to The Times-News, Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. The deadline each week is Thursday noon.

MONDAY

Blue Lakes Business and Professional Association

Meet at 6 p.m. at the China Garden Restaurant.

Buhl Chamber of Commerce

Meets at noon at the Ramona Restaurant.

Buhl Senior Citizens

Lunch at noon and cards at 6 p.m. at the senior center.

Filer Senior Citizens

Pollack at 6 p.m. at the Center.

Gooding Lions Club

Meets at 6:45 p.m. at the Lincoln Inn.

Hagerman Senior Citizens

Breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon at the senior center.

Tuesday

Monday Bridge Club

Meets at 1 p.m. at the YECCA building in Twin Falls.

Shoshone Al-Anon

Meets at 8 p.m. at the senior center.

Shoshone Al-Alcans

Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the senior center.

Task Force on Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Meets at 7:30 p.m. at Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N. in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls Al-Alcans

Meets at 8 p.m. at the First United Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Twin Falls Al-Anon

Meets at 8 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Twin Falls Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at 7:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Wendell Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center on West Avenue.

Twin Falls Shrine Club

Meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Prime Cut Restaurant.

L.B. Perrine Toastmaster's Club

Meets at 7 p.m. at China Gardens, Twin Falls.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 2136

Meets at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 2nd St. South in Twin Falls.

TUESDAY

Alzheimer/Dementia Family Support Group

Meets at 7 p.m. at the Office on Aging, 954 Washington St. N. in Twin Falls.

Buhl Duplicate Bridge Club

Pairs play begin at 7:30 p.m. at Lincoln Courts community building, 1310 Main St.

Buhl Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon and dance at 8 p.m. at the senior center.

Burley Rotary Club

Meets at 12:05 p.m. at the Elks Lodge.

Eden American Legion and Auxiliary Post No. 82

Meets at 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room at the Eden Cafe.

Eden-Hazelton Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at senior center in Eden.

Filer Al-Anon

Meets at 8 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church.

Jerome Kiwanis 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 Al-Anon

Meets at 8 p.m. at the Walker Center.

Gooding Alcoholics Anonymous

Meets at 8 p.m. at the old hotel on South Main Street.

Gooding Optimist Club

Meets at noon at the Lincoln Inn.

Gooding Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at 7 p.m. in the Walker Center.

Gooding Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Hagerman Senior Citizens

Breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon at the senior center.

Jerome Kung Fu Club

Meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Jerome Rotary Club

Meets at noon at the Wood Cafe.

Jerome Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Ketchum Sun Valley Rotary Club

Meets at 12:10 p.m. at Louie's restaurant in Ketchum.

Magie Valley Singers

Meets for advanced square dancing at 7 p.m. and beginners at 8:30 p.m. at the Catholic Parish Hall, 216 2nd Ave. East in Jerome.

Magiehords Barbershop Chorus

Meets at 8 p.m. at the Twin Falls First Baptist Church at Ninth Street and Shoshone Street East.

Shoshone Chamber of Commerce

Meets at noon at the Manhattan Cafe.

Shoshone Golden Years Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Singles Square Dancing

Meets at 8 p.m. at 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome.

Sweet Adelines

The women's barbershop singers meet at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 250 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

Twin Falls Rotary Club

The Blue Lakes chapter meets at 7 a.m. at the Holiday Inn.

Twin Falls TOPS

Chapter No. 3 meets at 1 p.m. at City Hall.

Wendell Kiwanis Club

Meets at noon at Cavazzo's restaurant.

WEDNESDAY

Buhl Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Filer Senior Citizens

Meets at noon for quilting, handcrafts and a potluck dinner at the Filer Senior Haven.

Gooding Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Hagerman Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Insurance Women of Magie Valley

Meets at noon at George K's restaurant in Twin Falls.

Jerome Chamber of Commerce

Meets at noon at the Rialto Inn.

Jerome Optimist Club

Meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Pizza Co. restaurant.

Jerome TOPS

Chapter No. 48 meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Jerome Public Library.

Richfield Grange No. 151

Meets at 8 p.m. at the Grange Hall.

Shoshone Golden Years Senior Citizens

Brunch from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the senior center.

Singles Pinochle

Meets at 8 p.m. at the DAV Hall, Harrison and Shoup St. in Twin Falls.

The Network

Meets at noon for a luncheon and

business meeting at the China Garden Restaurant at 206 Shoshone Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls Lions Club

Meets at noon in the rear conference room at the Elks Lodge.

Twin Falls Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at noon at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Twin Falls TOPS

Chapter No. 240 meets at 10:15 a.m. in Suite No. 1029 in the Blue Lakes Office Park.

Twin Falls TOPS

Chapter No. 309 meets at 7:30 p.m. at Valley Vista Village.

Wendell Chamber of Commerce

Meets at noon at Cavazzo's restaurant.

THURSDAY

Burley Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at 7:30 p.m. in the law enforcement center conference room at 129 E. 14th St.

Buhl Senior Citizens

Meets at noon and cards at 7 p.m. at the senior center.

Buhl Rotary Club

Meets at 12:05 p.m. at the Ramona restaurant.

Eden-Hazelton Senior Citizens

Meets 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.

Haley Rotary Club

Meets at noon at the Deacon Blues restaurant.

Jerome Kiwanis Club

Meets at noon at the China Village Restaurant.

Jerome Kung Fu Club

Meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Optimist Club of Twin Falls

Meets at noon at the Mandarin House restaurant.

Stop Light Club

A diet club, this group meets at 1:30 p.m. at the senior center in Hagerman.

Twin Falls Chapter Credit Women International

Meet at 7:30 a.m. in the banquet room at the Depot Hill.

Twin Falls Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at noon at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Twin Falls Kiwanis Club

Meets at noon at the Turf Club.

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.

Magie Grange No. 233

Meets at 9:30 p.m. at the grange hall north of Shoshone.

Pill Addicts Anonymous - Narcotics Anonymous

Meets at 9 p.m. at the Port of Hope, Shoshone Golden Years Senior Citizens - Dinner at noon at the senior center.

Twin Falls International Training in Communication Club

Meets at 9 a.m. at the Golden Griddle Restaurant.

SATURDAY

Buhl Senior Citizens

Dinner at noon at the senior center.

SUNDAY

Buhl Senior Citizens

Pollack dinner and social hour at 1 p.m. at the senior center.

Spotlight

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School student, placed fourth in a writing contest sponsored by the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. The committee has been holding the writing and poster contests for more than 30 years to educate the public on the abilities, not disabilities, of handicapped persons.

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Valley happenings

Stress management talk at Turf

TWIN FALLS — Stress management will be the program topic at the Twentieth Century Club luncheon Tuesday noon at the Turf Club. A representative of Canyon View Psychiatric Hospital will speak and the Twin Falls High School Madrigals will sing. The annual book and white elephant sale will be held following the meeting.

Legion plans potluck in Eden

EDEN — American Legion and auxiliary members will hold a potluck dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Eden Cafe dining room. Boys' and Girls' State candidates and their parents will be guests. All members are urged to attend.

'Miracles' is topic of prayer day

TWIN FALLS — A day of prayer is being held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday at St. Edward's Parish Hall. A luncheon will follow the 12:30 p.m. mass. Topic for the day is "Miracles," and Fr. Perry Dedda and Alde Baisch will speak. There is no charge and all women are invited. Anyone needing transportation may call Jean Miller, 733-4401.

'Brigadoon' passes are available

TWIN FALLS — Reservations are still available for the Dilettante's "first night" at the Turf Club Friday for the opening of the musical, "Brigadoon." Tickets are \$42 per couple and include cocktails from 6 to 7 p.m., prime rib dinner, round trip bus transportation

to CSI, reserved seats for the show and dancing until 1 a.m. For dinner reservations call 733-0671, afterwards, and ask for Cindy or mail checks, payable to "Brigadoon," to Cindy Hower, 842 Congress Way, Twin Falls.

Vandal alumni plan pep dinner

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley alumni chapter of the University of Idaho will celebrate Silver and Gold Days with a no-host social hour at Canyon Springs Inn at 6:30 p.m. March 19, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The university Vandalers will perform. Reservations should be made with Peggy at Canyon Springs Inn, 734-5000. Cost is \$15.50 per couple, according to Steve L. Abels, chapter president.

Filer Elementary art festival set

FILER — An arts festival is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Filer Elementary School. Demonstrations and presentations will be given by kindergarten students through fifth grade. The public is invited.

Foster care session scheduled

TWIN FALLS — A foster care orientation session for people interested in foster parenting is planned for 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Police station meeting room, 321 Second Ave. E., Twin Falls. Kathy Meshishnek, foster care licensing worker with the Department of Health and Welfare, will lead the session which will be the first of a five-week training course for new foster parents. Contact Meshishnek at 324-8144 for more information.

Rare blood type type donors are needed

TWIN FALLS — Persons with rare blood types are encouraged to donate during the Red Cross blood drawing Monday and Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Three years. This way, the blood will be available if the donor needs it, or it will be available for people with the same blood type anywhere in the world.

Anyone between the ages of 17 and 66, weighing at least 110 pounds and in good health may donate.

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Somebody needs you

Several retired persons who are experienced gardeners are needed to teach their skills to residents of the Compton-Lodge, a residence for chronic mentally ill persons in Twin Falls. There is ample space for one or all three ladies, call Sherry at 734-7583. Some mileage reimbursement is available to volunteers 60 years of age and older.

Three elderly Twin Falls women without relatives in the area, need someone to take them grocery shopping once a week. If you can assist one or all three ladies, call Sherry at 734-7583. Some mileage reimbursement is available to volunteers 60 years of age and older.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the community with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Sherry Garey at the College of Southern Idaho, 734-7583, to have it appear in this column.

An elderly Kimberly woman will be released from the hospital soon and will need someone to sit with her during the daytime from March 18-21. Any amount of time will be appreciated. If you can volunteer, call Dorothy Porter at 423-4338 or Sherry at 734-7583.

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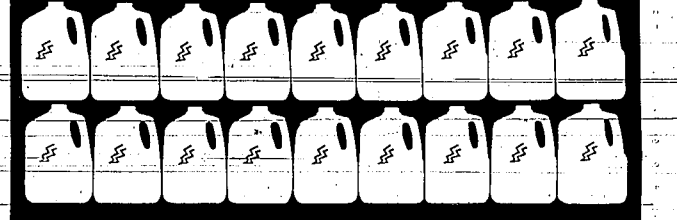
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Anniversaries



Ray and Elaine Meissner
The Meissners

BUHL — Mr. and Mrs. Ray Meissner, Buhl, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary with an open house March 15.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 until 4 p.m. at the Lincoln Courts in Buhl.

Meissner and Elaine Fassler were married March 15, 1946, in Twin Falls. They have lived in the Buhl area most of their married life.

The event will be hosted by their son, Duane Meissner, Burley, and daughter, Barbara LaCroix, Wendell, and their families. The couple has four grandchildren.



Alice and Daniel Kauffman
The Kauffmans

FILER — Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kauffman, Filer, will be honored at an open house March 16 for their 40th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Filer Senior Haven, 222 Main St. Kauffman and Alice Evers were married March 10, 1946, in Cheraw, Colo.

The event will be hosted by their children, John Kauffman, Twin Falls; Clark Kauffman and Ruby Aufderheide, both Filer; and Larry Kauffman, Meridian; and their spouses. The couple has 10 grandchildren.

Women with many partners face higher risks

DEAR ABBY: I am terrified of reports that heterosexual women who have had many lovers may have contracted AIDS as far back as 10 years ago.

Following my divorce five years ago, I was very promiscuous. I caught herpes, which I have accepted as that punishment, but now the possibility of having caught AIDS during that time is making me crazy.

I've given blood regularly for the last six years and have never received an AIDS notice from the blood center. I am no longer promiscuous.

What are the facts regarding promiscuous and formerly promiscuous women and AIDS? How many years must I fear retribution for that phase of my life? And how would you define promiscuous?

DEAR WORRIED: A person who has a sexual relationship going with more than one person at a time is promiscuous. The more partners, the greater the chance for exposure to AIDS — particularly if you have had sex with promiscuous men, a bisexual or a person who has had sex with a bisexual, intravenous drug users or their partners.

Both herpes and AIDS are caused by viruses. AIDS is the result of a breakdown of the immune system, making one vulnerable to any number of diseases. While the incubation period of the virus is not known at this time, it is estimated to be as long as five years.

Herpes and AIDS are no more "divine retribution" than polio, multiple sclerosis, leukemia or chicken pox.



Abigail VanBuren
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The following is a description of the property and the minimum acceptable offer:

DESCRIPTION: 80 acres with approximately 64 crop acres and a 1,250 square-foot home, located in T-10 S., R. 14 E., B.M., Section 17; W 1/2 SE 1/4.

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Monday — Crafts and quilting 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., pinhole 1 p.m., and bingo 7 p.m., Tax aid — appointments necessary.

Tuesday — Blood pressure 9:30 a.m. to noon, bingo 1 p.m. and board meeting 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday — Tax aid — appointments necessary; crafts and quilting 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; grocery orders must be called in to Williams IGA for Thursday delivery and Jackpot trip leaves Center at 1:30 p.m.

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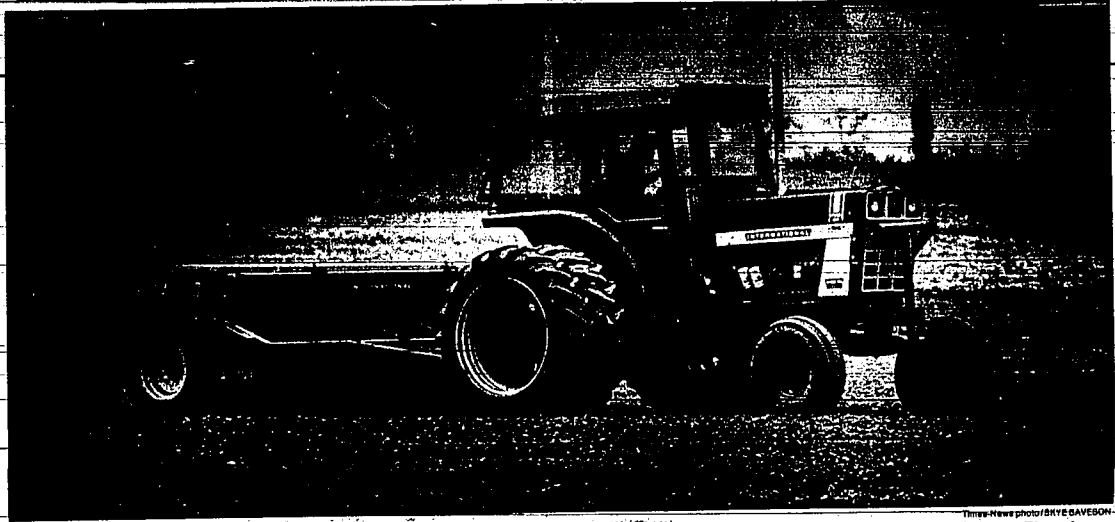
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One farmer who began his fieldwork earlier than usual this year was Leo Martins. Martins, who farms near Buhl, started planting barley on Thursday.

Mild March lures some into fields

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Farmer Leo Martins of "Buhl" was putting wheel tracks into his fields last week instead of waiting for winter to end. "I finished the Coors (barley) yesterday," he said. The ground was ready. Subsoil moisture was right. Weather was mild, and an early start helps the maturing barley, Martins said.

Not every Magic Valley farmer could climb into the tractor cab during this early flirtation with spring. But, unlike the past few years, the weather now seems to be tempting instead of discouraging growers. Although 1988 won't set any records for early planting, it may well give many crops a jump on their season's growth, agricultural experts say.

Many fields, with heavier soils and greater water-holding capacity, still are too wet for planting, says agronomist Dale Beck, Twin Falls County agricultural extension agent. "We've had a lot of snow and quite a lot of rain and most of that went into the soil," he said.

Moving into the fields too early can compact the soil under tractor tires. The hard soil can impede growth. Another risk lies in plowing too early. Wet soil tends to clog, again affecting growth and, for crops such as potatoes, even the harvest many months away.

However, a few farmers in sandy soils and in areas where water drains quickly were able last week to hook implements on their hitches and started preparing the ground. "We're seeing a lot of fertilizer being put on right now," along with a little plowing and discing, said Bob Oltensleben, Jerome County extension agent.

And, although they may not be sitting in the tractor saddle yet, farmers are taking wrenches to their machinery, scuttling finances and buying seed or other needs. Many will be taking to their fields within the next three weeks — if the weather cooperates.

Mother Nature has been mercurial this winter. The mercury dove drastically last fall, and early snows prevented some normal fall field preparation.

Record colds swept into the Magic Valley in November and December, when the average temperature slid 12 degrees below normal, said Bill Galkin, officer in charge of the National Weather Service office at Kimberly.

Two conditions combined to keep the weather cold — the early snow and trapped air overhead. The sun's warming radiation couldn't penetrate; it was reflected back into the atmosphere, Galkin said.

"We were losing heat during the daytime (instead of gaining it)," he said.

But in January the weather turned abruptly, setting the stage for the soil and water conditions we have now.

The snow had insulated the ground, preventing deep freezes, Galkin said. "Warmer temperatures blew in and slowly melted the snow, putting water into the soil.

The lack of snow allowed the sun's radiation to penetrate the ground, warming both the soil and the air, while conditions aloft held in the air. And, in February, 24 consecutive days of precipitation finished charging the fields with moisture, Galkin said.

Last week upper soil temperatures were ranging between 39 degrees and 56 degrees at Kimberly. "We have a little ways to go yet," for most crops, he said.

But the soils now can nourish some grain seeds, such as Martins' barley, experts say.



First in a series

Response to reserve plan solid

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley and Idaho farmers are flocking to government offices to see if they can stop farming their land and get paid for it.

Under the federal Conservation Reserve Program, which opened last week, the worst land reaps the most attention as the U.S. Department of Agriculture tries to pull undesirable farm land out of production.

"We're having a real large response in many of the counties that contain large acreages of eligible land," said Ken Kirk, U.S. Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service program specialist in Idaho. Some areas, such as Gooding, Lincoln and Cassia counties, contain significant amounts of land.

Farmers will bid for 10-year contracts for "idling" their land and keeping it in a conservation state. The ASCS will accept the lowest bids until it reaches its contract limit of 5 million acres nationwide.

Idaho has been allotted 122,200 of those acres, the ASCS reports. However, that land also is split into three bidding "pools," covering sections of the state.

The Magic Valley, except for Blaine and Camas counties, is in the southwestern portion of the state, which has 26,500 acres available, Kirk said. More than half the state's entire acreage is in the southeastern section, with 65,279 acres. The rest is north of the Salmon River.

Before the farmer can enter a bid, the land must be qualified on the basis of erosion, said Rich Yankey, SCS district conservationist for Twin Falls County.

The SCS classifies the erodibility of the soil — not counting any terraces — and then determines whether it is eligible. The agency uses such measures as rainfall, types of soils, slopes, vegetation and farming practices, Yankey said.

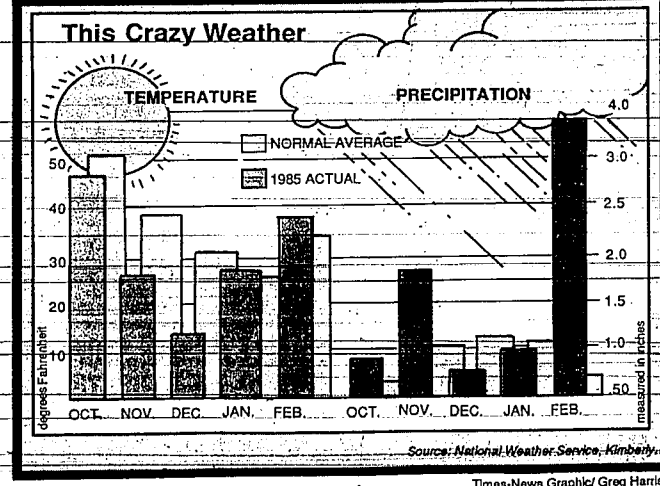
Qualifications range from 1, which includes a top-quality farmable ground, to 8, which might be steep

Upper-level soils will sop up some of the snow water runoff, Beard said.

The worst scenario we could have is a warm, moist March, where farmers couldn't get into the fields, and the runoff begins earlier than usual," Beard says. If it comes too fast, floods could develop.

Currently, forecasts for streamflows from April to July in various drainages are (with 100 percent as normal): Big Wood into Magic Reservoir, 125; Little Wood into Little Wood Reservoir, 130; Salmon Falls Creek into Salmon Falls Reservoir, 120; Goose-Trapper creeks into Lower Goose Creek Reservoir, 140 percent.

Current reservoir levels measured from normal are: Magic, 154; Little Wood, 208; Salmon Falls, 218; Lower Goose Creek (Oakley), 154.



Area hall of fame inducts 5 Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — Five southern Idaho agri-businessmen will be inducted Tuesday into the Southern Idaho Livestock Industry Hall of Fame.

Being honored at the 1986 ceremonies are:

- Jack T. Ramsey of Ellen, former vice president and manager for First National Bank and Idaho First National Bank branches at Ellen, Hazelton and Twin Falls.
- Dick Stafford of Twin Falls, a well-known cattle rancher and director of the Snake River Soil Conservation District for 12 years.
- Roy Thornburg, of Burley, an area veterinarian for 41 years and former president of the Idaho Veterinary Association.
- Harry "Hap" Wilson of Jerome.

a cattle feeder and farmer who has been instrumental in herd district legislation in Idaho.

• Domingo Aguirre of Mountain Home, a cattle rancher involved in developing prairie lands in cooperation with the U.S. Soil Conservation Service.

The nominees will be honored at the Hall of Fame's annual dinner, which is scheduled to begin with a no-host social hour at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Twin Falls. The awards dinner follows at 7:30 p.m.

The cost is \$15 per person. The dinner is open to the public. Tickets will be available at the door or in advance from area banks.

LA Gov. David Leroy is scheduled to speak at the dinner.

FmHA counting on farm bill provision for loan aid

Buydown plan helping meet demand

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Farmers Home Administration is counting on an interest buydown program ordered by Congress in last year's farm bill to help meet loan demands from hard-pressed farmers this spring, an agency spokesman said Friday.

Demand for FmHA farm operating loans has been heavy, particularly for direct loans, said the spokesman, Marilyn Aycock. About \$1.5 billion was allocated for direct loans in the fiscal year that began last Oct. 1, plus about \$1.66 billion in guarantees for loans made by other lenders.

But the drain on the direct loans has been so great that FmHA's fund is running short, and officials have asked the Office of Management and Budget to allow the agency to use its allocations for the third and fourth quarters

to meet the spring demand.

"It happens every year," Aycock said in an interview. "But there's nothing in the works right now to ask Congress for more money."

In the past, FmHA has been able to shift some funds from emergency programs to help meet loan demands for farm operating expenses. Last year, direct farm operating loans soared to a record \$3.6 billion, and guaranteed loans to more than \$1.1 billion.

The Food Security Act of 1985 included an interest buydown provision which authorized \$490 million over three years to help reduce the interest paid by FmHA borrowers who used guaranteed loans.

Under the plan, a participating bank can make or refinance loans to eligible farmers at interest rates reduced up to 4 percentage points. The FmHA would pay the bank for half of its loss. For example, a farmer who might otherwise have to pay 12 percent for a loan

could get it for 8 percent, with the bank and the FmHA splitting the difference.

Aycock said formal regulations for the interest buydown program were sent to field offices and banks recently and that FmHA considers the program operational.

The buydown program was "a brainchild of the banks" when Congress wrote the farm bill last year and they are expected to cooperate, Aycock said. "We'll welcome them into our fold with the buydown program."

Aycock said this year's share of the \$490 million buydown fund is \$114.8 million, which could generate more than \$5.5 billion in guaranteed lending by banks and other commercial institutions.

To qualify for the FmHA buydown program, prospective borrowers must be unable to get loans elsewhere at reasonable rates and terms. They also must be unable to make loan payments unless the interest rate is reduced.

Trade winds

J.W. Young will retire June 1 after six years as manager of the J.R. Simplot Co. potato processing plant at Heyburn.

Dave Landon, manager of the company's factory at Hermiston, Ore., for the past six years, has been named to replace Young. Simplot officials announced last week.

Young leaves Simplot after 17 years with the company. He joined Simplot as Burley plant manager in 1968, holding that position until the plant closed in 1982. In 1983, he also was named manager at Heyburn plant.

Landon started his Simplot career as administrative assistant to the Burley plant manager in 1965. He moved up in management at the Caldwell operations and at Hermiston, becoming plant manager in 1980. In August 1985 Landon also was appointed to oversee operations at the company's factory in Presque Isle, Maine.

Landon's appointment became effective March 1. The Heyburn plant produces french fries and other frozen potato products. It employs 1,300 workers.

Bob Burks, a retired dairyman from Wendell, has been elected 1986 president of the Idaho Water Users Association. Burks currently is a director of the North Side Canal Co. and has served more than five years on the board of the Water Users Association. He also has been a director of the National Milk Producers Federation and the American Dairy Association, as well as a member of the Idaho Dairy Products Commission.

Timothy J. Bever, a former cameraman and advertising sales representative with KMYT-TV in Twin Falls, has been named general manager of KBCI-TV in Boise. Bever started his career working part-time in high school for KMYT and later moved into sales. He also was an account executive with KBCI and general sales manager for KTRV-TV in Nampa. Bever returned to KBCI from sister sta-



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tion KBCI-TV in Cape Girardeau, Mo., where he was general manager.

Cindy Ball has joined the Best Western Canyon Springs Inn as marketing director. Ball formerly

was marketing and public awareness coordinator for Idaho Home Health and Hospice. Canyon Springs Inn is a 112-unit motel in Twin Falls, with restaurant and meeting facilities.

First American Title Co. at Twin Falls has promoted Becky Hill to Jerome County plant manager. She formerly was an escrow officer at Safeco Title Insurance Co. of Idaho in Twin Falls.

County operations. Reva Johnson Gunter also has joined First American Title as escrow officer. She formerly was an escrow officer at Safeco Title Insurance Co. of Idaho in Twin Falls.

The Idaho Concrete and Aggregate Producers Association recently named two area executives to chair key committees. Ray Coats, vice president of Triple C Concrete at Twin Falls and Rupert, will head the American Concrete Institute-Testing Program, which is designed to certify area personnel in testing concrete. Carroll Dowd, manager of the Magic Valley Division of Monroe, Inc., at Twin Falls, will chair the association's paving seminars. The association represents about 50 ready mix suppliers in southern Idaho. Appointments were made at the company's 1986 convention.

Thelma Burch, assistant manager for H&R Block in Twin Falls, recently passed the Internal Revenue Service treasury examination. The examination qualifies her to represent taxpayers before the U.S. Tax Court, said Royce Abernathy, H&R Block manager.

United Dairymen of Idaho has given two Twin Falls restaurants, The Oasis and Rax Restaurant, its "REAL" Seal Foodservice Award. The award recognizes eating places using only 100-percent dairy products at table service, the association announced.

Judi Baxter, owner of Judi's Bookstore in downtown Twin Falls, has been appointed to the Marketing Committee of the American Bookseller's Association. The committee develops promotions for 15,000-member association. Baxter also will serve on two merchandising panels at the association's annual convention in May.

Wesley Friesen of Buhl has been designated an authorized dealer for R-Homes Inc. of Pocatello, which manufactures modular homes. Friesen, who has worked in the construction business for 10 years, is a previous owner of West End Sales in Buhl.

On the move

New owners operating D&B

TWIN FALLS — Two former farm chain executives for ConAgra Inc. have acquired D&B Supply Co., and are operating the four-store chain from Caldwell.

Schrandt, co-owner and vice president, said he and partner John Murdoch purchased the chain late last fall from its three long-time owners, all of whom have retired.

Bob Fries, former manager of the Twin Falls store and a partner in the business, said recent rebounds in sales in the past few years increased the marketability of the stores. "We felt it was a good time to sell," he said.

Two Caldwell men, Bud Kehne and John Derringer, were the primary partners in the business, he said. D&B Supply is a general supply company that has concentrated on farm and ranch supplies since its founding in 1959.

Schrandt said the new owners plan to broaden D&B's marketing thrust into other areas as well. "Right now we're looking at trying to get more established in the urban area, as well as the farm area, with our product mix and our advertising," he said. The chain is starting by expanding electrical and plumbing departments in its stores.

However, Schrandt said the chain is not likely to be adding new stores in the near future. "We'll be more in the solidifying mode for five years. We have a lot of opportunities within our existing markets we want to take advantage of," he said.

Murdoch formerly was president and Schrandt was controller for Peavey Farm Stores, which operates 65 stores in the western part of the Midwest. Peavey is a subsidiary of agricultural giant ConAgra Inc., based in Denver.

"We had been in the business for 15 years or so and wanted to move out on our own," Schrandt said. D&B Supply opened its first store at Caldwell and expanded to Ontario, Ore., Twin Falls and LeGrand, Ore. during the 1960s. It thrived through the 1970s, but lost sales in the early 1980s when the farm economy started to slump.

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The Twin Falls store was located in the downtown area for more than 10 years. In 1976, it moved to its current location on Addison Avenue East. Jeff McClenahan is the new manager. He previously managed a Peavey store in Chadron, Neb. for seven years.

Weather

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The 30-day forecast now suggests above-normal temperatures and normal rainfall. "All in all, it looks like we're headed for a mild spring," Galkin says.

But, as blue-sky as the conditions now appear, Galkin offers the same cautions that lurk in the back of many farmers' minds. "March can be an extremely cold, windy month," he says. And overnight freezes are common into early May.

Ohlenschlen agrees. "I'm sure frost and freezing temperatures are foremost in their farmers' minds, particularly for sugar beet growers," he said. Some beet growers could be tempted into the fields within two weeks.

But winter grains, which were planted last fall, already are soaking up the sun and moisture. "We're getting growth on our winter grain right now, and temperatures during the day are ideal for spring grain," Beck said.

"Barring a sudden change in weather, tractors pulling plows will be within the next two weeks. Like those farmers, Leo Martins will be planting feed grains and beans on his 200 acres of land while the barley grows.

Those crops will have to wait a while for 100 head of cattle. "I've got to kind of get a jump on (planting), because beginning next week I start working cattle and I lose about 10 days," he said Friday.

Employment firm opens office

TWIN FALLS — American Personnel and Temporary Services Inc. has opened its third Idaho office, at 409 Shoshone St. S., in Twin Falls.

The company, based in Boise, offers personnel placement as well as temporary work services. Owned by Melinda Madsen of Boise, American Personnel also has a branch in Nampa.

Darlene Toter has been named manager for the Twin Falls office. She formerly worked for county government in Wyoming.

Official retires

WASHINGTON (AP) — John V. Graziano, the Agriculture Department's inspector general since 1981, has retired after 35 years of government service.

For two years before being named inspector general at USDA, Graziano was assistant inspector general for investigations at the Commerce Department.

Graziano's No. 2 man, Robert W. Boutley, has been named acting inspector general.

Restaurant retains root beer

TWIN FALLS — The A&W sign has disappeared after close to 60 years in Twin Falls, but root beer in frosted mugs and carport service will remain.

Elmer Detwiler, an owner of the A&W Family Restaurant in Twin Falls, said last week that he has dropped the franchise because of sparse advertising support from the national chain and because of other A&W policies.

Instead, Detwiler and his wife Bonnie are expanding the store's menu and will continue in business as Elmer's Family Restaurant, he said. The Detwilers bought the A&W store four years ago. Early this year they decided to drop the national affiliation and go independent, Elmer Detwiler said.

The change will save close to \$10,000 a year in franchising fees, and the Twin Falls store was getting little in return, he said. Staying with the company also would have entailed extra expenses to install a drive-up window and make other changes, Detwiler said.

Instead, Elmer's Family Restaurant is widening its menu beyond burgers and root beer to short-order dinners and other selections, he said.

But the calling place will keep pouring root beer into frosted mugs and serving customers under the carport at the 151 Blue Lakes Blvd., he said.

The past few months have been lean financially, but the relief from the franchise fees and the coming of warm weather should help the bottom line, Detwiler said. "We're looking for a good summer," he said.

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Business Beat

Purchase of flavor maker set

MILWAUKEE — Universal Foods Corp., which owns Idaho Frozen Foods Corp. of Twin Falls, has announced an agreement to buy Universal Group Ltd., a privately held manufacturer of food flavors.

The two companies had dissolved a letter of intent last fall, but later resumed negotiations.

"This transaction will enhance the position of our combined organizations as manufacturers of key ingredients for the food processing industry," said John L. Murray, chief executive officer for Universal Foods and Lawrence J. Nolling, chief executive officer for Universal Group in a joint statement.

Terms were not disclosed.

With annual revenues of more than \$75 million, Universal Group produces and markets food flavors and fragrances in major overseas markets, as well as those in North America. It is based in Indianapolis.

Nolling previously said the company's merger into Universal Foods "will assure the capital needed for continued growth, as well as provide us with additional technical and marketing expertise."

The company most likely will become part of Universal Foods' Color and Flavor Division, which spokeswoman Paula Norton said.

Universal Foods manufactures and markets food ingredients, including yeasts, seasonings and cheeses. It also sells selected consumer food items, such as imported gourmet foods and frozen potato products.

Circle K earnings increase

PHOENIX — Circle K Corp. has announced a 23.4-percent increase in earnings for the first nine months of its fiscal year.

Figures for Jan. 31 show the convenience store chain earned \$31.2 million, or 51¢ per share, on sales of \$1.6 billion during the first nine months of its fiscal year.

However, third-quarter figures show only a 4.7-percent gain, reflecting a normal slowdown, said Karl-Eiler, chairman of the board and chief executive officer. In the third quarter, Circle K earned about \$5.7 million on sales of \$530.2 million, up from \$5.4 million the previous year.

The November-through-January quarter is traditionally the period of lowest sales in this business, and this year was no exception, Eiler said.

The company's board of directors also declared a regular dividend of 12.5 cents per share of common stock payable March 28 to shareholders of record on March 14.

Circle K operates 3,163 stores nationwide, including several in the Magic Valley.

Tillage seminar on Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — A conservation tillage seminar will be held on March 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the CSI mini-auditorium (Room 108 of the Vo-Tech Building).

The seminar will focus on ongoing conservation tillage research, and how local farmers can use conservation tillage in their own operations.

Several local farmers will give presentations on their own personal experiences with this new approach to soil management.

Dr. David Carter of the Snake River Conservation Research Center, Kimberly, will be the featured speaker.

Nursing training course set

TWIN FALLS — A Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program will be offered March 12 through May 16 at Skyview/Hazelde Manor in Twin Falls through the College of Southern Idaho.

The class meets from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and the fee is \$5. Dolores Hansen, R.N., will be the instructor. For more information call the CSI Nursing Department at 733-9554, ext. 262.

Mall leasing course offered

TWIN FALLS — "Understanding Mall Lease Agreements," a four-session course, opens March 11 in Room 201 of the Vo-Tech Center at the College of Southern Idaho.

Phyllis Patrick will teach the short course, which specifically covers mall leases, but will include information on understanding and negotiating any business lease.

The class meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings and the fee is \$25.

For more information call 733-9554, ext. 363 or preregister at the Taylor Administration Building.

Wheat research to be reviewed

BOISE — The Idaho Wheat Commission and representatives from the University of Idaho's College of Agriculture will discuss current research projects and accept new proposals for study at a two-day meeting March 27 and 28 at the Quality Inn in Pocatello.

The Wheat Commission is inviting all wheat producers to the session, said Chairman Frank Higgins. The research is partially paid by fees from farmers.

Scientists will explain research projects about wheat breeding, weed control, farm business management, cereal nurseries, aphids, conservation tillage and other topics.

Farmers also will be able to give opinions about the projects, he said. Hearing from farmers will be important because the commission anticipates lower wheat production and less money for research and other ongoing programs during the 1986-87 fiscal year beginning in July, Higgins said.

The Wheat Commission is supported by a fee of 1-cent per bushel of wheat marketed in the state.

More information is available by calling the Wheat Commission offices at 334-2353.

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Some basic steps if car trouble occurs

Q: We are planning a long trip by car and would like some advice on what to do if we should have trouble and need repairs. Our neighbors did break down on their vacation and were taken advantage of by a "last-chance type" service station. What can we do to protect ourselves?

A: Despite what preventive maintenance you might take, there is always the possibility that your car may break down while on a trip. If that does occur and you need repairs, here are a few basic steps you should follow:

- Question the need for repairs and ask for a full explanation of what is to be done to your car before you agree to anything.
- Have the repairs made by an authorized dealer of your make of vehicle, if possible.
- Ask for a written estimate before work is started. Be sure your final bill shows each part's number and cost and the charge for each labor function.
- Specify that no work is to be done other than what you originally authorized.
- Ask for all items that are replaced to be given to you in the boxes the new items came in.
- Where possible, charge parts and repairs on your oil company credit card. In the event of a dispute, the oil company may be more likely to stand behind the repairman's work.
- In most cases service station operators are reputable businessmen who pride themselves on honesty and service. However, like practically any other trade, there are some gyp artists. On occasion some unscrupulous service station workers have been known to slash tires with a knife embedded in their shoes, to cut fan belts, to pour a chemical on your generator to make your engine smoke like crazy, and even squirt oil to simulate leaks. To avoid these prac-



tices, stay with your car and ask questions. Remember, a pre-trip check by the person with whom you deal regularly is your best assurance against unnecessary breakdowns on the road.

Q: I received a phone call from the Back Country Medical Rescue Team asking for a donation. They are selling tickets for some kind of show. What can you tell me about them?

A: Passport Marketing of Spokane, Wash., is soliciting local residents on behalf of the Back Country Medical Rescue Team. Our information shows Back Country Medical Rescue Team will receive 20 percent of the proceeds raised; this amount is half what the BBB Standards for fund raising require. Our records show Passport Marketing has an unsatisfactory business performance record to date. Specifically our records show a pattern of failure to cooperate with the BBB in eliminating misleading or deceptive selling practices. Passport Marketing is a paid promoter and according to the pattern of calls received in our office, has a sales presentation in potential violation of Idaho's Consumer Protection Regulations, in addition to our problems with the percentage issue.

Passport Marketing has also been subject of a consent order filed by the Washington attorney

General last April. The attorney general alleged Passport Marketing collected donations for a number of charities without their consent, and did not keep adequate records on the collection and distribution of funds they raised. In addition, they allegedly did not tell donors where their contributions would be going and how much would actually be turned over to the charity. In violation of Washington state law, Passport Marketing signed a consent decree without admitting guilt.

Q: I saw an item I needed advertised in the paper and made a trip to the store to pick some up. When I was in the store I was told they had a limit of two per customer. I thought a law was passed a few years ago that makes this practice illegal. Am I right?

A: Yes, you are. According to the Idaho Consumers Protection Regulations 10.2, it shall be deemed to be an unfair and deceptive act or practice for a retail seller to offer fungible, mass-produced goods to the general public with a limitation on the quantity any one buyer can purchase; (a) when the proposed sale is to a person who is buying the goods for his own personal, family or household purposes; and (b) when the proposed sale involves goods which are not offered in conjunction with the rendering of services, other than services normally associated with standard retailing.

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AT&T hikes telephone purchase fees

WASHINGTON (AP) — American Telephone & Telegraph Co. quietly raised the price of buying already installed home telephones on March 1, a spokesman has acknowledged.

The increase came just days before the company said, also in response to a reporter's inquiry, that it is about to tell customers it is raising the monthly rental rate on home phones.

If a customer wants to buy the used AT&T traditional dial telephone that is already in his or her house, the price is \$27.95, up 40 percent.

New phones, purchased at the company's retail outlets, are more expensive.

For years, customers have been allowed to buy a telephone from any manufacturer, but it is estimated by analysts that about 40 million household phones are still rented

from AT&T.

Rates for rental of business phones were adjusted earlier, the spokesman said.

The Consumer Federation of America complained that failure to reveal the purchase price increase in advance was unfair to consumers.

Gene Kimmelman, legislative director for the group, said he has received a letter from one woman who said she was told by AT&T in February that rental rates would increase in April.

She said she decided to wait until then to switch from renting to owning, only to find, when she called to order this week, that she was facing a new, higher purchase price.

"Nothing was said about the increase in the cost of buying my telephone," she wrote in a letter to AT&T Chairman Charles Brown.

"This is outright unfair and withholding of information from the public."

A copy of the letter was sent to the Consumer Federation.

"Like any other company we raise and lower our prices without fanfare," said Burke Slinson, a company spokesman. "It's unfortunate that there was confusion, that's never our intention."

Kimmelman did not dispute AT&T's right, as a competitive private company, to adjust its prices as it sees fit.

Here are the new prices for buying an AT&T phone that is now being rented on a monthly or quarterly basis from the telephone company:

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Reserve

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Most Magic Valley cropland falls in the 2 to 4 classes, which are eligible only if the field erosion would exceed 3 1/2 times acceptable soil loss. The SCS has set standards for acceptable soil loss.

But the standards change with the type of land, and large amounts of acreage farmed in eastern Idaho and in mountain foothills qualify because of steep slopes.

In theory, the farmer would make a lower bid for that land, because its productivity, and therefore its rental value, would be lower.

If the farmer's bid is accepted, the SCS and the farmer decide what type of permanent vegetation or trees would preserve the land best.

The farmer also is reimbursed 50 percent of the cost of treating the land.

Benefits to the land are important, Yankey said. "You're putting a lot of rot matter back into the soil and keeping it from eroding generally," he said. Water quality also should get better because the soil is being held more firmly.

Although the idea is to pull important sections of erodible land out of production, new rules also have enabled farmers to bid some of their least-economic land.

One farmer last week asked the SCS to review an application for 33 pivot corners. According to existing rules, those pivot corners would have to have grown crops two of the last five years, Yankey said.

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Farming

Good weather in '84 helps boost production

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In 1984, good weather replaced the devastating

drought of 1983; the government's acreage controls were eased, and farmers returned to their fields with bumper harvests foremost in their minds.

As it turned out, 1984 was a bumper year for most crops, so much so that Congress and the administration realized that the specter of price-depressing surpluses

wouldn't go away. In 1985, another good year for production, Congress rewrote farm programs, hoping that lower price supports would help stimulate export sales and a "market-oriented" recovery.

The Agriculture Department has just issued a new report that shows how productive the American farmer has become — and how quickly production can recover when given decent weather.

In 1984, the report said, total U.S. farm production showed "the largest recorded relative increase in farm output since the 1930s." Crop production rose 25 percent from 1983, although livestock showed a 2 percent drop.



Reflected in the steamy breath of this horse near Kelso, Wash., winter's chill is fading fast

Early budding worrying fruit growers

CALDWELL (AP) — The past week's warm weather in southern Idaho has fooled fruit tree buds into swelling for bloom, even though more cold weather is likely before spring actually arrives.

The premature bud action has some commercial growers worried that the season is coming along too quickly, said several area county extension agents. A severe frost, the growers say, could mean disaster for the fruit crop.

"If the temperature keeps up, the buds will continue to pop out and swell up," said Darrell Boiz, Canyon County extension agent, on Monday.

"The state the fruit tree is in (partial or full bloom) and if the fruit has already set (is on the trees), plus how cold the temperature actually drops to and how long it stays that low, determines how badly the fruit is affected," Boiz said.

Extension Agent Dale Beck said commercial growers in the Twin Falls region were "fearing frost."

"We are probably three weeks ahead of schedule, and the buds are starting to push and swell, and if we get much more of this (warm weather), it's going to make them (fruit trees) very susceptible to frost," Beck said.

Many of the growers around Twin Falls do not have equipment to fight the frost, and even if they did, the effort might not be worthwhile, he said.

"If it was late April and the trees were in blossom and the chances of frost were very high, then there would be something worth doing."

"If I had the option of frost protection, at this time of year, I don't think I'd turn it on, as it's very costly and there's the likelihood that they'll (growers) have cold enough temperatures that it won't matter what sort of protection they have," Beck said.

In Gem County, the story is the same.

"That is the fear now. As long as

the report said producers reduced the number of "breeding units" by 2 percent in 1984. The number of dairy cows for breeding increased slightly, but beef cows and sows showed 1 percent declines. Hens and pullets dropped 4 percent and 8 percent, respectively. Breeding ewes were down 6 percent.

Despite those declines, livestock production per breeding unit rose to a record in 1984, although there was a 1 percent drop in the amount of milk per cow, the report said. Laying hens also averaged two eggs fewer than in 1983.

With a return to full production, fertilizer use jumped 21 percent in 1984 to 21.9 million tons. Increases were greatest in the Corn Belt and Lake states.

The report said farm labor productivity rose 16 percent in 1984. Converted to an hourly basis, production per hour for all livestock rose 5 percent. Crop productivity increased an average of 18 percent, with feed grains gaining 36 percent.

Another indicator used by USDA to illustrate farm productivity shows the number of people that are supplied by one American farmer or farm worker in a year. In 1984, one farmer supplied enough for 77.3 people, according to the preliminary figures, down from a record high of 79.4 in 1983.

The economists were at a loss to explain why, when total U.S. production rose so sharply in 1984, the number of people supplied declined from 1983, a poor year.

One of the authors, Charles W. Cobb of USDA's Economic Research Service, said the decline in the

number of people in 1984 was "all in the methodology" used in computing the figures, but added that "I cannot explain it in a rational manner."

Cobb added that "we've got to remember these are public relations numbers" and have been questioned before. An attempt was made to drop the annual people numbers some years ago, but the agency was forced into resuming them.

Nevertheless, farm groups and others who care to illustrate the effectiveness of the American farmer often draw upon the figures. In fact, the USDA agency has projected them backward into the early 19th century.

For example, in 1820, one farmer produced enough to supply only 4.1 people. By 1900, enough was produced for 6.9 people. The indicator didn't climb above 10 people until 1950.

Since then, however, the computers show that one American farmer produced enough to supply 15.5 people in 1980, 25.8 in 1960, 47.9 in 1970 and 75.7 in 1980.

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North Idaho snow cover subnormal

LEWISTON (AP) — Despite a snowy February, the accumulation of snow in Northcentral Idaho's mountains continues to be below normal for this time of year, according to U.S. Soil Conservation Service surveys.

The water content of Northcentral Idaho's snowpack is about 18 percent below normal for March 1, according to the Soil Conservation Service, which bases the norm on a 20-year average of snowpack measurements.

The latest measurements show the snowpack grew last month, said Dave Eby of the Soil Conservation Service's Orofino office.

"I don't think we'll catch up this year to the average," Eby said.

"But we did have quite a bit of precipitation last month."

Eby said water is running below the area's snowpack as a result of 50-degree temperatures.

The warm weather and heavy runoff usually are not encountered until mid-April, he said.

The area usually receives its maximum accumulation of snow about April 15, said Eby, adding that more snow probably will fall before the winter ends.

Eby also said that many avalanches are occurring along the North Fork of the Clearwater River, near Kelly Creek.

But the modest snowpack may reduce avalanches in other areas, he said.

Butter production churning upward

WASHINGTON (AP) — Butter production in January rose 15 percent from the year-earlier level to 186 million pounds, according to a monthly report by the Agriculture Department.

January production of American-type cheese, at 239 million pounds, was up 7 percent from a year earlier, and nonfat dry milk output rose 40 percent to 124 million pounds, the department's Crop Reporting Board said Wednesday.

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Agencies trying to reverse cheatgrass spreading after fires

Sagebrush seedlings planted on Idaho desert acreage

BOISE (AP) — Barren, rolling foothills dominate the landscape around Boise and much of southwestern Idaho, but the land isn't always this way.

Each summer, fire robs the foothills and valleys of sagebrush. Highly flammable cheatgrass takes its place. And, as grass replaces the more fire-resistant sagebrush, fires increase. As a result, deer and antelope lose more and more winter grazing habitat each year.

It's a dangerous cycle that has been increasing over the decades, but it's one the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, the state Fish and Game Department and the U.S. Forest Service hope to stop. The solution is to plant more sagebrush.

For the next several months, an experi-

ment will take place at a three-acre plot atop a ridge about five miles east of Mayfield near Boise. BLM, Fish and Game and Forest Service officials planted 1,800 sagebrush seedlings in the plot this past Wednesday. It's the first such experiment in Idaho, officials said.

"We've lost about 3,000 acres of critical deer and antelope sagebrush winter habitat between Boise and Mountain Home within the past four years alone. When that land is taken away, the deer hurt," said Mike Pellant, the Bruneau resource manager for the BLM office in Boise.

"If this experiment succeeds, maybe we can start to reverse the problem," he said.

The cycle of sagebrush being replaced with annual seed grass, started about the

turn of this century, Pellant said. Immigrants from Asia and Russia moved to the Northwest and unintentionally brought cheatgrass and medusa seeds with them.

The grass found a niche in the local environment, Pellant said. Whenever a brush fire occurred and burned off sagebrush, the grass would move in and prevent the sagebrush from taking hold again, he said.

"The grass can establish itself within a few months, whereas a field of sagebrush can take anywhere from 10 to 40 years to establish itself," Pellant said. The grass is more flammable than sagebrush because it dries and dies out during the summer, he said.

"About all that has to be done to set off a field of that type of grass is for somebody

to throw a match," he said.

The loss of winter habitat was increased by the BLM, which, during the 1950s, cleared thousands of acres of sagebrush for ranchers and farmers Pellant said.

The BLM has been caught between ranchers and Fish and Game officials in recent years, he said. Some ranchers don't want sagebrush to be replanted because it would take away grazing land for their cattle. But Fish and Game officials want it replanted to provide winter-grazing for deer and antelope.

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About 52 percent of the Hobble Creek sagebrush can be digested by the animals as opposed to a 25 percent rate for most of the sagebrush species native to Idaho, he said. The Utah strain also has a higher protein percentage than most species of sagebrush, he said.

FmHA wants appeal rights understood

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the Farmers Home Administration resumes foreclosure after a two-year suspension, it will be looking at ways to make certain that borrowers clearly understand their appeal rights.

The agency does not expect any serious disruption of its plans to collect past-due debts from thousands of delinquent farm borrowers, according to a spokesman, Joe O'Neill, a federal judge in Bismarck, N.D., on March 3 refused to block the FmHA from resuming foreclosure procedures. "The foreclosures were halted until the FmHA could issue new formal rules outlining the alternatives a borrower could pursue in satisfying an overdue loan."

The FmHA, an Agriculture

Department agency, issued the new rules last November, which were challenged in court as being too complicated and too vague.

One argument by farmers, who brought the action was that parts of the new rules would give the FmHA the power to "starve out" some borrowers by refusing to allow them enough money to live on, and to meet operating expenses.

U.S. District Judge Bruce Van Sickle's ruling this past Monday forbids the agency from refusing to release money to farmers without first granting a hearing. In addition, the judge ordered the FmHA to allow farmers to appeal decisions when they dispute the amount of money to be released.

O'Neill said Tuesday the agency

had not had an opportunity to study the judge's decision but that it appeared FmHA would have to clarify its procedures on the appeal rights of borrowers.

"We'll have to look at those more closely," he said. "Otherwise, it (the court ruling) will not change our servicing regulations."

Three weeks ago the FmHA began sending letters to 65,000 delinquent borrowers, telling them about being in arrears and urging them to contact local agency offices to work out a settlement. O'Neill said that "to my knowledge, all of them went out" by Feb. 21.

Most of the letters were gentle reminders that loan payments were past due and that some kind of repayment program should be worked out. But letters of "intent to take

adverse action" were sent to about 27,000 borrowers who are three years or more behind in payments, including 3,000 who may have fraudulently dodged their debts.

The FmHA, often called the government's farm lender of last resort, has an outstanding loan portfolio of about \$28.3 billion among 270,000 borrowers, including the 65,000 who are delinquent. That represents about 14 percent of the U.S. farm debt of \$212 billion.

Lake levels near peak of last May

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Great Salt Lake, fed by an unusually wet February, has reached 4,209.90 feet above sea level, nearly equal to its May 21 peak of last year, the U.S. Geological Survey says.

The briny inland sea already is at its highest level in more than a century.

William Alder, meteorologist-in-charge of the National Weather Service office in Salt Lake City, said the lake had experienced its "greatest volumetric rise for a two-week period."

From Feb. 15 to March 1, the 30-mile-wide, 80-mile-long lake rose 8.5 inches. That ties a 16-day mark set in 1983. For all of February, a month with uncharacteristic warm weather and heavy precipitation, the lake rose 9 inches.

Alder said weather officials had been forced to revise their projected peak for the lake to 4,210.6 feet, up seven-tenths of an inch. It reached the new peak level, he said, the highest for the lake in 109 years. The lake reached 4,210.40 feet above sea level in July, 1877.

A mountain snowpack about 150 percent of normal has yet to melt, and the next two months are usually the wettest in Utah, officials warn.

Monday readings showed the lake just five-hundredths of an inch below last a 4,209.95 foot peak on May 21, 1985.

"We're probably up closer to that (last year's peak) today because the lake is still rising," said Ted Arnow, district chief of the survey's water resources division.

The latest reading stunned lake observers who said they expected an increase in the lake level, but not such a substantial one.

"I was shocked," said Alder. "It was a good thing I was sitting down."

The all-time recorded high for the Great Salt Lake was 4,211.60 feet in 1873.

Professor: Ways to aid fruit trees are very few

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Utah fruit growers who've seen their trees bud prematurely because of the recent spell of warm weather can do little to protect their crops from frost, a Utah State University professor of horticulture says.

Alvin Hamson, who also has a fruit orchard in North Logan, said Monday the warm weather of late February and early March will make the fruit trees develop too early and make them vulnerable to the frost and low temperatures "that are almost certain to come."

Hamson said he cannot remember a time when the weather was this warm so early in the year.

Apple trees, he said, probably will fare well, even if temperatures drop below zero.

The weather has been slightly cooler in Cache Valley than in the rest of the state, so fruit development there is behind that of other parts of Utah, he said.

"Fruits in Box Elder County are more developed now and because sweet cherries and apricots are less resistant to cold than apples and pears, there is more of a concern there," he said.

Hamson said fruit trees do not normally bud and bloom until late March or early April. The ideal situation now would be for the weather to cool gradually to temperatures more normal for this time of year, he said.

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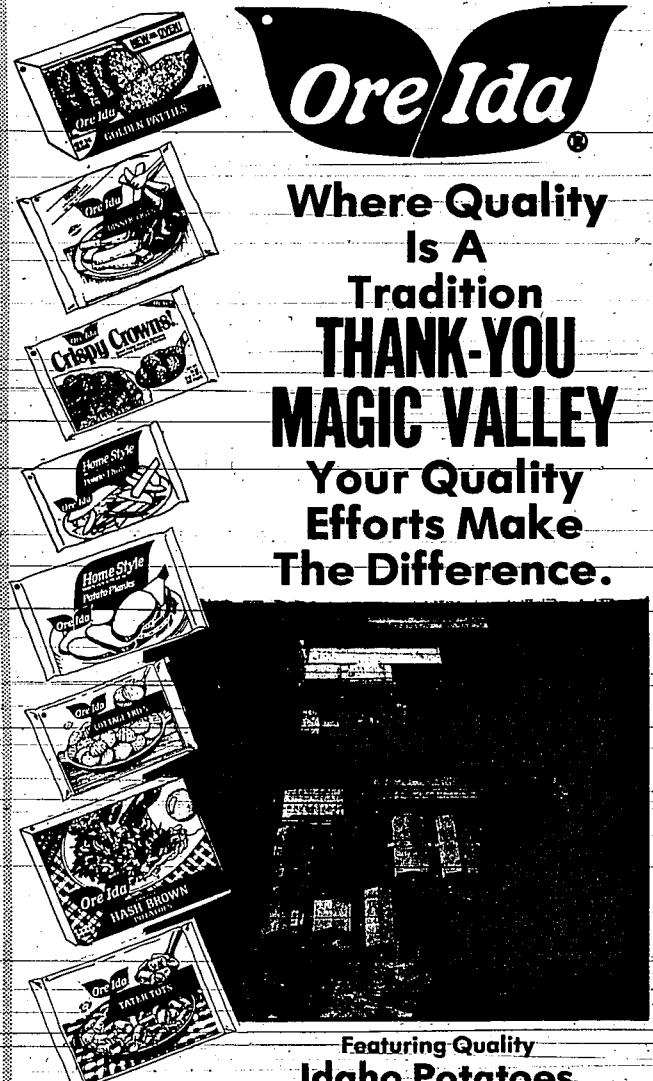
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Decline near end, report says

By JIM DRINKARD
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — American agriculture, trapped in a winter of despair for the past five years, is likely to see its first signs of spring this year as the drop in land values slows and farm income levels off, according to new projections by the Agriculture Department.

While stopping short of predicting any sort of immediate or vigorous recovery for U.S. farmers, the department's report on an array of economic indicators seems to indicate that the long-river rural depression is bottoming out.

Some of these economic adjustments are painful, but they are taking place and there is some cause for optimism in those adjustments, said Ronald Meekhof, a principal author of the 1986 financial outlook report. "I think 1986 is going to be a bottoming year."

The hopeful news is tempered, however, by the continuing harsh effects of farming's long decline, including the plight of farmers who will be unable to hang on even if conditions improve and the situation facing many rural banks whose loan portfolios are severely battered.

"You can't totally pass by the amount of agony that is going on in Iowa, Kansas, parts of the Midwest and southern Plains states," said Meekhof. "But you've got a large share of the farm sector—that's going to do quite well. They can produce a lot of corn for a fairly low price, and it's the same way in wheat."

One of the most promising signs, the report said, is a slowing of the precipitous drop in farm land values. From a record 13 percent in 1984, land value declines slowed to 8 percent last year. That rate is likely to be halved in 1986, to 4 percent, the report said.

The reason is that land values that had been inflated in the late 1970s to levels beyond their real productive value as farm land have now fallen back to near prices that can be supported by the crops and livestock they generate, department economists said.

Land values are the foundation of a farmer's financial security. Farm land often is collateral for loans, and the amount of a producer's equity frequently determines whether any new credit will be approved.

Another reason for optimism, the department said, is that farmers who have weathered the storm of the 1980s are emerging leaner and more competitive. They have learned to farm with less fertilizer and have cut other expenses to the bone.

And with the wariness of debt seen in many of those who lived through the 1930s Depression, they are depending less on borrowed money to make their operations work.

Eventually, those developments will lead to a slower growth in farm productivity, Meekhof said. But that lowered output will come closer to matching demand, and will ultimately improve commodity prices from current depressed levels caused by severe surpluses.

Net farm income will fall again in 1986, the department forecasted, to somewhere in the range of \$22 billion to \$26 billion. But the decline will be only about 8 percent, compared to the 20 percent falloff seen from 1984 to 1985, and other measures of farm earnings will be even more hopeful.

Net cash income, a measure of farm-sector liquidity (a key to obtaining new credit) is expected to be virtually the same as 1985 levels. And off-farm income, an important source of stability for the smallest classes of farms, is ex-

pected to actually rise in 1986. Direct government payments, in the form of subsidies and conservation and storage checks, will continue to play an important role in keeping farm families going this year as well, according to the report. Such payments will remain near 1985's level of \$3 billion.

Dark clouds persist in agriculture's economic outlook, however, particularly in the availability of new operating credit for the spring planting season and for small commercial banks with much of their loan portfolios tied up in farming.

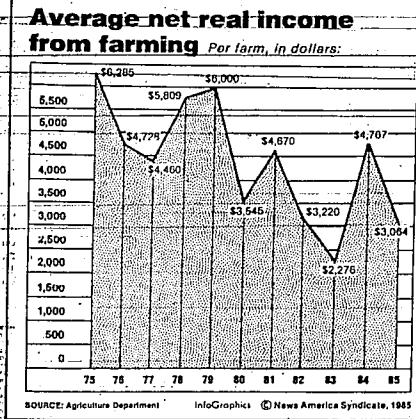
Last year, about 4 percent to 5 percent of farmers were unable to get the loans they needed to put in a crop or otherwise stay in business. Bankers report they expect that figure to rise slightly this year, to nearly 6 percent, the department said.

Heavily indebted operators remain in the most serious trouble, and such stress is concentrated among the commercial-sized farms that are the backbone of America's food production. About 7 percent of the nation's farms are commercial-sized and have both heavy debt loads and negative cash flows, considered a lethal combination.

"Many of them appear to be in such a weak financial position they are not likely to be saved by the modest sector-wide improvements expected in the near term," the report said.

Farm banks, while they tend to be small and have little ripple effect on the nation's banking system, are important institutions in their communities and are suffering growing strains, the report said.

Projected growth in farm-loan difficulties "could seriously affect the banking systems serving several states and regions," the department said, particularly Iowa, Nebraska and North Dakota.



Production value shows sharp drop

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The value of U.S. crop production dropped 5 percent last year to an estimated \$75.5 billion from \$79.4 billion in 1984, according to an annual report by the Agriculture Department.

Farmers harvested bumper crops in 1985, but market prices were down for some key commodities. The record year was 1982, when total crop production was worth \$82 billion.

The record 1985 corn harvest, the traditional crop leader, was worth \$21.3 billion, up from about \$20.1 billion in 1984. Last year's average price at the farm was projected at \$2.41 per bushel, compared with \$2.62 in 1984.

Officials cautioned that the estimates were based on production multiplied by estimated prices for the various commodities so far this season. The dollar amounts are not the same as "farm marketings" of crops, which reflect the value of commodities actually sold by farmers.

The annual figures do provide a look at the book value of crops. However, and can be useful in comparing one commodity with another.

An advocacy group, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, recently said marijuana production in 1985 was worth \$18.6 billion and was worth more to growers than corn.

If NORML's estimate of marijuana value is accurate, it might

well be the second most valuable crop grown in the United States, although it is illegal.

The government, however, has said the NORML figures are exaggerated.

According to USDA estimates, the next most valuable crop in 1985 was soybeans, worth \$10.8 billion, up from \$10.7 billion in 1984 because of larger production. The farm price was estimated at an average of \$5.16 per bushel, compared with \$5.78 in 1984.

Baled hay, always a big-money item, was worth \$9.7 billion last year, compared with \$10.2 billion in 1984, although prices dropped to an average of \$69.10 per ton from \$72.70.

Other top-valued crops in 1985 and how they stacked up with 1984 included:

- Wheat, \$7.65 billion and \$3.16 per bushel, compared with \$8.76 billion and \$3.38.
- Cotton, \$3.6 billion and \$5.5 cents per pound, unchanged from the 1984 value, although prices were down from 59.8 cents in 1984.
- Tobacco, \$2.56 billion and \$1.65 per pound, compared with \$3.12 billion and \$1.87 per pound.
- Sorghum, \$2.41 billion and \$2.19 per bushel, compared with \$2.05 billion and \$2.39.

The report showed California continued as the leader in crop value with \$7.48 billion in 1985, down from \$8.22 billion in 1984. Illinois was next at \$6.3 billion, up from \$5.59 billion in 1984. Iowa, at \$5.95 billion, was up from \$5.67 billion in 1984.

USSR soybean deals continue at fast pace

By JIM DRINKARD
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soviet Union has bought more U.S. soybeans the past couple of months than in any year since long-term grain supply agreements between the two countries began a decade ago.

Agriculture Department officials said the latest sale involves 200,000 metric tons of soybeans — about 8.5 million bushels — for delivery through Sept. 30. Since the Soviets began buying U.S. soybeans in January for the first time since 1983-84, sales total more than 1.4 million tons.

The current purchases represent the most U.S. soybeans bought by the Soviet Union since the first long-term agreement was in effect on Oct. 1976. The previous high was 1.2 million tons in 1978-79. Officials said the latest sales were

reported to USDA by private exporters as required by law. No prices or other details were disclosed.

The department says the farm price of soybeans is expected to average around \$5.20 per bushel this marketing year. A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds and is equal to 36.7 bushels of soybeans.

Thus, the latest soybean sales would have an estimated farm value of about \$49 million.

Under the current five-year agreement, which began its third year last Oct. 1, the Soviet Union is committed to buy at least 9 million tons of wheat and corn annually. At least 4 million tons of that must be wheat and 4 million tons corn.

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One butt does it Angered by a kick, goat fends off robber

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A man-intending-to-rob-a-house-stopped-to-kick-a-curious-billy-goat, then had to beat a hasty retreat when the angry goat retaliated and the homeowner started shooting a rifle at the authorities said.

The homeowner, whose name was not released, was doing chores this past Sunday night at her home southeast of Kansas City when a man drove into her driveway and approached her, said Deputy Kenneth Soule of the Jackson County Sheriff's Department.

The woman asked if she could help and the man, who had a knife strapped to his side, said "No, I'll help myself" and walked toward

the house, Soule said.

"That's when the goat came up to the suspect and began sniffing the man's pockets," he said. "The suspect proceeded to kick the goat in the ribs and the goat immediately butted him in the groin and the suspect was knocked to the ground."

The woman ran into the house, grabbed a .22-caliber rifle and started shooting into the air toward the suspect. Police did not believe he was hit.

The woman told police the man had threatened her, saying that "if she looked at his face, he would kill her," Soule said.

"He was attempting to rob her, there's no doubt about that," Soule said.

Easily erodible land will be reclaimed

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department has allocated 5 million acres of highly erodible land to the states under a new, long-range program currently open for sign-up by farmers.

Under the voluntary Conservation Reserve Program, authorized by Congress in last year's farm bill, up to 45 million acres of deteriorated land could be on the way to recovery by 1990.

Farmers can participate by signing 10-year contracts pledging to keep land from crop production and to plant grass and trees on it.

In exchange, farmers will get annual rental payments from the government, along with one-time sharing of costs to plant the protective cover.

The program is scheduled to cover five million acres this year, 10 million acres or more each year in 1987 through 1989, and five million acres or more in 1990.

Sign-up in the program for 1986 will continue through March 14 at local offices of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. A second sign-up for 1987 will be held during the summer.

According to USDA budget officials, the program will cost about \$190 million for the remainder of this fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30; \$550 million in 1986-87; and \$350 million in

1987-88.

The first farmers will be paid by the government will depend on the size of bids submitted and which ones are accepted. The annual payments will not be affected by the Gramm-Rudman balanced-budget law, which mandates 4.3 percent cuts in many other USDA programs beginning March 1.

But Assistant Secretary Peter Myers, who oversees the department's natural resources and environment operations, said Gramm-Rudman will be applied to the cost-sharing payments made to farmers for converting highly erodible cropland to grass and trees.

In writing last year's farm bill, Congress provided a number of other conservation measures, including "soybuster" and "swampbuster" provisions that got tough on farmers who misuse fragile land by planting it into crops.

Myers said in a telephone interview with a group of editors that the Conservation Reserve Program could reward farmers who abused land in the 1970s by plowing it up and planting crops.

"Yes, it would penalize the guy that's been doing an excellent job of conservation with terraces and contour farming," Myers said in reply to a question. "In some cases, he won't qualify for the program if he's got all of his acres under conserva-

tion practices."

But he said, "There's no way to run this program in any other manner and get this highly erodible cropland out of production."

Myers called the conservation provisions of the new law a "very historic" move to help slow down the erosion of valuable farmland. The program, he said, is "the carrot approach to getting highly erodible land out of production."

Other provisions in the law will require farmers to account for their use of highly erodible land if they want to be eligible for federal benefits, including Farmers Home Administration loans, crop insurance and crop deficiency payments.

Under the program, the department has set up a national pool of

69.5 million acres of highly erodible land that is eligible for conversion from crops to grass or trees. That represents about one-sixth of the 421 million acres of cropland in the United States as of 1982.

According to the law, no more than 25 percent of the cropland in a county can be tilled under the program unless the secretary of agriculture decides the impact would be minimal.

Texas leads with nearly 11.5 million acres eligible for the program, followed by Iowa, 6.6 million acres; Montana, 5 million; Missouri, 4.1 million; Colorado, 3.7 million; Illinois, 3.05 million; and Kansas, 2.6 million.

Washington officials plan to fight hoppers

SPOKANE (AP) — U.S. Department of Agriculture officials are studying spring weather predictions to determine how to battle grasshopper infestations in Eastern Washington this spring.

County extension agents throughout Eastern Washington are inviting officials from the Agriculture Department's Plant and Quarantine Program to meet with farmers and ranchers to inform them about government insect control programs.

Agriculture Department official Terry Ely of Spokane said this past Wednesday that rangeland areas with at least 10,000 acres of land infested with eight grasshoppers per square yard will be eligible for insect control programs.

Eight grasshoppers per square yard over 10 acres "supposedly can eat the equivalent of one piece of livestock," Ely said.

"If it's a dry season, grasshoppers can be very competitive" for forage, he said.

The federal government pays for one-third of the spraying costs on private and state land, Ely said. State officials, farmers and ranchers decide how to make up the rest of the cost, he said.

The government pays 100 percent of the spraying costs on federal land. Ely and other department officials

met with Whitman County ranchers and farmers Tuesday in Colfax to inform them about spraying programs.

Whitman County Extension Agent Thomas Hoffman said as many as 78,000 acres of county rangeland could be infested with grasshoppers this summer.

Ely said extensive spraying programs will be established throughout Eastern Washington if the region does not experience a cool, wet spring that would kill eggs and young grasshoppers.

Most rangeland is sprayed in late June before eggs are laid or grasshoppers mature, Ely said.

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Governor plans discussions to gauge extent of farm crisis

By The Associated Press and The Times-News

BOISE — Less than a week after pledging to ask the Legislature for standby authority to impose a moratorium on farm foreclosures, Gov. John Evans announced a series of roundtable discussions to help him gauge the extent of the farm crisis in Idaho.

"I am concerned with the effects of Gramm-Rudman-Hollings on agriculture and the impact of the new farm bill," Evans said in a press release this past Wednesday.

"Besides the impact of the congressional deficit-reduction law, Evans said he wanted

to find out how farmers feel about Idaho's emergency farm programs, agricultural legislation, credit problems and other farm issues.

The Democratic governor announced his meetings throughout the state beginning March 12 in Payette and Marsing and ending up March 26 in Shelley and St. Anthony.

Evans broached the possibility of a moratorium on foreclosures in a nationally televised interview last week. The idea quickly won support from growers, which represents 150 farmers in south central Idaho.

Meanwhile, three members of Idaho's

Congressional delegation said they have asked the Department of Agriculture to help make money available to Idaho farmers on an emergency basis for spring planting.

In a letter to acting Agriculture Secretary Frank Naylor, Rep. Richard Stallings, D-Idaho, asked that additional Farmers Home Administration funds be released for a separate request, Sens. Steve Symms and James McClure, both R-Idaho, pressed Agriculture Secretary-designate Richard Stallings to give farm support loans in advance payments when they sign up this spring.

newly approved 1985 Farm Bill to immediately release \$2.8 million set aside by the Farmers Home Administration for direct loans to Idaho farmers during the third and fourth quarters of the fiscal year (April 1 through Sept. 30).

Order the FmHA to shift \$5.2 million in loan guarantees to the direct sale loan program in Idaho.

"This is the most critical time for a farm here and they need the money now," Stallings also asked Naylor to give farm support loans in advance payments when they sign up this spring.

ing instead of waiting until October as usual.

On Thursday, Sen. Steve Symms also called on the FmHA to impose a moratorium on the sale of farm land being held in its inventory. The federal agency also should order the land to be leased at prevailing rates to avoid harming local real estate markets, he said.

"Idaho farmers have told me that they are concerned about the sale and lease of FmHA inventory," he said. "They are worried about the value of other farm land in the state—being depressed by those sales and leases."

Loss for mine firm

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. has announced a net loss for 1985 of \$972,000, or 10 cents a share.

The company said it recorded a net loss of \$48,000, or 1 cent a share, in 1985's fourth quarter, compared to earnings of \$184,000, or 3 cents a share, in 1984's fourth quarter.

Annual earnings for 1984 were \$1.3 million, or 20 cents a share.

The company blamed exploration expenses and low silver prices for its losses.

Silver prices averaged \$6.14 per ounce in 1985, as compared with \$8.14 per ounce in 1984.

"We can't control the market forces, but we can and are

preparing the company to compete in this environment," Chairman Justin L. Rice said Thursday.

Rice said the company's gold project at Thunder Mountain and silver and gold development projects near Rochester, Nev., are expected to be profitable at current gold and silver prices.

Both projects are expected to begin operations this year, Rice said.

Rice said the company's Coeur silver mine near Coeur d'Alene continues to be a consistent low-cost producer. The mine operated profitably throughout 1985, Rice said.

To scramble or not to scramble

Congressmen tune in signal squabble

By BILL MCLOSKEY
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Urged on by thousands of letters from constituents, a House subcommittee on Thursday sought to balance the claims of people with backyard satellite dishes against TV programmers trying to keep control of the signals they beam down from orbit.

Major pay television services and the TV networks are beginning to scramble their satellite-delivered signals so that not authorized to see them can't watch.

Some 2 million Americans have purchased earth stations — satellite dishes — to pluck signals from the sky. They are worried that the money they spent — \$3,000 or more — will be wasted if all signals are scrambled.

Even if all of the companies that actually do, there still would be some 70 unscrambled channels available to dish owners, including C-SPAN, which delivers the House of Representatives debates.

So far, all of the cable networks with announced scrambling plans are using the same scrambling technology and those who wish to buy a \$400 decoder and pay a fee to watch the shows can do so.

There is disagreement between the cable industry and dish owners over whether the decoders are readily available.

One bill would delay scrambling for two years to make sure decoders are available and systems are in place to allow for subscribing to the program services.

Cable operators say they must scramble to prevent bars, models and some foreign countries from receiving the signals and making a profit without having to pay any copyright or other fees.

Broadcasters want to scramble because programs as they leave the networks do not contain locally inserted commercials, which are the lifeblood of local stations.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, D-La., said this would mean rural housewives who buy soap suds have no right to watch soap operas the detergent com-

panies sponsor.

Members of the House telecommunications subcommittee expressed concern that the few Americans who live too far from TV transmitters to receive any programming over the air would be shut out of network and popular cable news and entertainment programming if scrambling continues.

Rep. Al Swift, D-Wash., said it is not "true that any solution that suits urban America is adequate for the rest of America."

More than 20 members of Congress asked to testify at the hearing in addition to the 20 subcommittee members and sponsors of various bills on the subject who did speak.

Rep. Howard C. Nielson, R-Utah, said scrambling "is one of the most emotional issues I've dealt with since I've been in Congress."

"I would be very nervous about going home this weekend if I weren't here" to testify said, Rep. Carroll Hubbard, Jr., D-Ky. He said the topic was the most important issue

Congress would face this year as far as his rural constituents were concerned.

Extra police, some of them in plain clothes, were on hand because of a rumor that dish owners who had been denied an opportunity to testify would storm the crowded committee room.

Although a caravan of dish-toting trucks drove past the Capitol, there was no problem at the hearing.

Subcommittee Chairman Timothy E. Wirth, D-Colo., said his intention in calling the hearings was to put the congressional spotlight on these issues, and it was unclear whether any of the proposals to deal with the problem will ever be pushed toward passage.

Swift urged the broadcast, cable and satellite dish industries to come up with a negotiated solution that would protect the viewing options enjoyed by those who buy dishes while protecting the copyright and other financial interests of the programmers.

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Boise Cascade to offer stock

BOISE (AP) — Boise Cascade Corp. has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the sale of 1.2 million shares of its common stock owned by an Alabama oil and gas company.

The stock will be sold on the general market by Sonat Inc. through underwriters, which include Salomon Brothers Inc., The First Boston Corp. and Lazard Freres & Co.

The 1.2 million shares were issued to Sonat by Boise Cascade in December 1984 as partial payment for almost all of Sonat's interest in Boise Southern Co., a Louisiana-based joint venture owned by the two corporations.

At that time, Boise Cascade paid about a total of \$200 million to assume full ownership of five pulp, paper and wood-products plants, with about \$50 million paid in stock.

Marketing workshop Thursday

TWIN FALLS — "How to Market Your Home-Based Products and Services" will be the topic of a workshop March 13 at the College of Southern Idaho. It will meet from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 108 of the Vo-Tech building.

The workshop is designed to provide people with information on determining if they have a saleable product or service, how to market it, how to price it and how to protect that product or service.

Representatives from the legal, accounting and marketing fields will be presenting information on patent laws, trademarks, pricing and marketing.

The workshop, co-sponsored by the CSI Center for New Directions and the Marketing and Management Department, will cost \$10, but scholarships are available through the Center for New Directions.

For more information call the Center at 733-9554, ext. 361, or the CSI Marketing and Management Department at 733-9554, ext. 290.

Idahoan seeks to bar IRS rule

WASHINGTON — Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, and three other senators have introduced legislation to bar the Internal Revenue Service from requiring detailed logs for vehicles used in business.

"Congress never intended that farmers and other businessmen be required to keep a detailed record each time they used their vehicles for business in order to prove eligibility for tax deductions," Symms said.

Last year, Congress ordered the IRS to stop requiring "contemporaneous" logs for tax purposes. However, new IRS rules published in November still require explicit documentation for each trip, Symms said.

He charged the IRS has ignored Congress by continuing to require documentation of mileage, date and expenditure or use of vehicles. The bill demands looser standards, allowing reasonable deductions if business use can be proven by the taxpayer.

Co-sponsoring the bill are Republican Sens. James Abdnor of South Dakota, Mack Mattingly of Georgia and Don Nickles of Oklahoma.

Group compiling brand book

BUHL — The 71 Livestock Association is compiling a brand book to help ranchers identify livestock in a wide area of Twin Falls and Owyhee counties.

Several ranchers in the area use multiple brands, said George Swan, who is heading the project. The book, which could be ready by the association's summer meeting, would speed identification of lost cattle, he said. It also may include horse brands.

The 71 Livestock Association represents ranchers in western Twin Falls and eastern Owyhee counties. Most graze livestock on rangeland owned by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

CSI lining up tractor clinics

TWIN FALLS — Free tractor efficiency clinics are being scheduled now by the College of Southern Idaho.

George Clawson, who directs this program, said most clinics are arranged through Magic Valley high school vocational agriculture instructors and held at the high school shops. But, he said, since the tractor dynamometer is portable they are able to go to remote areas and conduct the tests. Clawson said many times serious problems are avoided and/or suggestions are made for service. CSI diesel instructors, Jim Schlund, Wayne Hine and Bob Reichel assist with the testing.

The clinics are sponsored by the college and funded with money from the Idaho Water Resource Board through the state Department of Vocational Education.

Clinics have already been held in Murtaugh and Oakley and have been scheduled in Hazelton, Declo and the Ratt River area and at Minico High School.

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