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NTSB investigates collision over California

By RICHARD HOLGUIN
The Associated Press

CERRITOS, Calif. — Air traffic controllers likely did not know the position of a small airplane that collided with a jetliner, killing all 67 people on the planes and leaving 10 missing and feared dead on the ground, officials said Monday.

The single-engine Piper Archer was not in contact with controllers directing air traffic in restricted airspace near Los Angeles International Airport, where the planes collided Sunday and plummeted into a residential area, said John Lauber, a National Transportation Safety Board supervisor.

Authorities said 64 people, including at least 57 Americans, were aboard Aeromexico Flight 498, a DC-9 from Mexico City that was on its landing approach to Los Angeles, and three people were in the Piper when

the planes collided in restricted airspace 10 minutes before noon Sunday.

The planes fell into an upper-middle-class neighborhood, littering streets, homes and trees in a six-by-eight-block section with steel, flesh, charred cars, luggage and ashes.

Sixteen houses burned, 40 of them destroyed by flames, falling wreckage or both. Minor injuries were suffered by 10 neighborhood residents, five firefighters and a deputy.

Gov. George Deukmejian toured the neighborhood, designated a local disaster area by officials, for about 45 minutes Monday. He said he would consider designating the neighborhood a state disaster area, if local officials ask.

"There's no confirmed (dead) on the ground," Greg Colvett of the coroner's office said at a command post in

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Stricter rules for small planes sought

By RITA BEAMISH
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Small aircraft flying near major airports must have radar equipment allowing a control tower to guide them, but the Air Transport Association says that government requirement is insufficient.

The association petitioned the Federal Aviation Administration more than a year ago for new rules

requiring that small aircraft flying they fly near a handful of busy airports have radar-controlled air space be equipped with attitude encoding transponders, which would tell a less sophisticated transponder association official Tom Tripp plane's general location in the sky, said Monday.

Under current rules, such as the one that collided with an Aeromexico jetliner over the Los Angeles basin Sunday, only when aircraft are flying in a "terminal control area" are required on general aviation aircraft. But the altitude reporting equipment is not required on general aviation aircraft, such as the one that collided with an Aeromexico jetliner over the Los Angeles basin Sunday, only when

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Soviet ship goes down in Black Sea

Liner hit freighter at night; few details on number killed

By ANDREW ROSENTHAL
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — A 61-year-old Soviet ship big enough to carry at least 870 passengers collided with a freighter at night in the Black Sea and sank with a loss of lives, officials said Monday. They did not give a casualty figure.

Foreign radio monitors said they did not hear a distress signal after the collision between the passenger ship and Soviet freighter Sunday night.

Search and rescue operations continued Monday night, about 20 hours after the ship went down, according to officials in the Black Sea ports of Odessa and Novorossiysk.

A Naval Ministry official said by telephone late Monday that the freighter remained afloat. He would not answer other questions.

Soviet media carried only a brief statement from the Communist Party Central Committee and Soviet government. It was the second sinking of a Soviet passenger liner in seven months.

The official announcement, distributed by the Tass news agency, said only that the 17,053-ton Admiral Nakhimov "collided with a cargo ship not far from Novorossiysk and sank "on the night of Aug. 31."

"Rescue measures have been taken," the official news agency said. "The necessary assistance is rendered to those affected. There has been loss of life."

It did not say how many people were aboard, how many were dead, if any foreigners were among the passengers or what route the ship was following.

Lloyd's Registry of Ships, published in London, says the ship had berths for 870 passengers. A Soviet citizen who sailed on it in 1971 said many other fourth-class passengers customarily slept on the uppermost of its four decks.

The Admiral Nakhimov, which Lloyd's says is 575 feet long, was built in Germany in 1925 as a steam-powered vessel and later refitted with diesel engines.

An official of the Black Sea fleet in Novorossiysk, reached by telephone from Moscow, said that whether the ship went down late Sunday night or very early Monday still was not known. That indicated it sank quickly.

In Turkey, across the Black Sea, none of the major radio stations monitoring maritime frequencies along the coast reported hearing an SOS from the Admiral Nakhimov.

All the monitors said they could pick up Novorossiysk, about 60 miles southeast of the Crimean Peninsula.

The official in Novorossiysk, who did not give his name, also refused to say how many people were aboard the Admiral Nakhimov or how many people were killed.

He said the rescue operation continued at 7 p.m. Moscow time, involving "many" men and ships, but he would not be more specific.

A shipping official in Odessa, the liner's home port, also said by telephone that rescue work continued but would not discuss the accident and hung up when asked how many lives were lost.



Getting Ready

Twin Falls school opens next door today for the beginning of a new school year, but many teachers are still getting ready. A teacher is seen in the school hallway, the first day of school.

Americans oppose new speed limits

Poll says most drive faster, but want to keep 55 mph

By LAWRENCE KILMAN
The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — A majority of Americans newly drive faster than 55 mph on highways, but oppose changing the nationwide speed limit, according to a Media General-Associated Press poll.

Eighty-five percent of the 1,388 adults in the survey said they drive faster than 55 mph, but 58 percent said they did so at least half of the time, according to the poll.

Nevertheless, 54 percent of the respondents opposed changing the 55 mph speed limit, which was mandated by Congress in 1974 and is facing increasing opposition.

Forty-four percent said the limit should be increased, but 11 percent said it should be decreased, and 1 percent wasn't sure.

Most of those who wanted an increase said they would be faster.

Not surprisingly, slower drivers were more likely to oppose changing the highway speed limit. Eight in 10 of those who rarely exceeded 55 mph opposed a change, while the speeders were evenly split on the issue.

In the West, where long, empty stretches of highway seem endless at 55 mph, a 56 percent majority favored increasing the speed limit. Only 35 percent of Easterners, 39 percent of Midwesterners and 47 percent of Southerners favored an increase.

The 55 mph speed limit was imposed as a fuel conservation measure following the Middle East oil embargo. But with supplies plentiful and prices low, there has been an increased effort to have it repealed.

Earlier this month, President Reagan endorsed the principle of a nationwide 55 mph speed limit, but said to allow states to set their own speed laws. The issue is politically important in the West, where many Republican senators are seeking re-election in November.

The AP-Media General poll was conducted before the President's position was announced.

Supporters of the speed limit cite safety reasons for keeping the speed limit at 55 mph. The consumer group Public Citizen estimates that the limit saves between 2,000 and 4,000 lives a year.

But states have been lobbying to have the limit changed, and some are taking measures to protect it. In Nevada, briefly increased the speed limit to 70 mph along one stretch of highway, and then filed a lawsuit charging it was being coerced into retaining the 55 mph limit when the federal government briefly withdrew highway funds.

In Minnesota, speeding violations are no longer recorded on a driver's record unless the violator was going over 65 mph. And getting caught going 70 mph in North Dakota brings only a \$15 fine — a penalty not out of line with those in several Western states.

But it has gone far risk, losing a portion of their federal highway funds. The government checks compliance, and states where more than 50 percent of

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Reporter's detention won't derail planning for summit

By TERENCE HUNT
The Associated Press

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — The Reagan administration voiced fresh anger Monday over the detention of an American journalist in Moscow but said the incident will not derail high-level planning for a superpower summit.

An administration official also said he knew of no plans for a swap of the reporter in exchange for a Soviet physicist arrested in New York on spy charges.

Nicholas Daniloff, a correspondent for U.S. News & World Report, was arrested Saturday after a Soviet acquaintance gave him an envelope containing maps

marked "top secret." He was immediately arrested by KGB agents.

"We reject the charges as being contrived and call for Mr. Daniloff's immediate release," said White House deputy press secretary Larry Speakes.

The Soviets are trying to make Daniloff a hostage to control charges and this will not work. I will not speculate on our course of action."

The New York Times reported Monday that the administration was prepared to retaliate against the Kremlin unless Daniloff was freed promptly. It said the administration had ruled out any swap.

One official, speaking on condition he not be identified, said, "There have been no decisions made

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Head of wool growers group resigns over dispute on fees

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

SALT LAKE CITY — The top executive of the National Wool Growers Association has resigned because of friction in the sheep-raising industry.

Marvin Cronberg, executive vice president of the National Wool Growers Association since 1979, said Friday a deep split over a current referendum on fees for promotion of lamb and wool has prompted him to step down.

The resignation becomes effective at the end of September and the Salt Lake City association will move its headquarters to Denver when Cronberg departs.

The association is the lobbying arm of the sheep business. It relies on voluntary dues from members.

A split in the industry over payment of fees for pro-

motion of lamb and wool has arisen in past years, both in and outside the association. At the core of the dispute is a fee paid by producers when they market wool or un-

shorn lambs.

The American Sheep Producers Council, which fields advertising and other promotions, is asking for a fee of six cents on every pound of wool marketed and 30 cents on every unshorn head of lamb.

Sheep raisers nationwide finished voting on the referendum Friday. Wool growers affiliate organizations in Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Washington have backed the national association by urging a "no" vote.

"They say the association board of directors, which has approved the six-cent fee, has ignored an earlier vote by producers endorsing a less costly proposal.

"I've been tagged as being one of the leaders in the

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Plans for a new power plant at Jordanelle Dam dropped

HEBER CITY, Utah (AP) — Plans to build a power plant at Jordanelle Dam have tentatively been scrapped because demand for electricity has decreased sharply, the federal Bureau of Recreation says.

The dam, part of the massive Central Utah Project's Bonneville Unit, has drawn fire from the mining industry and environmentalists who say the reservoir might flood mines and the dam itself might be unsafe.

But in a new draft environmental statement outlining the government's intent to abandon construction of the dam power plant, the bureau insists the Jordanelle Dam would be safe.

Comment on the new study, designed to put worries about the dam to rest, will be accepted

through Oct. 28, officials said. The statement details changes in the dam's location and design and relocation of U.S. 189 and a proposed to add a new road in Wasatch County.

Earlier, a 10.4-megawatt power plant was scheduled for construction about 6 miles north of Heber City. While the power plant project has been set aside, federal officials said it could be revived at a later date if utilities will foot the bill.

"Present policy provides for increasing non-federal participation in power plants developed in conjunction with federal projects," the study says. "In addition, projected demands for power have decreased significantly."

Bureau officials now propose moving the center line of the dam upstream about 300 feet from the original location to obtain better foundation conditions. Such a move will lengthen the crest of the Jordanelle by 300 feet to 3,100 feet.

The height of the dam will remain 296 feet, but the width at the crest will be reduced by 30 feet, down from 45 feet. In the 1979 study, the volume of compressed fill material in the dam will drop from 14.6 million to 14.5 million cubic yards, the bureau said.

As part of the study, the bureau took more than 140 core samples as deep as 1,800 feet at the dam site, and trenches were dug to define geological features of the area.

Workers pitch in to clean up PCB so hospital can reopen

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Utility company workers spent Monday night cleaning up PCBs to allow the hospital to be reopened Tuesday morning of a lightning strike Thursday caused an outside transformer to catch fire.

The cleanup of John C. Lincoln Hospital and Medical Center by traces of the PCBs found do not present a safety risk or health risk, APS spokesman Wayne Kaplan said.

The decision to reopen the hospital was made by the hospital, the utility and state health regulators.

A statement issued late Monday by APS and hospital officials quoted Dr. Thomas C. Marshall of International Technology Corp. of Oak Ridge, Tenn., as saying the PCBs were found in low concentrations in

such areas as a boiler room, but not in areas where patients are treated.

"The PCB data obtained from Lincoln Hospital show no health risks posed by the residual transformer-related PCBs," Marshall said.

"The cleanup is more cosmetic than anything else, because the PCBs do not constitute a health risk, APS spokesman Wayne Kaplan said.

Investigators found 20 parts per million, Kaplan said. He said Phoenix fire officials considered concentrations about 1,000 times greater than that to be a health risk.

The PCBs came from a coolant in the transformer at a concentration of 280 parts per million, Kaplan said, adding that they had mixed with fire water used to fight the fire and were found in low concentrations in

Kaplan said the cleanup, which APS had to perform because it owned the transformer, that burned might cost from \$75,000 to \$100,000.

During a Thursday night thunderstorm that ravaged parts of the Phoenix metropolitan area, smoke from the transformer fire spread into the 292-bed hospital, which also lost its electricity, forcing the evacuation of 128 patients and five babies.

Hospital spokesman Conrad Thorne said Monday night that fewer than 20 of the patients were expected to return to Lincoln after it reopened. Thorne said hospital officials didn't yet know how much money they lost when the patients were moved, because they didn't know how much of the loss would be picked up by insurance.

"No one was reported injured during the evacuation."

Idaho leads pack in pollution effort

POCATELLO (AP) — A federal official says Idaho's effort to control certain water pollution is leading the nation.

And while Idaho's effort at controlling nonpoint source water pollution is being closely watched by the federal Environmental Protection Agency, EPA's own efforts at redefinition are being watched by Idaho officials.

"Idaho happens to be in the forefront of trying to come up with real world answers how to handle this thing without stopping all the agriculture, logging and mining in the state," said Don Martin, EPA nonpoint source coordinator in Idaho.

The concern is dirt and sediment

carried by runoff to streams and considered a pollutant with no "point of origin" — hence the "nonpoint" name.

Erosion is the largest cause, resulting from agriculture, grazing, mining and roadbuilding for timber harvesting, runoff of agricultural chemicals and city street refuse, also are concerns.

While there are some agricultural guidelines suggesting how nonpoint source pollution can be minimized, the only enforcement measures are the study areas. In addition, practices Act and subsequent regulations governing the timber industry.

Earlier this year, the Idaho Legislature passed a bill relaxing the definition of "serious injury" to

water quality resulting from forest practices. Gov. John Evans vetoed the bill, and set up a team to come up with new guidelines for the Legislature.

At public workshops around the state, three alternatives have been discussed. Two of them were "land based" and used "best management practices" defined to prevent injury by their use. The third was "water based" and relies on instream monitoring to determine when injury might be occurring.

Agriculture, grazing, timber and mining interests prefer the best management practices approach. Environmentalists say instream monitoring is the only way to ensure injury does not occur.

Rain eases restrictions on public land

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — Several days of rain have eased the sun-drenched dry conditions that led to numerous forest and range fires in Idaho in August.

Effective at midnight Monday, outdoor burning and fire restrictions have been lifted on national forests and state lands, said Mary Zabinski, Nez Perce National Forest information officer.

Firewood cutting and timber harvesting had been restricted in most national forests to the so-called "hoot owl" hours, between 1 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The restrictions also banned campfires outside established campgrounds, and required smokers to light their cigarettes in buildings, closed cars or at established campgrounds.

The restrictions were lifted at midnight in Idaho north of the Salmon River, Ms. Zabinski said.

Blasting or welding also was banned without special permits, she said, and firewood gathering was banned completely in the Clearwater National Forest.

Several wilderness trails in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness Area

were closed because of the fire danger, Ms. Zabinski said effective Monday, the Selway Trail No. 4 in the Selway-Bitterroot was opened from Selway Falls to Moose Creek. But the other trails remain closed, she said.

Smoke still was rising from a couple of forest fires, Ms. Zabinski said, but the Nez Perce Forest averaged a half-inch of rain for several days in a row which lowered the fire danger.

Further south, in the Boise National Forest, the effort turned from fire suppression to fire rehabilitation. The Selway-Bitterroot was opened from Selway Falls to Moose Creek. But the other trails remain closed, she said.

It was controlled over the weekend, and firefighting crews were replanted by teams planning and rehabilitating burned areas. A fire was started by lightning Aug. 10, 40 miles northeast of Boise.

'Right to Work Bill' unfunny to union crowd

BOISE (AP) — "Right to Work Bill" came in for a lot of attention at the AFL-CIO's Labor Day picnic here on Monday.

"Bill," dressed in the traditional villan garb of black frock coat, black beard and black hat, tried to tell delegates to the annual picnic why Idaho's new right-to-work law would be good for them.

He didn't get much sympathy from his audience — in fact some of

the comments from the audience were downright unfriendly.

The AFL-CIO's organized labor unions and some employers launched a referendum petition drive to put right-to-work before Idaho voters in the November general election ballot.

Jim Kerns, state president of the AFL-CIO, said the Labor Day picnic gave members a chance to rally for the final two months of the campaign.

He said union members remain convinced the right-to-work law, which requires compulsory union membership or payment of dues as a condition of employment, will be bad for the state.

"Right-to-work" means lower wages," said Kerns. "We're all going to feel the impact of it."

Kerns acknowledged that union membership is down, but he said support appears strong.

Boise bowhunter found unharmed

IDAHO CITY (AP) — A 13-year-old bow hunter has been found unharmed, after being lost 48 hours in a Boise County mountain area.

Yamie Robbins, Boise, was last seen by his father on Saturday afternoon Saturday in the Scott Mountain area of the Boise National Forest.

After a massive air and ground search all weekend, Robbins was spotted on a road Monday morning. Relatives said he was bruised and tired but otherwise unharmed.

The boy's father said he disappeared Saturday morning after going to "look for elk."

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Volcano suit money could go to state



SEATTLE (AP) — Two people who reached an out-of-court settlement with the Weyerhaeuser Co. over the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens say the state may end up claiming part of the cash to repay benefits they received.

Betty Gadow and Jim Scymanky were among the representatives of 14 victims of the eruption who settled last week with Weyerhaeuser for a reported \$225,000.

The plaintiffs had alleged in a King County Superior Court suit that ended inconclusively last December that Weyerhaeuser misrepresented the danger posed by the volcano and misled its logging employees and others into believing it was safe to be near the peak.

Fifty-seven people died when the mountain exploded on May 18, 1980, blasting 1,300 feet off its

summit and devastating 230 square miles of timber.

Mrs. Gadow, 39, of Salem, Ore., lost her husband, Tom, who was working with a contract logging crew seven miles from the peak when the eruption occurred. His body was never found.

Scymanky, 42, of Woodburn, Ore., suffered second- and third-degree burns from the eruption while he was doing tree-thinning work near the peak.

The settlement announced last week was part of a divided among the plaintiffs, with about half that going to plaintiff lawyer Ron Franklin's firm, according to sources who refused to be identified.

Mrs. Gadow and Scymanky said the state Department of Labor and Industries could claim

most or all of their shares. Mrs. Gadow had received six years' worth of worker's compensation at \$1,100 a month for the loss of her husband, she said.

Scymanky said he has received close to \$300,000 in worker's compensation and medical cost payments from Washington.

Dan Hagal, a spokesman for the state agency, could not discuss any of the individual settlements but confirmed Mrs. Gadow's statements that going to plaintiff's lawyer Ron Franklin's firm. He said the state will have to approve any settlement before it is final.

Mrs. Gadow refused to discuss details of the settlement but said her share is "not very much" anyway.

Telathon breaks old record

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — The Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telathon broke an old record by raising \$34,066,778 Monday, soaring past the \$400 million mark for the 21-year history of the event.

Lewis predicted the Muscular Dystrophy Association, beneficiary of the telathon, would raise a total of \$80 million to \$100 million this year, including gifts from dozens of corporations, civic and professional groups.

"We won't go to the government for help," Lewis said in an emotional appeal. "We don't want to ask for permission to save a child."

It is the 36th year Lewis has worked with the association, which fights some 40 muscle-destroying diseases, many of which are terminal and most of which strike children.

Lewis vowed to search out other causes when a cure is found for muscular dystrophy.

"There are many ill in this world that need to be fought," he said.

One of the more poignant moments of the 21 1/2-hour telathon came when singer-Biddle Hubbard issued an emotional appeal for funds by telling of the death of his 2 1/2-year-old son, Timothy, in July.

"I became more focused about kids after I lost my own," Hubbard said, his voice breaking. "Somebody has to take care of the children of the world."

Study ranks safety of mining operators

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — North American Coal Co. ranks as the most dangerous coal mining company in the United States, says a "public interest" law firm that recently completed a five-year study of the nation's 20 largest coal producers.

North American, based in Cleveland, had "the worst record overall" regarding employee safety according to the study, which ranked the companies in four categories, said J. Davitt McAteer, director of the Occupational Safety and Health Law Center in Washington.

"These figures make North American the most dangerous large mining company to work for in the U.S.," McAteer said. "Moreover, they have the distinction of holding that position for nearly a decade."

The phone calls made Monday to North American's headquarters were not answered.

The second-most-dangerous company, according to the study, is Savage Neck, controlled by Utah Power and Light Co. One of UP&L's mines, the Wilberg Mine, was the scene of an explosion on Dec. 19, 1984, that killed 27 miners, McAteer said.

Savage Neck's fatality rate was the highest in the country, nearly four

times the national average.

The third most dangerous mines overall belong to the nation's largest coal producer, Peabody Holdings Co., Inc., the study said.

McAteer said the rankings cover a five-year period — from 1981 through 1985 — so that a single accident or disaster will not "unduly affect" a company's overall position. He said a five-year period was long enough to illustrate the effectiveness of a company's safety program.

"Failure over this length of time shows a lack of concern and lack of commitment to the safety of the miners," McAteer said. "You could argue that Utah Power & Light could be first ... but North American has the record without the disasters."

Others that fell among the "most dangerous" categories were Fluor Corp.-Royal Dutch Shell, which owns the A.T. Massey Co., and Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Co., McAteer said.

Several companies improved their records, including Consolidation Coal Co. and Occidental Petroleum-Island Creek Coal. Consol., the nation's second largest producer after Peabody, cut its "overall disabling injury rate" in half between studies

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Searchers find bodies

JOHN DAY, Ore. (AP) — Searchers found the bodies of two Hermiton men Monday in the wreckage of a light plane that crashed in the Strawberry Mountain area.

The Oregon Civil Air Patrol identified the dead men as the pilot, Jerry Johnson, and his passenger, Curtis Seiter.

They had left Hermiton early Saturday for a two-day fishing trip to the McDermitt area on the Oregon-Nevada border.

The crash occurred between Strawberry and Canyon mountains about 16 miles southeast of John Day.

The plane had been the subject of a search since Saturday, when officials at the Hermiton Airport determined the men had not arrived at their destination and did not return at Burns, as they had planned.

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Senate battles on ballot in 2 states

The Associated Press

Florida Gov. Bob Graham and Sen. Paula Hawkins face their first hurdles Tuesday en route to a confrontation in November, while Nevada voters begin choosing a successor to retiring Republican Sen. Paul Laxalt.

Both states also have primaries for governor, with five Democrats and four Republicans in Florida—hoping to replace Graham, a two-term Democrat, and five Republicans seeking the nomination to oppose Nevada's Democratic Gov. Dick Bryan.

a close race to Laxalt in 1974. His only opposition comes from Manny Beale, who has in recent weeks been in hiding from a contempt order issued because he refused to remove garish business signs at his Lake Tahoe hamburger stand.

In Nevada, Republicans hoping to keep Laxalt's seat in their column have drafted former Rep. Jim Santini, who served four terms in Congress as a Democrat. Santini, one of the congressional "boll weevils" who backed President Reagan's budget and tax cuts, said the president told him: "Better a change of parties, Jim, than a change of principles."

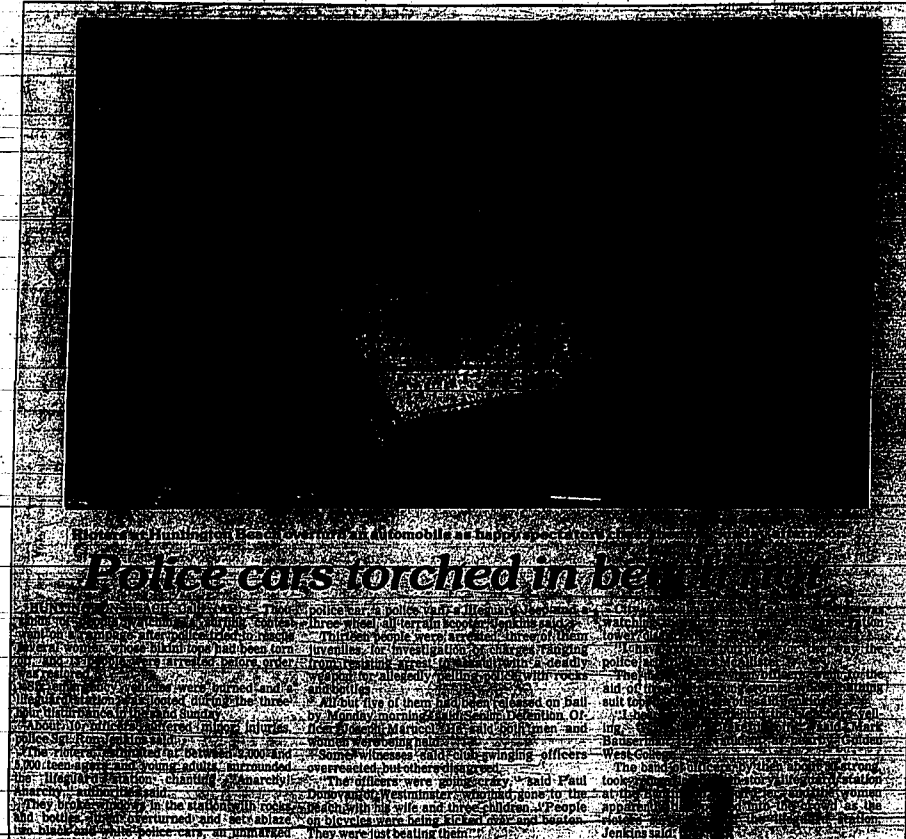
Bryan, highly popular as he finishes his first term as governor, is widely expected to challenge first-term Republican Sen. Chic Hecht in 1988. He faces nominal opposition in the Democratic primary, from millionaire businessman Herb Tobman, who is mad at the current administration because he lost his Las Vegas gaming license after a skimming investigation.

Opposing Santini are airline pilot Curk Cave and Las Vegas minister Richard Gilster II.

In the GOP primary, state Treasurer Patty Caffery and state Assemblyman Jim Stone are the best-known of the five candidates.

The Democratic front-runner is two-term Rep. Harry Reid, who lost

In Georgia, former civil rights allies Julian Bond and John Lewis meet in a runoff for the Democratic nomination in the 6th Congressional District. The GOP nomination also will be decided by a runoff, between former Atlanta policeman David Wood and journalist Portia Scott. The district has not sent a Republican to Congress since 1973.



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Group challenges biological weapons

WASHINGTON (AP) — An environmental activist group is on the latest challenge, noting that it had not seen the suit.

Foundation president Jeremy Rifkin said a \$100,000 whistle-blower fund the group is setting up is designed "to protect scientists and their families who might suffer reprisals including loss of job and income and government harassment for publicly disclosing illegal biological weapons research."

"This is not a reward fund," he added. "The money is only available if a scientist has need for financial help in covering things like court costs, loss of employment or relocation. Scientists are in a unique position to know whether or not unlawful biological warfare research is being conducted in their laboratories."

Rifkin said the foundation had managed to establish the fund thanks to a gift from an anonymous donor. He declined to elaborate.

He added the foundation had already mailed details of the fund to 10,000 microbiologists working in the United States and would soon attempt similar mailings to scientists in Europe. Efforts also will be made to publicize the fund in scientific journals that might be read by Soviet researchers, he said.

As for the international conference scheduled to get underway Sept. 8 in

Geneva, Rifkin said the foundation was attempting to alert delegates that the "missile gap" paranoia of the early 1960s... is about to be joined by the "gene gap" paranoia of the 1980s.

The Pentagon has charged the Soviet Union with violating the 1972 accord and responded by increasing its spending on defensive research to more than \$60 million a year, Rifkin said.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Soon after returning next week from his recess, the House is to vote on an ambitious and expensive bill that would give the nation a new generation of weapons in 10 years.

But despite bipartisan agreement among House leaders to pass the bill this year, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole has no plans to rush consideration of a costly escalation of the federal "arms" effort.

While the Republican-controlled Senate could pass a smaller drug bill before Congress adjourns, the differing views between Dole and the Democratic-led House could set election on combatting drugs.

The House proposal, the handwork of 11 committees, could add hundreds of millions of dollars to federal spending in an era of budget cutting.

Its new weapons against drugs include hard-

ware, such as the most sophisticated boats, planes, radars, and communications systems available; thousands of new enforcement personnel; more prison cells; an increase in prosecutors and laws that would give U.S. attorneys more tools to use against violators.

House Majority Leader Jim Wright has scheduled floor action for Sept. 10, but Dole spokesman Walt Riker said House action would mean little to the Senate schedule.

"Our plan is to take care of immediate needs for short term. We want to be cost effective in getting a handle on what really is needed besides just dumping in a couple billion dollars," Riker said.

Political disputes over the war on drugs are not new. Democrats in both houses have often accused the Reagan administration of failing to match its rhetoric with a commitment of resources.

"Money is the difference," said Rep. Glenn English, D-Okla., whose House Government Operations subcommittee has held 38 hearings on the drug issue.

English recently released findings, based on his hearings, that the drug war suffers from shortages of men and equipment and a lack of proper cooperation from the military.

"Surveillance is non-existent along much of the Southern U.S. border, the panel said.

The House bill would use five approaches: "for short term. We want to be cost effective in getting a handle on what really is needed besides just dumping in a couple billion dollars," Riker said.

In addition, a Senate Democratic Drug Task Force, headed by Lawton Chiles of Florida and Joseph Biden Jr. of Delaware, has introduced a comprehensive program to deal with deadly cocaine freebase, or "crack."

Son gets raves from parents

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — President Reagan and his wife Nancy gave rave reviews Monday to the performance of the guest host on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America" — their son, Ron Reagan.

The Reagans, vacationing at their mountain-top ranch, got up early to watch their son on television.

"Mrs. Reagan said this morning she thought he was great. He was just wonderful, amazingly poised, really very good, and we were impressed," said White House deputy press secretary Larry Speakes.

He said the Reagans planned to talk soon with Ron.

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Concern expressed about recession

WASHINGTON (AP) — While the Reagan administration and the most optimistic private economists say the United States is about to shake out of two years of business stagnation, others see it differently.

Some of the economists who study each curvature of the business cycle are starting to whisper recession — the dreaded word — which spells downturn.

The most pessimistic among this set of doubting economists actually have started to include a recession in their forecasts and a relentless string of poor economic news bolsters their case. Others, while not going that far, do say the country is skating perilously close to recession.

Production at the nation's factories has fallen for three straight months, something that hasn't happened since the depths of the 1981-82 recession.

The country's trade deficit, which the administration expected would be improving by now because of a steep fall in the value of the dollar against foreign currencies, is getting worse. The buy-and-sell ledger hit a record \$18 billion deficit in July, the government reported Friday.

The gross national product, the broadest measure of U.S. economic health, grew at an annual rate of just 0.6 percent in the April-June quarter, indicating the economy was at a near standstill. That represented the weakest growth since the end of the last recession in late 1982.

The news has not been all bad, however. Consumer prices, which had been soaring at double-digit rates just a few years ago, actually fell at an annual rate of 0.2 percent in the first seven months of this year, the first inflation performance in 37 years.

But many economists are becoming concerned that the problem-plagued parts of the economy — manufacturing, agriculture, energy — are beginning to contaminate the stronger sectors.

In particular, they are worried that consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of economic growth, could begin to falter in coming months because of rising unemployment and a record-high level of consumer debt.

"The current recovery, in its 48th month, is considered well into advanced old age as recoveries go. It already is the second longest expansion since the end of World War II, and is well past the 33-month average length for recoveries from periods of business downturns."

Beryl Sprinkel, President Reagan's chief economic adviser, argues that recoveries die not from old age, but from "base economic policy decisions."

But other economists worry that with business growth so slow, some unforeseen shock could be enough to start another recession.

Economists generally define the business cycle as being in a state of recession when there have been two consecutive quarters of decline in the GNP.

Robert J. Eggert, editor of Blue Chip Economic Indicators, financial newsletter, said four of the 52 economists he surveys each month are now forecasting a recession. Two months ago, only one analyst offered that prediction.

A. George Gols, vice president for economics at Arthur D. Little Inc., a Cambridge, Mass., consulting firm, is one of those who believes a recession will start next year.

"My basic premise is that the United States right now is highly vulnerable to a second round of the high-federal-budget-deficit, the record-high trade deficit, the unprecedented level of consumer debt and the high-debt situation of the less-developed countries," he said. "It is not going to take much to imbalance the situation."

While Gols says there's a 75 percent chance that a recession will occur next year, John K. Langhin, head of Business Economics in Chicago, consulting firm, said he believes the country is already in a recession.

He said the administration and those calling for a strong upturn in growth in the months ahead will be proven wrong.

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"It's imperative to tell women that it's not their fault — that they have gotten better (with age) but they've got a bad market situation," said sociologist Ann Swidler of Stanford University, one of six social scientists who examined the "marriage crunch" issue.

Their paper, she noted, detracts from the theory that diminishing marriage prospects for women who are younger than they are, mostly normally-betitled "picky women who walked too long." And it points out that "strong, independent women need love just as much as strong independent men."

The four sociologists and two psychologists wrote their findings as "a think piece" after dissecting the topic using feminist principles and the findings of other scientists.

Swidler said: "They found, essentially, that there is no shortage of men in the marriage market, only

a practice of men marrying, and remarrying, women who are younger than they are, mostly in colleges," she noted, where men of all ages compete for "freshmen females."

"When a woman gets to be a senior, her phone has just stopped ringing off the hook. Has she suddenly lost her freshness of complexion, her looks, her vitality?" she asked sarcastically.

The escalating divorce rate exacerbates the problem, she said, because "men have an enormous range of women to choose from" and

often remarry women decades younger.

That leads to "devastating consequences for married women," she noted. "Women are worried about keeping their husbands. ... It effects the internal power-relationships for both husbands and wives, even in enduring relationships."

It also leads to elderly women being left alone when their older spouse dies.

And while personality traits like wisdom and sensitivity improve for both sexes with age, they are not as highly valued in women, she said.

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Bomb in South African suburb injures 18

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — A bomb left at the parcel counter Monday blew out the front of a store in a middle-class white suburb of Durban. Police said 18 blacks and whites were injured, including a 3-year-old girl.

The whole place was filled with smoke within minutes, said Larry McDonald, a pharmacist. "There was chaos. People were screaming and running." Dr. John Keenan, chief of emergency services for Natal province, said the 3-year-old white child and four other people were seriously wounded. The government and witnesses said the casualties were 12 employees and six customers.

It was the ninth bombing since the government imposed a nationwide state of

emergency June 12 in an attempt to quell racial unrest and started arresting thousands of people without charges.

The bomb demolished the front windows of a Pick 'n Pay store in the Montclair shopping center and tore a hole in the ceiling, said Vernon Mitchell, general manager of the chain of budget department stores.

He said the bomb was deposited at the counter where customers leave their bags and packages while shopping. The counter and a nearby cigarette and candy kiosk were destroyed.

The lighting fixtures dangled from the ceiling, four cash registers were knocked to the floor and shattered glass was scattered everywhere.

Government spokesmen said one of those

seriously injured was the cigarette seller, Monica Ström, who had wounds on her head and hands. A witness said she was "covered with blood."

Police used bomb-sniffing dogs to search for more explosives. Paramedics tended some of the wounded in the parking lot, and ambulances took others to hospitals.

Two of the previous bombings occurred in Durban. Eight people have been killed and 143 wounded in the nine explosions, the last of which was Aug. 2 in Walvis Bay on the Atlantic coast.

No one has claimed responsibility for any of the attacks, but the government blames guerrillas of the African National Congress, which is outlawed in South Africa. ANC headquarters in Lusaka, Zambia, has refused to confirm or deny involvement.

According to government figures, 264 people have been killed in racial unrest since June 12.

The Pick 'n Pay chain was the target of a nationwide strike by more than 6,000 black workers last May that affected 40 of its 90 stores and closed 14. The strike ended weeks ago, and there was no indication of a connection between it and Monday's bombing.

Louis le Grange, the law and order minister, told Parliament on Monday that 9,337 people have been detained for more than 30 days under emergency powers.

A list of 786 names presented Monday is in addition to 8,551 revealed to Parliament on Aug. 18. The reports are required under the Public Safety Act, the basis for President

P.W. Botha's emergency declaration.

Le Grange did not say how many people had been released or how many were arrested and held for 30 days or less.

The government Bureau of Information said a 12-year-old black girl was killed and two black women were injured by a gasoline bomb thrown into their home near Grahamstown in eastern Cape province Sunday night.

Town councillors in Soweto, like their counterparts in other black townships, are seen by many blacks as sellouts to the white government. The Soweto council is unpopular because of its decision to start evicting families participating in a widespread rent boycott that was a principal factor in last week's violence.

Nicaragua accuses U.S. of aggression

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — President Daniel Ortega declared his charges of U.S. aggression Monday to the leaders of nations that profess non-alignment.

Ortega, who hopes to lead the non-aligned group at its next summit in 1989, spoke on the opening day of the conference, which has chosen the former Western powers, South Africa and Israel as its principal targets.

About 50 heads of state are here with vice presidents and foreign ministers from other nations in the 101-member non-aligned movement.

Ortega said the 3-year-old war of Nicaragua, which would make him chairman of the movement for the succeeding three years.

In his speech to the conference, Ortega declared that "Latin America... has been a target of aggression, intervention and interference on the part of the superpower that is enthroned on our continent."

Leaders of Iran and Iraq sat separately in the flag-decked conference hall starting Monday. He said as other speakers ranging from Mugabe to Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat urged an end to the war the two Persian Gulf neighbors began in September 1980.

President Ali Khamenei of Iran did not refer to the conflict in his own address to the delegates. Word of new and bloody offensives came from military commanders in both Iran and Iraq.

An afternoon ceremony marked the 25th anniversary of the non-aligned organization's founding in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. Its membership has quadrupled since then with the independence

of former colonies.

Mugabe, who succeeded Prime Minister Ravi Gandhi of India on Monday as chairman of the group, made a lengthy attack in his keynote address on U.S. support for anti-Marxist rebels in Nicaragua and Angola.

The comments underlined expectations he will steer the movement on a tougher course against the West.

Mugabe led guerrillas in a long war against the white minority that controlled what once was Rhodesia. It ended in 1980 when the former British colony became independent as black-governed Zimbabwe.

The South West Africa People's Organization backed Nicaragua's bid to host the next summit of the non-aligned organization, which presents itself as independent of both the United States and the Soviet Union.

Iran claims big push into Iraq

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran claimed its forces captured seven strategic heights Monday in a big push in the craggy northern front of the Persian Gulf war, but Iraq said it kept back the assault and inflicted heavy Iranian losses.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said large Iranian forces forced deep inside Iraq in the Haj Omran region Sunday, launching a 1 a.m. Monday.

No indication was given of the size of the assault force, but Iraq's state-run Baghdad Radio also monitored in Nicosia, quoted an Iraqi military spokesman as saying three Iranian divisions were involved.

No independent confirmation was available of claims by either side. Iran and Iraq rarely allow outside reporters to observe the 730-mile-long frontline. This month, the war enters its seventh year.

IRNA said an Iranian military communiqué as saying the Iranians pushed through the Haj Omran region Monday and shelled roads in the Haj Omran basin from mountains overlooking the region in Kurdistan. It did not say the heights reported to have been captured.

In the communiqué, according to IRNA, said the 708th Infantry Brigade of the Iraqi 5th Army Corps and three affiliated battalions were "totally demolished" with several field commanders killed.

Tehran radio, monitored in London, claimed more than 3,000 Iraqis were killed or wounded in

the offensive, codenamed Karbala-2. It gave no breakdown.

IRNA said at least 200 Iraqis were captured, scores of vehicles destroyed and five tanks seized.

The Iranian news agency also said an Iraqi fighter-bomber and a helicopter gunship were shot down.

Baghdad radio quoted a spokesman as saying the drive was crushed before dawn, with thousands of Iranian casualties.

The Iraqi News Agency, of INA, also monitored in Nicosia, claimed Iraq's air force, which outnumbered Iran's air strength about 10-to-1, staged 116 bombing runs against Iranian forces Monday.

It claimed five Iranian helicopters destroyed and hundreds of vehicles and weapons knocked out in low-level raids.

IRNA said two counter-offensives were repulsed in the Bakhtarann and Ham sectors south of Haj Omran, with more than 100 Iraqis killed or wounded.

Iranian communiques gave no indication if Karbala-2 was part of the "final offensive" Iranian leaders have warned for weeks was imminent.

Military analysts have long believed the decisive battles in the long war will be fought in the least militarized of the front—central and southern sectors. Iraq's two largest cities, Baghdad and Basra, are in these sectors and are vulnerable to attack.

Karbala-2 was launched during a great Iranian mobilization for the expected offensive in the September-October dry season.

Earthquake causes extensive damage

KISHINEV, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Work crews cleaned up Monday after an earthquake that officials said killed one person, injured hundreds and damaged 2,300 buildings. The city was calm, and children went off to the first day of school.

Cars and vans with loudspeakers patrolled major streets of Kishinev, which has a population of 640,000 and is the capital of Moldavia. They advised residents that everything was under control after Sunday's quake.

Izvestia, the Soviet government newspaper, quoted Deputy Mayor Vladimir Tkachenko as saying 20 percent of the damaged buildings would be repaired and repaired to use. He said nothing of the other buildings, but his comment implied they would be razed.

Damage to most buildings in the center of the city appeared minor. Broken windows and cracked masonry were visible in some.

The roof collapsed at a five-story granite structure housing three Moldavian government ministries, and corridors and ceilings were broken. The foundation of a 15-story tower under construction appeared to have been undermined.

Toppled window displays along Lenin Avenue, Kishinev's main street, were being righted by shop clerks. Trucks loaded with debris from damaged buildings traversed the street.

Izvestia said most of the buildings damaged were of brick. It added that at least one built to resist earthquakes, a dormitory for workers' families, was "deformed" by the tremor.

The earthquake hit Romania and neighboring Yugoslavia, a small republic in the southwest corner of the Soviet Union, at 1:28 a.m. Sunday. It registered 6.5 on the Richter scale at its epicenter about 120 miles

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East German commander seeks asylum

MUNICH, West Germany (AP) — An East German lieutenant colonel sought asylum here Monday at the border and asked for asylum in West Germany, the West German federal intelligence office said Monday.

A spokesman for the office confirmed a Bild newspaper report that Col. Dietmar Mann, commander of the 3rd Battalion of Communist East Germany's 24th Border Regiment, defected on Sunday.

The name and battalion in the report is correct according to information we have from the West German border police, the spokesman said, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press.

West German security sources, also speaking on condition they were not identified, said the 35-year-old Mann was questioned Monday by the federal intelligence agency in Pullach near Munich.

Bild, a Hamburg-based mass circulation newspaper, said the high ranking officer had fled in uniform from the East German border near Saxony, West Germany's Lower Saxony state, about 45 miles north of Hanover.

No details of how the officer escaped were released.

Iran claims big push into Iraq

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran claimed its forces captured seven strategic heights Monday in a big push in the craggy northern front of the Persian Gulf war, but Iraq said it kept back the assault and inflicted heavy Iranian losses.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said large Iranian forces forced deep inside Iraq in the Haj Omran region Sunday, launching a 1 a.m. Monday.

No indication was given of the size of the assault force, but Iraq's state-run Baghdad Radio also monitored in Nicosia, quoted an Iraqi military spokesman as saying three Iranian divisions were involved.

No independent confirmation was available of claims by either side. Iran and Iraq rarely allow outside reporters to observe the 730-mile-long frontline. This month, the war enters its seventh year.

IRNA said an Iranian military communiqué as saying the Iranians pushed through the Haj Omran region Monday and shelled roads in the Haj Omran basin from mountains overlooking the region in Kurdistan. It did not say the heights reported to have been captured.

In the communiqué, according to IRNA, said the 708th Infantry Brigade of the Iraqi 5th Army Corps and three affiliated battalions were "totally demolished" with several field commanders killed.

Tehran radio, monitored in London, claimed more than 3,000 Iraqis were killed or wounded in

Earthquake causes extensive damage

KISHINEV, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Work crews cleaned up Monday after an earthquake that officials said killed one person, injured hundreds and damaged 2,300 buildings. The city was calm, and children went off to the first day of school.

Cars and vans with loudspeakers patrolled major streets of Kishinev, which has a population of 640,000 and is the capital of Moldavia. They advised residents that everything was under control after Sunday's quake.

Izvestia, the Soviet government newspaper, quoted Deputy Mayor Vladimir Tkachenko as saying 20 percent of the damaged buildings would be repaired and repaired to use. He said nothing of the other buildings, but his comment implied they would be razed.

Damage to most buildings in the center of the city appeared minor. Broken windows and cracked masonry were visible in some.

The roof collapsed at a five-story granite structure housing three Moldavian government ministries, and corridors and ceilings were broken. The foundation of a 15-story tower under construction appeared to have been undermined.

Toppled window displays along Lenin Avenue, Kishinev's main street, were being righted by shop clerks. Trucks loaded with debris from damaged buildings traversed the street.

Izvestia said most of the buildings damaged were of brick. It added that at least one built to resist earthquakes, a dormitory for workers' families, was "deformed" by the tremor.

The earthquake hit Romania and neighboring Yugoslavia, a small republic in the southwest corner of the Soviet Union, at 1:28 a.m. Sunday. It registered 6.5 on the Richter scale at its epicenter about 120 miles

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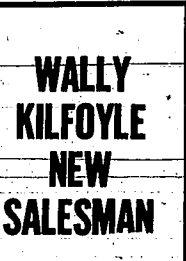
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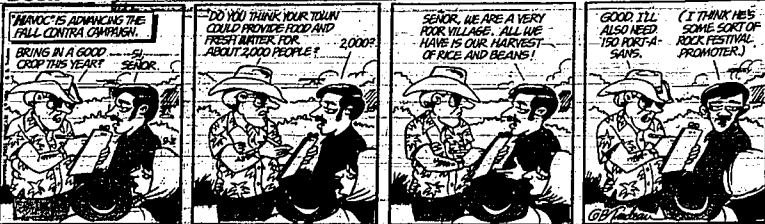
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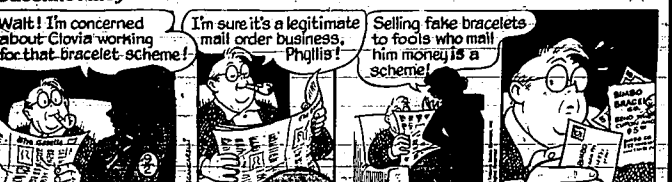
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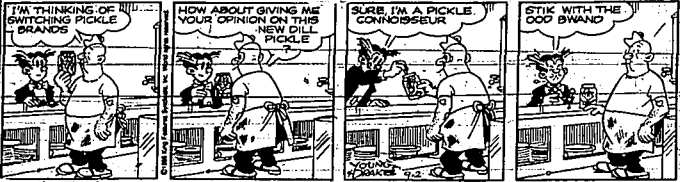
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L.M. Boyd
What's what

Canada has more street people than it knows what to do with. One such, an ex-convict, says he finally figured out why he hadn't made it: He'd never learned to read and write. To fill that need, he taught himself, sufficiently well to teach others, too. A friend in a similar fix did likewise. Now they go into alleys and give chalk talks on brick walls to any who want to learn. Illiteracy, they believe, is the secret enemy. They've taught more than 300, so far. And more and more show up.

Handwriting exerts don't agree on much, but they seem to agree generally that a woman who makes large loops in her y's and g's tends to be highly affectionate and responsive.

Bill is the real first name of Atlanta Braves catcher Bill Poceroba.

SKUNK
Q: How far can a skunk fire its volley?
A: Eight, maybe 10 feet.

Vatican nuns stock 6,000 different shades of thread to repair the tapestries.

Q: Who was Cornelius McGillicuddy?
A: Baseball's legendary Connie Mack.

You can buy a watch that utters the time outloud with the push of a button.

Q: What book of the Bible makes no mention of God?
A: Esther.

ATHLETES
Today's athletes are smarter than yesterday's, but their eyesight isn't

as good. Generally, what's happening is said to please the educators and optometrists. Today's myopic high school athletes are succeeding where 100 years of propaganda failed — they're popularizing both scholarship and spectacles.

To get a driver's license in Egypt, all you have to do is back the car between two stones set fairly far apart behind you. That's it.

The Procrastinators Club of America recently named its choice of today's best comedy team: Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

Young lady, are you stashing away 10 percent of your income? Almost a third of the women do, it's claimed

Daily Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Despite some early morning delays in putting across special capabilities, you will find that by keeping your charm and being considerate you will gain good will.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Study carefully how to get some new ideas across and carry through intelligently and politely. PP

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): You can complete that problem that has taken a long time to solve. Find articles that add comfort at home.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): A

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22): You have had little luck with old interests so forget them and get into more lucrative outlets.

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Gish to make new movie with Bette Davis

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Lillian Gish is about to embark on her 106th movie in a career that began 84 years ago at age 5.

During a weekend appearance for a tribute to her late actress sister Dorothy, Ms. Gish showed little wear and tear and was gracious, witty and enthusiastic.

"She's the more talented of the two of us," the actress said of her sister, who died in 1968. "And I'm here to prove it."

Ms. Gish starts on location in Maine on Sept. 8 for a new film with Bette Davis. She was the weekend guest of the Society for Cinophiles, an organization for fans of early film.

"I was put to work at the age of 5," Ms. Gish said. "I never went to school. We were poor. We went to bed hungry sometimes, but we loved each other. I had a happy life."

The Gish girls made their leap to fame through D.W. Griffith, who signed them in 1912. Ms. Gish starred in his 1915 film "The Birth of a Nation."



LILLIAN GISH
Making 106th film

Son of deposed Libyan King speaks on rights

ROME (AP) — The son of deposed King Idris of Libya appealed to European governments and interna-

tional organizations Monday to turn their attention to alleged human rights violations in Libya.

"Nobody ever speaks about the human rights of the Libyan people, who still have no constitution and no right to defense in a trial," said Prince Idris on Senussi, whose father died in 1983.

The prince, speaking on the 17th anniversary of the Libyan revolution, said Libyan leader Col. Muammar Gadhafi "should go along with the whole present system."

He accused the Libyan regime of bringing the country to economic ruin through military spending.

Charlotte Ford marries during birthday party

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. (AP) — The invitation was to a birthday party, but the 35 guests were surprised by a different gala — the wedding of Charlotte Ford, daughter of actor Henry Ford II, and financier Edward Reynolds Downe Jr.

Sunday's ceremony was held at

Miss Ford's Southampton home.

Miss Ford, 45, was married twice previously, to shipping tycoon Stavros Niarchos and to J. Anthony Forstmann, a fashion designer, she has written books on etiquette and shopping. Her father is the retired chairman of Ford Motor Co., which was founded by her great-grandfather.

In spite of the surprise wedding, the birthday invitations were real. Downe turned 57 on Sunday. He is a noted collector of contemporary American art and is the former chairman of Downe Communications.

Former Miss Italy's daughter wins crown

SALSOMAGGIORE, ITALY (AP) — When Roberta Capua was crowned as the 1986 Miss Italy here, photographers insisted that she pose with her mother — Maria — herself — a Miss Italy 27 years ago.

"Through my daughter, I have relived those beautiful moments," Mrs. Capua said at Sunday's ceremony. "But I will not do her what

my parents did to me — they forbade me from becoming an actress or a model. I will support whatever Roberta chooses to do."

Roberta, 17, of Naples, said she wants to become a psychoanalyst.

Puerto Rican family swims channel as team

DOVER, ENGLAND (AP) — A Puerto Rican couple and their four children have swum from England to France to become the first relay team made up of one family to swim across the English Channel.

The Hauck family, of Santurce, made the 21-mile crossing in 11 hours and 13 minutes Sunday.

"It was tough," Harry Hauck, 67, said Monday. "We all had problems of some kind, mainly brought on by cold air temperature when the afternoon sun went in and darkness descended for the last few hours. The sea also got rough in the latter stages."

His wife Carol, 49, was seasick; son Jason, 17, had a dislocated knee; Harry Jr., 29, had asthma; and daughter Krista, 24, had food poisoning.

Only Hauck and Timothy, 26, suffered no ailments.

But Hauck said there was no way anyone could have dropped out because the rules require six swimmers, each in the water an hour at a time, and "to give up means letting the whole family down."

Competition at Niagara Falls violent

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. (AP) — This vacation spot famous as a romantic honeymoon hideaway has become a tourist industry battleground of firebombs, looted information booths, cut fuel lines and patrolling guard dogs.

Niagara Falls draws 10 million people a year to gaze at its thundering waterfalls, generating a tourism payroll of \$5.5 million.

New competition among operators of sightseeing, information booths, and hotels and motels has produced a series of violent incidents. No one has been arrested or injured, but passersby have been endangered, property damaged and security increased.

"I hope it's behind us because that sure is bad publicity for Niagara Falls," said David J. Fleck Jr., president of the Niagara Falls Hotel and Motel Association. "This isn't Beirut. It's America."

On July 16, an information booth in North East, Pa., run by Bridal Veil Tours of Niagara Falls, was firebombed. Two women standing nearby outside were shielded from the blast by a concrete wall.

The next day, a pipe bomb ripped open a Niagara Falls information booth run by Gavin Tours.

In July 1987, a firebomb caused \$16,000 damage at a Niagara Falls tourist booth owned by Eugene Guido, a motel and restaurant owner who is considered the city's biggest sightseeing tour operator.

The violence apparently is rooted in the intense competition among

four operators and in the struggle between hotels downtown near the falls and uptown motels with less attractive locations.

One result of the competition is potential confusion for tourists, who are left to their own devices once they enter the city limits. For one thing, there's no "This way to the falls" sign for visitors.

As they come into town, they encounter but one official information booth, operated by the Niagara Falls Convention and Visitors Bureau. The rest are official-looking stands actually run by privately owned sightseeing companies with ties to certain hotels or motels.

Guido said his company gets \$5 for each room it books with a hotel or motel.

Though he has business interests both uptown and downtown, Guido opposes signs to the falls.

"Show me a tourist among the hundreds of millions of visitors in history who have come here and went home without finding the falls," he said. "I still rest very strongly, that tourists should be left alone, once they get to the city limits. Let the best man win once they get into the city."

"I've tried for 11 years to get a sign directing tourists to the falls. I have not been able to get a sign," said Mayor Michael O'Laughlin.

"There are some who feel you shouldn't tell (tourists) where the falls are, let them wander around, buy some gas, buy some food. Let them get mad."

Fleck, who runs the downtown Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, says misinformation is sometimes given out at the booths.

"They'll tell them the hotels are all filled. Or, this is a bad area, go to the other side. Or they'll show them a picture of traffic jams in downtown Niagara Falls," he said.

The tourists, he said, later discover that what they have been told isn't necessarily true.

"They're gonna go back to their home town and say, 'Hey! Niagara Falls, N.Y., is a ripoff. They just ripped us off, so go to Canada,'" Fleck said.

Despite their differences, both Guido and Fleck see Canada as their main rival in the struggle to get the tourist business.

Guido said the first thing tourists ask is "Where's Canada?" — a 20-second drive across the Rainbow Bridge.

"No, I have to talk people out of Canada," said Guido. "No, I have to book them a room, and they'll sell them a tour if we can."

Ontario, Guido said, spends \$30 million a year for tourism and gets \$22 million a year to maintain the park on the Canadian side of the falls.

The New York state Commerce Department's entire tourism budget is \$14.8 million and the Parks Commission, as of 1985, had a \$4.4 million budget for seven state parks, including the one at the falls, Guido said.

Compromise appeared possible as this summer drew to a close.

Fleck said Guido has agreed to alter the signs on his main sightseeing booth to make them look less official.

"We don't need a policeman or a law passed to find compromises," Guido said. "Intelligent business people can sit down and try to work things out, even if they're competitors."

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AT 7:00

ENDS TUESDAY ARMED AND DANGEROUS
AT 9:00

LIBERTY CINEMA

NOTHING IN COMMON (PG)
7:00-9:15

TOUCH AND GO (R)
7:20-9:20

RUTHLESS PEOPLE (R)
7:20-9:15

8TH WEEK KARATE KID 2
7:00-9:10

TWIN CINEMA

14TH WEEK TOP GUN (PG)
7:05-9:05

8TH WEEK KARATE KID 2 (PG)
7:00-9:10

NOTHING IN COMMON (PG)
7:00-9:15

TOUCH AND GO (R)
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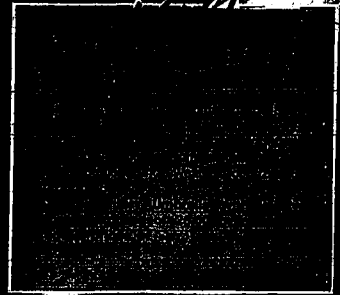
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Steady efforts bring gradual improvements to labor center

BY PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — Many of the high weeds are gone now and mended toilets are again white at the Twin Falls Labor Center.

said manager Tony Davila, hired last month: With the help of a part-time employee, he has riddled four more houses — to rent at \$135 a month and four more will be ready soon: The houses are available year-round.

ly, he added.
Some of the barracks still leak when it rains, and the barracks are 'not fantastic,' Davila said. But they are clean and provide a good shelter.

After the problems were found, the board immediately began making repairs and paying the bills. Shewmaker said the board still is making payments on some of the older bills not handling new ones because he discovered, such as two years of unpaid employment withholding taxes. He didn't know the total outstanding amount.

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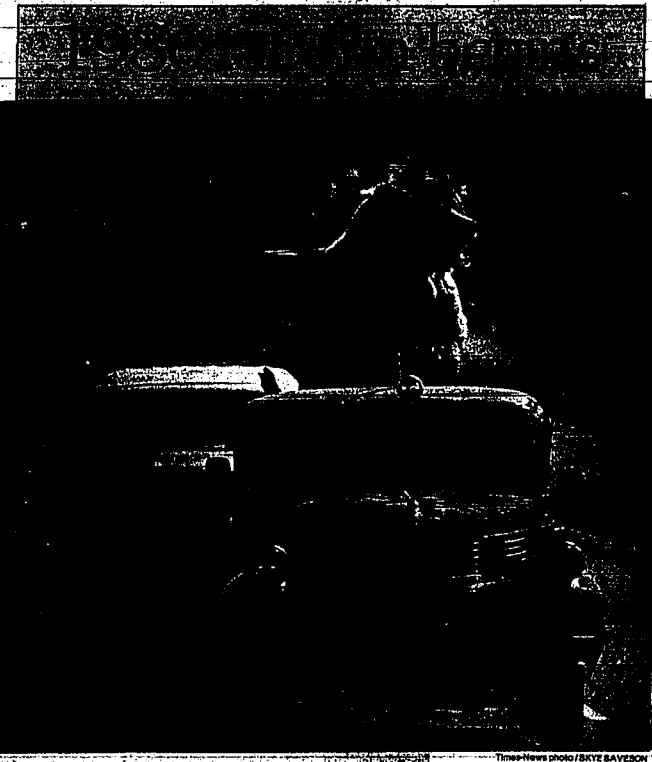
County budget hearing is today

Sessions scheduled for all departments

BY PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — A day-long public hearing on the proposed 1986-87 Twin Falls County budget, which is \$1 million larger than this year's, will be held Tuesday, starting at 10 a.m.

The public hearing will consist of eleven sessions focusing on the different county departments. The schedule is as follows:

- Auditor — 10 a.m.
Assessor — 10:30 a.m.
Commissioners, Prosecutor — 11 a.m.
Sheriff — 11:30 a.m.
Treasurer, Weed Department — 1:30 p.m.
Fair, Coroner and Civil-Defense — 2 p.m.
Solid Waste, Zoning, Parks and Recreation — 2:30 p.m.
Department heads and elected officials will be available to answer questions during the sessions, which will be held in the office of the Twin Falls County Board of Commissioners.



Headed for the fair Monday was a Schlermer, Taded exhibit: a 10-foot Kodiak bear

Judges cast keen eyes over the handiwork of hopeful bunch of artisans and gardeners

BY JANE ROBINSON
Times-News writer
FILER — With the eye of a woman who has seen it all and knows quality in an instant, Viola Halnlaine scrutinized the handiwork of dozens competing for bragging rights at the 70th annual Twin Falls County Fair.



the molds, pours the figures out of lead and silver, — and then paints them.
His castle won a first place and the admiration of fair worker Frances Kambrick.

"He started it for his grandchildren several years ago in Switzerland," said Kambrick. "Every year he makes a different regimen and sends them the book. It's very authentic and it improves their grades a lot."

quested. However, owner Glen Nelson and the city have been unable to agree upon a fair price for the 157 acres until now.
A city staff report says that engineer Dale Riedesel, a consultant for the city, and Nelson have agreed to a price of \$185,000 with buildings but without water. Some relocation costs would also have to be paid.

Seed powders discovered by curious cat

Apparent dumping of wastes occurred at least 10 years ago

BY ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — An orange cat named Tiger has uncovered a secret dump in the center of the city where health officials suspect hazardous wastes were stealthily piped from one warehouse to another at least a decade ago.

Curves' east to the crawspace of Cain's, where it emptied. Stoll said: Health officials found, the pipe covered about a 15-by-20-foot area, he said. Before clean-up efforts began this summer, it was 6 inches deep in places and had seeped 2 1/2 inches into the soil.

Pat Stoll, senior hazardous material specialist with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Division of Environment, confirmed that a seed coating was illegally dumped in the crawspace.
It appears that, unknown to Cain's Furniture and Appliance, which began using the furniture warehouse in the '60s, a bean-warehouse next door at 305 Wall Street was piping its waste into Cain's crawspace, Stoll said.

"I worked at a seed house for years! I knew what it was!" — Gladys Shear
Lindane, aldrin and endrin. The make-up of the coating material varied as if different mixtures had been dumped in different years, he added.

plified the city with drinking water. However, since the '60s the city has supplied well water rather than Snake River water for home use. Some of the city's water shares are still used for irrigation of lawns within the city, and those shares will not be leased or sold, council members say.
The council will begin the meeting with a public hearing to discuss a 50 percent increase in Downtown Business Improvement District assessment rates. The increase has been suggested to offset the loss of revenue from stores quitting business or leaving the downtown area; to cover additional landscaping costs; and to pay for more advertising and promotions to help downtown stores compete with the new Magic Valley Mall scheduled to open this fall.

Council agenda: Airport land purchase, water shares, hike in BID fees

BY ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Council will discuss acquiring more airport land, leasing water shares and raising taxes for downtown merchants at a 6 p.m. Tuesday meeting.

The council will also discuss a bid for more advertising and promotions to help downtown stores compete with the new Magic Valley Mall scheduled to open this fall. BID members have also suggested that some of the increase be used to pay for more advertising and promotions to help downtown stores compete with the new Magic Valley Mall scheduled to open this fall.

Seven die in wrecks on Idaho highways

By The Associated Press

Seven people have died on Idaho's highways over the long Labor Day weekend, five less than 1985's death count of 12 killed.

The death of a Caldwell man near Twin Falls Sunday brought the death toll to six. Francisco Rodriguez, 38, was killed about 3:15 a.m. when he was thrown from a pickup truck that overturned in the median of Interstate 84.

Other deaths: Michael Edward Nogler, 29, Twin Falls, who died 1/2 mile north of the Interstate 84 junction on U.S. Highway 93 when his motorcycle ran head-on into a motor home.

Randy Craig Marcum, 25, Richland, Wash., killed when a pickup he was riding in overturned on the Liberty Bay road off Idaho Highway 17 near Priest Lake.

Tom P. Sullivan, 23, Wayne H. Elliott Jr., 20, both of Challis, killed in a fiery crash near Challis Friday night. Sullivan was Saturday at a Utah burn center from second- and third-degree burns suffered in the crash. Elliott was pronounced dead at the scene.

Duane Edward Harrison, 59, Idaho Falls, killed Saturday when his car went off Interstate 15 8 miles north of Blackfoot.

Mill output benefiting from incentives

TOUTLE, Wash. (AP) — Wind and lumber whistles through Bob Collier's Weyerhaeuser's shuttered Green Mountain mill a year ago. But that's all changed now, thanks to a unique incentive pay plan.

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Weyerhaeuser agreed to keep the production profit low plan at Green Mountain when it negotiated a two-year contract this summer. Workers get the number of hourly jobs in Washington and Oregon ended up with wage restoration plans based on profitability only. "We've got to have a full year, under our belt and see if this is the solution," says Collier, adding the mill lost money the first three months after it reopened.

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Mining claims rejected by service

MCCALL (AP) — The U.S. National Forest Service has denied mining claims in a wilderness area should not be profitably mined.

Forest Service officials here have recommended that the Bureau of Land Management not allow Jim Colford, a resident of Big Creek in Valley County, to mine the area. Colford is trying to patent his mining claims about Little Ramey Creek in the Big Creek drainage of the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

The next step is up to a BLM administrative law judge, who will hear testimony from the Service and Colford, said David Olson, Payette forest information officer. If Colford can't win approval at that level, eventually he could appeal to the U.S. Interior Department's Board of Land Appeals, Olson said.

Obituaries

Clarence Lemmon
RICHFIELD — Clarence Lemmon, 74, of Richfield, died at his home Sunday after a short illness.

for 10 years before moving to Gooding in 1934, where they had resided since. They recently celebrated their 62nd anniversary.

where he continued to farm. In 1945, he moved to Ontario, where he worked as a construction carpenter and also continued to farm. He retired in 1965.

Anna M. Robinson
GOODING — Anna M. Robinson, 84, of Gooding, died Sunday night at Wood River Convalescent Home in Shoshone.

Michael E. Nogler
TWIN FALLS — Michael E. Nogler, 28, of Twin Falls, died Saturday from injuries received in a motorcycle accident.

Edna Toy
GOODING — Edna Toy, 66, of Gooding, died Monday morning at the Gooding Memorial Hospital.

Services
EDEN — A graveside service for Loyd C. Howard, 76, of Eden, who died Friday, will be held today at 11 a.m. at West End Cemetery in Burley.

Atva E. Hines
GOODING — Atva E. Hines, 85, formerly of Gooding, died Sunday at his home in Ontario, Ore.

Joe Houska
HAZELTON — Joe Houska, 71, of Hazelton, died Saturday at Mindoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert after a lingering illness.

Hospitals
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Omar E. Stallings of Twin Falls, Mrs. Jessa Jones of Filer, Miguel-Rios of Caldwell, and Mrs. Gregory Cunningham of Kimberly.

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Lenzie Lee and Ralph Fairchild, both of Heyburn, and Angela Bruno of Rupert.

Released
Gloria Vela of Burley, Nikki Clayton and baby and Donna Burgess, all of Rupert.

Camas prosecutor to resign his post

By JEROME BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD — Camas County Prosecutor John Dewey has announced he will resign his post Sept. 30.

He also conducts a private practice in the Fairfield area. He said Friday his personal situation requires him to relocate although he has yet to decide on a new location. He said he would vacate his Fairfield positions and "wind down" his private practice but will continue to represent the city of Gooding.

Wastes

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Bybee said a water line on South Wallace Street will be completed in the next few weeks. Letters were sent to all property owners along that street to notify them of the construction and to say some bushes, trees and fences on the right-of-way may have to be moved. Property owner Victor Eckles attended the meeting and asked about the waterline construction.

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Schools take steps to deal with AIDS cases

By LEE MITGANG
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pupils with AIDS are attending school this fall in Kentucky, and Overland, Mo., while in Tucson, Ariz., a child with the disease will study at home until the school district works out a policy.

In Seattle, no AIDS cases have been reported in public school classrooms, but the district is ready with a policy should the problem arise.

A spot check by The Associated Press shows a growing number of school authorities are taking steps to deal with the fatal disease, and most are leaning toward allowing the young victims to attend class, provided they have no obviously contagious symptoms.

In addition, many districts, including Rochester, N.Y.; Jefferson County, Ky.; and Minnesota, have included lessons about AIDS in their curricula, or plan to shortly, Wyoming, but its guidelines for "most AIDS-infected schoolchildren, the benefit of an unrestricted setting would outweigh the risk of their acquiring potentially fatal infections and the apparent non-existent risk of transmitting AIDS."

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Rationality can ease effect of split on kids

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (AP) — The more rationally a divorcing couple behaves, the easier it will be on their children, says a lecturer in "Family and the Law" at the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Common sense? Perhaps, but few people behave sensibly or think clearly when they split up, says Bruno Colapietro, an attorney who devotes more than half of his practice to matrimonial law.

"Stay reasonable," is the first advice Colapietro gives to his clients. "It isn't the end of the world."

He cautions that while the court has the power to sever marriages, it does not have the power to sever the biological mother-child or father-child relationship.

Too often, he says, lawyers treat divorcing people as adversaries.

"That's a poor way to set out," he notes. "The problems are better resolved if the couple, and both attorneys, recognize that it should be handled calmly."

Colapietro says a badly handled divorce can have the same long-term effects as a chemical spill: it may pollute the waters for generations to come.

He tries to imbue new lawyers with his philosophy through his classes at the University Center

at Binghamton, at Cornell University, and through the New York State Bar Association.

"Divorce is upsetting to children of all ages and that hurt can carry over into adulthood. Custody cases are never really over either," he warns, adding that biological parents must be able to come together for events concerning their child, who will need them for milestones such as graduation, marriage, or having children of their own.

"It helps when the parents can get together without glaring at each other," he says.

Divorcing parents often make a difficult situation worse by using the children as weapons against each other, by fighting over custody, by withholding visiting privileges, Colapietro points out.

"The child is in the middle," he says. "And children are smart; they learn that they can play one parent off the other to extort economic benefits. Parents who work together, on the other hand, can easily prevent this."

During the divorce process, Colapietro asks parents to analyze their behavior. Are they acting out of concern for the child or for their own benefit? If a divorce case looks like it will be long and expensive, he gives his clients a direct message: "Do you want to put your children through college, or mine?" he asks.

Topless dancer displays sincere spirit

DEAR ABBY: I am writing because I need some advice about my present employment in relation to how I feel about myself spiritually.

You see, I am a topless dancer and I also consider myself to be a good Christian. I don't want to change my job because I am a single parent and make a very good living for myself and my family. Also, I love to dance.

This job allows me to spend time with my children, take classes at the university, and live a respectable lifestyle. I will eventually get my degree and pursue a career in education and live a clean, God-fearing and virtuous life. I go straight home after work at the club, and do not accept invitations from customers.

Abby, do you think a person can dance topless and believe in God?

— CONCERNED AND PRAYING

DEAR CONCERNED: Obviously, a person can dance topless and

believe in God, because you do.

DEAR ABBY: A reader signed, "My Mother's Daughter" wrote to say that her mother had asked to witness the birth of her grandchild. Her daughter wanted her there, but the husband objected.

He felt that the birth of a child should be a private moment between husband and wife and he didn't want to share it with anyone. They agreed to abide by your decision, and you voted in favor of "allowing the mother to be present."

SMT, but I must disagree with you. I think the husband's wishes should take priority over the wishes

of his mother-in-law.

There seems to be a trend toward inviting children taking pictures and creating a social scene in the delivery room, which I find appalling.

— HELEN IN OMAHA

DEAR HELEN: I expected some flak on my answer, and I got it. I heard everything from "You must be crazy" to "If the woman's mother wants to witness the birth of a baby, she can rent a VCR and a tape and see the whole thing in living color. She can also rent a tape of a conception if she's interested."

My mail has been running 2-to-1 against my answer, but let's be fair and give both sides an airing.

DEAR ABBY: I am a retired midwife and, therefore, have shared in the joy of many a birth. Because the births I helped with were mostly home births, the couples were able to choose whomever they wanted to share in the experience.

I would tell the husband that because the wife was physically the one who was having the baby, I thought that she should have the final say about who should be present, as the more secure and relaxed she was, the easier her labor would be.

Over and over again I saw that the more loving support a woman had in labor, the more beneficial it was for her in every way.

My own mother was unconscious and alone when all her children were born, so attending the birth of my son and holding him when he was just minutes old gave her something special indeed. As for me, having her there gave me strength and courage. I am glad my husband had no objections to having my mother hold my other hand and share with me the miracle of seeing a new life come in to the world.

— IN SUPPORT OF MOTHERS AT BIRTHS

Behavior specialist suggests ways to avoid being doormat

NEW YORK (AP) — If you are tired of being treated like a doormat by your boss, your neighbors and even your family, stand up for yourself without putting anyone down.

Gertrude Kleinman, the director of the Center for Behavior Therapy, New Brunswick, N.J., says in Family Circle magazine never to lose your temper. She has developed seven hold-your-own strategies for dealing with irritating everyday situations.

"If someone makes you angry or upset," she says, "it's best to let that person know honestly and quickly."

1. Extend and demand courtesy, it

- is essential to an effective communication.
- Assume equality. Don't allow yourself to be intimidated.
- If someone makes an insulting comment, don't interpret it. Make the person explain.
- Acknowledge the other person's rights and invite the same consideration for your own.
- Try to balance out a negative answer with a positive statement.
- When someone goes too far, confront the offender and ask for an apology.
- Whenever you have gained a major concession, express your appreciation.

Trans-Atlantic pen pals finally get to meet

READING, Pa. (AP) — We spent most of our time looking at old wedding photos and other pictures from when we were young, said Bickster. "We also took a trip to Wales."

Ingram was most impressed with the housing arrangement of the Boston area.

"The housing in Bethel is very special," she said. "There aren't many fences to close you in like there are in our residential schools. I like that."

"I also liked the food. Dining out in Pennsylvania is a lot cheaper than at home."

One unusual aspect of this long-awaited encounter of "best friends by mail" is that the Ingrams traveled nearly 3,000 miles from their home at 46 Bethel Road, Llanismalton, to wind up at a street with the

same name six hours later. Bickster and her husband, Floyd, entertained the Welsh couple for a week.

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Anti-burglary tips provided

- NEW YORK (AP) — Over 2 million households will be burglarized this year, according to Bureau of Justice Statistics.
- In over 40 percent of burglaries, the thief enters through an open door or window. There are some simple things to do to secure the house without spending a lot of money, says Family Circle magazine.
- Install bright outdoor lights and connect them to automatic timers.
 - Close drapes and curtains when away and hide all valuables.
 - Install wide angle peepholes and deadbolt locks on all doors.
 - Use a jamming bar in the lower track of a sliding glass door.
 - Connect all interior lights to an automatic timer.
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President acknowledges strains on Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Despite the almost constant crisis-devastating Mexico City earthquake and the sleep fall in oil prices, President Miguel de la Madrid insisted Monday that "we cannot afford to lose heart now."

In his fourth state-of-the-union message, de la Madrid recognized the strains and pressures buffeting Mexico, ranging from the drug trade to a massive foreign debt, but he said "the constant problems do not make us succumb to anguish or despair."

The president has completed almost four years of his six-year term, marked by

speech to protest alleged election fraud in this year "the northern states of Chihuahua and Durango this July."

In front of the legislative palace, hunger strikers from leftist parties lifted their vigil Sunday night after 14 days protesting alleged fraud in the southern state of Oaxaca.

The chamber, the lower house of Congress has 400 seats. The president's Institutional Revolutionary Party, which has controlled Mexico since 1929, holds 292 of them.

De la Madrid said state and local elections

Relations with the United States have been particularly strained over the issue. "The country continues to do its full part in the bitter struggle," de la Madrid said.

De la Madrid expressed Mexico's gratitude to all Mexicans and foreigners who helped in the relief effort after the devastating earthquakes of last Sept. 19 and 20 that the government says killed 6,000 people. Unofficial estimates put the toll at 9,500, almost all in Mexico City.

The economy is expected to contract by that much this year.

Nicaraguan says he spied for CIA

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Guillermo Quant Tal, jailed vice president of the Nicaraguan Chamber of Commerce, said Monday he spied for the CIA "out of curiosity" and took no money for it.

Quant Tal, whose parents came to Nicaragua from Taiwan, was arrested Aug. 19. He told a news conference at the Interior Ministry, where he is being held, that he had spied for the Central Intelligence Agency since 1983.

He did not describe the information he provided to the U.S. espionage agency.

In response to a question, he said the only money he received was reimbursement for air fare to Miami, where he went to take a lie-detector test. He gave no details.

Speaking in a barely audible whisper, he said he had been well treated since his arrest.

"I am in their hands," he said of the Nicaraguan authorities. "I'm not afraid. I told them all I

Alleged Nazi war criminal is buried

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — The body of a suspected Nazi war criminal who claimed he was an innocent Spanish immigrant was buried Monday in a cemetery for people of German ancestry.

The suspect, who entered Argentina in 1947 with Spanish documents listing his name as Pedro Olmo, died of heart failure Saturday while under arrest on a West German extradition plea.

The West German government said he really was Walter Kutschmann, 72, a former Nazi-SS lieutenant accused of killing more than 1,500 Jewish civilians in Poland during World War II.

Although he insisted he was Olmo



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Boy, 5, falls into gorilla pit

ST. HELIER, Jersey (AP) — Levan Merritt, 5, was too eager to see the Jersey zoo's gorillas and fell into their pit when patriarch Yambo and his family gathered around in sympathy. Levan screamed so loud he scared them away.

Steve Merritt, Levan's father, said he had lifted the boy up to the wall for a better view. But he turned away to pick up his other child. When he turned back, Levan had fallen 20 feet into the pit, Merritt said.

While the Merritts and dozens of other people watched at the zoo on this English Channel island, Yambo reached out and gently stroked the

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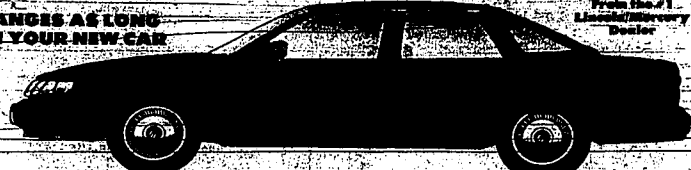
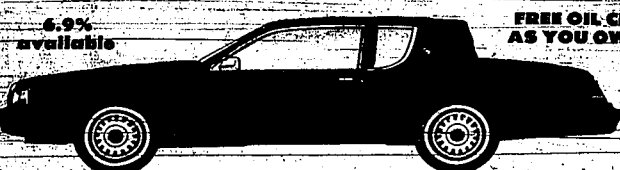
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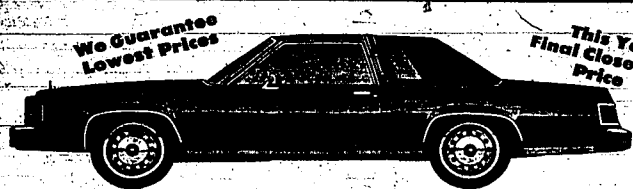
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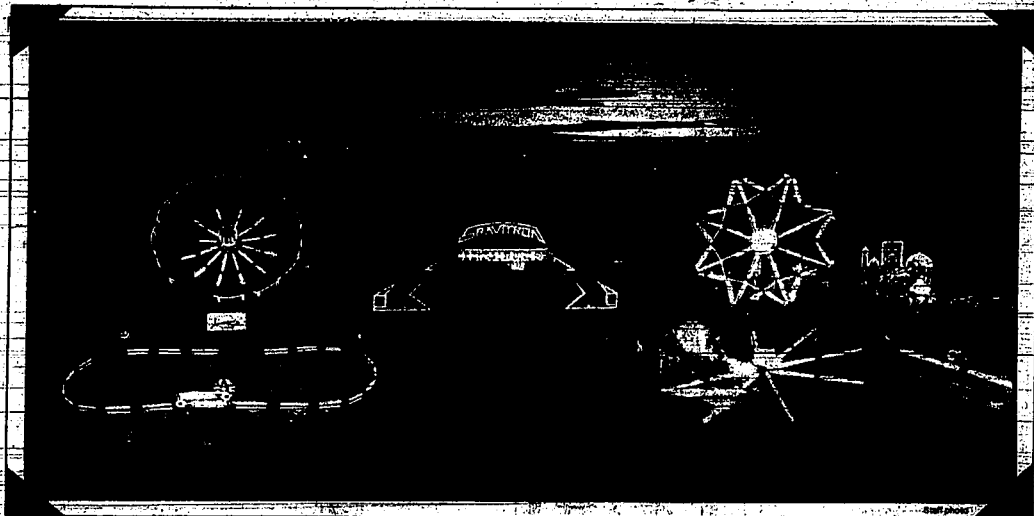
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A new merchants building is one of the added features at the 1986 fair, but the familiar glow of the carnival will be there as usual. See stories on Page 10 and 12.

Fair gates open to 1986 country fun

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer

FILER — The old and the new will be side-by-side at the 1986 Twin Falls County Fair and Rodeo in Filer.

The fair will run Sept. 2-6 under the theme, "Pride in Our Liberty."

Among the new is a recently completed Merchants Building, located near the main gate. The new center-block building replaces the one that collapsed last December under the weight of snow.

The number of merchants displays this year has been expanded because the concrete floor of what was once the old merchant building will be used for display space.

Because of the location of the Merchants Building, the stage in the park area has been moved nearer to the Tom Parks Pavilion.

Next door to the new Merchants Building is the familiar Produce Building, which will be open this year to house the many flower and produce displays.

County officials had considered closing the building this year because of structural problems with the roof. After \$4,000 worth of repairs and an engineer's review, however, the Fair Board voted to use in building and either replace it or add a new roof for next year's fair.

Upon the engineer's recommendations, however, the Produce Building will be monitored and closed to the public if high

winds arise.

Several of the fair buildings also received a face-lift with a new coat of paint. The painting project was financed by donations gathered at last year's fair.

A familiar race will return this year at the rodeo. Cotton Rosser of Marysville, Calif., will return to produce the event. Rosser has produced several of the fair's rodeos in past years.

Rosser was named 1985 Stock Contractor of the Year by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Rodeo attractions include veteran rodeo clown Quail Dobbs of Coahoma, Tex., and announcer Bob Feist of Lodi, Calif.

Local cowboys and cowgirls and those from around the country will participate in the event,

which boasts a purse more than \$12,000 and a sanction from the P.R.C.A.

Rodeo fans will find discounted ticket prices during the week and increased prices for Saturday's performance. New this year, however, children under 12 and accompanied by a parent will be allowed in free Wednesday through Friday.

The annual Miss Rodeo Idaho Queen, Pageant of Horsemanship competition also is in the fair's schedule of events.

The Inland Empire Show and Royal West Show will set up about 15 adult rides, 12 children's rides and other games and attractions. The carnival begins at 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Free entertainment at the park will include the Idaho Old Time

Fiddlers and martial arts and gymnastics demonstrations. Several dance groups, including the Sawtooth Cloggers and a group headed by Tammy Folkinga of Buhl, also will take to the stage.

Across the fairgrounds will be the Official Regional Point Herford Show, with \$3,000 in premiums. The annual Idaho Intermountain Dairy Show also will be part of the fair.

Several other livestock shows and competitions will be a part of daily fair activities.

Returning again this year are the various fair departments, ranging from home arts to fine art to photography.

More than 2,000 displays by 4-H children will be found in the Tom Parks Pavilion.

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Red Cross mans 3 first aid stations

By JANE ROBISON
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Aspirin for headaches, antacid for stomach pains, and bandages for box constrictors will be dispersed free of charge by the American Red Cross during the Twin Falls County Fair.

Volunteers through the Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross will be manning three first aid stations at the fairgrounds, one located in the 4-H cattle barn, one station on the midway and one in the grandstand.

Volunteers last year treated

688 people for everything from blisters to burns to broken bones, says Ann Livingston, manager of the Sawtooth Chapter.

They also had a request to treat two box constrictors which mixed it up with each other at the carnival, she says. The snake fight resulted in injuries to the owner's two snakes, and "he came in and wanted us to put bandages on his box constrictors," Livingston says. "We gave him an assortment of bandages, but we told him he had to put them on himself."

He did, too, she says. If you're not a snake, Red Cross volunteers will apply the ban-

dages for you — and on you. "We can do anything of an emergency nature," says Irene Basom, a volunteer.

"One ambulance will be standing by all during the fair," And doctors are on call.

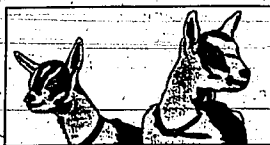
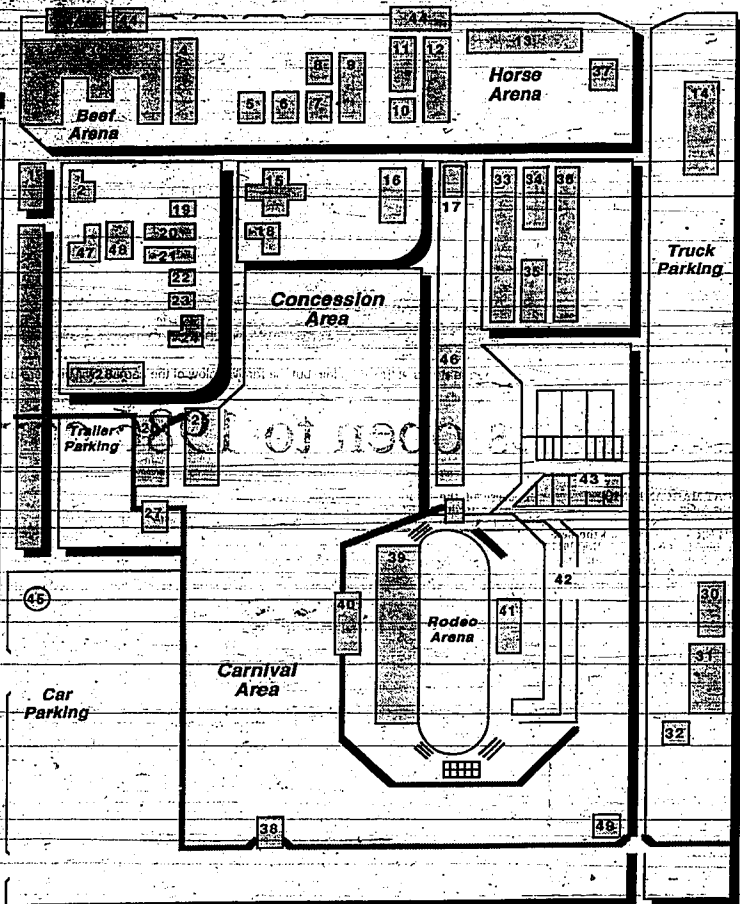
"The majority of things we treat are headaches and upset stomachs," Livingston says. "But we've also had gunshot wounds in the past, heart attacks and we get people hurt on the rides. We also have four doctors who volunteer to help with injuries in the rodeo."

Each station will be manned by two volunteers trained in first aid, she says.

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Queen Kelley waits to pass crown to one of ten

Queen's banquet begins the search for rodeo royalty

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

FILER — Michelle Kelley, the reigning Miss Rodeo Idaho, will give up her crown to one of nine contestants this Saturday at the Twin Falls County Fair.

The potential queens will begin competition tonight at the Queen's Banquet in honor of Kelley, who was crowned first runner-up in the 1985 Miss Rodeo America Contest. Judges will be present at the banquet, which takes place at 7 p.m. at the Canyon Springs Inn. Contestants will model a Western dress or skirt, and three questions will be asked each contestant.

The cost for the banquet is \$9 for parents and guests wishing to attend.

Competition continues Wednesday at 8 a.m., when half of the contestants will give a two-minute speech at the Canyon Springs Inn. The topic is "Idaho" and the public is invited to attend.

Poise, personality, and appearance interviews will be held at 9 a.m. in the Willow Room.

The Buhl Kiwanis will host a luncheon at the Ramona Cafe in Buhl at 11:15 a.m. Simultaneous questions will be asked of each contestant. Parents and guests wishing to pay may attend.

Horseshoe competition will take place at 7 p.m. at the fairgrounds arena on Wednesday and Thursday and at 2 p.m. on Friday. The contestants will perform the grand opening ceremony each night of the rodeo.

The remaining half of the contestants will give their speeches Thursday at 8 a.m. at Canyon Springs Inn. The public is invited to attend.

A no-host lunch for contestants and judges will be held Thursday at Canyon Springs Inn at 11:45 a.m. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

The new queen will be crowned at 9 p.m. Saturday at the rodeo.

This year's contestants and their backgrounds include:

• Chris R. Kiggins, the current queen of the Twin Falls Western Days Rodeo and the daughter of Danny and Rae Kiggins, Twin Falls. She has brown hair and brown eyes. Chris is 5 feet, 4 inches tall and weighs 120 lbs. Her goals include finishing her education and showing and training horse professionals. She enjoys outdoor sports, collecting stuffed animals, drawing, and horses.

• Debbie McKee, queen of the Idaho State Sheriff's Posse and the daughter of Larry and Vicki McKee, Kuna. Debbie has brown hair and brown eyes. She is 5 feet, 7 inches tall and weighs 170 lbs. She plans to work for a year to raise money for college. She plans to attend the College of Southern Idaho. Her hobbies include roping, riding, horses, and fly fishing.

• Jenny Rutherford, queen of

the Twin Falls Mounted Sheriff's Posse and the daughter of Rod and Sue Rutherford, Kimberly. She is 5 feet, 7½ inches tall and weighs 125 lbs. She has blonde hair and blue eyes. Her goals include representing Idaho in the Miss Rodeo America Contest, obtaining a college degree, and becoming a veterinarian. She en-

joys the Pocatello Frontier Rodeo. She has blonde hair and hazel eyes. Lealle is 5 feet, 3 inches tall and weighs 115 lbs. Her main goal is to become Miss Rodeo America and then pursue a career as a professional TV rodeo commentator. Her hobbies include competing in rodeos and designing Western clothes.

• Holly Lee Lockwood, Miss Rodeo Jerome and daughter of Albert and Debbie Lockwood of Eden and Jerry and Patricia Gerd of Hazelton. Holly has blond hair and blue eyes. She is 5 feet, 1 inch tall and weighs 115 lbs. Her goals are to receive the best college education possible, stay active in her family's farming operation, and to continue her rodeo career. She enjoys horse showing, water and snow skiing, motorcycle riding, and farming.

• Nicole Hyman, queen of the Snake River Stampede and daughter of Forrest and Cheryl Hyman, Jerome. She has brown hair and brown eyes. Nicole is 5 feet, 8 inches tall and weighs 130 lbs. She is a sophomore at Arizona State University, majoring in communications with an emphasis on broadcasting. She plans to obtain a masters degree. She enjoys showing and training horses, snow skiing, writing short stories, and sports.

• Laura Durfee, Burley, queen of the Cassia County Fair and Rodeo. She has brown hair and brown eyes. Laura is 5 feet, 3 inches tall and weighs 110 lbs. She is a recent graduate of Ricks College, where she received an

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joys showing horses, skiing, basketball, and waterskiing.

• Lisa Lemrick, queen of the Caldwell Night Rodeo and the daughter of Fred and Marge Lemrick. Lisa has auburn hair and blue eyes. She is 5 feet, 9 inches tall and weighs 130 lbs. Her goals include becoming Miss Rodeo Idaho and obtaining a degree as a surgical technician. She enjoys racquetball, four-wheeling, model airplane roping, camping, and swimming.

• Leslie Lish, Inkom, queen of



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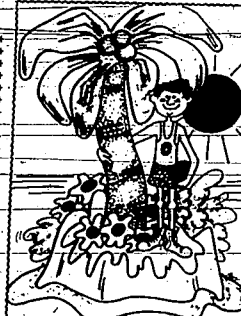
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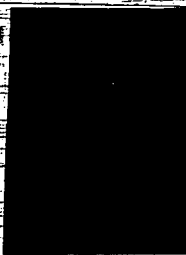
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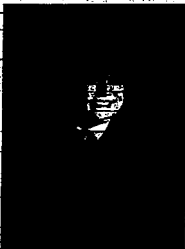
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associate degree in education. She enjoys singing, creative writing, and sketching.

Colleen Stoller, queen of the Rupert Night Rodeo and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Stoller, Rupert. She has blonde hair and blue eyes. Colleen is 5 feet, 3 inches tall and weighs 115 lbs. She has an associate of arts degree from the College of Southern Idaho and is currently a junior at Idaho State University, studying education. She enjoys water and snow-skiing—swimming—riding horses, camping, and fishing.

Michelle Lane, Nampa, queen of the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo and the daughter of Don and Cheryl Lane. She has brown hair, brown eyes, stands 5 feet 5 inches tall and weighs 115 pounds. She plans to attend the Idaho Travel Academy this fall to become a travel agent. She enjoys riding horses, water-skiing and swimming.

Increase recorded in catfish delivery

WASHINGTON (AP) — Production of farm-raised catfish was estimated at 16.3 million pounds, delivered to plants in July, the Agriculture Department says. That was up 14 percent from a year earlier.

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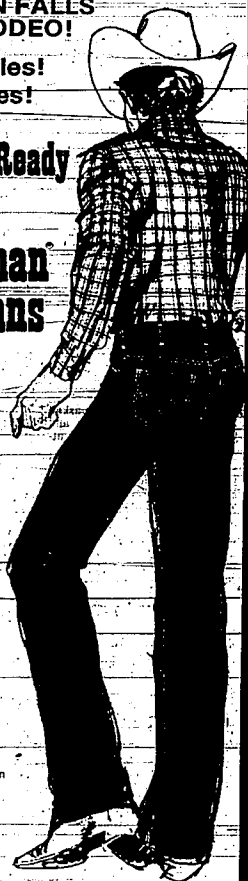
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Contest director Hull is no stranger to rodeos

**Cowgirl coach
saw 2 champions
win national titles**

By LORAYNE O. SMITH
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Gene Hull, who is directing the Miss Rodeo Idaho queen contest at the Twin Falls County Fair this year, had lots of on-the-job training.

He was in charge of the state competition for some 13 years, during which time two of the state winners went on to win the Miss Rodeo America title.

Idaho has had four top winners in the national rodeo queen competition, a first made only by Texas — which has furnished five queens, Hull says.

The two Idaho contestants who took the national crown during the years he previously directed the state contest were Lanas Brackenbury Parker, Wendell, in 1971 and Betty Schnell, Rogerson, in 1976. Previous Idaho horsewomen who became Miss Rodeo America are Karen James of Jerome in 1962 and Susan Cox of Lewiston in 1959.

The Miss Rodeo Idaho contest used to be staged during the annual Nampa Stampede, under the direction of Fran Blonquist, Hull says.

He credits Harold Hove, longtime Twin Falls-area resident, who was then chairman of the Twin Falls County Fair Board, with getting the event moved to the fairgrounds.

"He asked me to run it," Hull says. And he did for some 13 years, beginning in 1965. Both Hull and Hove were associated with Twin Falls Bank and Trust at that time.

After Hull quit in about 1978, Bob and Pauline Harvey took over the directing job. They were followed by Karlo Denheit, who filled the post for several years and then moved from the area.

The first step in directing the event, Hull said, is to get all the dozen or so eligible contestants around the state to realize they have to fill out application forms.

"We don't have any idea who they are unless they contact us," Hull says.

To compete for the Miss Rodeo Idaho title, horsewomen must have won a previous queen title in some local rodeo in the state.

Next, after the application forms are received, there are judges to get and Hull tries to get at least some of them from out-of-state.

Contestants, who usually number about a dozen, are judged on personality, appearance, and horsemanship and they undergo an exacting schedule of exposure in all these aspects during the five days of the fair, Hull says.

Activities begin with a tea today for the girls, their parents and judges. This opening event gives parents opportunity to hear rules of the contest and ask questions, which they do extensively, Hull notes.

Tuesday night the girls will model Western dresses at a din-

ner and answer questions to indicate how well "they can think on their feet," the director says. The dinner at Canyon Springs Inn will be followed by a dance.

Wednesday morning, at a breakfast session, half of the girls will give two-minute prepared speeches on why they like Idaho with the other half giving theirs Thursday morning.

The winner of this event will be presented at the governor's award Saturday night by Gov. John Evans.

At noon on Wednesday, the contestants and their judges will be guests of the Buhl Kiwanis Club, where they will model Western outfits and answer questions on current events. That night they will ride in the arena at the fairgrounds before the rodeo begins and give a two-minute

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horse pattern of their own choosing.

Thursday morning, following the breakfast, the girls will face questioning on horsemanship by the judges in a closed session. This is the part most contestants dread, Hull says.

A luncheon, which is open to the public, is scheduled Thursday noon at Canyon Springs Inn, where the girls will again model Western outfits and answer questions.

Thursday night they will perform free-style patterns in the arena, preceding the rodeo and Friday at 2 p.m. they will be judged on horsemanship, riding strange horses.

The new Miss Rodeo Idaho, who will be crowned at 9 p.m. Saturday during the rodeo, will represent the Gem state at the national contest to be held in Las Vegas in December.

Hull is no stranger to that

event either, having been a judge three different times at the Miss Rodeo America contest.

The Idaho contestants all stay at Canyon Springs Inn during the fair and are transported to their activities in two motor homes, Hull says. In addition to their official schedule, each girl must get to the fairgrounds by 9 or 6 a.m. daily to feed, groom and work out their own horses. They are responsible for getting back and forth from Filer on their own, and usually their parents provide this transportation.

"It's a pretty tough schedule," Hull admits.

The director, who is modest about the amount of work involved in the job, says he has lots of good help.

"Michelle Kelly, Abilon, last year's Miss Rodeo Idaho, is working. See HULL on Page 8"

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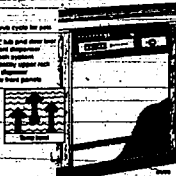
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Kids, despite officers' efforts, often wind up lost & found

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer

FILER — What shows up the most often in the lost and found department of the Twin Falls County fair?

Sheriff James Munn says the answer is "children."

Law enforcement officers and reserve duty officers who work the fairgrounds during fair week each year spend a major part of their time finding lost children or lost parents, as the case may be.

Munn says that this year he will have one person assigned exclusively to lost children calls from the sheriff's branch office on the fairgrounds. Carol Sharp will be present to take all reports on missing children or parents each day from 6 p.m. to midnight, the

peak time for getting lost, Munn says.

"It isn't unusual for us to have as many as 40 lost-children complaints in a single evening during fair week," Munn said. "Our dispatchers who work at the branch office on the fairgrounds don't have time to take reports on missing children and handle the rest of the communications at the fair."

This year there will be large posters on utility poles, gate posts and the walls of fair buildings, telling parents and youngsters who are old enough to read what they should do when parents and children become separated in the crowds.

Munn is also asking parents of small children to make tags for the little tots to wear. These should give the child's name, age

and parents' names and telephone numbers. Printed tags for this purpose are available at the sheriff's office on the fair grounds throughout the fair.

However, Munn says, "It isn't just the little ones who get lost. Some who become separated from their families are 10 or 12 years old; and frequently it's the same child, over and over again."

who turns up looking for parents. Munn says it is the parents' responsibility to keep their children in tow in the crowds and urge their cooperation.

"Last year we had one boy there so often we told his parents if he showed up one more time, he would be turned over to the Health and Welfare Department for safe-keeping," Munn says.

When a child is lost, the first place the parent should check is the sheriff's office, which is located at the north end of the rodeo arena and stands. A yellow sign reporting a lost child should also report to that office.

A little extra effort by parents and children can save a lot of time and worry for everyone, Munn says.

Hull

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ing her heart out," Hull says, and Anna Wagner of Canyon Springs Inn; Karen James, Jerome, and Larae Monroe, Twin Falls, are his "right-hand men."

He also credits the generosity of Twin Falls area businesses with helping make the state contest an impressive event.

"When we started out (hayling the contest at Filer) the queen got a saddle," Hull says. Last year 75 individual gifts were donated by merchants, including use of a car for a year.

Contacting the many businesses is just one of the myriad jobs entailed in Hull's job, but he is in a good position to do so, as he has had a multi-faceted career in farming, banking and teaching, as well as military experience.

He grew up in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1941. He served in the

Air Force during World War II, piloting a P-38 in the South Pacific. He earned a B.A. degree at the former Southern Idaho College of Education at Arbon in 1942 — the first graduating class after the institution became a four-year school.

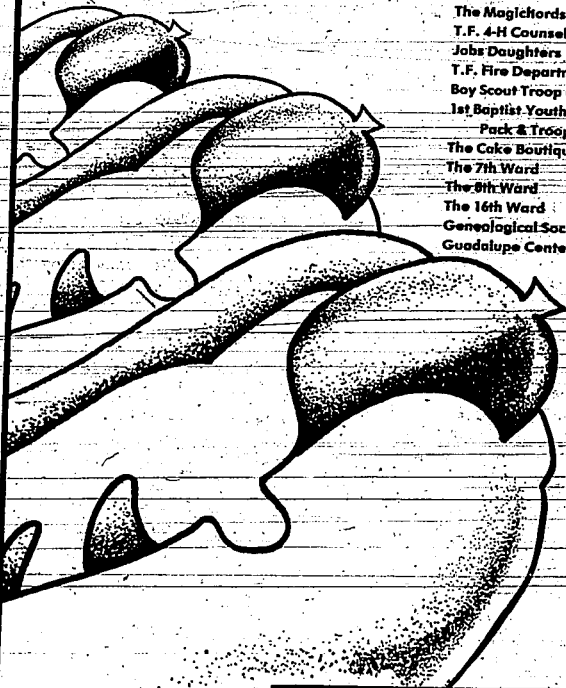
He also holds a master's degree from Arizona State in political science and is a retired general in the Air Force Reserve.

After the war he was involved in turkey farming west of Twin Falls, then worked as agricultural field representative for Twin Falls Bank and Trust. Later, he taught political science for 16 years at College of Southern Idaho, where he retired this spring.

He and his wife, the former Shirley McDonald of Filer, have three children: Greg and Doug, both of Twin Falls, and Cindy White, Victoria, B.C.

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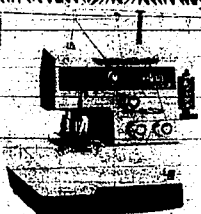
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Rosser returns to produce '86 rodeo

By RON GATES
Times-News writer

FILER — Rodeo, the popular and truly American sport, which evolved from the culture of the old-West, returns for its annual engagement at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

Last year organizers experimented with a change of producers in the rodeo portion of the Twin Falls County Fair and Rodeo, but it's back to the previous format for the 70th edition.

"We had it for quite a few years," says Cotton Rosser, owner of the Flying-T Rodeo Company, headquartered in Marysville, Calif. "Last year they decided to try someone else, but I guess it didn't work out."

As is the case with the competitors, pre-rodeo entertainment hasn't yet been finalized, but Rosser promises the best of both.

"Entries don't close until next week, but they'll all be there," Rosser surmised of the cowboy athletes.

He went on to explain that, while the Twin Falls County Fair and Rodeo run is concurrent with similar events held in Lewiston, Idaho, and Port, Madison, Wash., the fair show is one of four stops on the Dodge Series Big Four Rodeo circuit.

The Big Four encompasses rodeos held in Ellensburg and Walla Walla, Wash., as well as Lewiston and Filer, and is expected to draw a host of cowboys and cowgirls to a mixed field which includes reigning world champions through the final round on Saturday.

Admission prices vary from an opening night \$3. General admission is \$5.50 for the finale. Box seats can be obtained for \$8. Each evening, reserve seats go for \$5.50 the first three performances and \$6.50 for the championship round. Prices for junior and senior high school students will be \$2 and \$4.

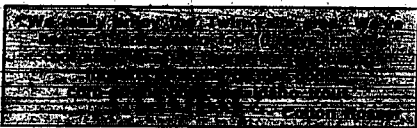


Cotton Rosser, owner of the Flying-T Rodeo Company, promises an action-packed week.

Finals Rodeo — again set for Las Vegas.

Pre-rodeo entertainment opens the action in the arena each night, with competition scheduled to begin promptly at 7 p.m. Wednesday through the final round on Saturday.

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Children, accompanied by a parent, get in for \$1 until Saturday, when the price increases to \$3.

Michelle Kelley, 1985-85 Miss Rodeo Idaho Queen, will be on hand Saturday to pass her crown

on to this year's winner, at the mid-point of the concluding performance.

Stock this year is furnished by Stevens-Brothers-Flying-U rodeo stock contractors.

Highlighting a large number of

animals from the 1985 NFR is the rough stock in the bucking horse events. The 1985 winner in the barback competition was "Angel Blue" — a high-rolling Stevens Brothers horse — to victory at the NFR in Las Vegas, Nev.

Announcer Bob Feist, of Sacramento, Calif., moves north to take the microphone. Feist, who handled that chore for last year's National finals, comes to Filer straight from the California State Fair.

Doug Wylie, from Fort Worth, Tex., teams with Kenny Watson, out of Yreka, Calif., to provide laughs for the spectators with their clown acts before getting down to their main business of protecting fallen gladiators from the wrath of bulls weighing up to 2,000 pounds.

"Although he hasn't made an appearance at the Twin Falls County event for four or five years, long-time rodeo enthusiasts will remember the Oklahoma's Quantliff and his comedy carrouline. Latham Motors, the local Dodge dealership, is again offering a \$1,500 cash prize to the first person to correctly guess the weight of "Latham's Big Bad Giant," a bull to be displayed at the fair and rodeo.

"Dodge" contributes close to \$10,000 added money for the winners," says Bob Latham Jr.

"That particular bull will be up in each of the four go-rounds and, as an added incentive, Latham Jr. will hand a \$100 bill to any cowboy able to stay aboard to the eighth-second buzzer.

After a one-year absence, Latham looks forward to a return engagement in Filer with relish.

"We really enjoy the Twin Falls area," he says. "We've been at Sacramento for the past 10 days, but it's not at all like up here. This is all asphalt and carnival. We're looking forward to some of that good corn on-the-cob and Idaho trout."

They don't just draw straws to select the best scarecrow

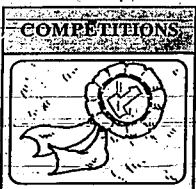
By KATHY SURSELY
Times-News correspondent

FILER — There will be a new display for fair-goers this year, that could prove to be a new fair favorite. The display will feature handmade scarecrows.

"We wanted a new competition for the fair this year and came up with scarecrow idea," says Lydia Yoder, who is involved with the new display.

The scarecrow competition will be on display in the Produce Building. Gladys Birkelbain's famous "Pumpkin Holler People" were displayed last year throughout the Produce Building and attracted lots of curious interest.

The new creative contest will allow area residents the opportunity to create their own versions of the long-time garden overseer. The only restriction on the scarecrows is that they be made



of straw and fabric. Much is left up to the imagination of the creators, and it will be up to the judges to determine their own criteria for judging.

The new competition will present an opportunity for creative new entries each year. "We have had a great deal of interest shown in the competition, so we're hoping for a good number of entries," says Yoder.

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Carnival rides like this one will be featured at the fair again this year, but may be endangered. (Staff photo)

It'll be Zipper vs. Gravitron along a brightly-lit midway

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

FILER — A long-time favorite ride of carnival thrill-seekers, the Zipper, is coming back brighter than ever to the Twin Falls County Fair this year.

Inland Empire Shows, owned and operated by the Williams family, has purchased a new Zipper, with a computerized lighting system, to the tune of about \$175,000, Reed Williams says.

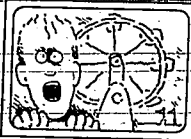
Also returning to the fair for its second year will be the Gravitron, a ride originally designed by NASA to demonstrate weightlessness. Since its introduction last year, Gravitron has become the most popular ride on the midway, Williams says.

Second in the line of popularity is the Skydiver, which will also be one of the 15 major rides this year. The Superlide, which ranks third, will also provide entertainment for all ages.

In addition to the major rides, 12 kiddie rides will be featured for the younger carnival-goers.

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Ticket prices this year will remain the same as 1985 prices, with the exception of the "Pay One Price" special, which will be \$10.95, an increase of \$1.

Single tickets will be 35 cents, a book of 20 will sell for \$6, and on Tuesday a Pay One Price stamp will go for \$5.50 with the purchase of one stamp at full price.

Several of the rides have been re-themed for the carnival, Williams says. Re-theming involves painting the outside of the rides to fit a certain theme. The

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Idiot Inn, a German-style tounhouse and mirror maze, will feature a new rodeo theme.

The dark, walk-through maze has been re-painted for a Dungeons and Dragons theme, something that kids seem to enjoy, Williams says.

Eight various games of chance will tempt passersby at this year's carnival. One new game has been imported from Belgium, Williams says.

The game is a hand-operated crane that will pick up stuffed animals, if operated correctly. A smaller version of the game has been with the carnival in the past, he says.

According to Williams, the Twin Falls County Fair is "one of the finest examples of a well-run fair within 1,000 miles east, west, north, or south." Williams himself is a 1966 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

A good county fair is important because of its role in American culture, Williams says. "I hope the fair business never dries up," he says.

Insurance woes beset the carnival business

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

FILER — Due to rising insurance costs and inspection fees, running a carnival is a dying business, says Inland Empire Shows co-owner Reed Williams. "Higher insurance rates have hit the carnival business terribly. We've watched several of our friends go out of business," Williams says.

In one year, the carnival's insurance costs went from \$118,000 to \$160,000. The cost of running a merry-go-round has tripled. Inland Empire Shows carries \$1 million worth of insurance coverage, Williams says.

Though the rise in insurance has been a major factor in the closure of many carnival operations, inspection fees are also a major financial barrier. "Fees for electrical inspections can really get exorbitant. We pay two to three thousand dollars more in fees than other businesses," Williams says.

The main problem that Williams sees is that that people don't view a carnival as a regular business. "People think we just come into town, take the money, and leave, but we pay 15 percent of the money to the Fair Board."

Money from a carnival is the cleanest money a fair can make. We're really just like any other business," he says.

Another factor in the difficulty of operating a carnival is competition. "Our business demands that we satisfy the customer. We have to constantly purchase new equipment to stay in the competition," he says.

The reason his business has been able to overcome some of the problems associated with carnival operation is its flexibility. Inland Empire Shows is actually the combination of two small carnivals.

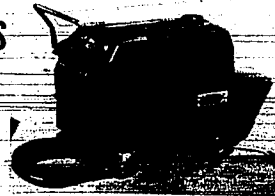
Royal West Carnivals, operated by Williams, combines with Inland Empire Shows, operated by Williams' father Joe, for the Twin Falls County Fair. This way, the carnivals can play small fairs individually or large fairs combined, Williams says.

This eliminates the problems of a medium-sized carnival, which is always either too small or too large to be efficient, he added.

Idaho does not yet have laws dealing with carnival safety inspections, Williams says. Nevertheless, every ride in operation at the fair is inspected daily by carnival workers.

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Western bean cutworms seen in Treasure Valley.

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Western bean cutworms, a traditional pest of beans in the Magic Valley, have surfaced substantially in the Treasure Valley.

Scented traps placed in 12 locations in Canyon County during July caught from 30 to 6,800 insects, said Barrell Bolt, agricultural agent for the University of Idaho. Cooperative Extension Service in Caldwell.

The insects were noticed several years ago in the area, but Beaton-Bean Co. set the traps in July to determine the extent of the infestation, said Fred Hokill, company representative who drafted a report on the study.

Western bean cutworms burrow quarter-inch holes in bean pods and in sweetcorn kernels, and also feed on the leaves of emerging tassels of corn plants and can tunnel into ears.

Dr. Robert Stoltz, entomologist with the extension service in Twin Falls, said the insects prefer sweetcorn over beans, but their damage often is mistaken for that of corn earworms.

The infestation may have started in the Melba area of Canyon County because hybrid sweetcorn has been grown there for many years, Hokill said.

The 6,800 cutworm moths caught in a month near Melba would damage about 10 percent of crops if untreated, Stoltz said. He urged growers of both sweetcorn and beans to look for signs of insect damage.

Bolt said up to 20,000 acres of beans and bean seed were planted in Canyon County this year, while sweetcorn and sweetcorn seed acreage in the area generally averages up to 13,000 acres.

The best of Hereford breed to fill ring at regional meet

By BOB FREUND
Times-News Writer

FILER — The best of the Hereford breed in the Northwest will line up against each other in the ring at a new "Big Western" show this year, during the Twin Falls County Fair.

The American Hereford Association, which sanctions about 50 shows, has dropped its national circuit, and replaced it with regional championships.

"Whereas we recognized a Show-Bull-of-the-Year and a Show-Heifer-of-the-Year on the national basis—this year we'll do that same thing times seven regions," says Lovell Kuykendall, assistant secretary of the breed organization.

The switch should draw more Northwest-grown cattle to the Big Western Regional Show.

The decade-old Register of Merit circuit awarded points towards a national championship at between eight and 10 shows nationwide. Contestants would travel nationwide to gather

"In order for a breeder in the Northwest region to have the Show Bull-of-the-Year, he probably would have to travel to shows as far away as Kansas City or Fort Worth, Tex., or Phoenix, Ariz., to accumulate enough points in this Register of



Merit system," Kuykendall says. "Now you could travel to shows in Oregon, Washington and Idaho and, if successful, could have a regional Show Bull of the Year."

The major change is that exhibitors win championship points only at shows in their regions and at two national shows — the National Western Stock Show at Denver and the American Royal Livestock show in Kansas City, Mo. Points earned apply only to a regional championship.

Kuykendall says fewer breeders will be likely to show their registered Hereford stock outside their regions because they won't earn any points for winning.

At the same time, the system is likely to broaden the entries, he suggests. More breeders from the

area will be likely to enter if the out-of-region powerhouses are not competing for class prizes.

"We've had quite a few shows already, and most of our numbers have been up at these shows," he says.

Twin Falls County Fair officials also say they expect an increase in the show roster.

At the same time, the absence of some Southwest and Southern powerhouses is not likely to dilute the quality of the show significantly, Kuykendall says. "You've always had some of your top, and very competitive classes in the Northwest," he says.

The American Hereford Association sanctions five shows in the Northwest. They are: the Big Western at Filer; the Oregon State Fair Show at Salem; The Sun Basin Show at Kennewick; Central Washington Fair Show at Yakima; and the Spokane National Classic Show at Spokane. Each region has a "classic" show, at which winners can earn bonus points.

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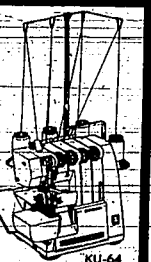
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It'll be Zipper vs. Gravitron along a brightly-lit midway

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

FILER—A long-time favorite ride of carnival thrill-seekers, the Zipper is coming back brighter than ever to the Twin Falls County Fair this year.

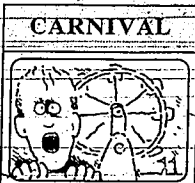
Inland Empire Shows, owned and operated by the Williams family, has purchased a new Zipper, with a computerized lighting system, to the tune of about \$175,000, Reed Williams says.

"Also returning to the fair for its second year will be the Ziptron—a ride originally designed by NASA to demonstrate weightlessness. Since its introduction last year, Gravitron has become the most popular ride on the midway, Williams says.

Second in the line of popularity is the Skydiver, which will also be one of the 15 major rides this year. The SuperSlide, which ranks third, will also provide entertainment for all ages.

In addition to the major rides, 12 kiddie rides will be featured for the younger carnival-goers.

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Ticket prices this year will remain the same as 1985 prices, with the exception of the "Pay One Price" special, which will be \$10.95, an increase of \$1.

Single tickets will be 35 cents; a book of 20 will sell for \$6, and on Tuesday a Pay One Price stamp will go for \$5.95 with the purchase of one stamp at full price.

Several of the rides have been re-themed for the carnival, Williams says. Re-theming involves painting the outside of the rides to fit a certain theme. The Tuesday, September 2, 1986

Jelly Inn, a German-style funhouse and mirror maze, will feature a new ride theme.

The dark, walk-through, maze has been re-painted for a Dungeons and Dragons theme, something that kids seem to enjoy, Williams says.

Eight curious games of chance will tempt passersby at this year's carnival. One new game has been imported from Belgium, Williams says.

The game is a hand-operated crane that will pick up stuffed animals. If operated correctly, a smaller version of the game has been with the carnival in the past, he says.

According to Williams, the Twin Falls County Fair is "one of the finest examples of a well-run fair within 1,000 miles east, west, north, or south." Williams himself is a 1966 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

A good county fair is important because of its role in American culture, Williams says. "I hope the fair business never dries up," he says.

Insurance woes beset the carnival business

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
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FILER—Due to rising insurance costs and inspection fees, running a carnival is a dying business, says Inland Empire Shows co-owner Reed Williams.

"Higher insurance rates have hit the carnival business terribly. We've watched several of our friends go out of business," Williams says.

In one year, the carnival's insurance costs rose from \$18,000 to \$180,000. The cost of running a merry-go-round has tripled. Inland Empire Shows carries \$1 million worth of insurance coverage, Williams says.

Though the rise in insurance has been a major factor in the closure of many carnival operations, inspection fees are also a major financial barrier. "Fees for electrical inspections can really get exorbitant. We pay two to three thousand dollars more in fees than other businesses," Williams says.

The main problem that Williams sees is that that people don't view a carnival as a regular business. "People think we just come into town to take the money, and leave, but we pay 15 percent of the money to the fair board."

Money from a carnival is the cleanest money a fair can make. We're really just like any other business," he says.

Another factor in the difficulty of operating a carnival is competition. "Our business demands that we satisfy the customer. We have to constantly purchase new equipment to stay in the competition," he says.

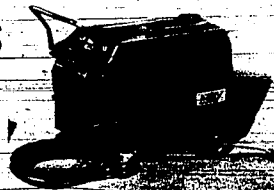
The reason his business has been able to overcome some of the problems associated with carnival operation is its flexibility. Inland Empire Shows is actually the combination of two small carnivals.

Royal West Carnivals, operated by Williams, combines with Inland Empire Shows, operated by Williams' father Joe, for the Twin Falls County Fair. This way, the carnivals can play small fairs in

dividually or large fairs combined, Williams says. "This eliminates the problems of a medium-sized carnival, which is always either too small or too large to be efficient, he added.

Idaho does not yet have laws dealing with carnival safety inspections, Williams says. Nevertheless, every ride in operation at the fair is inspected daily by carnival workers. • See CARNIVAL on Page 11

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Western bean cutworms seen in Treasure Valley

CALDWELL (AP) — Western bean cutworms, an additional pest of beans in Twin Falls, said the Magic Valley, have surfaced substantially in the Treasure Valley.

Scented traps placed in 12 locations in Canyon County during July caught from 30 to 6,800 insects, said Darrell Bolt, agricultural agent for the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Service in Caldwell.

The insects were noticed several years ago in the area, but Beakon Bean Co. set the traps in July to determine the extent of the infestation, said Fred Hukill, a company representative who drafted a report on the study.

Western bean cutworms burrow quarter-inch holes in bean pods and in sweetcorn kernels, and also feed of the leaves of emerging tassels of corn plants and can tunnel into ears.

Dr. Robert Stoltz, entomologist with the extension service in Twin Falls, said the insects prefer sweetcorn over beans, but their damage often is mistaken for that of corn earworms.

The infestation may have started in the Melba area of Canyon County because hybrid sweetcorn has been grown there for many years, Hukill said.

The 6,800 cutworm moths caught in a month near Melba would damage about 10 percent of crops if untreated, Stoltz said. He urged growers of both sweetcorn and beans to check for signs of insect damage.

Bolt said up to 20,000 acres of beans and bean seed were planted in Canyon County this spring, while sweetcorn and sweetcorn seed acreage in the area generally averages up to 13,000 acres.

The best of Hereford breed to fill ring at regional meet

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

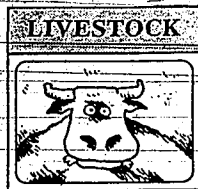
FILER — The beauties of the Hereford breed in the Northwest will line up against each other in the ring at a new "Big Twin Falls County Fair" show this year, during the Twin Falls County Fair.

The American Hereford Association, which sanctions about 50 shows, has dropped its national circuit and replaced it with regional championships. "Whereas we recognize a Show Bull of the Year and a Show Heifer of the Year on the national basis, this year we'll do that same thing times seven regions," says Lovell Kuykendall, assistant secretary of the breed organization.

The switch should draw more Northwest grown cattle to the Big Western Regional Show.

The decade-old Register of Merit circuit awarded points towards a national championship at between eight and 10 shows nationwide. Contestants would travel nationwide to gather points.

In order for a breeder in the Northwest region to be in the Show Bull of the Year, he probably would have to travel to shows as far away as Kansas City or to Fort Worth, Tex., or Phoenix, Ariz., to accumulate enough points in this Register of



Merit system, Kuykendall says. "Now you could travel to shows in Oregon, Washington and Idaho and, if successful, could have a regional Show Bull of the Year."

The major change is that exhibitors win championship points only at shows in their regions and at two national shows — the National Western Stock Show at Denver and the American-Royal Livestock show in Kansas City, Mo. Points earned apply only to a regional championship.

Kuykendall says fewer breeders will be likely to show their registered Hereford stock outside their regions because they won't earn any points for winning.

At the same time, the system is likely to broaden the entries, he suggests. More breeders from the

area will be likely to enter if the out-of-region powerhouses are not competing for class prizes.

"We've had quite a few shows already... and most of our numbers have been up at these shows," he says.

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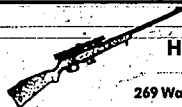
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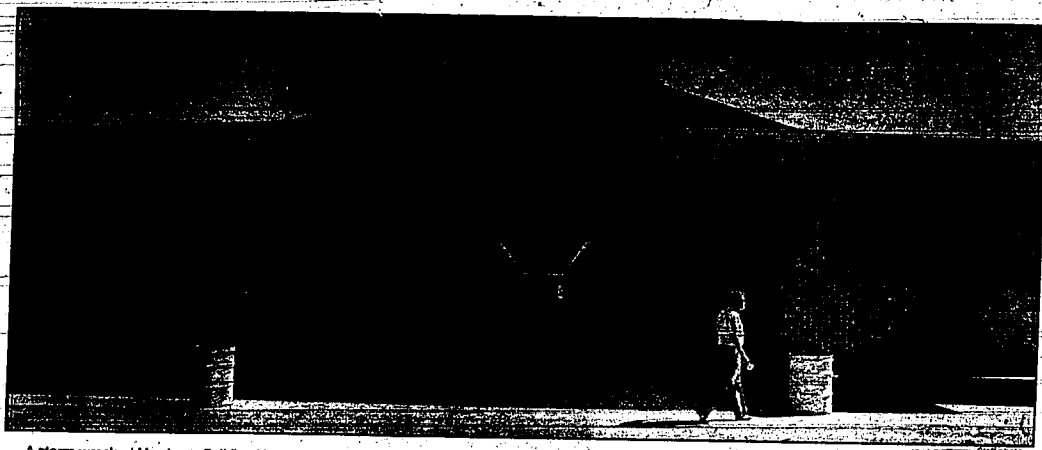


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A storm wrecked Merchants Building No. 1 last December, but the replacement structure, shown above, will be ready to house merchant exhibits as scheduled.

Merchant building awaiting crowds

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer

FILER — A December storm smashed Merchants Building No. 1 at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds when the weight of accumulated snow caused the roof to collapse.

During fair week, Sept. 2-6, a new structure will be ready for the business of housing merchants' displays.

The new Merchants Building No. 1 was built at a cost of about

\$107,000 by the Oils Hall Construction Co. of Twin Falls. Construction was started about the first of June and completed about the third week of July.

The cost of constructing a new building was paid by the self-insurance pool of the county participants. Instead of being constructed at the site of the 20-year-old building that collapsed, the county Board voted to erect the new building near the main gate, in an effort to expand the fair toward

the south and alleviate some congestion near the other merchants buildings.

The ticket office and main gate were moved to accommodate the new building.

"While it is similar in design to the older building, the new 10,000-square-foot structure is made of cinder blocks. Instead of wood, the doors also are recessed with attractive brickwork and redwood benches, and inside there are no posts — as there were in the older building.

Cinder blocks were selected by the board — upon the advice of the designer — because they are sturdy, mostly maintenance-free and will make a building that is cooler in the summer than a metal building.

Although most of the wreckage was cleared from the old building when it collapsed, the concrete slab that once was the floor remains. That area will be put to use this year as a site of outside merchants' displays.

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Fairgrounds maintenance is a yearlong task for many

By MICHAEL VANAUSDELN
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Sometimes, work is never done.

Irrigating the grounds, mowing the grass, painting, repairing building fences, and any thing else that needs to be done on the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds become the never-ending jobs of the fairgrounds maintenance department, headed by Tom Shouse, as they prepare for the Twin Falls County Fair and Rodeo.

The crew, though, has been doing this kind of work all year. In addition to preparing for the upcoming fair, the crew has been active working on the grounds for events that have been dominating the warm-weather months — including picnics, riding clubs shows, the Gem State show, a circus and state rodeos.

The events were scheduled "practically every week this summer," says Shouse.

To prepare for the fair, the crew "pattles up the barns, does the needed repair work, fixes roads, and takes care of any last-minute watering we need to get done."

One of the biggest projects has

been getting the new Merchants' Building No. 1 ready. The roof fell in last winter under the weight of heavy snow.

"A lot of our time has been spent in that building," Shouse says. "We still have a few things we need to get done."

There is no particular job that is the hardest. "It's all work," Shouse says, but the irrigating job is the "most important responsibility."

After the fair, when the carnival rides, spectators, livestock and cowboys are gone, the crew of 12-14 people will begin the cleanup chores, but that "isn't the worst of it," says Shouse. The crew will maintain and clean up the grounds during the fair, working on shifts that start at 8 a.m. and last until 3 a.m. the next morning.

"Keeping everything nice and in top shape during the fair is a real job," he says.

Each year the crew tries to "add something to the grounds that people would notice." This year that's been the new building, so little else has been added.

"We can only do what we can afford," says Shouse. "And I mean that both in a money sense and in a time sense."

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Turkeys may gobble in record numbers in '87

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Turkey production, a year-round business, is setting records this year and probably will again in 1987, according to Agriculture Department economists.

Based on preliminary information, turkey output is expected to be about 203.2 million birds in 1986, up 10 percent from 185.3 million last year, the department's Agricultural Statistics Board reported Thursday.

North Carolina, the leader, is expected to produce 38.5 million turkeys, a 21 percent jump from last year, the report said. Minnesota, the No. 2 producer, was listed at 34.5 million birds, a 13 percent increase, and California was third with 22.3 million, up 9 percent.

The three states account for 47 percent of the total U.S. turkey production forecast for 1986.

In an earlier report, the Economic Research Service said strong demand and lower production costs are encouraging turkey producers to expand production.

"The stage is set for another surge in turkey production in 1987," the report said. "Producers have had favorable returns for three years. Consumers are finding new ways to use turkey; processed products in particular are providing an alternative to the traditional roasted bird."

"Other turkey forms, especially further-processed products, are replacing other meats. With all of these favorable factors, turkey producers may expand output by 15 percent in 1987. However, more

sluggish growth in the general economy could slow the increase.

New York wholesale prices for dressed turkeys this fall may average 83 cents to 92 cents a pound for young hens in the range of 8-16 pounds, according to agency projections. That

would be comparable to the average of 80 1/2 cents in the fourth quarter of last year.

Overall, wholesale prices for dressed turkeys in 1986 may be in the range of 74 cents to 76 cents a pound, compared with 73.5 cents for all of last year.

But in 1987, if production increases as indicated, prices could drop to 57 cents to 63 cents a pound on average in the first quarter, and to an annual average of 63 cents to 71 cents.

Larger pork output late next year also would have an effect.

Where there are merchants, shoppers and money follow

FILER — Most people won't visit the Twin Falls County Fair as a shopping expedition. Nevertheless, where merchants and money congregate, there's almost always buying.

Fairgoers will be eyeing more commercial exhibits this year, largely due to the unexpected collapse this winter of one wooden merchants building.

The fair will host 149 business booths this year, 11 more than last year. They will show wares ranging from satellite-TV dishes to jewelry.

"We will have more outdoor space," says Neoma Shouse, fair office manager.

A number of the new exhibitors

will be located on a cement pad along the main promenade, the former site of the collapsed building. Fair officials did not rebuild at that site. Instead, they erected a new merchants building on the west side of the grounds.

The vacant cement pad is being pressed into service for outdoor exhibits, including a car dealership, a spa business, two medical outlets and others, Shouse says.

Workers last week were marking it for booths. The arrangement gives more businesses a chance to advertise their wares and, perhaps, make a sale. It also funnels more fees into fair coffers.

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When the fair is over, the Fair Board doesn't intend to close the door on the new building. Upon the board's request, Twin Falls

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Vacation? Tom Shouse forgets what that means

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer

FILER — For most people, the Twin Falls County Fair comes only once a year. It's a festive event of late summer and covets a week or two of activities, depending on whether you are talking to an exhibitor or a spectator.

always amazed at the size and quality of the potatoes, squash and other produce that we grow in this area, and this is what makes our fair so exceptional," the manager says.

When the busy fair week is over, Shouse says, he and his crew are "beat." The constant pace of fair week gets a little harder every year, he says, but he and his wife aren't thinking about retirement. They both enjoy their work.

The aim of the secretary-manager is to keep the fair a family-entertainment feature for the Magic Valley.

"Too many fairs are going commercial. They're concentrating on commercial exhibits to the extent of becoming nothing more than home shows. We aren't going to let that happen here. We want to keep the agricultural flavor because this is an agricultural area," he says.

Shouse was born in Filer and, except for time in the service during World War II and work in an aircraft plant in California briefly, has spent his entire life in the area.

Another reason he and Neoma are not thinking of slowing down is that they are now rearing two of their teen-age grandsons. Their son died of leukemia and his wife's mother is dying of leukemia disease so the Shouse family at

Filer has grown. The fair, since Shouse became manager, has tripled in size in exhibits and attendance. This year the Fair Board and manager are aiming for a 100,000-attendee figure, although Shouse says it may have reached about 100,000. Population and the economy control the attendance and the figure is never a sure thing.

Shouse says that without the thousands of hours of volunteer labor that go into each year's event, there could be no fair. The 4-H leaders, exhibitors and such

groups as the Twin Falls County Sheriff's posse are the fair's best friends, he says.

At fair time the paid staff consists of about 170 employees, most getting minimum wage plus their dedicated services. The rest of the year it's a foreman and the Shouses. A work day at the fair begins starts at about 3 a.m. during fair week. Crews have to rework the rodeo arena ground, clean up all of the papers and litter, and, yes, remove manure from the barns before the fair fans begin arriving at 8:30 a.m. each day.

Shouse says that while the fair budget is about \$50,000 a year, only \$10,000 of this comes from county funds. Every effort is made to keep the fair self-supporting and to cut expenses. The Sheriff's posse is allowed to practice at the fairgrounds at no charge; in return, members handle parking and other duties at fair time. This usually amounts to 1,500 hours of free service.

There's another factoid that is responsible for the success of the Twin Falls County Fair, Shouse says — the loyal people who attend each year's festivity.

TOM SHOUSE

22 years as fair manager

For Tom Shouse and his wife Neoma, every day is fair time.

Since Tom became fair manager and secretary 22 years ago there have been no vacations for the busy couple.

"It isn't that we couldn't have taken time off, but we just don't seem to get around to it," Shouse says.

In winter months there's maintenance work on buildings and facilities as permitted by weather. Summer requires irrigating and mowing at the grounds, an occasional new building and maintenance. There are horse shows, bull sales and special gatherings at the fairgrounds and the usual preparations and cleanup.

"But the closer it gets to the actual fair dates the more the excitement builds."

"I still love the fair and I start getting pretty excited a week or two before we open the gates to the crowds," Shouse says. "My help feels the same way, and if we didn't get excited our enjoying the anticipation it wouldn't be a very good fair."

Shouse says he travels a lot in lieu of vacations, but it's usually to a fair or rodeo meeting in Denver, Chicago or some other city.

He has been president of the Miss Rodeo America organization and is a permanent member of the board of directors that governs the national event.

As Twin Falls County Fair manager, he has rubbed shoulders with most of the greats in the rodeo cowboy world with the best-known rodeo producers and those who manage the largest fairs in the country.

"It makes me feel pretty good when I run into a cowboy in Denver who tells me Filer has the cleanest restrooms in the country, or that he likes to come to Filer because of our outstanding beef cattle events," Shouse says.

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Old fair hand Cobb credits volunteers for success

By KATHY SURESLY
Times-News correspondent

FILER — At a time when changing fads and new trends are replacing many social traditions, the Twin Falls County Fair seems to be going strong. Jay Cobb, a 30-year veteran of fair involvement, attributes its success to the people who volunteer their time.

"Most of the people who make the fair happen volunteer their time; they like what they do and they are good at it. It's different than when you hire someone to come in," says Cobb.

southwest of Filer, on a small, overlooking the town and beyond.

"The fair has always been the culmination in the fall of the year's work in a predominantly agricultural area," when the county used to be open more, get a lot of participation. Being at the fair is part of tradition," Cobb says of the willingness of participants.

"The fair is not only the culmination of the farmers' work, it's the culmination for many area youths' summer 4-H projects. The best summer education program there is 4-H," says Cobb, who has been involved as a judge and with his daughters as they were growing up.

"The kids learn about livestock, weeds, mechanics, bugs and all sorts of things, and they learn to follow through. They must keep accurate records and be consistent," Cobb says.

"There's a lot of work that goes into those projects. They find out quick that each animal has its own personality, and they had better know what it is," Cobb says laughing.

He remembers when a sow decided she had had enough of the hot sun in the ring and took off for the nearest faucet with mud under it. It happened that it ran on the other side of the horse ring. "We had some fillies going every which way. Things didn't settle down for an hour or so," Cobb recalls.

"Those kids have to make sure they can read their animals," he says. "My daughter had a steer one year that I was sure was going to give her trouble. I held my breath that a piece of paper wouldn't suddenly blow through the ring and cause that steer to explode."

"One of the hardest parts is the judging. A judge gives his opinion on that day; two days later he might have a different opinion.

"We all have to abide by his decision and accepting that is sometimes hard," Cobb explains. Cobb is also a 4-H judge. "All 4-H entries receive a ribbon. Blue is for excellent, red is for good and white means they need more work. They learn to be better and what it takes to be better, but all are recognized for their work."

"The Twin Falls County Fair has a great reputation; we're all proud of it," says Cobb.

He sees no problem with finding

people to follow in his and others' footsteps. Fair involvement is passed on from one generation to the next.

There seems to be overall agreement that "what the area youth receive from the fair by participating is part of the reason for its success. Young 4-H participants grow up to have families of their own and wish to pass on the experience.

Cobb's grandparents homesteaded in the Filer area.

His father-in-law was one of the original group who purchased the 40-acre fairgrounds site. "The interest was there in 1916 and it's still there now. In an area of some 45,000 people, to get an attendance of 80,000 says there is interest," Cobb says.

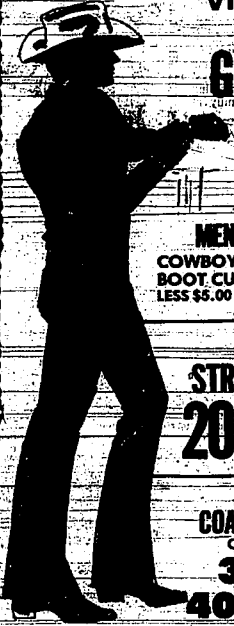
Cobb thinks part of the fair's success is the quality of the fairgrounds. "They planted trees and really made it nice. We've watched it grow and get better," he says.

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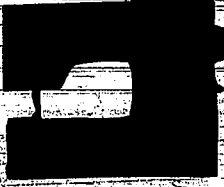
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- 10:00 a.m., Judging of Open Class Swine, followed by 4-H Swine Breeding, Swine Barn Area.
- 10:00 a.m., 4-H Horse Equitation & Pleasure Classes, Rodeo Arena.
- 10:00 a.m., Judging of Sheep, Sheep Arena.
- 10:00 a.m., Judging of Dogs, Dog Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m., Judging of Flowers, Produce Bldg.
- 1:00 p.m., 4-H Breeding Goats, Quality & Fitting & Showing, #2.
- 1:00 p.m., 4-H Bow; Pavilion Bldg.
- 1:00 p.m., Judging Salar Cattle, Show Ring.
- 2:00 p.m., Mule Trail Class; Horse Arena.
- 2:00 p.m., Judging of Charolais & Jr. Charolais, Show Arena.
- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Afternoon Entertainment, Band Shell.
- 3:00 p.m., Judging of Gimmantal & Jr. Gimmantals, Show Arena.
- 4:00 p.m., Judging of Junior Flower Gardeners, Produce Bldg.
- 4:00 p.m., Judging of Angus Cattle & Jr. Angus, Show Arena.
- 5:00 p.m., Judging of Hornmont Cattle & Jr. Hornmont; and Exoticas, Show Arena.
- By 8:00 p.m.; Dairy must be on grounds.
- 7:00 p.m. Ladies Lead Line, Sheep Arena.
- 8:00 p.m. Mule Performance, Rodeo Arena.

Wednesday, Sept. 3

- 8:00 a.m., Home Ec. Demonstration, Pavilion Bldg.
- 8:00 a.m., FFA Beef Fitting & Showing, Sr. First, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., 4-H Beef Fitting & Showing, Sr. First, followed by Beef Breeding, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., FFA Dairy Fitting & Showing; Sr. First, followed by Dairy Breeding, Magic Valley Jr. Dairy Show, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., 4-H, FFA Sheep, Fitting & Showing, first followed by Jr. Division Market Lambs, Sheep Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., 4-H & FFA Swine, Fitting & Showing, Sr. First, followed by Jr. Division Market Hogs, Swine Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Judging of Horses: Morgans, Paints, Arabians, Appaloosa, Quarter Horses; Horse Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Judging of Draft Horses & Mules, Horse Arena.
- 10:00 a.m., 4-H, FFA Poultry & Rabbits.
- 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m., Afternoon Entertainment, Band Shell.
- 7:00 p.m., 4-H Assembly for entry into HOSAC.
- 7:30 p.m., Pre-Rodeo Entertainment - Riding Club, Queen Horsemanship Free-style, Rodeo Arena.
- 8:00 p.m., Rodeo, Rodeo Arena.

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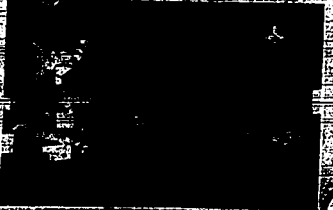
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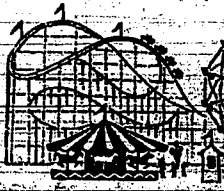
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- 8:00 a.m., 4-H & FFA Sheep Breeding, Sheep Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Idaho Intermountain Dairy Show, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Junior Division Market Steers, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Slight Demonstrations, Swine Arena.
- 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., Afternoon Entertainment, Band Shell.
- 3:00 p.m., "Open to the World" Show Arena.
- 7:30 p.m., Pre-Rodeo Entertainment - Riding Clubs, Open Horsemanship Free-style, Rodeo Arena.
- 8:00 p.m., Rodeo.

Friday, Sept. 5

- 8:00 a.m., Northwest Jr. Hereford Heifer Show, Show Arena.
- 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m., Registration - 4-H.
- 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., 4-H Dog; Fitting & Showing, followed by Dog Obedience, Sheep Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Horse Demonstrations, Show Arena.
- 9:00 a.m., Judging of Polled Hereford Cattle, Show Arena.
- 11:00 a.m., Idaho National Breeders Steer Show, Show Arena.
- 1:00 p.m., Official Regional Hereford Show, Show Arena.
- 1:00 p.m., FFA Round Robin Fitting & Showing, Swine Arena & Horse Grazing Area.
- 2:00 p.m., Miss Rodeo Idaho Open Horsemanship, Rodeo Arena.
- 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Afternoon Entertainment, Band Shell.
- 7:30 p.m., Pre-Rodeo Entertainment - Riding Clubs, Rodeo Arena.
- 8:00 p.m., Rodeo.

Saturday, Sept. 6

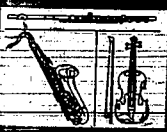
- 8:00 a.m., Wranglerette Horse Show, Rodeo Arena.
- 10:00 a.m., 4-H & FFA Fat Stock Sale, Sale Barn.
- 2:00 p.m., Dog Obedience Demonstrations, Dog Arena.
- 2:00 p.m., Idaho Old Time Piddlers, Band Shell.
- 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Afternoon Entertainment, Band Shell.
- 7:00 p.m., Pre-Rodeo Entertainment - Riding Clubs, Rodeo Arena.
- 8:00 p.m., Rodeo.
- 10:30 p.m., Release of Beef and Dairy Cattle.

Sunday, Sept. 7

- 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Removal of all Merchant's Displays & Livestock.
- 8:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Removal of all 4-H Projects.
- 8:00 a.m.-2:00 Noon, Removal of Produce, Fruit and Flowers.
- 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Removal of Entries in Home Arts, Kitchen & Pantry, Youth & Art.

Monday, Sept. 8

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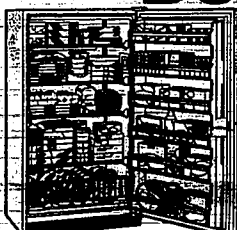
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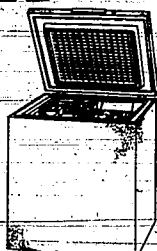
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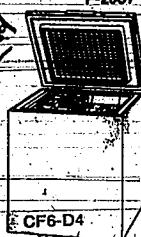
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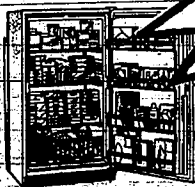


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Ornery mules traverse obstacles to the amused delight of crowds

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

FILED—They're balky. They're temperamental. Sometimes they're just downright ornery.

The mule often is a contrary creature, and the Twin Falls County Fair and Rodeo has devised a contest to bring out the worst in the beasts.

In the official fair schedule, the competition goes by the unassuming title of "Mule Performance Classes."

But the events put stumbling blocks in their paths, and it's the trainer's task to coax the mule through as quickly as possible.

"If it were horses, it would not be near as interesting as it is with mules," says LeRoy Tingstrom, who will judge the mule events at this year's fair.

The judge can't assume some basics in this contest. In many races, it's not just a test of speed, but think the main thing is whether they complete the course or not, he says.

For instance, the Trail Class there's the rawhide race, in which competitors place obstacles in the mule's path and the rescue race, in which two riders mount the mule.

Finally, there's the mysterious gosse race, a new entry this year. This one the judge didn't even know about.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1986 harvest of winter wheat is all but history, and combining of spring-planted wheat is more than one-third completed, according to weekly reports by the Agriculture Department.

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Ag expert: Utah farms should vary cash crops

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Cache Valley farmers should consider planting alternate crops as the market dictates to improve their financial situations, a Utah State University extension agronomist says.

Jim Bushnell said Monday that although local farmers are innovative in other ways, they often fail to look at the market before deciding what to plant.

"We've demonstrated at the agriculture experiment station that pinto beans, safflower and sorghum are among the crops local farmers might consider growing, particularly in years when there is too much grain on the market," he said.

Dan Nelson, a graduate student in agricultural education, has been experimenting with growing pinto beans as part of his master's thesis.

"These dried beans would do well here, and there would be very little financial investment because they can be planted and harvested with equipment used for other crops, such as corn," he said.

In the past, farmers would have had to ship pinto beans out of state, but Nelson said, there is a new \$200,000 plant in Brigham City which could serve as a receiving point.



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By KRISTIN TUCKER
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Smell that cinnamon roll. Savor that salsa. Sample this ice cream. It's fall time.

If food is high on your list of reasons for going to the fair, you are in luck once again. This year's midway menu includes plenty of goodies — from hot and spicy chili con carne to cold sno-cones.

You can, of course, grab a bite from the stands up by the carnival rides. Somewhere between the spookhouse and the kiddy boat rides you are sure to find hotdogs and soft drinks, cotton candy and popcorn.

But if you are looking for more specialized fare, and perhaps an opportunity to help the budget of some non-profit group or local business, follow your nose to where coffee is parking and the spuds are baking.



That's right, spuds. Once again, the Magchords are stuffing link sausages into a few thousand good-sized Idaho potatoes. PaterPigs, they call them, and serve them hot from their ovens with all the sour cream and relish you can pile atop.

For authentic Mexican food,

visit the Guadalupe Center's booth, where you can have a homemade burrito, taco, enchilada and chorizo, with chilita-calle (hot salsa) and nachos.

The Twin Falls "Bethel" specializes in scones, polish dogs and corn dogs.

And if it's a burger you're after, you can choose from several booths. Corn dogs, too, and hot dogs, chili (homemade and otherwise) and french fries, soft drinks and coffee. And a variety of fresh pies — some homemade, some from the best local bakeries — that will make dessert a priority.

How about meeting a friend for breakfast — at the fairgrounds? Twin Falls Moose Lodge #12 serves breakfast every morning, and later in the day they'll have burgers and fries, plus polish

sausage, barbecue-beef sandwiches and pastrami sandwiches — and homemade relish on the side.

The Cake Boutique will have homemade cinnamon rolls and honey knots ready by 7 a.m. each day, with fresh hot coffee — plus a tempting assortment of other baked goods available all day.

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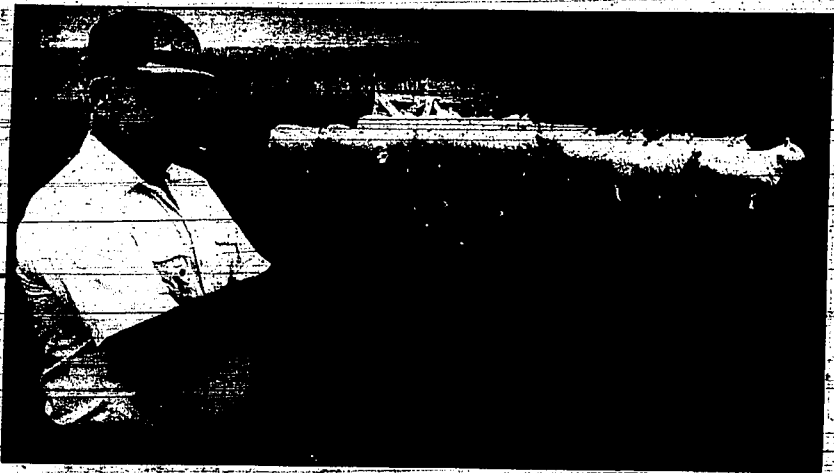
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Sheep expert is real McCoy

36 years of lambs show for superintendent

By KATHY SURSLEY
Times-News correspondent



Abe McCoy thinks he's been the fair's sheep superintendent since 1950, but he admits that estimate could be slightly off. Staff photo

FILER.—A county fair is a blend of the old and new, the latest products, methods, amusement rides and taste treats combine with the tradition of livestock and agricultural displays to give us a feeling of nostalgia and excitement.

Abe McCoy, Twin Falls County Fair sheep superintendent, is a part of the tradition. "Between me, the late Bud McCoy and me, we've put in about 50 years with the fair," he says.

McCoy thinks he's been sheep superintendent since 1950, "but while filling in for about 10 years, the years seem to all run together," he says. He proudly displays the sheep superintendent robe that was first issued in 1949 that was his father's.

The McCoy came to the Magic Valley in 1907, bought some land in the fair area and became one of the men who donated money to the fair. McCoy recalls, "Some of the display buildings just had dirt floors for a while, but each year it was improved."

McCoy recalls the days before amusement rides and food concessions. "The women would bring their baked goods and the men would show their work, and then we'd all sit around and eat what we'd made or grown."

McCoy moved "southwest of Buhl" later in his life and continued to raise sheep. "The sheep are still in the family, my wife and son take care of them now," he says.

As sheep superintendent, McCoy is head of the Sheep Barn at the fair. He judges entries, assigns pens and anything else required to keep things running smoothly throughout fair days.

There are two divisions of sheep judging—the 4-H and the Open Class. The 4-H division is for members who buy a lamb in the spring and raise it all summer to show at the fair. As a sheep breeder for many years, McCoy finds it interesting to see the results of the summer's work. Some of the 4-H members buy their lambs from him. "They all start out pretty much alike, so I like to see how they progress," McCoy says. "The feeding process is probably the most important thing," he adds.

McCoy believes the experience of raising the lambs teaches the kids discipline and the facts of

life. "They have to stick with it and, even then, sometimes two weeks before the fair a lamb will take sick or get hurt. That is really tough on the kids," he says.

There are some aspects of the program that McCoy thinks could be improved a little. "I think they should raise two or three lambs so they have to sell some on the open market. Due to the generosity of Magic Valley merchants, the kids do very well at the Fat Stock Sale. It's a little tougher on the open market."

McCoy says. The lambs are fattened up to about 110-120 pounds by fair time and can bring up to \$300 at the Fat Stock Sale.

McCoy would also like to see a little more emphasis on breeding. "It would give the kids more of the whole picture," he says.

The Open Class division is for any registered sheep. Many 4-H members show their sheep in both divisions as their animals are registered. "The Open Class promotes the sheep industry; it gives breeders a chance to show off their livestock," McCoy says.

"It doesn't really pay to do it by the time you spend all that time and everything else involved, but it gives us a chance to see other breeders and their sheep. Showing gets in your blood; it's a lot of work, but you do it."

McCoy can't really put into words what the sheep are judged on any more because he's been doing it for so long. "I've been judging sheep so long that I just kind of know by looking at them. I suppose it's size, quality and gainability that we look for."

Once again this year, McCoy

will be at the fair, making sure all runs smoothly in the Sheep Barn.

This will be his 36th year (we think). Now, that is tradition.



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The critter doctors

Twin Falls veterinarian Dr. John Lowry oversees staff of animal health specialists

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer

FILER—Animals at the Twin Falls County Fair will not have to worry about hump aches, runny noses or even injuries while away from home.

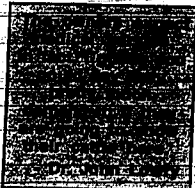
The Magic Valley Veterinarian Medical Association will be at the fairgrounds through Sept. 6 for 14-16 hours a day to protect the health of the animal exhibits.

Some 12-15 veterinarians will share duties, working in four-hour shifts through the week. Dr. John Lowry of Twin Falls, a large-animal specialist and president of the Magic Valley organization, has been involved with providing the service for the past six years and is heading the program for the third year.

"We start Sunday evening when the swine entries begin coming in," he says. "Each entry in the swine classes has to be inspected by a veterinarian, and we are then available to the animal owners throughout the fair."

Although the animal doctors concentrate on large animals, they are also qualified if a dog, bunny or chicken has a health problem.

A travel trailer, located near the horse barn, serves as



headquarters. Lowry says persons can come by or leave a note if the doctor is out, and the person on duty will respond as quickly as possible.

The veterinarians volunteer their time for their particular shift or shifts and make no call charges. The animal owners pay only for whatever service or treatment is required.

"Since the beef, cattle and horse exhibits have become so large, we think it is important that we have someone on the grounds at all times," Lowry says. "There are several hundred head of cattle from all over the United States and some are highly prized animals. The owners expect medical service; in fact, I guess you could say they pretty much demand it. If they are going to show their cattle

A common health problem, he says, is respiratory diseases for horses and other large animals. Dr. Lowry recalls that about two years ago an outbreak occurred and he sent all of the 4-H horses home on Friday.

"Stress alone can cause respiratory problems among the animals," he says.

Stress is high among young animals away from home for the first time and stabled with so many other horses or cattle, he says.

One year the Parvo virus outbreak caused dog exhibits to be cut to almost zero.

"We didn't have vaccine for it then, and most of the dog owners decided on their own to keep the animals home," he recalls.

The participation is not limited to veterinarians in Twin Falls County, Dr. Lowry says. They come from all Magic Valley communities, but he says the Fair fair is the only area fair he knows of where the system is in effect. Before the association organized medical coverage, animal owners had to call their own veterinarian to come to the fairgrounds in the event of an emergency. This could cause delays in needed care.

Japan still No. 1 market for farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Although down from an earlier peak, Japan will remain as the No. 1 foreign market for American farmers this year as it has since 1963, according to an Agriculture Department trade report.

The value of U.S. agricultural sales to Japan peaked at \$6.9 billion in 1984 and fell to \$5.7 billion in 1985. This year, the report said, Monday sales are forecast at less than \$5 billion.

"Depressed commodity prices and declining U.S. shares in key markets are behind the decline," the report said. "As U.S. grain

and cotton prices become more competitive under new farm legislation, the United States is expected to regain a more normal share of Japan's market."

The report, by the department's Economic Research Service, said the total value of U.S. farm exports to all foreign countries in the first nine months of the fiscal year that began Oct. 1 was \$20.8 billion, down \$4.7 billion from the same period of 1984-85.

Department trade experts have forecast farm exports at \$27.5 billion for the entire year, down from \$31.2 billion in 1984-85. The peak was \$43.8 billion in 1980-81.

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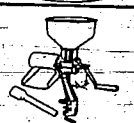
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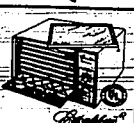


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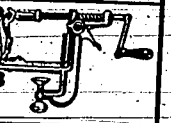
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Professionals, retirees, parents: Volunteers who make things go

By KRISTIN TUCKER
Times-News correspondent

FILER—Hard at work at the Filer Fairgrounds this week are 175 employees — but that's only a fraction of the total work force that brings the fair to life.

There's a volunteer crowd often behind the scenes — that includes youth and retired folks, parents and professionals, who spend thousands of hours making sure the fair is safe, organized and fun for all.

Many of these folks are working with a "local organization" that contributes expertise for specific jobs.

The American Red Cross, for example, operates three first-aid stands on the fairgrounds that are open from early in the morning until the fair closes. One first-aid station will be in the cattle barn, one at the midway and one in the rodeo grandstand.

Under the direction of CSI nursing instructor Helen Hammond, R.N., about 60 certified first-aiders have volunteered to handle emergencies. And each night of the rodeo there will be a doctor on hand in the rodeo grandstand.

Serving the health needs of the rest of the animal kingdom, a crew of local veterinarians volunteer their time, handling routine inspections as well as down-right emergencies.

As you stroll the fairgrounds, look for the Sheriffs' Posse members of the Sheriff's Posse. They're putting in about 545 man-hours parking cars and polishing the grounds, "making sure everything is going all right, that there's no drinking and no trouble," explains long-time Posse member Deluis McGuire.

Members receive no pay for their time, but are allowed to use the grandstand for their weekly practices. And on Sept. 6 the last night of the rodeo, the men and women of the Sheriff's Posse will be putting on a ride.

Over in the barns and exhibits, each department of the fair has a superintendent who receives a small paycheck, but assigning display space, keeping track of exhibits is a job that demands time and commitment far beyond what they are paid.

The 26-event Wrangler Horse Show is totally organized and supervised by the Filer

Wranglerettes, who also will be exhibiting their horsemanship during the rodeo.

Even the entertainment is a volunteer operation, but the talent is first-rate. The Sawtooth Circus, Sage Gymnasts, local Martial Arts classes, Bongo dancers and Tammy's Dance Factory are all contributing their time and talent to amuse this year's fairgoers.

Of course, this is just a partial list of the unpaid staff at the fair. There also are the parents who haul kids, livestock and projects to and from the Filer Fairgrounds and who swing a hammer now and then to make an on-the-spot repair. Then there are the non-profit organizations which bake pies, simmer chili and peddle soft drinks to fund some worthwhile project, and there are the school teachers, FFA advisors and P-H leaders who coach the kids.

And there are the seven members of the Fair Board, who — in a prosperous year — receive \$100 total for their year-round service and many long hours of hard work. For the past two years, county coffers have failed to reimburse board members.

4-H clubs adapt, include computer-age trends

By LORAYNE O. SMITH
Times-News writer

FILER — 4-H clubs have been functioning for more than 70 years, but their programs are changing constantly to keep abreast of modern trends.

Projects by individual members no longer are limited to the traditional livestock for boys and cooking or sewing for girls. And members, ranging from age 9 to 19, no longer need live on a farm.

COMPETITIONS



In more than 70 years of operation, America's 4-H clubs have changed to meet modern trends.

It is estimated that of the more than 1,000 4-H members in Twin Falls County, about half of them are 701 street rural, according to Marsha Howell, county home economist.

This fall a new space project will be launched in the venerable 4-H club in Idaho Falls, Idaho. In Idaho Falls, Howell says, projects and foods which have been developed for use in space travel will be studied, along with other space information.

Typical of modern subjects

already being utilized is the computer project. Jami Kimball of Filer chose this year. A teen leader of the Rainbow and Ruffles 4-H club led by Darlene Annen. Kimball is learning to write her own programs on the computer. She took a beginning class at Filer Middle School, where she will be a ninth grader this fall.

Other members of the club worked on various projects this

year, including foods, ceramics and a series of "at home" environments. The latter, Annen says, is a series of projects designed to stimulate creativity in the girls.

"Instead of being handed a pattern, this gives them a chance to develop their own ideas about improving their rooms and homes," the leader says.

Annen feels the project is geared to the growing number of

families where the mother works and young girls have to assume more responsibility in their homes. The girls examine their resources of time, money and energy and check for safety hazards. They inventory their own belongings and devise inexpensive ways of better organizing them.

Her daughter, Ehrin, 12, built a

pole of old closet rods on which she affixed hooks to hold her stuffed toys as an example of a simple way to both display items and eliminate clutter. Dresser drawers also were organized so items could be found easier.

Annen, who says she's been involved in 4-H "all her life," was a member for 10 years and has been a leader six years. She teaches home economics at Filer High School and says she gets ideas from both school and club activities which help her in the other.

Food projects, too, have moved beyond a traditional country cuisine and taken on an international flavor.

Spur Baker, another club leader in the county, says the international cooking project gives members "a different perspective of various countries through their food." The girls learn that countries have differing types of food because of their geography and economy.

Baker, a first-year leader, says there are many more club projects available to members than when she was involved in the program as a girl. Several years ago, she led a "vital" club composed of 9-year-olds and she also teaches her own children at home.

Five of the members of her 20th Century Pioneer Club took cooking projects this year, and the other chose a money pocket project — another subject not traditionally associated with farm life.

Avenue of Flags to salute a year marked by celebration of liberty

By KRISTIN TUCKER
Times-News correspondent

FILER — An Avenue of Flags greets fair-goers this week with 14 flags displayed along Main Street celebrating the theme chosen for this year's fair — Pride in our Liberty.

The display was purchased for the Bicentennial celebration of 1976. Patriotic flags and banners are used nearly every year, explains Fair Manager Tom Shouse, but the flag display hasn't been used since that 1976 celebration. This year's Liberty celebrations prompted the Fair Board to bring out the display once again.

A new Liberty flag replaces the Bicentennial flag used in 1976. The red-white-and-blue banner has the figure of Lady Liberty and the word "Liberty" printed boldly across its center. This flag flies in a place of honor across from the Stars and Stripes.

The other flags tell the story of our country in stars and stripes — plus the serpent, the oak tree and other designs that have adorned our nation's banner.

To add to your appreciation of the Avenue of Flags, here's a little story designed to represent loyalty to the king — but, resistance to parliament's tyranny.

The Bennington flag has 13

included all sorts of colors.

A pine tree was used on New England flags during the 1690s. A symbol that may have been chosen to establish the flag as a secular symbol.

The rattlesnake was first used on flags as a symbol of American Unity during the Seven Years' War, 1756-1763. The snake was revered for its legendary regenerative capabilities, and for its wisdom, independence and independence.

"She (the rattlesnake) strongly resembles America in this, that she is beautiful in youth, and her beauty increases with age," wrote an anonymous Philadelphia correspondent to Bradford's Pennsylvania Journal, in December, 1775.

In July 1769, a union flag was raised above the Liberty Tree — an elm grove in Boston that marked the site of meetings of the Sons of Liberty. That flag had 13 red-and-white stripes, no stars.

A few years later the Continental, or Grand Union, flag was raised, with 13 red-and-white stripes, and a small British flag in the top left corner. Raised in 1775 by John Paul Jones, the flag was designed to represent loyalty to the king, but, resistance to parliament's tyranny.

stripes, with 13 stars forming a semicircle over the number 76. The flag was traditionally said to have been used at the Battle of Bennington on the New York-Vermont border in August 1777, making it the oldest star-and-stripes in existence. That report is disputed by historians who believe the flag may have been made for the centennial celebration of 1976.

Stars on the American flag had five, six, seven and eight points. Most flags have the stripes arranged with red at the top and bottom, but a few flags have white stripes at the top.

The stars and stripes were officially "designated" as national symbols by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. That act declared, "... that the flag of the United States be made of 13 stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

As the number of states grew, more stars and stripes were added to the flag. The Flag Act of 1818 fixed the number of stripes at 13 and established that a new star would be added for each state that entered the union. There were 20 stars in 1818, 35 in 1863.

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During the Civil War, President Lincoln refused to acknowledge the right of the Southern states to dissolve their ties with the Union, and official flags still had a star for each Confederate state. The 48-star flag was used from 1912 until Alaska was granted statehood in 1959. A few months later, Hawaii became a state and President Eisenhower signed an executive order adding a 50th star to the flag as of July 4, 1960.

Perhaps the most memorable use of that 50-star flag was on July 29, 1969, when Col. Neil Armstrong and Col. Edwin Aldrin left the American flag on the moon.

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EmHA sweetens interest program

WASHINGTON. (AP) — The Farmers Home Administration has sweetened its interest buydown program to help borrowers meet current cash-flow demands.

Vance L. Clark, administrator of the Agriculture Department agency, said Monday that regulations have been modified to encourage banks and other commercial lenders to make more loans available while giving farmers easier repayment terms.

The new regulations allow lenders to use "balloon installments" when they make loans

guaranteed by FmHA under the interest buydown program. Those allow a borrower to make smaller payments and then have a larger amount due at the end of the loan period, years down the line.

"Sometimes a better cash-flow makes the difference between farming and finding another line of work," Clark said in a statement.

The balloon payments are not permitted to exceed an amount that the borrower can reasonably expect to repay with a rescheduled loan and terms of up to 15

years. Balloon payments have been available under regular FmHA farm loan programs but were not allowed until now under the interest buydown program.

Under interest buydown, lenders can reduce a borrower's interest rate by as much as 4 percent and be reimbursed for half of the reduction by FmHA.

"The combination of the loan guarantee, interest buydown and balloon payments could open the door to federally insured financing for many more farmers," Clark said.

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Health worries, taxes squeezing recent snuff gain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health worries and rising taxes are threatening the recent gains in the use of snuff and other forms of smokeless tobacco, according to an Agriculture Department report.

Almost 136 million pounds of smokeless tobacco products, including chewing tobacco and snuff, were produced in 1985, up from 92.5 million pounds in 1980. The Department of Health and Human Services estimates that more than 12 million Americans at least tried the products last year.

Verner Grise, a tobacco analyst in USDA's Economic Research Service, says the renewed popularity of smokeless tobacco may be threefold.

"First, the industry has made a major effort in advertising its smokeless products," he said. "Second, more and more workplaces are banning smoking, so smokeless tobacco becomes a possible alternative. And a third reason could be that people are switching from cigarettes to smokeless tobacco because they perceive it as being less of a health risk."

Before the 1930s, smokeless tobacco was readily accepted by Americans. But when the public spitting associated with smokeless tobacco began to be viewed as unsanitary and unattractive, its practice declined.

Grise said the use of smokeless tobacco dropped from an average

of about 5.5 pounds per person in the 1920s to a low of 1.5 pounds in the late 1960s. Use started rising again in the 1970s, peaking at about 1.5 pounds in 1980. Since then, however, the average has dropped slightly but has remained above the low mark of the 1960s.

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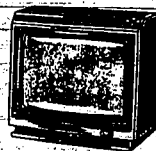
"All the recent decline is in chewing tobacco, while the snuff market has grown," Grise said. "Employment is down in some industries where chewing tobacco is typically used, such as heavy manufacturing. This may have contributed to the drop."

Grise said the smokeless tobacco industry may face even tougher challenges to its sales

new taxes. Since July 1, the first federal excise taxes on smokeless tobacco have gone into effect, including 24 cents a pound on snuff and 8 cents a pound on chewing tobacco.

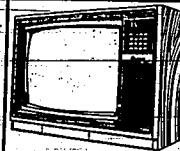
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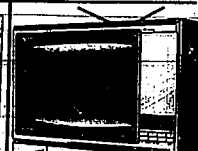
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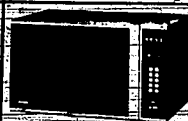
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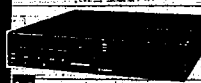
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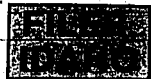
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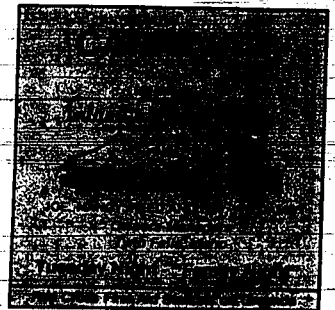
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Country cloggers favorite at fair

Non-profit group enjoys reputation

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The traditional square dance of the Old West is given a modern, upbeat touch in the performances of the Sawtooth Country Cloggers, one of the top clogging groups in the Northwest.

The Cloggers are a non-profit, youth-oriented dancing group founded in 1981 by Ed and Vicki Austin, who are currently directing the Brigham Young University International Folk Dancers.

The Twin Falls group began performing in 1981 and has since earned a reputation as one of the best clogging groups in the Northwest. In late May, the group performed at the Northwest Folklife Festival in Seattle, which featured several other folk-dancing groups.

"If what I saw at the festival was the best of the Northwest,

then you have the best team in the Northwest," says Board of Directors member L. "J" Muir, speaking of the local cloggers.

The Sawtooth Country Cloggers are a favorite at the Twin Falls County Fair. Clogger Kim Dodds says that a woman from Halley came to the fair last year just to watch them perform, and arrived too late.

"When I told her that we had just finished, she asked me to do it again so she could see," she says.

The group agrees that a performance depended not only on their talent, but also on the audience. If an audience is involved, the show is good. "When people get into the performance and clap and yell, it's encouraging for us," Dodds says.

"It's hard to smile if people aren't smiling back at you," Pettigill adds.

This year has been an active one for the group. Since last year's performances at the National Governor's Conference and the Reagan/Sydney Raley, both in Boise, they have received invitations to perform at the Folklife Festival, the Ann Morrison wedding in Jackson Hole, and the Constitutional Birthday Party in Washington D.C.

The Constitutional Birthday Party this fall is part of the liberty celebration and rededication of the State of Liberty. The U.S. Constitution will be 200 years old in 1987.

According to Muir, the July Fourth celebration in New York City this summer had a performing act from every state except Idaho. "If we had known that was the case, we would have volun-



The Sawtooth Country Cloggers, a traditional favorite in the Magic Valley since 1981, strut some of their winning stuff.

teered to perform," he says. "Other favorite performances among the cloggers are Seattle and the Governors' Conference."

Traveling is one of the main advantages of clogging, Muir says. "These kids get to go places they'd never have a chance to see if they weren't cloggers," he says.

Clogging is a physical, as well as a financial, strain for the group. In order to earn bus money for the Seattle trip, they sold, made, and delivered about 350

discs at 10 each. Muir says. The group has also had car washes, hot dog sales, and other types of fund-raising events. They

"do whatever it takes," Muir says. The main expenses are costumes and transportation. The last set of new costumes cost over \$600, even with mothers doing the sewing.

The cloggers are usually between the ages of 12 and 18, when they have the most interest and coordination, Muir says.

There is only one boy on the team, but others are expected to join. The absence of male cloggers is due to two factors, Muir says.

First, there isn't a male director, like Ed (Austin) anymore that they can relate to and second, there's an attitude

that it's not macho to dance," he says.

This attitude is seen not only with the male dancers, but with clogging in general, Pettigill says. "I don't understand why people are down on clogging. If they understood what we do and

the places we got to go, everybody would join," she says.

In addition to travel opportunities, clogging offers a greater sense of self-confidence after youths have been with the group, Muir says. "A kid can go from

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Analyst: Debts not sole cause of farm bailouts

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — If, indeed, there comes a doomsday for agriculture, when debt-burdened farmers by the hundreds of thousands file for bankruptcy ahead of the bill collectors, it won't be this year, says an Agriculture Department economist.

Jim Ryan of the department's Economic Research Service sees no likelihood of an unusually large exodus from farming in 1986, not even in some of the financially worst-hit parts of the country.

Nationally, he said in an interview, and in a new outlook report, about 40 percent of the nation's farmers have no debt at all, and 40 percent have debts within bounds of their assets. The remaining 20 percent include severely crunched farmers, some of whose debts are larger than their holdings.

Ryan analyzed the results of a survey made last January by the Midwest Association of State Departments of Agriculture. The survey was conducted in nine states: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

The survey findings suggest that 5 percent of the farm operators in the nine-state area did not plan to farm in 1986, ranging from 3 percent in North Dakota to 6.4 percent in Nebraska. Even in a normal year, Ryan said, there would be 10 to 15 percent of the total to 5 percent for a variety of financial and personal reasons.

"Financial problems were not indicated as the main reason for most farmers for ceasing operations," he said. "Six percent of Missouri farmers plan to leave farming in 1986, but health, retirement and other personal reasons, not financial difficulties, were identified as the major forces in deciding to quit. In Ohio, 5 percent plan to cease operations, but only 2 percent for financial reasons."

But, as others have reported, Ryan found that financial problems have a greater effect on family-size commercial farms, those with annual sales of \$40,000 to \$100,000. In Missouri, for example, 5 percent of those planned to quit this year, 4 percent because of financial troubles. The remaining 1 percent retired. In Ohio, 5 percent of those in the \$40,000-to-\$100,000 sales category are quitting, 3 percent for financial reasons.

The vast majority of farmers appear intent on remaining in farming in spite of any current financial problems.

Jim Ryan

Agricultural Department economist

Ryan also reported that the incidence of farm close-outs varies widely within states, among the different areas or crop-reporting districts, farm types and sales classes.

In Illinois, where 5 percent of the farmers planned to quit this year, the exit rate varied from 11 percent in one area to 1 percent in another.

Only 4.4 percent of Wisconsin farmers expect to cease operations in 1986, but this includes 12.5 percent of the fruit and vegetable growers and 71 percent of those with sales less than \$40,000.

Ryan is adding, "In Kansas, 5.6 percent of all operators plan to quit, including 10.3 percent of swine producers and 20 percent of operations less than 10 acres. But only 3.7 per-

cent of farms greater than 2,000 acres, and 1.6 percent of those with sales greater than \$250,000 (a year) plan to exit farming."

Ryan said overdue loan payments are big problems but that many delinquent farm borrowers plan to continue operations. In Nebraska, for example, 6.4 percent of all farmers expect to quit in 1986, and delinquency rates are 10.3 percent on real estate debt and 9.7 percent on non-real estate debt.

But in one part of Nebraska, 14 percent of the farmers expect to quit this year, but delinquency rates are only 7 percent on real estate and 6 percent on other debt. In another area, only 1.4 percent plan to "cease" farming, but the delinquency rates are 12.5 percent and 14.9 percent, respec-

tively. Loan delinquencies, however, do bear heavily on the future plans of farmers. The survey asked how long they would be able to farm if current trends in income and expenses continue.

Eleven percent of the farmers in North Dakota said they could not make it past 1987. Almost 61 percent of those are delinquent on loan payments.

The lack-of-town jobs may be forcing some farmers to remain on the land, regardless of how bleak things are. Almost 23 percent of Nebraska's farm income is from non-farm sources, largely financial assets, and 82 percent of the operators said they don't believe there are adequate off-farm income opportunities, Ryan said.

Of the Michigan farmers who plan to quit within the next two years, half were uncertain about the future, and 63 percent expressed the need for some form of personal assistance.

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Cloggers

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"Life is not a good deal," he says, "maybe I'm really OK" just by joining the group," he says.

He says cloggers "blossom" in self-confident people during the time they're with the group. The cloggers agree. "I'm usually worried about what people think of me, but when I'm here (with

the cloggers), I'm not as self-conscious," says Shannon White.

As clogging continues to grow in popularity, the group will continue to draw recognition. As Muir says, "The world will be a better place because there have been the Sawtooth Country Cloggers."



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Grain confusion

Reagan announces expanded eligibility for price support loans, but doubts linger

By DON KENDALL
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When President Reagan visited the Illinois State Fair late in August, he was obliged to say nice things about farmers, just as any good politician does when visiting places where corn, hogs, cattle, wheat and soybeans are at the top of the batting order.

Reagan followed bipartisan tradition by trying to offer something new for farmers, a ray of good news to make people of the soil feel warm and comfy about their leaders in Washington. And, in this case, vote-republican.

The good news chosen for Reagan to announce in Illinois was twofold, including a federal drought assistance task force to help farmers in the parched Southeast. It will include five cabinet departments as well as the Small Business Administration and the Federal Emergency Management Administration.

One new drought task force within the Agriculture Department was announced last month. Agriculture Secretary Richard Lyng, who accompanied Reagan to Illinois, Reagan's version will be bigger.

The term "dusk force" has been a favorite among politicians and bureaucrats for generations, probably since Task Force 58 raged across enemy areas of the Pacific in World War II. It conveys action, direct and forceful.

But there is no drought in the Midwest, so the task force announcement had to be supplemented by some other good news for farmers who are seeing the second-largest corn crop in history rapidly come to maturity. Along with soybeans, wheat and other crops, it will overflow available bin space.

Under normal circumstances, farmers store their grain in bins on the farm or haul it to local elevators. When prices are down, as they have been, the farmers take out price support loans from local offices of the U.S. Agricultural Stabilization and

Conservation Service. If market prices improve later on, farmers have the option of paying off the loan; redeeming the grain and then using it or selling it for cash. But if prices remain depressed, the practice is for them to not repay the loan and then forfeit it to the Commodities Credit Corporation, which cancels the debt.

The price support loan in this case is called a non-recourse loan, because the forfeiture of the commodity forfeits the debt regardless of what the grain is worth. The government can't nick the farmer for any more.

Historically, the normal or non-recourse loans are offered only on grain stored in bins or elevators, protected from the elements.

The good news that Reagan announced in Springfield, Ill., was that due to the glut of grain this fall and the shortage of proper storage space, farmers will be able to get regular non-recourse loans to "grain piled on the ground. However, they must agree to move the grain into approved storage within 120 days of getting the loan.

It is at this point that Reagan's announcement began to have some problems. According to a White House fact sheet, which notes the shortage of proper storage space:

"Therefore, for the first time ever the president has directed... Secretary... of Agriculture Richard E. Lyng to declare eligible for price support loans grain stored on the ground in addition to grain stored in approved storage facilities."

According to that language, the inference was that farmers had never been able to get price support loans on grain temporarily piled on the ground. A companion news release by USDA added some details but still fell short.

The problem with White House and USDA communications involved the somewhat arcane procedures and methods used in the price support programs.

For some years, according to program officials in the

department's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, state ASCS committees have been able to approve "recourse" loans to farmers who pile grain on the ground when there is a tight storage situation.

Steve P. Gill, loan branch chief in the agency's cotton, grain and rice price support division, said that state committees have had the authority to grant recourse loans for grounded grain for "five or 10 years" when storage is tight.

"Our current recourse loan program that permits farmers to store grain on the ground has been an on-going program for many, many years, and it is implemented at the state level," Gill said in an interview.

Gill said that it was indeed the first time that grounded grain qualified for non-recourse loans as Reagan announced. "And there's a major difference," he added.

When a farmer gets a price support recourse loan, say for \$1,000 worth of grain, he must repay that \$1,000 debt. If the value of the grain declines to \$500 by the time the loan comes due, the farmer must come up with an additional \$500, plus interest, to settle the CCC debt. Under a non-recourse loan, the CCC simply takes over ownership of the loan regardless of its value, and the debt is settled.

Another bill of contention resulted from a July 17 announcement by USDA in which Lyng said spare river barges would be used to store grain on rail in the case of major actions aimed at solving storage problems. The announcement said the farmers "under certain limited conditions, may store grain on the ground or in emergency on-farm facilities while remaining eligible for price support loan benefits."

That announcement did not distinguish between non-recourse and recourse loans.

In any case, Reagan's announcement at the Illinois State Fair where corn farmers are expected to harvest a record 142 bushels per acre this year — drew only mild applause.

Comment sought on grain program

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department is seeking public comments to help design next year's feed grain program.

Officials said the most immediate decision is whether there should be acreage curbs and other adjustments for the 1987 crops of corn, sorghum and barley.

Millon Hertz, acting administrator of the department's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said the 1987 program must be announced no later than Sept. 30.

One of the points subject to public comment:

- The percentage reduction under an acreage limitation program. Since 1986-crop corn inventories are expected to exceed 2 billion bushels a year from now, the minimum reduction allowed by law is 12.5 percent and the maximum is 20 percent.

Comments on these and other aspects of the 1987 feed grain program can be sent by Sept. 2 to: Director, Commodity Analysis Division, USDA-ASCS, Room 3711S, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013.

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Pea & lentil council wins \$2.5 million grant

MOSCOW (AP) — A grant of \$2.5 million has been awarded to a council promoting more export sales of peas and lentils.

Don Walker, director of the U.S. Dry Pea and Lentil Council, said the promotional money came through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and will be used to

counter adverse effects of foreign subsidies and similar trade practices.

Walker said U.S. pea exports to the United Kingdom were about \$28 million in 1977, but last year they were about \$1.5 million.

Walker said the money will be used for pea and lentil promo-

tions — cooking demonstrations, advertising and publications with the United Kingdom, Spain, Colombia and India targeted for promotions.

The \$2.5 million must be spent in one year, but the grant can be renewed for up to five years.

Fiddlers keep the music thriving

Old tunes seem new-to-youngsters

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In an effort to keep old-time music alive and kicking, the Old Time Fiddlers were founded in 1963 by Fairfield resident Manlie Shaw.

Since then its membership has grown to 400 active members statewide. Almost 60 of those members are in Old Time Fiddlers District 6, the Magic Valley from Buhl to Rupert. There are 12 districts in Idaho.

The group's proclaimed purpose is to "preserve and perpetuate old-time music," according to Fran Widener, state secretary of the organization. Due to the increase in membership and the young fiddlers in the group, many local members feel the purpose has been achieved.

"We've definitely had a direct impact on keeping the fiddling ability alive. Several of the members have been teacher youngsters in the music," said new District 6 Chairman Archie Turner.

The two youngest members of the district's group are sisters Gayla and Tammy, now aged 10 and 12 respectively. Though the two girls listen to more current tunes in their free time, they also appreciate the old-time sounds of fiddling.

"The old tunes are new songs for them," said Kyoko Tanaka, mother of the girls.

"You have to know the old stuff to compete," said Tammy, who recently competed in a national fiddling contest in Weiser.

The group includes not only fiddlers, but guitars, banjos, mandolins, and a piano keyboard, all instruments that "contribute to the old-time sound," Widener said.

For many of the members, old-time music is a tradition that was passed down to them by family members. Sam Daniels, a violin and viola maker from Jerome, said "I joined the fiddlers because I like the old-time music. It's the music I was raised with.



Manlie Shaw, who founded the Old Time Fiddlers in 1963, displays some of the fiddling form that makes the group popular.

"Fiddling is something that has been in my family for years. I'm a third-generation fiddler. Fiddling is just a part of you. It's hard to explain. It's an art that's just handed down," said Widener.

The Fiddlers play for a variety of audiences, including nursing homes, parades, street dances, fairs, and patriotic observances.

Providing entertainment is strictly on a volunteer, non-profit basis.

A taste of this group's music will again be available at the Twin Falls County Fair. About 25 players from the district will be performing, Turner said.

For some members, it's the public service aspect of the group that makes fiddling enjoyable. "Playing for shut-ins is the most enjoyable part of it all. We're giving a public service through music," Daniels said. The group plays for its nursing homes every month.

Fellowship is a big part of fiddling, Turner said. "We're one big

happy family when we get together and play," he added.

Daniels, who has been with the group since it was founded in 1963, remarked on the changes the group has gone through over the years. "We've grown in size and we play for more and more public places all the time. If we didn't say 'no' every once in a while, we'd be playing every day," he said.

The group mainly plays music called "hoedowns" or "digs" — songs that were popular country dance tunes years ago. A few current songs are among the group's repertoire, but not many.

The fiddlers meet on the second Saturday of every month in the Twin Falls Disabled American Veterans' Hall. They play for dances in exchange for the rent.

All 400 Idaho members will meet for the annual Old Time Fiddlers State Convention this fall in Salmon, where new state officers will be elected.

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neighbors have had similar problems with thin stands and patchy growth in their wheat.

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Eastern Idaho spud farmers battle aphids infesting their fields

POCATELLO (AP) — Besides financial problems, eastern Idaho potato farmers have a number of natural enemies to combat this summer.

And one of them has begun showing up in Bingham County potato fields, which isn't good news for one of the nation's largest potato-producing counties.

Ed Musselman, University of Idaho potato specialist, said green peach aphid infestation has started in Bingham County.

"We received notice last week that the aphids had arrived," he said, and already several fields are affected.

Spud farmers attending a University of Idaho Extension Service potato field day also were warned that if the Colorado potato beetle ever develops resistance to available pesticides, it could be a catastrophe to potato farmers.

Green peach aphids damage crops by transmitting a virus that causes internal discoloration. The discoloration sometimes doesn't even start until after the spuds are stored.

Musselman said the aphid infestation is more serious than usual this season because of the mild winter in eastern Idaho.

Time specialist John Ojala



Green peach aphids, which transmit a virus that causes internal discoloration, sometimes don't begin until after the potatoes are stored.

and extension entomologist Richard Johnson agreed that the threat from the Colorado potato beetle is more potential than actual.

Johnson said most pesticides control the beetle well, but in the Magic Valley, resistance was noted after three years. The answer appears to be rotating chemicals from year to year to keep from breeding in resistance to any one chemical and allowing widespread infestation, he said.

Green peach aphids continue to be the most damaging insect in Idaho potato fields, he said, although it's the virus carried by the aphids, not the insects themselves, that causes the trouble.

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Cereal cysts found in Madison County crop

PARMA (AP) — A tiny pest that attacks grains and legumes has been found in a cereal crop in Madison County, the first time that scientists can document damage to wheat in the United States.

Dr. Saad Hafez, a University of Idaho nematologist, said he identified the cereal cyst nematode in

plant and soil samples from a spring wheat field near Rexburg. — the nematode — was first discovered in the U.S. in 1974 in Oregon.

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Building better beef

Handful of frustrated cattlemen seek ways to produce leaner meat through genetics

By BARTELL NYBERG
The Denver Post

DENVER — For nearly a decade, cattlemen throughout the West have gnashed their teeth over consumer health concerns which — justified or not — translated into declining demand for beef.

"Beef gives strength," industry organizations vainly cried — to consumers. "Eat more beef."

But consumers didn't eat more beef. Even in the face of declining supplies, beef prices dipped. Ranchers, feedlot operators and sometimes packing plants suffered. Roulley and fish producers thrived.

Today, a handful of cattlemen are fighting back, taking dead aim at consumers' perceptions of beef's two greatest problems: Fat and cholesterol. They are mounting their crusade with the aid of genetics, seeking out and multiplying the characteristics which produce lean beef.

Some call their product natural beef. Others boast of light beef. One, Idaho rancher Roy Moore, beat his colleagues to the punch on both counts. He calls his product "Natural Beef."

But whatever the name, the beef is making its mark. Already some stores and restaurants are offering the newer, low-fat beef.

LifeTech Beef Producers Inc., Jeanne and Carl Judson's ranch northeast of Ft. Collins, Colo., earned the endorsement of Denver-based HealthMark Centers Inc. for the remarkably low cholesterol and fat content of its Phantom Canyon beef.

Another Colorado group, Great Union Agricultural Industries, a partnership based in Calhan northeast of Colorado Springs, is about to launch a campaign for its lean Saloni cattle — five-eighths Saier and three-eighths Texas Longhorn.

"We are breeding a superior range cattle that genetically



yield a lean carcass," boasts Great Union.

Other beef producers are taking note of the changes engineered by their far-sighted colleagues. The beef industry is in the throes of a revolution, "the greatest changes in the beef industry since the cattle drive days of the 1800s," says Orville K. Sweet, executive vice president of the National Pork Producers Council.

"The medical profession, consumers and society in general have declared war on fat," continued Sweet, speaking recently to members of the Colorado Cattle Feeders Association. "Our problem is

that lifestyle has caught up with us.

"Seventy to 80 million people in this country eat no red meat because of health concerns. We have the ability to produce leaner meat. When we have the financial incentive, we'll produce it," Sweet said.

Now that handful of cattle producers are finding the incentive is there. They are taking dead aim at that sizable but specialized market defined by Sweet, and some of them are marketing a new, lean product — competitive with poultry and fish.

Phantom Canyon's Judson cites independent laboratory tests showing that his beef has cholesterol and fat levels as low as that of uncooked halibut which itself is relatively low among fish in those two categories.

Phantom Canyon last month earned the endorsement of HealthMark's Denver preventive medicine center that promotes good health practices to qualify for the HealthMark seal of approval. Judson's center consistently supplies beef with no more than 50 milligrams of cholesterol and 100 calories per three-ounce trimmed portion.

Judson said Phantom Canyon beef has 10 percent fat and 50 milligrams of cholesterol per three-ounce trimmed serving.

"Phantom Canyon Beef not only is as lean as fish, it also has less fat and cholesterol than that found in chicken," said Dr. Robert Gleaser, president of Health Mark Centers.

Judson dismissed the notion that his cattle are raised only on grass.

"The Bull" is back: Merrill Lynch revives famous corporate symbol

By ROBIN SCHATZ
Newsday

His name is Native Texan and he is the 1,800-pound "magisterial" star of Merrill Lynch & Co.'s new advertising campaign to be launched this weekend.

Yes, the bull is back, after a year's hiatus and complaints from consumers and employees alike who missed Merrill's corporate symbol. The bull had graced TV and print media campaigns of the financial services giant since 1971 with a "bullish on America" theme, but was dropped last year in favor of an emphasis on the company's resources and solutions to investment problems.

Merrill Lynch

"We probably made a mistake," Jim Walsh, corporate advertising manager, said Tuesday of the decision to drop the bull.

The \$12-million campaign begins Saturday during telecasts of the U.S. Open tennis tournament with the theme "Your World Should Know No Boundaries." The theme is intended to stress Merrill's global network of services and the ads will try to convey the idea that the company can help viewers achieve their

aspirations, said Charles Peebler, chairman of Bozell, Jacobs, Keenan & Eckhardt, creator of the campaign.

The commercials feature an upbeat sound track to the tune of "For Your Eyes Only" and, of course, the great, hulking bull seen in shadow, silhouette and in full view against sweeping vistas.

Native Texan had been enjoying a career as a breeding stud when it was tapped for the commercials. "We brought the bull back because he is simply one of the most powerful advertising symbols ever created," said James E. Murphy, a Merrill senior vice president.

German farmers complain about pants

BERLIN (AP) — When East German farmers bend down to agricultural work, their pants fall down. They've complained to the ruling Communist Party about the shoddy quality of the trousers.

Informationsvero West, a West Berlin agency that monitors the state-controlled East German news media, said Wednesday the story was carried in Unser Dorf (Our Village), an East Berlin-based newspaper on rural affairs.

When workers stooped to tend their crops, their pants slid down so low that their behinds peeked out," the newspaper said.

The newspaper said the cooperative protested against excessive "economizing in the use of fabrics" in making the pants.

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