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Casey traces Canadian tie in arms deals

By CLIFF HAAAS
The Associated Press

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WASHINGTON — CIA Director William Casey, in five hours of secret, sworn congressional testimony, said Wednesday he learned in October that some of the money generated by the sale of U.S. arms to Iran may have been diverted to Central America, according to published reports.

Both The Washington Post and The Baltimore Sun, in Thursday's editions, reported that Casey disclosed to the House Foreign Affairs Committee a Canadian involvement in the arms shipments.

The Post quoted congressional sources as saying that Roy M. Furmark, a New York businessman who was once Casey's legal client, called the CIA director on Oct. 7 and told him that a group of Canadians who had financed shipments of U.S. arms had not received money they were owed and that these funds might have been diverted to Central America.

Casey told the committee that after he spoke to Furmark he started an internal CIA inquiry and alerted Vice Adm. John Poindexter, who was then national security adviser, the newspaper said.

The CIA director said he spoke to Furmark the next day in person in Washington, the Post said, and the New York businessman "described the whole operation."

Under that operation, the newspaper reported, the CIA took possession of the weapons from the Pentagon and transported them to Israel on privately chartered aircraft. There, the newspaper said, the arms were "sold" to middlemen, apparently the Canadians in at least one case; who then resold them to Iranian middlemen representing the Iran government.

Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said Casey did offer specifics "with regard to a lot of information which we did not have on the record before" concerning the unraveling scandal that has engulfed the Reagan administration.

Fascell added: "When all of the dots are eventually linked on this, it will be, I won't use the word incred-

ible, but it certainly will be extraordinary."

Rep. Morris Udall, D-Ariz., said Casey left him with the impression "that he was on the sidelines and that others in the agency were doing the work."

"Here's a man who doesn't seem to know too much about what's going on," Udall said.

Rep. William S. Broomfield of Michigan, the senior Republican on the committee, said, "The good news is that Mr. Casey was pretty candid with us and none of what he had to say in any way indicates that the president knew or should have known of any wrongdoing."

"The bad news is that what Mr. Casey told us indicates serious errors of judgment by senior CIA personnel," Broomfield said, adding, "That needs to be corrected."

Attorney General Edwin Meese III has said he learned of the Iran-Contra connection in late November. Casey testified as Republicans and Democrats sparred over whether congressional committees investigating the Iran-Contra connection should grant immunity from prosecution to key witnesses who have refused to discuss what they know.

One of those witnesses, Poindexter, President Reagan's former national security adviser, met for only about 10 minutes behind closed doors with the House Intelligence Committee. Previously, Poindexter has cited his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination in refusing to testify before the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Rep. Robert Roe, D-N.J., said Poindexter again invoked the Fifth Amendment in his brief appearance before the House Intelligence Committee. That panel also heard secret testimony from Robert M. Gates, the deputy CIA director, whom Roe described as "very open."

Robert McFarlane, Poindexter's predecessor as Reagan's national security adviser, also testified.

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Norm Young, an administrator with the Idaho Department of Resources, makes a comment at the FERC hearing.

State official sees 'significant impact' on Snake River

Projects could harm quality of water

By MARK PRATTER
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The cumulative impact of the proposed Star Falls, Auger Falls, Royal Catfish and Milner Dam hydroelectric projects could cause a "serious reduction" in water quality on the Snake River, said a state Division of Environment officer Wednesday.

"None individually would cause a significant problem, but cumulatively there is going to be a significant impact," said Mike McMasters, Division of Environment source control officer in Twin Falls.

McMasters said the developers would be hard-pressed to meet state water quality laws, even if they took measures to make the environmental impacts of the projects less significant.

"We're impounded at sequential steps along

(the river) and the re-aeration capacity is being reduced," he said. Re-aeration refers to the ability of the water to pick up oxygen. Impoundments for the projects would create a high nutrient and sediment load in the river. Part of the sediment comes from agricultural runoff.

Representatives of the four projects, projected to cost more than \$140 million, did not respond to McMasters' assessment during a session before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission personnel at the College of Southern Idaho on Wednesday. However, later John Rosholt, attorney for the Milner project, said it would not hurt water quality on the Snake. He said he couldn't speak to the cumulative effects of the other projects.

"McMasters has his own ideas," Rosholt said. In the past, spokesmen for the Star Falls, Auger Falls and Milner projects have said the environmental impacts would be minimal, and whatever damage the projects would cause to

habitat and wildlife could be made less harsh by taking remedial measures.

A spokesman for Royal Catfish could not be reached for comment.

"The economic benefits greatly outweigh the negative environment impact in this area," said a spokesman for Rockcreek Joint Venture, which is developing Auger Falls. The project would add more than \$1.8 million to the tax rolls and the payroll during construction would be \$12 annually, the spokesman said.

FERC is preparing an environmental impact statement on the projects. A draft is to be completed by June 1987, with the final version due by December 1987, said Lee Emery, a fishery biologist with FERC.

"FERC cannot consider licenses for the projects until it determines their environmental impact, he said.

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U.S. confirms Honduran jets hit targets in Nicaragua over weekend

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Reagan administration officials confirmed Wednesday that Honduran jets struck targets inside Nicaraguan territory last weekend.

But they denied charges by Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega that Honduras carried out the raids at the request of the United States.

The Los Angeles Times quoted sources in Honduras on Wednesday as saying U.S. officials were not told the Hondurans planned to attack positions inside Nicaragua and that the Americans were distressed to learn of the bombing runs.

But U.S. officials, who asked not to be identified, said the administration had not taken a position on the propriety of the Honduran action.

The Honduran government denied again Wednesday that it had undertaken any raids inside Nicaragua, but Sandinista military officials showed reporters craters and shrapnel in the town of Wiwilla that they attributed to Honduran bombing runs.

The Sandinistas said that the air strikes left seven soldiers killed and 12 wounded. The town is located about 16 miles from the border. Nicaragua said an army post at Murra, 11 miles northwest of Wiwilla, also was attacked.

The raids apparently were in response to recent border crossings by Nicaraguan troops into Honduran territory.

An administration official said U.S. intelligence agencies had confirmed the cross-border attacks, but

added he did not know what damage had been inflicted.

"They did hit inside Nicaragua, over the weekend," added the source. "We're not sure precisely what their targets were, but they did drop ordnance inside Nicaragua fairly close to the border."

Meanwhile, another U.S. official described as "exaggerated" a report that the Honduran government has reached an understanding with Nicaraguan rebels that they would withdraw from Honduran territory by next spring.

The reports said the rebels had pledged to Honduras they would carry out their fight against the Sandinistas from Nicaraguan territory. Rebel use of Honduran territory has been a sore point with that government for years.

To head off problems with Hispanics

Emphasis on education needed

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Unless more emphasis is placed on educating young Latinos, states may face serious problems as the nation's fastest growing minority group becomes a more dominant part of the work force that supports a largely white elderly population, a new report warned Tuesday.

"As the number of older persons increase and they become a stronger social and political force in this country, profound issues arise that may lead to problems, tensions and opportunities for the Hispanic population," the report said.

The study, prepared by the aging society project of the Carnegie Corp. of New York, noted that the Hispanic population is growing three times faster than the overall national population. It also showed that proportionately more Hispanic families are having children than non-Hispanic families.

According to Census Bureau data, the estimated 17.3 million legal Latinos will grow to 51 million by

2050, and, due to their relative youth, will be an increasingly larger part of the taxpaying work force.

"It is in the best interest of the middle-aged and aged populations to invest resources in educating a youthful minority population," the report said, noting the public support demands that will be placed on it.

Particularly alarming, the researchers said, are the high poverty rate and low educational levels that plague Hispanics.

"Hispanics are twice as likely to be poor as the general population," the study said, noting that although Hispanics constituted only 6.4 percent of the population in 1984, they made up more than 12.8 percent of those below the poverty level.

Hispanic youths also have a much higher drop out rate. In one "worst case" scenario, the report envisioned a time when a social revolt might erupt in heavily Hispanic states as the younger Latino workforce,

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Creationism defended as academic freedom before court

The Associated Press

Court decisions — A7

WASHINGTON — Teaching creationism alongside evolution in public schools was attacked as an attempt to "give God equal time" and defended as true academic freedom in a lively Supreme Court debate Wednesday.

The court is to decide by July whether lower courts were right in striking down a Louisiana law that required the teaching of evolution to be "balanced" by teaching creation-science.

The lower courts said the law violates the constitutionally required separation of

church and state by disguising religion as science.

But Atlanta lawyer Wendell Bird defended the law, telling the justices, "Creation-science is scientific material, non-religious and gives students all the scientific evidence."

He said the law mainly promotes "basic concepts of fairness and academic freedom."

Bird's portrayal of the law and its purpose

was attacked by Jay Topkis, a New York City lawyer.

"On sure academic freedom — We've got to give God equal time." That's their idea of academic freedom," Topkis argued.

The Louisiana Legislature enacted the Balanced Treatment for Creation-Science and Evolution-Science Act in 1981 but it was struck down before ever being enforced.

Creation-science parallels a literal translation of the biblical version in Genesis, stating that Earth and most life forms came into existence suddenly about 6,000 years ago.

Evolution, first propounded by Charles Darwin, teaches that Earth is billions of

years old and that life forms developed gradually several million years ago.

Bird urged the justices to give Louisiana officials the chance to explain fully what creation-science is at a trial. He noted that the law was struck down without any such trial. "Creation-science is educationally worthwhile," he said.

But Topkis called it "pseudo-science, and called creationism "a basically fundamentalist view" of man's origin.

He accused Bird of trying to fool the court with "pseudoscience" and "pseudo-legal confidence" that the court would not be fooled.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist elicited

Under past Supreme Court decisions, a law violates — the Constitution's — prohibition against governmental "establishment" of religion if the law's primary purpose is not secular or non-religious. If its primary effect is to advance or inhibit religion and if it unduly entangles government in religion.

Many of the justices' questions Wednesday zeroed in on whether the Louisiana law has a primarily non-religious purpose. "It all comes back to whether this statute requires the teaching of religion," Justice

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Board ignores appeal from Andrus, transfers asset custody

BOISE (AP) — The Public Employment System Board disregarded an urgent request from governor-elect Cecil Andrus in transferring custody of \$464 million in retirement fund assets out of state, officials said Wednesday.

The assets, nearly half of the \$990 million public-employees-retirement-fund, were transferred from custody of four Idaho banks to a Pittsburgh bank. Along with the assets went about \$1.4 million in management fees which have been received by the Idaho banks.

Andrus said Wednesday he sent a letter to the board Dec. 1 urging them to delay the changes until he is sworn in as Idaho's next

governor Jan. 5 and has a chance to study the move.

The board declined, saying it decided in September to hire a new investment manager and would closely monitor the company's performance to see if it produced a higher rate of return.

"Why not keep Idaho money in Idaho working for Idahoans?" Andrus asked in a Dec. 1 letter to Retirement Board Chairman Maria and would closely monitor the new company's performance to see if it produced a higher rate of return.

Andrus, who is out of town on vacation, sent higher rates of return on the investments, which are used to pay retirement benefits for the 63,000 members of the statewide system, Manager Robert Vann said.

"It troubles me that a group of Idaho citizens, handling Idaho money, would have a master or super-trustee who resides in Tacoma, Wash., to handle our money," said Andrus.

"The action perpetuates the myth that if you want something done right, you have to take it out of state to get it done," he said.

Idaho banks will lose control of the stocks and bonds because the system's board of directors believes other fund managers will earn higher rates of return on the investments, which are used to pay retirement benefits for the 63,000 members of the statewide system, Manager Robert Vann said.

While custody goes to Mellon Bank, control over how the assets are invested is entrusted to a group of managers selected by Tacoma-based Frank Russell Trust Co., named master trustee by the retirement board in September.

But the banks—Idaho-First-National Bank, First Interstate Bank of Idaho, First Security Bank of Idaho and Idaho Bank and Trust Co.—stand to lose more than control of the stocks and bonds. Also at issue are management fees.

Andrus said there are ways to improve the performance of the fund other than sending control of the funds out of state. He said if the board was concerned about the return, it

could announce that the fund manager producing the lowest return would be dropped.

Andrus said he had a part in creating a bank to handle the retirement funds, to take it outside the political arena. "No one questions that the board should be the one to handle that money," he said.

But he said he did not like the idea of an out-of-state company controlling the deposits.

Andrus, who will be sworn in as governor on Jan. 5, said since the board has decided to go ahead, there is nothing he can do about it now.

Bonneville County to alter facility for juvenile detention

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Bonneville County will respond to a lawsuit demanding improvement of jail conditions for juveniles by remodeling a courthouse work center into a temporary detention area.

The action will give the judicial system an option for housing juvenile offenders until counties in eastern Idaho can agree on construction of a regional detention center, officials said.

County Commissioner Cliff Long announced plans for the remodeling during a meeting Tuesday with representatives from a 10-county area, but no final arrangements have been made.

The plans are in response to an agreement between a public interest law center and the county to improve jail conditions for juveniles. The agreement, filed in Boise Tues-

day, heads off a federal court battle over juvenile detention conditions.

The Youth Law Center and the National Center for Youth Law alleged in a class action lawsuit that the juvenile detention facility in Bonneville County is inadequate, understaffed and poses serious threats to juveniles held there.

But as the suit was filed, Bonneville County officials and the law center reached agreement on working toward improvements.

Representing the San Francisco-based law center, Idaho Falls Attorney Mark Fuller said if the county does not have concrete plans within three months for a long-term release center, it will face contempt charges.

He said he is hoping officials of other Idaho counties will follow Bonneville's lead or they also may be hit

FBI checking possible sighting of Dallas

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — A possible sighting here of fugitive murderer Claude Dallas, who escaped from prison in Idaho last March, is under investigation by local authorities and the FBI, officials said.

Authorities said they received word Tuesday that a man resembling Dallas had inquired locally about "good fishing streams" in the area between Bozeman and Butte.

Dallas, on the FBI's list of 10 most wanted fugitives, was serving a 30-year prison term for manslaughter in the killing of two Idaho game wardens. The self-described "mountain man" killed the wardens when they walked into his camp in southern Idaho to investigate him for poaching game.

Reward put up for suspect in scam

BOISE (AP) — Federal agents have posted a \$1,000 reward for an unidentified man who defrauded a number of consumers and one Idaho bank of \$310,000 in a computer hardware sales scam during mid-1985.

Using the name George L. Boswell, the man opened a business-called Random Computers Inc. from an apartment in Boise in April 1985. Secret Service Resident Agent Stephen Lord said.

After mailing thousands of advertisements offering computer hardware at below wholesale prices, Lord said credit card, personal check and money orders began pouring into a

mail drop several miles away.

In the meantime, Lord said, the man opened a merchant account at Citizens National Bank, using it to clear the credit card orders.

But none of the promised computer equipment was ever delivered, Lord said, and a number of the credit card purchasers refused to pay for the orders.

Citizens Bank President Carl Reed said the refusal to pay on credit purchases has already cleared through the account at the bank left it with a share of the losses suffered in the scam.

But, Reed said, "It did not impair the bank financially in any way, that transaction."

He did not put a dollar amount on the losses the bank sustained, saying only that it was substantially less than \$250,000.

In June 1985, Lord said, the man converted a sizeable portion of the fraudulently obtained money into gold Kruggerands, purchased in Boise, and then disappeared.

Lord said the government has been following several leads but is also asking for any additional help the public might be able to offer.

Study says larger INEL won't jam schools

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A study by the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory says local schools will not be taxed significantly over the next 10 years by growth at the federal nuclear research center.

"We believe the impact of our programs on schools over this 10-year period will be minimal," Troy Wade, INEL manager, told a meeting of the Idaho Falls School District Board.

Superintendent Jerry Jacobson asked for a report on INEL's long-term impact on district enrollment.

Wade said current projections are that the INEL will employ up to 11,319 people by 1990. INEL's workforce is 10,100. The study concluded that those numbers would level off at 10,709 by 1995.

The estimates are based on the likelihood that INEL will get some of nine major projects for which it is being considered.

"Confidence in this curve is quite

high," Wade said.

The 10-year projection does not take into account the effects that the area would feel if INEL is selected for the Superconducting Super Collider, staff of 1,000, Wade said. It's a \$4 billion project that would take about eight years.

Construction of SSC would involve the up to 4,000 people and an operating staff of 1,000, Wade said. Construction would take about eight years.

Leroy still owes \$40,000 in campaign bills

BOISE (AP) — Republican governor candidate David Leroy would be up with about \$40,000 in unpaid bills, and has sent out a fund-raising letter trying to erase the debt.

Leroy said Wednesday the debt wasn't bad for a campaign that approached \$900,000. The GOP nominee lost to Democrat Cecil Andrus by about 3,500 votes out of more than

380,000 cast.

Andrus' campaign finance reports showed he spent \$944,400 and had a balance of \$28,749. Andrus spent \$1,740 to Thorne Printing of Nampa, secretary Marc Johnson said. The campaign also owes \$9,958 to Citizens Bank of the Treasure Craft, a Caldwell printing company.

Leroy listed spending of about \$850,000 and a net of about \$40,000 in lodging, telephone, printing and unpaid bills. The oldest dates back campaign supplies.

Rock causes fuel to spill

BANKS (AP) — About 2,000 gallons of diesel fuel has spilled onto railroad tracks alongside the Payette River, an Environmental Protection Agency official said.

The fuel, which spilled about 5 p.m. Monday, did not enter the river and was frozen solid Tuesday, Bill Fretzel, emergency response team leader said.

A Union Pacific train carrying a load of wood from Cascade to Boise ran over a rock that was lying on the tracks, he said.

The rock ripped a hole in the fuel tanks underneath the train's engine and lifted the front end of the train off the track, Fretzel said.

Union Pacific is responsible for the containment of the spill that will take about a day to clean up, Fretzel said. He said the company has been asked to remove all contaminated soils.

Local residents along the river have been notified of the spill, he said.

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President finds TV won't let him escape from arms scandal

By DAVID ESPINO
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Television has given a great deal to the Great Communicator in the White House, and now it has begun taking some of it away.

For the first time since the Iran-Contra furore erupted a month ago, congressional hearings are being televised nationally during the daytime, with riveting highlights repeated at night on the evening news.

The result is a steady stream of news that is bad and impressions that are worse for President Reagan as he and his aides attempt to surmount the crisis that accounts for a swift, 20-point plunge in job approval ratings.

The secretary of state bluntly criticizes Reagan's decision to sell arms to Iran and says the White House went behind his back in negotiations to free hostages.

Former White House aides raise their hand and swear to tell the truth, then invoke their Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination in refusing to answer.

A former top-ranking official directly disputes the White House and Attorney General Edwin Meese III on when the president approved an indirect shipment of arms to Iran by a third country.

The unfolding televised drama is unlike anything Reagan has encountered during his White House tenure.

In the past, presidential critics received television time, but it seemed to count for far less with the public than what Reagan himself said on the screen.

Since his inauguration in 1981,

Analysis

Reagan has used the television to project his image as the strong leader in control of a unified administration. He has appealed directly to the country for support for his domestic and foreign policies, and judging from his record of legislative success and high approval ratings, he has succeeded more often than not.

But in recent weeks, his televised attempts to place the Iranian crisis behind him — first a prime-time televised speech, then an evening news conference, then a mid-day appearance before cameras in the White House briefing room — have not succeeded.

In fact, Reagan used his weekly radio address last Saturday to say what many of his Republican allies in Congress had advised him to do. He said "mistakes were made."

In the meantime, his job approval rating has plunged by 20 percentage points in only a few weeks, according to public opinion polls.

All of this has occurred at a time when Democratic members of Congress have seemingly been careful not to seek the exploit the furor for domestic political purposes.

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• The man identified as the key player in arranging to funnel arms sales profits to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels, Lt. Col. Oliver North, also took the Fifth Amendment. And when asked by a sympathetic congressman whether he had resigned his sensitive post or been fired, North refused to say.

• Secretary of State George Shultz said simply he was "opposed to" and "skeptical" about Reagan's decision to sell arms to Iran.

Shultz declared there was evidence that the Iranians might have been involved in the bombing of the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut in 1983. And undercutting Reagan's contention that Iranians were turning away from terrorism, he said they may have been involved in seizing three U.S. hostages in Lebanon this fall — after receiving at least three shipments of U.S. arms.

• Former national security adviser Robert McFarlane directly contradicted the assertions of senior administration officials when he said Reagan approved an indirect shipment of arms — presumably by Israel — in August 1985.

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President Reagan gestures while addressing a group in Washington on Wednesday

Briefly

Records show payoffs in '70s

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Albert Hakim, an Iranian-born businessman linked to the Iran-Contra case, funneled hundreds of thousands of dollars to Iranian military officials in the 1970s as payoffs to secure business for an American corporation, court papers show.

Hakim, 59, of Los Gatos, Calif., described himself in depositions as a wheeler-dealer whose Tehran firm was hired by about 20 international corporations before the Shah of Iran was overthrown in 1979.

Hakim's statements came in depositions made in a lawsuit filed by Olin Corp., in February 1977 in Connecticut Superior Court. Olin, based in Stamford, Conn., withdrew the suit in February 1985, indicating that a settlement had been reached.

Olin spokesman William Werlein said the company would not comment on the terms of the settlement.

After leaving Iran in 1978, Hakim said in a deposition that he became president of Stanford Technology Corp., of San Jose, Calif., a firm that manufactures and markets security and intelligence systems and devices. He said he has permanent residency status in the United States.

Angry viewers phone networks

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC and NBC were flooded with calls from angry viewers who tuned in to watch their favorite soap operas early this week only to find them pre-empted by live coverage of congressional hearings on the Iran arms sale.

All three networks pre-empted daytime programming on Monday and Tuesday for coverage of the hearings, the first time the commercial networks have broadcast congressional hearings live since the Nixon impeachment hearings of 1974.

ABC News spokesman Tom Goodman said the network received 1,330 calls. "All objected to pre-emption of soap operas," he said.

NBC reported receiving 1,100 complaints. CBS spokesman said his network received fewer than three dozen calls.

ABC executive producer Jeff Gralnick said the network decided the day after Thanksgiving to go live with the hearings.

"There was a sense these were going to be the first public statements by the key players, and live coverage, if it was humanly possible, was near mandatory, so we did," he said.

Shultz tries to assure allies

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz said Wednesday that he told America's staunchest allies the Iranian arms sale scandal is nothing like Watergate because President Reagan wants the facts disclosed.

Shultz, in Brussels for a two-day meeting with NATO foreign ministers, acknowledged that the allies had some jitters about the impact of the Reagan administration's problems on U.S. foreign policy and their own. The secretary said he tried in London on Tuesday to allay their concerns.

"They want us to be strong and capable of leadership, and they are reassured to see how the president is dealing with it," he said in an account of his talks in the British capital with Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe, French Foreign Minister Jean-Bernard Raimond and West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

Peres says it was U.S. idea

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Wednesday that arms sales to Iran were an American idea and Israel became involved only at Washington's request.

His comment to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, who was visiting Israel, was in line with an effort begun this week to dispel any impression that Israel initiated the operation, which has caused the most severe crisis of the Reagan administration.

Peres told Kennedy, a Massachusetts Democrat, on Wednesday: "We acted with good faith, as a good ally, at the request of the United States and with the aim of helping save human lives," a Foreign Ministry official said.

Gunrunning evidence studied

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal grand jury in Miami is examining evidence of gunrunning and Neutrality Act violations allegedly committed by Nicaraguan Contra rebels and some American backers, a U.S. government official said Wednesday.

The official, who insisted on anonymity, said the grand jury investigation started last month, but was "not connected" to other probes into the diversion of \$10 million to \$30 million from Iranian arms sales to the Contras.

But the official added that the grand jury investigation might ultimately be tied into a larger Contra probe that an independent counsel is expected to conduct into the allegations stemming from the Iranian arms sales.

Clifford leads list of counsel prospects



CLARK CLIFFORD
Former defense secretary

Diplomat 'met' FBI about role

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI agents investigating the Iran arms deal questioned the U.S. ambassador to Lebanon about his involvement, and the State Department said Wednesday that a second American diplomat — the head of the embassy in Syria — has been summoned home to discuss the affair.

John H. Kelly, the envoy to Lebanon "met with the FBI" Tuesday, said State Department spokeswoman Phyllis Oakley.

She gave no other information and Kelly would not comment, telling a reporter, "I'm not saying anything about it."

He returned to the United States this week after Secretary of State George P. Shultz told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the envoy — behind Shultz's back — had held numerous discussions over a private "back channel" with some of the key figures in the Iranian arms affair, including ousted National Security Council staff member Lt. Col. Oliver North. Shultz said he was "shocked to learn of that."

Mrs. Oakley said David Ransom, the diplomat in charge of the American embassy in Damascus, was called home "in the process of the department trying to assemble all the facts."

The department, she said, is "in the normal process of talking to a great many people about all the facts and ramifications. This is a process of getting lots of facts from lots of people."

She declined to say if Ransom would be questioned by the FBI or other agencies outside the State Department, or how detailed his knowledge — of the Iranian affair — might have been.

Ransom has been in charge of the embassy in Damascus since mid-November, when Ambassador William Eagleton was recalled to the United States as a symbolic protest against alleged Syrian support for terrorism.

WASHINGTON (AP) — An independent counsel to investigate the Iran-Contra affair is expected to be appointed soon, possibly today, and among the apparent candidates is former Defense Secretary Clark Clifford, federal law enforcement officials said Wednesday.

Clifford, now a lawyer in Washington, did not return phone calls. One federal official, speaking on condition that he not be identified, said that Clifford "fits the list of qualifications which the attorney general gave the court."

In asking that a special, three-judge appeals court panel name an independent counsel, Attorney General Edwin Meese III said the person named should have "appreciation of complex issues and

principles in the areas of international relations, national security and defense, intelligence, counterterrorism, foreign aid and foreign military sales, as well as a familiarity with the manner of execution of American foreign policy, the organization of the intelligence community, and procedures relating to classification of information, privileges and authorizations."

In addition to heading the Pentagon during Lyndon B. Johnson's administration, Clifford has served as a confidential adviser to virtually every president since Harry S. Truman.

He has, however, limited background in criminal law, but this official said, "That should be no problem. He can hire people to do that."

Two published reports also mentioned as a candidate for the job Harold R. Tyler Jr., a prominent New York lawyer and former federal judge.

In addition, there was one unpublished report that former Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson and Irving R. Kaufman, a judge on the federal appeals court in New York and former chairman of the president's commission on organized crime, also were possible candidates.

Richardson didn't return phone calls. Kaufman reportedly said he wasn't interested and instead promoted another candidate, Washington lawyer Judith Hope. Ms. Hope refused to comment.

Congress must lead probe, ex-Watergate prosecutor says

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox charged Wednesday that the Reagan administration has engaged in "high-level duplicity" in the Iran-Contra affair and said Congress, rather than an independent counsel, must take the lead in investigating the scandal.

In a letter to all members of Congress, Cox also wrote that the select committees being appointed in the House and Senate to look into the controversy should move slowly and should refrain from granting im-

munity until extensive investigative work has been completed.

Cox, now chairman of Common Cause and a law professor at Harvard University, said appointment of an independent counsel is an essential, but limited step.

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Sniper with Samurai sword arrested after 11-hour siege

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — A sniper, dressed in a black-martial arts costume and carrying a Samurai sword was subduing a blast from a water hose Wednesday, 11 hours after he began firing a rifle at random from a building at the University of Kentucky.

Two men were wounded during the standoff with the gunman, Ulysses S. Davis III, who had been fired by the university last summer for fighting.

The blast of water knocked the sword from his hand and pushed him against a wall, and that made it easy to take him into custody, said Sgt. Greg Howard, one of the police officers who had negotiated with him.

Davis, 25, suffered minor injuries and was taken to the Fayette County Detention Center, Howard said.

Davis, who wanted to air some grievances about the university, had broken off negotiations about 4 p.m., became agitated and began to make irrational demands, and police began to fear for the safety of officers in the building, Howard said. He did not describe the demands.

Police said they would probably charge Davis with multiple counts of

assault in the first degree and possibly kidnapping.

He had been an employee on the utility crew at the university's Peterson Services Building and was fired in July for fighting.

Police had negotiated with him after the siege began about 6 a.m.

Howard, one of six officers talking to Davis face-to-face in the storage-like room and by phone, described him initially as "very calm, very articulate. He has a lot to say."

Howard said Davis had been sitting in a chair, holding one firearm with several others nearby and wore a "Ninja-like outfit, all black." The Ninja were practitioners of a 19th-century Japanese warrior tradition.

Police asked a Lexington-radio station for a copy of their 3 p.m. newscast, but did not say what they planned to do with it. Sgt. Fran Root said Davis did not ask for the tape and had no access to a radio or television.

Police sent in soft drinks, sandwiches and potato chips to Davis in the afternoon. His brother and father, who also works in the building, were brought to the scene.

Police also brought Davis' son to the building, "but we have not shown him his little boy," said Howard, who would not give the boy's name or age. Davis is not married.

Shots began about 15 minutes after Davis entered the building.

There was an initial exchange of fire with university police but after that it was "all one-sided shooting," said Patrolman Tom Baum said. "When he wanted to fire he would raise the shades up."

By the time the shooting stopped more than an hour later, at least 20 and perhaps as many as 50 shots had been fired, police said.

"It sounded like the Fourth of July. There was a lot of noise like popping firecrackers," said Marjorie Zimmerman, a bookkeeper for the campus newspaper.

No injuries were reported outside the campus service building, although drivers were trapped in their cars during the sniping and a bullet shattered the windshield of a police car, Baum said.

Police initially sealed off four blocks around the building, but by midday had reopened part of the area, keeping spectators across the street and away from the side of the building where they had isolated the sniper.

FAA surgeon defends methods; panel hears airlines' complaints

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration's top medical officer defended his practice of certifying commercial pilots Wednesday, but a congressional panel was told there is almost universal agreement among airlines that his decisions pose serious air safety problems.

Dr. Frank Austin Jr., the FAA's air surgeon, blasted the controversy on a "difference of medical opinion" and said he is confident his decisions on pilot medical appeals "present no safety risk."

But in an appearance before a subcommittee, Austin acknowledged that of 15 to 20 cases about which he had received com-

plaints, 75 percent of the pilots later were barred from flying by their employer and several of the pilots subsequently suffered heart attacks.

The physician, who became the FAA's top medical officer two years ago, appeared before the House subcommittee on government activities and transportation along with three of his strongest critics — the medical adviser to the Air Line Pilots Association and medical directors at two major airlines.

"There is almost universal agreement that we have a very serious air safety problem" in the way the FAA under Austin has handled commercial pilots' medical appeals, testified Robert Wick, chief medical officer at

American Airlines.

Wick said that Austin has often overruled recommendations by a panel of cardiac specialists and often accused the FAA physician of "failing ... to appreciate the seriousness of many of these (medical) conditions."

Dr. Gary Kohn, corporate medical director at United Airlines, testified that the FAA certification cases since Austin took over often have reflected "poor judgment" and "irrational decision making" that has allowed unfit pilots to be recertified for duty.

Mexican jobs debated

WASHINGTON (AP) — Critics of a Mexican program that encourages American companies to shift their assembly work to cities south of the border said Wednesday the program siphoned needed manufacturing jobs away from the United States.

Commerce Department officials, however, maintained that when American companies are considering closing down or moving to the Far East, sending part of their operations to Mexico where labor costs are lower may be the best alternative. They say that saves some American jobs.

The two sides spoke at a hearing of the subcommittee on commerce, transportation and tourism on whether the United States should be supporting Mexico's maquiladora program, which is designed to attract foreign investment into Mexico.

Critics included Rep. James Florio, D-N.J., who convened the hearing and said, "I can find no justification for our government's promotion of business relocations that result in the displacement of American jobs."

Added Steven Beckman, an economist for the United Auto Workers union: "The arguments of those who look only at the jobs remaining and not at the jobs disappearing are only a sign of their lack of understanding of the impact of the decisions being made and of the value to the U.S. economy of manufacturing industries."

Interest in the 20-year-old program heightened recently when the Commerce Department helped sponsor an Accupec conference for U.S. businesses interested in moving parts of their operations to Mexico.

House Demos to nail SALT support on security platform

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats said Wednesday the United States should comply with the unratified SALT II nuclear arms treaty and that they will make that position a major part of their national security platform in the next Congress.

The Democrats, meeting behind closed doors in a party caucus, gave

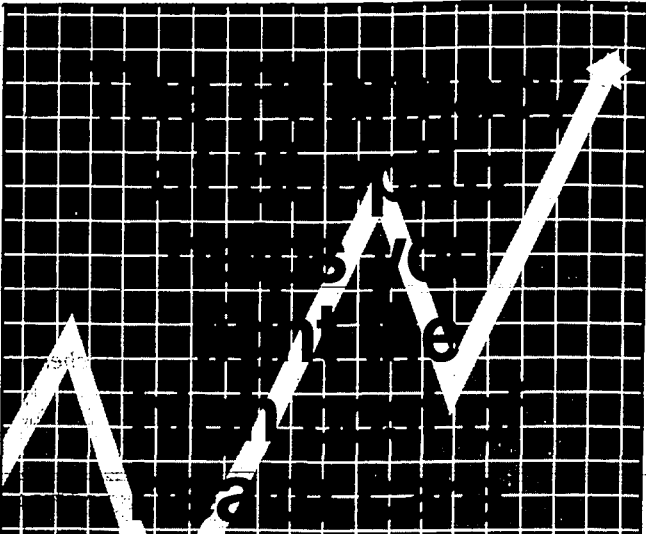
voice vote approval to a resolution urging U.S. compliance with the 1979 treaty.

The United States broke the limits in the past two weeks ago when the Air Force activated a B-52 bomber which was equipped to carry nuclear-tipped cruise missiles.

Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., author of the resolution, said that

when Congress returns, he and other Democrats will seek a legislative vehicle so they they win legislative approval of requiring the United States to adhere to the pact.

Since President Reagan would likely veto such a measure, said Dicks, "obviously, we'd like to find something for an amendment that the president needs to sign."



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NOW study rates Washington best in women's legal rights

WASHINGTON (AP) — Washington ranks best and South Carolina worst when it comes to legal rights for women, the National Organization for Women said Wednesday in releasing a state-by-state comparison of laws affecting women.

A "chronicle of sweeping legal evolution" is the way NOW describes its 523-page "State-by-State Guide to Women's Legal Rights," written by the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund and Renee Cherow-O'Leary.

The book reviews laws on marriage, divorce, domestic violence, inheritance rights, reproductive rights, unmarried couples, equal pay, fair employment, credit, housing, insurance and public accommodations for each state, and gives the state citation for each law.

"We want women to be informed consumers of their legal rights and remedies — especially when they come face to face with writing a will, buying a house, starting school, getting married or divorced," said

Idaho, Montana tie for 17th place on list

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Organization for Women analyzed state laws affecting women and used a point system to rank states and the District of Columbia on women's legal rights. Their list, from best to worst:

1. Washington
2. Massachusetts
3. New York
4. Wisconsin
5. Connecticut and Michigan

7. Alaska, Maryland and New Jersey
10. Hawaii and Minnesota
12. Iowa and Oregon
14. California and North Carolina
16. Illinois
17. Idaho and Montana
19. Colorado and West Virginia
21. Louisiana, Maine, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota and Vermont
28. District of Columbia
29. Florida, Indiana, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Ohio and Utah
36. Kentucky, North Dakota and Tennessee
39. Wyoming
40. Oklahoma, Texas and Virginia
42. Delaware
44. Arizona
45. Arkansas and Kansas
47. Georgia
48. Mississippi and Nevada
50. Alabama
51. South Carolina

Roxanne Conlin, president of NOW-LDEF.

"We're not just publishing a book," she added. "We're launching a major effort for women in the United States to understand their legal rights and join in the debate over the whole question of women and the law."

Until the mid-1960s, the book says,

it was illegal to prescribe, sell or use contraceptives in many states. In 1970 "there was no such thing as a Court-legalized abortion."

Other changes over the past 20 years include the availability of no-fault divorce in all states; the emergence of joint custody arrangements and the increasing consideration of children's rights, the book says.

In addition, it says, some states now consider marital rape a crime and many have passed laws guaranteeing women fair treatment in the marketplace.

"There has been tremendous progress in the area of home and family, but the legal gains have not yet been

translated into economic gains," Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., said Marsha Levick, legal director of only woman on the House Judiciary Committee, said the analysis underscores the piecemeal nature of laws that protect women.

Among other things, a state equal rights amendment: pay equity not be less; protected than the policy for state employees; equal women in Washington. The study is pay and equal employment laws; the best argument we have for in-state abortion funding; a model law porating the Equal Rights Amendment; enforcing child support payment into the Constitution; she mentis; laws benefitting displaced through a spokeswoman.

Mrs. Schroeder said the NOW divorce laws that permit joint custody also points up the important custody and require equal distribution of property, and laws against minimum standards of employment, discrimination in credit, housing and family and education law. "There's no question about it," she said, "Where Congress has set the tone, the states have followed."

ranked second and third. Bringing up the rear were Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama and South Carolina, with South Carolina at the bottom.

South Carolina, among other things, does not have a state ERA, a pay equity policy or laws barring sex discrimination in education, credit, housing or public accommodations, the survey found.

Court rules out 'closed' primaries

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — A state may not bar a political party from encouraging independents to vote in its primary elections, the Supreme Court ruled Wednesday.

In a blow struck at the state tradition of "closed" party primaries, the justices said on a 5-4 vote that the party's right to govern its own affairs outweighs the state's interest in controlling its elections.

"We conclude that the state's enforcement, under these circumstances, of its closed primary system burdens the First Amendment rights of the party," wrote Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall for the court.

The ruling strikes down a 1955 Connecticut law that limited voting in its primaries to those who had registered as party members. Twenty other states have similar laws.

However, the circumstances cited by Marshall refer to the move by Connecticut Republicans, a minority in the state, to broaden party support by encouraging unaffiliated voters to cast ballots in its primaries. In 1984, the Republican Party won a district court ruling striking down the state law, and last year, an appeals court upheld that decision.

Before the Supreme Court, Connecticut officials argued that the closed-primary law was needed to "protect the integrity" of the two-

party system. But the court majority concluded that the state's claim in the case (Tashjian vs. Republican Party of Connecticut) was "insubstantial."

Associate Justices John Paul Stevens and Antonin Scalia filed dissents, joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Scalia said independent voters were free to join the party until the day before the election and complained that the court's ruling created "a process that permits the members' votes to be diluted — and perhaps even absolutely outnumbered — by the votes of outsiders."

In a second ruling concerning elections, the court upheld a Washington law that requires minor party candidates to get at least 1 percent of the vote in the primary to appear on the general election ballot.

State officials were concerned about the "the general election ballot becoming cluttered with minor-party candidates," wrote Associate Justice Byron R. White for the 7-2 majority, and they were "clearly entitled to raise the ante for ballot access, to simplify the general election ballot and to avoid the possibility of unrestrained factionalism." Associate Justices William J. Brennan Jr. and Marshall dissented in the case of Munro vs. Socialist Workers Party.

Holiday scheduled

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan decided Wednesday to make Friday, Dec. 26, the day after Christmas, a holiday for federal employees.

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AIDS care 'normal'

BOSTON (AP) — Frequent hand-washing and other routine precautions are enough to prevent the spread of AIDS in hospitals, a new report concludes.

The report, prepared by doctors at the University of California at San Francisco, said no special measures need be taken when tending people infected with the AIDS virus.

The position differs from the recommendation of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, which recommends specific precautions.

The San Francisco doctors said many AIDS infections may go undetected in the hospital. Identification of selected patients as "infected" could produce a false sense of security," they wrote. "Unprotected exposure to other infected patients

might actually increase."

The guidelines were written by Dr. J. Louise Gerberding and the school's AIDS task force. They were published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

The task force said the precautions for dealing with AIDS patients should be the same as for all patients. These include using protective clothing during direct contact with blood and other body fluids, frequent hand-washing, precautions against needle sticks, decontamination procedures and proper handling of lab specimens.

"The task force has adopted the policy that all patients should be presumed to be infected," they wrote.

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Windsor romance still intrigues at 50

LONDON (AP) — "She is a twice-divorced woman of low birth, with an intermittent career of coquetry behind her... He presents a pliable spectacle, besotted with love and no longer able to act of his own volition."

This did Nancy Dugdale, wife of then Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin's private secretary, write in her diary in 1936 of Wallis Warfield Simpson and King Edward VIII, whose romance led the monarch to give up the throne 50 years ago today.

The story of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor still fascinates Britain, and the Observer newspaper this week gave prominent display to the late Mrs. Dugdale's hitherto unpublished diary.

Her contempt for Mrs. Simpson typified the opinion of the day, and even now the romance and abdication can provoke an argument at the average British dinner table.

Last May, the Daily Mail, which serialized the couple's love letters, asked readers to judge whether Mrs. Simpson acted honorably or was a social climber intent on ensnaring a king. The 25,000 who responded were split almost down the middle.

The abdication story had all the ingredients of a best-seller: a bachelor king, an American divorcee, a shocked establishment, a constitutional crisis and the romantic climax of a king surrendering his throne for the woman he loved.

The Prince of Wales had been courting Mrs. Simpson, who was still married to her second husband, for three years when his father King George V died in January 1936. That November he made known his intention to become Mrs. Simpson's third husband.

But it was constitutionally impossible for the monarch, as titular head of the Church of England, to wed a divorcee. The specter arose of the empire breaking, and politics came into play as Baldwin's foe, Winston

Churchill, rallied to the king's support. Nothing would sway Edward, and by Dec. 9, abdication was the only option.

At 3:35 p.m. on Dec. 10, in the House of Commons, Baldwin read the Royal Message of Abdication — the first in British history. That night Edward told the nation in a radio broadcast that he could not be king without the support of "the woman I love."

He was 42, had reigned for 325 days, and had not been crowned. The next day, Parliament approved the act of abdication, and Edward went to join Mrs. Simpson in France. They married in 1937 and lived in France for the rest of their lives.

Edward's brother succeeded him as King George VI and gave the couple the titles Duke and Duchess of Windsor. But the royal family never accepted them — its only concession was to bury the couple at Windsor Castle.

Edward died in 1972 at age 77, and his wife died in April at age 89.

Modern historians are far kinder to Mrs. Simpson than was Mrs. Dugdale, who as the wife of Baldwin's closest aide was a confidante of Edward.

"She was an incredibly strong person, very vivacious and magnetic, exactly the type of woman Edward needed," says Christopher Warwick, author of a new book on the abdication. He does not believe Mrs. Simpson set out to marry Edward "and she certainly didn't want to become queen."

Warwick shares with many scholars a belief that Britain should thank Mrs. Simpson for removing a king who would have been ill-equipped to handle World War II and for indirectly making it possible for Queen Elizabeth II to ascend the throne 16 years later.

"She did us all a favor," says royalty expert Hugh Montgomery-Massingberd.

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Philippine Communists celebrate 1st cease fire in 17 years

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A rebel commander serenaded thousands of people in a provincial town of other Communist leaders addressed crowds in Manila to mark the start Wednesday of the first nationwide cease-fire in the 17-year insurgency.

The cease-fire began at noon with the peal of church bell in provincial cities.

Thousands of people rallied for hours in the main square of Bacolod, 300 miles south of Manila, where four Communist leaders obliged residents by autographing fans, T-shirts and serapes of paper.

Memesio Francisco Demaffies, regional commander of the New People's Army, took out a guitar and played for the crowd.

"Today's occasion reminds me of the story of the people of Mount Sinai who were given the 10 commandments of love. Today we bring the tablets of peace and progress,"

the Rev. Francisco Fernandez of the Communist-dominated National Democratic Front told the cheering crowd of nearly 20,000.

The Philippine News Agency reported a candlelight march of about 3,000 people in Iloilo city, 175 miles south of Manila. Top leaders of the outlawed Communist Party participated.

Other guerrillas, however, refrained from making public appearances during the cease-fire, including where the rebels could carry firearms.

In the capital, government negotiator Teofisto Guingona swore in a five-member national committee to monitor the 60-day cease-fire.

He then appeared with rebel representative Antonio Zumel and called on both sides "to exercise the utmost restraint and good faith in the spirit of making the cease-fire agreement a reality."

The government reported no vio-

lations on the truce's first day, although one man was killed and five were injured when anti-Communists clashed with a leftist group rallying in support of the truce in the southern city of Davao.

President Corason Aquino, who made peace with the Communists a cornerstone of her national reconciliation policy, said, "If both sides... live up to the spirit that motivated (the cease-fire), we shall have peace in this season."

Peace talks are to begin within 30 days on land reform, political change and a member of the truce panel acknowledged "gray areas" remained, such as the definition of "population centers."

Satur Ocampo, a negotiator for the rebels, told 500 people at a Human Rights Day rally on the steps of Manila Cathedral, "We have not been given the assurance that the voices of dissent within the Aquino government, emanating especially from the armed forces, can be disciplined by the political leadership."

He said, "In good faith we hold the Aquino government responsible for any operation of the Armed Forces of the Philippines against the New People's Army in the coming days."

Zumel, during his appearance with Guingona, made it clear the 23,500-strong rebel force did not intend to surrender their weapons. In popular areas under their control.

"The NPA operates in population areas, in the barrio, in the city, and in the countryside," Zumel said. "NPA units must continue holding onto their guns to protect themselves from any harm from any source and to protect the people as well."

The government acknowledged that the rebels control about 18 percent of the country's "barangays," or communities.

Zumel said that although the rebels were committed to the "spirit and letter of the agreement" they also were under orders "to protect themselves and the people whenever necessary. They will be defenseless if they are to be disarmed."

Guingona, the government negotiator, said a system of identifying rebel forces was needed because "if they are not properly identified then it is the duty of the troops and patrols to take appropriate action against them because for all that we know they may be kidnapers, bandits or robbers."



Democratic Front negotiator Satur Ocampo holds up a list of rebel demands during a Manila rally Wednesday

Israeli soldiers fire on Palestinian girl

GAZA CITY, Occupied Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli soldiers shot and wounded a Palestinian girl Wednesday during a protest by 250 high school students and prevented a strike of merchants by forcing shop doors open with crowbars.

Some students threw stones at soldiers and Hadlye el-Sussli was shot in the hand, becoming the third Arab teen-ager wounded by army gunfire in 24 hours. A military spokeswoman said she tried to incite other students, but Miss Sussli denied it.

Five other Palestinian students were taken to Gaza hospitals with injuries from clubbings by Israeli soldiers, hospital officials told The Associated Press. They insisted on anonymity, saying the Israeli military government told them not to speak with journalists.

In the Israeli-occupied West Bank of the Jordan River, Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin said the Ramallah in response to complaints about how the army has handled seven days of clashes between soldiers and Palestinian youths in the occupied Arab territories. He says heavily guarded on the town.

Four Palestinians have been killed and dozens of people injured since the violence began.

The hospital officials in Gaza said many students hurt by clubbings in recent days had not gone to hospitals because they feared soldiers would follow them inside

and arrest them. Several arrests were made in that manner Tuesday night, they said.

About 140 doctors held sit-ins at several Gaza hospitals Wednesday in protest. The army said it could not confirm or deny the claim about arrests.

Miss Sussli said only boys threw stones at the troops during Gaza protest. "I tried to run away and I was shot," she said from her hospital bed.

A student shot in the leg Sunday, 19-year-old Mohammed Shubel, denied army claims that he had been demonstrating. "There was a demonstration nearby, but I was buying vegetables," he said.

The week of violence began with the shooting deaths last Thursday of two college students at Bir Zeit University in the West Bank. In addition to the four dead, at least 38 Palestinians and 15 Israelis and foreigners have been injured, according to Palestinian and army reports.

The Palestine Press Service, which monitors events in the West Bank and Gaza, reported Wednesday that 600 Palestinians had been arrested in the past week. The army said it could not say immediately how many arrests had been made.

Soldiers patrolled the streets Wednesday in the Gaza Strip. It is home to 600,000 Palestinians, two-thirds of whom live in refugee camps.

Christmas trees along DMZ

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Koreans set up Christmas trees along the southern part of the demilitarized zone and sent their traditional seasonal greetings to communist-ruled North Korea.

Officials said the main tree, 83 feet tall and decorated with 5,000 colored bulbs, was lit Monday atop a hill overlooking the buffer zone.

About 300 people at the lighting ceremony heard National Unification Minister Huh Moon-do read a

statement directed at North Koreans, saying Seoul believes "reunification of the country will be achieved by peaceful means... We hope you will have a happy Christmas along with us in the near future."

Although only about 8 million of South Korea's 40 million population are Christians, the Christmas traditions of giving gifts and trimming trees are observed nationwide and Christmas has been a national holiday since 1948.

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Rembrandt auctioned

LONDON (AP) — The first major Rembrandt work to be auctioned in 21 years, a 1632 painting of a young girl, sold Wednesday for \$10.3 million, a record price for a painting by the Dutch master.

Two portraits by Flemish master Franz Hals of an unidentified man and of his wife, each of which had been expected to fetch up to 2 million pounds (\$2.8 million), failed to reach their reserve prices and were withdrawn from sale at the same Sotheby's auction.

Sotheby's said the winning bid for Rembrandt van Rijn's "Portrait of a Girl Wearing a Gold-Trimmed Coat" was made by an agent acting for a private collector who was not identified. The sale price of 7.25 million pounds (\$10.1 million) includes the buyer's 10 percent premium, Sotheby's commission.

"It's an outstanding price," said Sotheby's spokeswoman Fiona James. "We thought it was going to go high but not that high."

The oval painting, which had hung on loan at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston since 1965, was bought in 1929 for \$125,000 by Robert Treat Paine II of Boston and passed on to his heirs when he died in 1943. They decided to sell it, and Sotheby's expected it to fetch as much as 1.8 million pounds (\$2.8 million).

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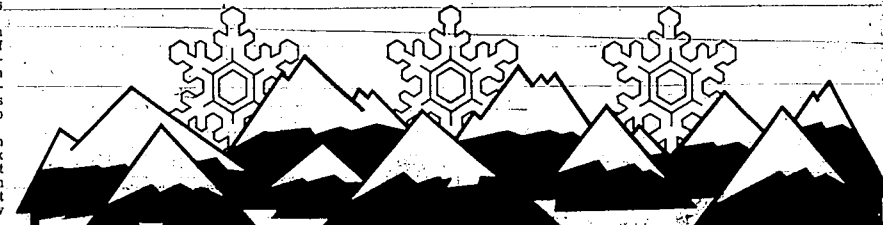
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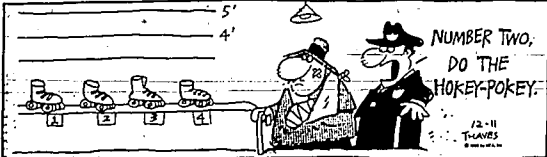
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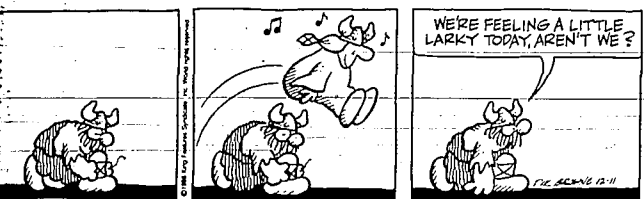
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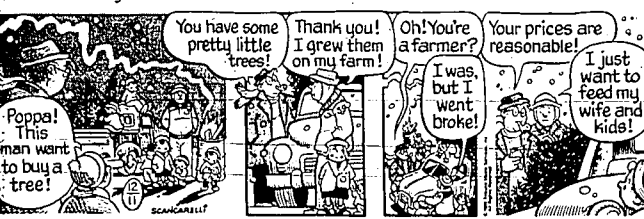
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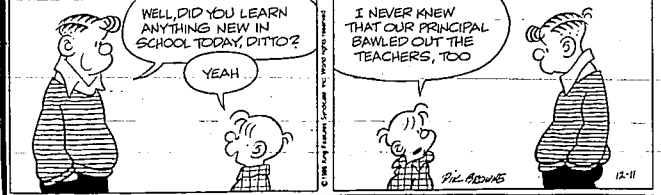
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L.M. Boyd
What's what

Devil's Island

Q. What's happening now on the old French penal colony called Devil's Island?

A. Shrimp are processed there. The colony used to be on three islands. On Devil's Island, for political prisoners. On St. Joseph Island, with underground cells for incorrigibles. And on Roanoke Island, whereabouts of the infamous Clinton Barracks, so labeled because of the countless inmate murders therein. It's said Roanoke Island was probably the most dangerous place on earth. Devil's Island was called that, incidentally, because of the angry seas around it. The three islands together were officially named the Islands of Salvation.

BEDSPRINGS

Q. Did Abe Lincoln sleep on bedsprings?

A. Only during the last 15 years of his life. They weren't invented until 1850. That was when James Liddy of Waterbury, N.Y., fell asleep on the seat of his surrey and woke up with the bright idea that springs also might do something for household beds.

Purveyors of illegal cocaine in Egypt cut a lot of it with powdered human skull bone shipped in from India.

Q. I know baseball was not invented by Abner Doubleday at Cooperstown, N.Y. But what was the name of the British game from which it really was taken?

A. Rounders.

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Builders of the great steamship United States wanted everything aboard to be fireproof. Printraker got their way. Except for two items. The ship's chef wouldn't put up with anything but wood for a butcher block. And Steinway wouldn't make aluminum pianos for the salons.

Q. Aren't all sled dogs huskies?

A. Not at all. Irish setters won the All-Alaska Sweepstakes as early as 1911. In harness also are collies, German shepherds, Dalmatians, various terriers, even Dobermans.

People best able to buy luxury items are those in their late 50s. Researchers now know that. More members of that 55 to 59 group than any other have money left over after they buy what they need.

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Daily Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Make decisions about the future. You will be able to see the right way to make ideas work on practical levels. Consider material aspects and arrange a budget.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Try to contact good pals who can assist you in gaining your aims. State your goals clearly so they understand.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22): The evening is fine for recreation with the one you love, but first make the right arrangements.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21): Make the right moves and let your partner in on your ideas. Friends can give ideas for handling public matters.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21): Concentrate on how to best make your talents pay off. Teach your child to get out of the one you love.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): You have good ideas that can gain you a cherished wish, so carry through with it. Romance is possible tonight.

LEO (July 22 to August 21): Get new plans well organized before you set a bigwig who can give you the backing you need now.

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Ointment company names year's 10 most beautiful lips

NEW YORK (AP) — An ointment manufacturer paid lip service Wednesday to quiz show hostess Vanna White, U.S. Chief Justice William Rehnquist and 10 other possessors of "the most beautiful lips of 1986."

The annual tongue-in-cheek award also named television minister Pat Robertson, dubbed "evangelips," and actor Sigourney Weaver, Bill Cosby and Bruce Willis ("most Cybilized").

"Lips are frequently forgotten when we assess headline makers' special features," said Richard K. Green, vice president of Blistex Inc. of Oak Park, Ill. "It is time we paid attention to our lips."

His announcement said Rehnquist had the "most courtly" lips, financier Carl Icahn had the "most acquisitive" lips and Princess Stephanie of Monaco, who makes swimwear, the "most desigling" lips.

The announcement did not say whether the criterion was the best-shaped lips or the best available pun.

Hamel says 'Hill Street' should leave 'in style'

NEW YORK (AP) — "Hill Street Blues," which gave NBC some class, deserves to leave the air the same way, says Veronica Hamel, who plays the tough public defender on the series.

"I think it's our last season," Ms. Hamel said on the "Today" show Tuesday.

"We're not giving up on the show by any means and we're hoping the cast members will not give up on it either," said Brian Robbette, an NBC spokesman for the show in California.

Effective last week, NBC switched around three prime-time series, moving "Hill Street" from Thursday to Tuesday, opposite ABC's hit "Moonlighting."

"L.A. Law" moved into "Hill Street's" old time slot. And "Crime Story" moved from Tuesdays to "L.A. Law's" old time on Friday after "Miami Vice."

Ms. Hamel said "Hill Street" would not be able to compete against "Moonlighting."

"I think we're a quality show," she



WILLIAM REHNQUIST
"Most courtly" lips



VERONICA HAMEL
"Hill Street" in last season

said, "We were the only thing NBC had at one point. I think we deserve the dignity of leaving in style."

Robbette said the network never expected "Hill Street" to win the time period against "Moonlighting," but he noted it got a better rating last week than its predecessor "Crime Story" had been averaging.

Robbette said NBC Entertainment President Brandon Tartikoff has promised to move "Hill Street" again if it does not do well in its new

slot. When "Hill Street" premiered in 1981, NBC was a third-place network. The show got poor ratings, but television critics rallied behind it. The following year, "Hill Street" swept the Emmy Awards and its ratings began to rise.

Grant Tinker, head of MTM Productions, which produced the show, became president of NBC and guided the network to the No. 1 position it now holds.

Baldwin, Davis attend film premiere at Apollo

NEW YORK (AP) — Author James Baldwin, singers Melba Moore and Isaac Hayes and trumpeter Miles Davis were among 1,500 people who turned out for the premiere of the movie "Native Son," Oprah Winfrey and actor Victor Love, who are in the movie version of the 1940 novel by the late Richard Wright, also attended Monday's screening at the Apollo theater.

Baldwin, who has criticized the work over the years, credited Wright for providing "the first positive proof that a black person could be a writer."

After the premiere, 700 people went to a reception at the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, which houses the original "Native Son" manuscript. The event raised more than \$80,000 for the United Negro College Fund.

Seattle archbishop set for diagnostic test series

SEATTLE (AP) — Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen will undergo a series of diagnostic tests, the spokesman for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle said.

Spokesman Russ Searce said the tests, scheduled Thursday at Providence Medical Center, were unrelated to a mild heart attack Hunthausen suffered in 1984.

Hunthausen, 65, was the center of a church controversy after he revealed in summer that the Vatican had sent an auxiliary bishop to assume many of his duties.

A national bishops' conference subsequently decided the Vatican had acted appropriately, despite supporters' complaints that Hunthausen had been disciplined too severely for his relatively liberal views on such issues as ministry to homosexuals and the dispensation of absolution for sin to large groups.

Minister evicts father

ORANGE, Calif. (AP) — A minister has evicted his 81-year-old father from a family home in the culmination of a 33-year feud, authorities said.

Luis Vaca Gallardo and one of his nine daughters, Lucille Gallardo, were escorted by three marshals out of the home Tuesday morning. Without incident, said Orange County marshal's Lt. Mike Carona.

Stanford ruled that the elderly man owed his son \$2,620 in unpaid rent for the three-bedroom home.

Devil not popular as school's mascot

APPLE VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Apple Valley is having a devil-of-a time with its high school mascot.

Fifty people crowded a meeting Tuesday of the Victor Valley Union High School District trustees to protest or defend the smirking, red-faced fellow that has represented the Apple Valley High School Sun Devils for 20 years.

Donna Davis, whose children attend a rival high school, presented trustees with a petition she said contained signatures of 1,600 people who want the mascot changed.

At a recent basketball game between the schools, she said, "the kids started chanting 'Devils, Devils, and I began to get a headache and a spirit filled that gym.' Several students defended the mascot and told adults they ought to concentrate on more serious problems.

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Man shoots, kills brother for using too much toilet paper

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A man upset because his younger brother had used six rolls of toilet paper in two days shot and killed him, police say.

Nathan Hicks, 35, was charged Monday with the second-degree murder of his 33-year-old brother Herbert, authorities said. Hicks confessed to police that the

look-a-22-caliber rifle and shot his brother once in the chest, police said.

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World

American receives Nobel for human rights advocacy

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel, an American writer and human rights advocate, received the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize Wednesday and said the honor belonged to all survivors of the Nazi death camps and their children.

Norwegian Nobel Committee Chairman Egil Aarvik gave Wiesel the gold medal and diploma at ceremonies in Oslo University's Aula Festival Hall attended by 800 people, including King Olaf V and government leaders. The prize also includes \$200,000.

The award was "in recognition of this particular human spirit's victory over the powers of death and degradation, and as a support to the rebellion against evil in the world," Aarvik said.



ELIE WIESEL
Holocaust survivor

The Nobel prizes for physics, chemistry, medicine, economics and literature were presented Wednesday in Stockholm, Sweden.

In a departure from tradition, Wiesel's teen-age son, Shlomo Elisha, was invited to join his father on the podium for the awarding of the prize.

Obviously moved, the 58-year-old Wiesel asked the king's permission to say a brief blessing. "Thank you, Oh Lord, for giving us this day," he said.

In an emotional acceptance speech, Wiesel said: "Do I have the right to represent the multitudes who have perished? Do I have the right to accept this great honor on their behalf? I do not. No one may

my own: Israel, Soviet Jewry, Jews in Arab lands... but there are others as important to me."

He said Palestinians were people "to whose plight I am sensitive but whose methods I deplore when they lead to violence."

"Both the Jewish people and the Palestinian people have lost too many sons and shed too much blood. This must stop, and all attempts to stop it must be encouraged," he said.

The other Nobel prizes and their winners were:

- For literature, Nigeria Wole Soyinka, a playwright, poet and novelist, and the first African ever to receive the prize.
- For medicine, American Stanley Cohen and Italian-American Rita Levi-Montalcini for discoveries of "growth factors" in human and animal tissue.
- For physics, West German Ernst Ruska for fundamental work in electron optics and designing the first electron microscope; and West German Gerd Binnig and Heinrich Rohrer, from Switzerland, for design of scanning tunneling microscope, which has made possible the first pictures of individual atoms.
- For chemistry, Americans Dudley R. Herschbach and Yuan T. Lee, and Canadian John C. Polanyi for pioneering studies of basic chemical reactions.
- For economics, American James McGill-Buehnanan for development of bases for the theory of economic and political decision-making.

Wiesel said it "would be unnatural for me not to make Jewish priorities speak for the dead, no one may interpret their mutilated dreams and visions."

"This honor belongs to all the survivors and their children, and through us, to the Jewish people with whose destiny I have always identified."

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Kremlin marks rights day

MOSCOW (AP) — The Kremlin held an International Human Rights Day news conference Wednesday at which officials called Andrei Sakharov a criminal and criticized other nations' but turned aside questions about the Soviet Union.

In the streets, a government-organized rally complete with anti-war songs and banners crowded out a protest of Soviet human rights abuses that is held each year in Pushkin Square.

Plainclothes police arrested members of a human rights group to keep them away from another Moscow Square, where they had planned to publicize their plight on the International Day proclaimed by the United Nations when the U.N. Declaration on Human Rights was signed Dec. 10, 1948.

"The news conference has become an annual event. This one gave little evidence of the promised 'glasnost,'" the word used by the Soviets for a new approach to human rights and new openness in information policy.

Mikhail Kapitsa, a deputy foreign minister, opened the news conference by attacking alleged human rights violations in other countries, especially the United States.

He repeated the Kremlin position that the main human right is "the right to life and said his government guarantees "freedom of the press, freedom of expression and freedom of association."

Those rights are abridged only to preserve national security, he said.

At Pushkin Square, policemen in black coats and fur hats set up steel barricades around the tiny park, cutting off access. At 6:30 p.m., about half an hour before the unofficial protest normally begins, a chorus equipped with loudspeakers began blaring martial music and a song ending with the chorus: "Yes to a sunny earth, no to atomic explosions."

Within minutes, a crowd of about 300 unfurled multicolored banners with neatly lettered, government-sanctioned slogans including: "The right to peace is the primary human right" and "Freedom to the prisoners of imperialism and reaction."

Annual unauthorized demonstrations have been held since Dec. 10, 1966, in the busy square, which is dominated by a statue of poet Alexander Pushkin with a brooding expression. Many people have been arrested, including a dozen last year.

Dissident's death termed as natural

MOSCOW (AP) — A Soviet official said Wednesday the death of imprisoned dissident Anatoly Marchenko was caused by a cerebral hemorrhage after a long illness. His wife said he had been on a prolonged hunger strike.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Boris Pyadyshnev read a two-sentence statement in response to questions at a news conference marking International Human Rights Day. It said Marchenko died in a hospital, but it gave no date or other details.

A friend of Larisa Bogoraz, Marchenko's wife, said Tuesday that she left for Chistopol prison, 500 miles east of Moscow, after receiving a telegram from prison authorities saying her husband was dead.

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TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME

H&W workers call computer delays 'tragic'

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer

State officials are telling the media that the problems are waning ... 'We've lost all credibility with our clients.'
— Sandy Hacking, employee

The tragedy, he and the workers said, was that clients are going without benefits because of the problems plaguing the Eligibility Programs Integrated Computer System, or EPICS, since its implementation in October.

The purpose of the conference was to let the clients know it wasn't the workers' fault, Lundquist said. Earlier this week petitions by employees were presented to state H&W Director Rose Bowman, seeking the necessary resources to cure the malfunctions.

At the news' conference, Wednesday eligibility worker Donna Requa said EPICS was "down" often and, most recently, unusable nine days in a row. She and others can't even get into the system to make changes to older cases.

A manual system to provide food stamps was implemented a few weeks ago because of the problems. But employees can't get into the system to obtain the client case number to use the manual procedure, she said.

Other workers said cases had disappeared into the system.

Norma Requa, an examiner handling

benefits for the elderly, said an application involving a nursing-home payment entered into the system in September hasn't yet been processed.

"It's just sitting there," she said.

In fact, the new system has processed only one in 45 of her cases, Requa said. As a result, nursing homes, pharmacies and other people aren't getting their money.

'The system is not anywhere near perfect ... it's several more weeks off.'

— Theo Murdock,
Welfare Division Supervisor

Pam Burkett, an eligibility worker handling Aid to Families with Dependent Children cases, said the new system has processed just one in 20 of her cases.

Meanwhile, new applications keep arriving, causing more of a backlog, said the employees.

State officials are telling the news media that the problems are waning, but the workers said they hadn't seen any improvements. Clients hear the problems are being solved, but the benefits still don't arrive and they call the examiners to complain, said employee Sandy Hacking.

"We've lost all credibility with our clients," she said.

The employees don't have "any gripes" with regional management, Hacking said. — See H&W on Page 2

TWIN FALLS — Needy persons are suffering and state Health and Welfare Department employees are frustrated over delayed benefits caused by continuing problems with the H&W computer system, said a half dozen welfare workers on Wednesday.

"It's just a massive screw-up," said Warren Lundquist — of the Idaho Service Employees Union, which sponsored a news conference outside the regional H&W office on Polk Street.

Lundquist announced at the conference that he had written U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Otis Bowen, to "take whatever action is necessary to remedy this tragic situation."

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Hospital direction unknown after vote

By BART JANSEN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The consistency of voter disapproval Tuesday over restructuring Magic Valley Regional Medical Center revealed that people studied the issue, said Twin Falls County Commissioner Judy Felton.

"I think a lot of people gave this issue serious study," Felton said. "We do definitely stand firm that it was proper to ask for the vote, because it was so overwhelmingly a 'no' vote."

The three county commissioners favored the transfer and have final say over giving the county hospital to a non-profit corporation.

But they opted to base their decision on an advisory election that cost about \$4,000, after public outcry against the transfer surfaced. Felton said the commissioners will honor the vote and not implement a transfer.

The proposed change would have enabled the hospital to pursue lucrative ventures, not allowed as a county hospital, to increase its income. But it also would have relinquished direct county oversight and public scrutiny of the hospital.

Twin Falls voters rejected the transfer proposal in 18 of the county's 20 polling places. The final tallies showed 4,182 voters opposed, while 2,830 supported it.

Total turnout represented only about 25 percent of the county's 28,000 registered voters, compared with 74 percent voting in November's general election. But Felton said that more people voted Tuesday than for recent bond elections, signaling that they had studied the issue.

"For a special election, it was a very large turnout," said Felton, who noted that the defeat, at about a 60-40 split, was consistent throughout the county.

Two polling places that bucked the trend were Sawtooth Elementary School and the city of Castleford. Sawtooth voters favored the transfer 333-255 and Castleford supported it 89-83.

Officials were unable to define the source of the sparse support.

MVRMC Board Member Jim Lagrone, who lives in Castleford, said there were no special undertakings there to rouse supporters of the plan. But the proposal's backer said his city's residents may have understood MVRMC's proposal. — See HOSPITAL on Page B2

Chimney fire spreads, damages top half of house



Water sprayed on the fire froze on the steeply pitched roof, making it difficult for firemen to fight the blaze

TWIN FALLS — Fire, starting from an outside single-wall metal chimney, caused an estimated \$5,000 damage to a home at 260 7th Ave. N., Tuesday night and kept firemen on the scene for more than 2½ hours.

The fire was reported at 8:58 p.m. Tuesday in an older, two-story house owned by Steve Gordon and occupied by the Raud Owens family.

Three fire engines and crews battled the fire until 11:34 p.m. and were able to confine the flames and smoke and water damage to the attic or upper living portion of the building.

Twin Falls Fire Division reports on the incident said the fire started in wooden fascia and the roofing adjacent to the metal chimney, then spread into the insulation and attic portion of the structure.

The chimney adjacent to an outside rear wall of the home served a wood-burning stove on the first floor of the home. Neighbors said they understood the wood stove was the only means of heat in the house.

Firefighters said the water from hoses froze as it was sprayed on the fire, making it impossible for firemen to climb onto the steeply pitched roof. Holes were cut in the roof to reach the fire, as firemen worked from adjacent ladders.

The fire spread from the outside of the roof and insulation and burned under several layers of shingles on the roof, firemen said. Damage, including smoke, was confined to the upper story. Fire damaged the ceiling and some lathe and plaster, while carpet was damaged by smoke and water. Reports showed no damage to the first-floor area.

During the fire, the family and many of their possessions were moved from the house to a vacant home on adjoining property.

Ten firefighters, including six firemen and four police officers, brought the fire under control.

COBRA: New law expands insurance benefits

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A terminated worker sends his former employer a terse notice that he expects to be kept on the company's health insurance policy. The spouse of an employee claims health insurance — after their divorce.

Until six months ago, executives of most companies might have tossed those notes directly in the wastebasket. Now the notes could cost the firm — and its top paid officers — big bucks.

The reason is COBRA, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reform Act of 1986. The 800-page law generally tries to reduce the government's

deficit. However, one section deals with private, group health insurance, and its demands will leave a lasting impression on both employers and workers, says Bob Williams, an attorney with Blue Cross Health Service of Idaho.

For many of the country's businesses, it extends group health insurance benefits to former workers for as long as three years after they have been taken off job rolls. It also continues the benefits for spouses and dependents.

Having taken effect on July 1, some workings of the law still are hazy, Williams told a meeting of employers from the Magic Valley by church plans are not eligible.

The law requires the private employer to offer health insurance coverage to former employees who were covered while on the job. Spouses or children also get the same opportunity under broader circumstances. If a worker leaves, dies, gets divorced or is legally separated, the family members also have a right to the coverage, the law says.

Once a worker or family member elects to keep the policy, the coverage can last as long as three years. Major exceptions are cases in which a worker has been terminated or had work hours reduced below the point at which health insurance is available. Those instances have 18-month limits.

Once a worker gets a new job or becomes eligible for Medicare or another spouse gets. — See COBRA on Page B2

"In a lot of aspects, it's a very vague law," Williams told 40 employers at an information session in Twin Falls this week. "But it's in effect now and we're expected to comply with it."

COBRA applies to all employers that have 20 or more workers and offer group health insurance. In the Magic Valley, at least 260 businesses and their workers fall under the law, said Jim Ingalls, manager of the Idaho Department of Employment office at Twin Falls and an organizer of the session.

Government employees and those covered by church plans are not eligible.

Man convicted for harboring fugitive

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Lyle Sears, 26, of Kimberly was convicted by a 12-member jury's unanimous verdict Wednesday evening of harboring a fugitive.

The charges against Sears accused him of helping his friend, Michael Goodson, 22, a convicted rapist, hide from authorities after the latter walked away from the Port of Hope last Aug. 19.

Goodson had been granted a four-year probation following his conviction on aggravated battery and other felonies. Part of the terms of the probation required him to attend the patient rehabilitation program at the Port of Hope, a substance abuse treatment center in Twin Falls.

He disappeared from the center after only a brief time under treatment and eluded officers for more than a month. He was found and arrested in Kimberly in late September.

Testimony and closing arguments before the jury Wednesday indicated Sears had allowed Goodson to stay in his home and provided him with food after he walked away from the construction work with Sears' father.

In closing arguments Wednesday, Defense Attorney Golden Bennett, Twin Falls, contended that Sears made no effort to hide his friend, but rather allowed him to openly enter and leave his home near the Kimberly police station and appeared with him in town while Goodson was going before the jury. — See VERDICT on Page B2

COBRA also helps some workers and those covered by church plans are not eligible.

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State team tours city's 2 prison sites

By CLAUDINE CHAMBERLAIN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Members of the state Board of Corrections visited Twin Falls Wednesday on a tour of five final sites chosen as possibilities for the state's new maximum security prison.

The team, which consisted of Corrections Director Al Murphy; Eugene Larson of the Commission on Probation and Parole; and Bob Anderson, Chuck Hall, Wendell Miller, and Chuck Noonan of the Board of Corrections, moved on to Burley immediately after visiting Twin Falls, completing their tour of the five sites.

Their recommendation from the visits, as well as a decision on the final site for the prison, will be made before Dec. 15, said board member Wendell Miller.

The two sites visited by the team are a 200-acre area just northeast of the Twin Falls/Sun Valley Regional Airport and an area in the city's Industrial Park.

Corrections officials have said they will need 60-100 acres of land for the prison site, which includes room for expansion. Both sites will be able to provide "as many acres as necessary," said Greater Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce President-elect Lee Nagner.

The prison will require 750,000 gallons of water, Murphy said. City officials have agreed that the land for the prison, as well as water and sewage services, will be given as a "gift" to the prison if one of the Twin Falls sites is chosen.

Because the project is dependent on the state Legislature for funding, the cities being considered as prison sites have had to make concessions such as these to increase the attractiveness of their sites.

Of the five sites being considered, Boise is seen as the most cost-effective, but Twin Falls Chamber Executive Vic President Buzz Langdon said other areas are being given consideration to avoid centralization in the Boise area. "We are fortunate to be one of the top five sites," he said.

UI representatives hear local requests

By TERESA Z. TAYLOR
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — More agricultural and engineering courses and an opportunity to obtain a degree without leaving the area were among requests made to University of Idaho representatives Tuesday night during a town meeting called to address local concerns and interests in the school's programs.

Dean of the School of Agriculture Larry Brannen, College of Engineering Dean William Sault and Terry Armstrong, executive assistant to the UI president outlined department curricula and the latest research developments at the school, in addition to explaining correspondence programs the university offers.

About two dozen members attended the meeting. Several members of the audience expressed an interest in the university's expanding

the program it offers through the College of Southern Idaho.

CSI students are able to obtain transferable agriculture credits at the school and can take advantage of the university's "outreach," program which provides videotaped classes in the field of engineering.

However, no degree is offered locally, and while the university might be able to expand CSI's curriculum to three years sometime in the future, a fourth year at the school with a degree is not likely, due to faculty and funding constraints, Brannen said.

The accreditation that while the outreach program of videotaped classes is an excellent source of information and credit, it doesn't immerse the student in the field enough to qualify the student

for a degree; to try and award such a degree would jeopardize the department's accreditation, he said.

The university will look into ways of enhancing the program now being offered to meet local community needs, Armstrong said.

Brannen said that radical changes during the last 30 years in agriculture, along with the estimate that 17 percent of Idaho's farmers are in danger of losing their farms, have caused the university's Agriculture Department to "become concerned about what is happening in agriculture today."

"We must be able to respond to the changes in agriculture," said Brannen, "and the key resource is people." Enrollment in the field of agriculture has dropped since 1979, said Brannen, and 90 percent of the people currently enrolled in the program plan to work in areas other than

agriculture. — See UI on Page B2

area in the city's Industrial Park. — See UI on Page B2

Study: Tout Sun Valley's affordable quality

By JIM MCPHERSON
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — "Sun Valley — more than the legend."
That's the "position line" recommended by a Seattle marketing firm for promoting the Blaine County resort area. Ketchum and Sun Valley business people were told in a town meeting sponsored by the Ketchum-Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce Wednesday morning.
"Everybody — lift operators, everybody — can give the impression that I can give you more," said Tom O'Rourke, of the Elgin/Syfer Agency. And the promise of receiving excellent service for reasonable rates, at a world famous resort, reinforces the perceptions people have about Sun Valley, he said, making that image easier to promote.

The agency recently conducted an extensive marketing study for the area. The study was an attempt to determine potential marketing strengths and weaknesses and how those strengths and weaknesses match up to what vacationers expect from a destination ski resort. The results were good news for Sun Valley, said O'Rourke.
A total of 15 different attributes of any given area were identified, he said. Then potential winter visitors were polled to discover how highly each of those attributes figured in the individual's decision to choose one resort over another. How Sun Valley compared with its primary competitors — identified as Aspen, Vail, Jackson Hole, Tahoe and Park City — in each of the 15 areas was also evaluated.
The top five determining factors for a potential visitor, according to the study,

were the resort's skiing reputation, snow conditions, value per dollar, and weather/climate, said O'Rourke. Those five, while listed in order, were rated nearly equally in importance, he said. And Sun Valley fared well in comparison with its competition, particularly in the areas of reputation and value, he said.
Area businesses, then, would be wise to capitalize on those strong points, said O'Rourke. He recommended that the area adopt a common theme emphasizing both reputation and value. The theme could be carried in advertising by both the Chamber of Commerce and individual businesses, and then exemplified by all those who deal with visitors after they arrive, he said.
More good news, O'Rourke said, is that what many perceive to be the area's weakest point, rated low on the list of what

visitors consider when deciding where to go. Accessibility ranked 10th on the list of 15 attributes, travel expense was 12th, family orientation was 14th, and novelty was 15th.
In order for the recommended marketing strategy to be effective, he warned, all local business people and their employees must be educated about the necessity for promoting the advertised image.
"It does no good to advertise it, if they get here and don't find it," he said.
The individual strategies discussed at Wednesday's meeting dealt mostly with the 1987-88 season, not the one under way. The Ketchum-Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce has drawn up a proposed budget of \$380,000 for that season. It would represent an increase of approximately \$159,000 over the budget in effect, which repre-

sentatives pointed out, is far from being finalized.
The chamber is working on its 1987-88 budget now, though, because applications for Idaho Travel Council funds must be submitted in February and the budget process for the cities of Ketchum and Sun Valley will begin in the spring.
Those attending the meeting discussed a number of possible marketing strategies, including coordinating advertising scheduling to increase impact, advertising more in the Eastern United States, trying to increase recognition for the Wood River Valley as a year-round resort area, and promoting writers' tours of the area in an effort to prompt the kind of attention received in a New York Times article last Sunday.

Hailey turns down transitional zone

By NORMA KING
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — A controversial zoning change was tabled this week by the Hailey City Council.
The change, approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission, would have made a general residential area along Main Street, between Pine and Maple, a transitional zone. Several businesses currently operate there, many in violation of zoning ordinances, according to council members.
No justification for the change has been shown, said V.K. Jeppesen, a resident of the area and a former magistrate. He said the transitional zone proposal was unnecessary and that there are vacant buildings available for new businesses in the downtown area.
Jeppesen said that he and other permanent residents of the area tried to beautify the entrance of the city and do not want the south end of Hailey opened up to "every kind of business," as has been done on the north end of town.
Council member Maryann Mix told Jeppesen that every business going into a transitional zone would have to apply for and be granted a conditional use permit.
"This may protect you more than you think," said council member Dorothy Moore.
However, Jeppesen called the transitional zone a step toward business zoning.
Resident John Elorrieta told the council he believed the city had two "choices, rather than zoning. The council could either shut down businesses currently operating illegally in the area or allow them to stay if they qualify under the grandfather clause.
The intent of the transitional zone, according to George Milley, a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, was to act as a buffer

area rather than taking the area into commercial zoning.
Other residents attending the meeting suggested the council look further into the present guidelines and controls established by the city's zoning ordinance and make efforts to define them more fully.
Mix suggested the Planning and Zoning Commission spend more time settling up criteria for the transitional zone and asked for a joint work session between the council and the commission.
City Attorney Keith Roark pointed out that since there was no map of the proposed change nor a written ordinance, the council could not officially act on the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation.
Al Josephy of the commission suggested that more communication was needed between the council and the commission. Josephy said the businesses existing in the area in question couldn't be just closed down.
A meeting of the council and commission to discuss the matter will be planned, said the officials present.
In other business, the council heard a report by George Bagley, senior vice president of operations of Microwave Air, on the new Microwave Landing System (MLS) at the Friedman Memorial Airport.
Bagley said the \$1 million system currently being installed, would be actually safer than current landing procedure and would be a great enhancement for skiing and related tourism industries. The MLS would allow more flights to come to Hailey with the final flight of the day in at 6:30 p.m., he said.
The council also approved the final plat for the Whitaker Subdivision and upheld Mayor Paschal Drake's decision to replace Planning and Zoning Commission member Frank Cutler, who will be out of the country until spring.



Water sports

Not missing the chance to walk on water, frozen water, that is, Joe Moore, 12, right, Lucas Moore, 8, in white coat, and Mike Franks, 11, find many slick and slippery feats to perform on the sheets of ice of a shallow canal. Overnight temperatures near zero fced small ponds all over the Magic Valley, including the ones in this canal which splits Irene Moore's yard in Jerome.

State upholds borders for Shoshone schools

By JANENE BUCKWAY
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — For the second time in as many years, the Idaho State Board of Education has voted to maintain the existing borders of the Shoshone School District.
In a split vote, the board has denied the petition of Paul and Becky Robertson to have three sections of their property removed from the Shoshone district and added to the Mindoka district.
In making its decision, the state board asked the people involved to work for a permanent solution to the problem. There are 9 other families, in addition to the Robertsons, living in the remote Hidden Valley area of eastern Lincoln County near the Mindoka County Line. They have a total of 36 children. Some of the students attend Mindoka schools with Shoshone paying tuition, others attend the Dietrich school.

Shoshone Superintendent Wayne Waddoups said he has talked with families in the area and recommends that the district start sending a bus to the area at the start of the 1987-88 school year.
"Our goal is not to cause contention in an area with other districts. We want to harmonize, to resolve the problem," he said Monday.
The Robertsons have been sending their children to school in Paul. The Shoshone School District pays tuition to Mindoka for the Robertson children. An Healy told the Shoshone board in October she is transporting her children several miles to meet a Mindoka school bus. She said her family had financial, family and religious ties to the Paul community and would not consider sending their children to Shoshone, which they consider "a totally different world."
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Computer to blame for incorrect low-income Jerome tax notices

By TERESA Z. TAYLOR
Times-News Correspondent

JEROME — A portion of the property tax notices sent out to Jerome County residents at the end of November are incorrect due to a computer error, says County Clerk Cheryl Watts, but corrected notices will be sent out in the near future.
Watts said more than 20 of the 394 Circuit Breaker tax notices were incorrect due to a computer miscalculation of the taxes due.
Tax notices sent to property

owners who do not qualify for the Circuit Breaker exemption are correct and are payable on or before December 20 deadline.
The Circuit Breaker exemption applies to property owners who are over age 65, are widows or widowers or meet other low-income qualifications. These individuals may apply for an exemption which will lower the amount of property tax they must pay the county.
Jerome County Assessor Marjorie DuBois says the exemption is based

on a graduated scale that takes into consideration an individual's income and assets.
"Basically, the higher the income, the lower the exemption, up to a maximum tax exemption of \$400," DuBois says.
DuBois says the error became apparent to citizens when individuals who qualified for the exemption received tax statements showing a balance due when they had previously not been required to pay the amount specified.

Awkward kids in Christmas show are gift for parents

It's time for the annual Christmas program at church. No carolitas this year (same program as last — not enough men willing to sing vibrato). That's okay. There are more than enough women willing to sing. I think we should go for it. Even if we do sound like a bunch of alto canaries, that's not the point. The point is, we're making a joyful noise.
At least that's the argument I've been telling my two little boys as we practice "Away in a Manger" for their part in the Christmas program. It's immaterial where the little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head, what's important is who He is, I tell them.
But my aspiring-farmer son insists that

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Jesus could not possibly be comfortable stretched out on a hay bale. And so be sings, "The stars in the sky look down where He lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep in the straw."
The older children have been memorizing little poems. My daughter stops me midway in my housework and pleads, "Listen to this, listen to this, Mom. I've finally got

it, I know it."
Yeah. Sure. The only thing I know is that I know her part better than she — I set my laundry down anyway, fold my arms and lean against the washing machine trying to be a polite listener.
Her eyes shine. She smiles and her buck teeth look like a snowflake in the middle of her face. Behind her back she fingers a piece of confetti that's supposed to be her Christmas verse. The first line comes and goes in the blink of an eye. The second line starts and stops. And the third line is the killer, the one with all the big words: She stalls indefinitely and I prompt her, wondering all the while if her Sunday school teacher will be waiting in the wings with a

helpful word or two during the performance. If not, I'm willing to hold the words to her from the audience. My biggest concern is whether or not this will embarrass her.
One difference in this year's Christmas program — there's no nativity scene. We won't be hauling bathrobes, sandals or glittery halos to the church Sunday evening. But smart Sunday school teachers that they are, they have taken advantage of the fact that some of the children do participate in the school band. So instead of costumes, we will be hauling one small violin and a recorder to the church.
The kids are worried that they'll squeak or not be able to keep up or hit the wrong

note. I try to reassure them. No one knows your mistakes, but you, I tell them. Which now that I think about it, is not very true. It only takes one squeak in front of an audience and my daughter breaks into fits of giggles. One wrong note blown, and my other daughter rolls her eyes heavenward, as if seeking divine guidance. They're both dead give-aways.
So like thousands of doting parents this holiday season, I am looking forward to my children's Christmas program. Joyful noise and all, I always go away seeing, hearing and feeling very blessed.

Diana Hooley writes her weekly column from her farm home near Indian Cove.

Honor rolls

Robert Stuart Junior High School

TWIN FALLS — The following nifer Call, Tami Clow, Holly Denton, students at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls were named to the honor roll for the first nine-week grading period.

Students earning all As are:

Ninth grade: Suzanne Betz, Belis Chapman, Teresa Klundt, Brenda Pettlinger, Phel Phimmassone, Christina Puls, Jennifer Severance, Tona Studebaker, Holly VanEps, Janet Walden and Elsha Weese.

Eighth grade: Jared Alexander, Marcus Blood, Karilye Christensen, Rick Daven, Kipp Hamilton, Brad Leonard, Jim Stump, Mandy Allen, Andrea Bearup, Katherine Benton, Karla Berger, Chris Crowley, Julie DeBoard, Nicole Dolman, Jenny Emery, Christine Everton, Shannon Gadsby, Dawn Jarrell, Jenna Jones, Jennifer Major, Heather Redman, Cindy Scheel and Shannon Willis.

Seventh grade: Marceia Aguilar, Traci Dutton, Shelly Higbee, Stephanie Schroeder, Bobby Thompson, Angie Wignall, Casey Blake, Matthew Brown, Ryan Gregersen, Scott Hansen, Joey Heck and Cory Moore.

Students earning Bs or better are:

Seventh grade: Rachael Atkinson, Claire Axlman, Denise Brooks, Jen-

Dean, Brandon Eller, Doug Fuchs, Shane Frey, Tyler Gould, Matt Horner, Doug Hughes, Mike Kistler, Bryan Mann, Eric Mordhorst, Scott McLain, Todd McQueen, Denny Pack, Phommalin Phandnoung, Eric Robbins, Lane Startin, Troy Van Engelen and Jonathan Walker.

Ninth graders: Renee Berger, Heidi Beutler, Sandra Burkhalter, Lisa Carlson, Ranae Casper, Ingrid Cooms, Jo Craven, Ranae Dulin, Tara Edson, Rachael Fahrwald, Holly Gleason, Debbie Johnson, Christy Jones, Missy King, Pepper Kinsey, Stacy Kump, Laura Madenford, Rosie Mallea, Tammy McGinnis, Christy Mueller, Shelly Rose, Vicki Salinas, Maureen Slatter, Laura Teater, Teresa Torres, Jenny Wageman, Ryan Bailey, Jeremy Bennett, Chad DeVaughn, Scot Edwards, Christopher Frey, Shawn Merritt, Jeff Nickel, Mark Rees, Scott Smith and John Weers.

In addition, because of incorrect information supplied to The Times-News, the name of Jill Toik, an eighth grade student, was omitted from the list of O'Leary Junior High School students receiving all As.

Attorney seeks to try youth, 14, as adult in school shooting spree

LEWISTOWN, Mont. (AP) — A 14-year-old Lewistown boy accused of a deadly shooting spree at a high school here last week should be tried as an adult, a prosecutor said Wednesday.

Fergus County Attorney Craig Buehler said he expects a hearing Monday for Mrs. Smith, 40, a popular part-time teacher and homemaker from nearby Moore. Private family funeral services were held that morning.

Witnesses said Hans had threatened his French teacher, LeVonne Simony, the day before and the day of the shooting, and they said Mrs. Smith, who was substituting for Mrs. Simony that afternoon, apparently was shot by mistake.

Hans, described by his paper route supervisor as a very hard-working youth, was initially charged with being a delinquent youth by reason of deliberate homicide and attempted

Under Montana law, the maximum sentence for criminal offenders under 18 tried in youth court is incarceration up to age 21. However, prosecutors may petition to try offenders as young as 12 as adults, who may receive stiffer sentences.

Buehler said interviews with witnesses were continuing to establish Hans' maturity and sanity as well as premeditative intentions.

Students at Fergus High School told reporters last week that Hans had threatened to kill his French teacher because she had given him a failing grade this fall, but investigating authorities have so far declined to speculate on any motive.

Hans is accused of shooting substitute teacher Henriette Smith, who died, and then wounding Assistant Principal John Moffatt seriously in the abdomen. Hans fled the school and was arrested about an hour later after police surrounded his home, authorities said.

Two students received minor foot wounds from bullet fragments. Students were kept in an auditorium for more than an hour until Hans was apprehended, and fans at a state high school basketball tournament in the school gym were not allowed out of the gym.

More than 1,000 people attended a memorial service at the high school Monday for Mrs. Smith, 40, a popular part-time teacher and homemaker from nearby Moore. Private family funeral services were held that morning.

The judge is weighing a motion to postpone a youth court hearing scheduled Dec. 16, and the hearing probably will be postponed, the county attorney said. The hearing would have been similar to a preliminary hearing for adults, but attorneys had said earlier it probably would be postponed because of the psychiatric evaluation of the youth.

Buehler also said that attorneys for Hans have asked to substitute another judge.

As soon as a new judge is appointed, prosecutors will proceed with their motions and new hearing dates will be set, Buehler said. Hans is expected to remain in the Billings youth facility until those hearings, he said.

Prosecutor resigns to serve church

ST. ANTHONY (AP) — Fremont County Prosecutor Penny Stanford has resigned to serve an 18-month mission for the Mormon Church in North Carolina.

Miss Stanford, 29, will continue as prosecutor until Jan. 5, giving the Fremont County Democratic Central Committee and the county commission time to name a replacement.

Democratic leaders have 15 days to submit three names to the county commission, which then has 15 days to appoint a prosecutor to serve until the next election.

Miss Stanford took office in January 1983 and was re-elected last month to a four-year term. She is scheduled to leave for her mission in late January.

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Filer Junior High School

FILER — The following students at Filer Junior High School were named to the honor roll for the first nine-week grading period.

Students earning a 3.75 to 4.0 grade point average are:

Eighth grade: Scott Chandler, Dawn Kramer and Marcia Kulik.

Seventh grade: Christine Biggs, Emery Tracey, Heather Gartner, Greg Thompson and Michael Van Patten.

Sixth grade: Denny Mal.

Students earning a 3.0 to 3.74 grade point average are:

Eighth grade: Emily Aston, Brett Allen, Brandt Blakley, Sonia Blakley, Aaron Brady, Angie Cooper, Tracey Duffy, Rocky Fischer, Angie Foster, Ellice Garza, Angel Gilbert, Jared Heber, Chrissy Holley, Willie Hoobier, Terri Hunt, Jennifer Jensen, Eric Kellogg, Heber Loughmiller, Joel Merrill, Jonathan Messner, Mory Molina, Brandt Morrison, Jeannette Schmidt, Rusty Scrimpscher, Angie Sligar, Sarah White, Ben Willis, Emily Youngman, Kelly Zweifel and Corey Zweifel.

Dunlop, Jesse Garrison, Michelle Herron, Clady Holloway, Jennifer Horsley, Shandra Kulhanek, Kirk Lindhan, Manna Merrill, Robert Provence, Russell Powers, Nathan Quinton, Kendall Stager, Wendy Wright, Joby Tyree, Kristin Yoder, Jodie Young and Wes Youngman.

Sixth grade: Robert Allison, Jennifer Chandler, Levi Cress, Wendy Fisher, Deanna Gomez, Jeremy Heber, Brian Henson, Jon Kimball, Kellie Metzler, Isabel Nunes, Melody Annen, Cody Andrew, Curtis Ashley, Shettler, Jennifer Tverdy, Diana Joni Brackett, Juli Draney, Tim Williamson and Tara Wright.

Boundary

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The Robertsons want a school bus to come to their home so they would not have to commute to the bus stop and filed the petitions in the hope Minnesota would serve them with a bus. Shoshone has offered to provide bus service to the area if the families wanted to send their children to Shoshone schools.

In recommending the State Board deny the boundary change request, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jerry Evans said he felt this kind of petition should not be granted until the full impact of the change on the Shoshone district could be considered.

\$5,000 worth of property value and bonding capacity if the change was granted. State school funding and local property tax revenues are based on the property value within a school district, and Waddoups said the impact of lost revenues on all the district's students needed to be considered.

Waddoups told the board the district would lose approximately

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Kootenai assessor defends 'low' value of Hagadone resort

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Kootenai County Assessor Tom Moore defended his office's \$36 million assessment of The Coeur d'Alene resort, which the Hagadone Hospitality Co. owns as a \$60 million complex.

The Kootenai County Property Owners Association contends the hotel-convention center-marina complex on prime lakefront land is worth at least \$42 million, based on two mortgages businessman Duane Hagadone took out on the property. The alleged undervaluation

deprives Kootenai County of more than \$450,000 in revenue, the taxpayers group claims.

But Moore told the group Tuesday night that his office can't use mortgages, published reports of the resort's value or other "unofficial" sources in its assessments.

"What does the \$60 million consist of?" Moore asked rhetorically. "We don't know. We don't think anyone knows except himself (Hagadone), and frankly we don't care. All we're concerned with is the real value of the property."

That value was determined in several ways, Moore said.

The land was assessed at market value, which was determined to be \$16 a square foot, he said. The marina was assessed on the basis of the income it would generate, based on the rents for the slips.

The building complex, however, was assessed based on how much Moore's office figured it cost Hagadone to build it. That figure was determined with an assessor's manual called the Marshall Valuation Guide, a national publication which lists actual costs for building

materials. Not enough is known about the mortgages, a \$32 million loan from Seattle First National Bank of Washington and a \$10 million loan from the Hagadone Corp. of Carson City, Nev., to use them as a guide for valuing the resort, Moore said. Several of the 75 association members asked Moore why he didn't ask Hagadone himself how much the resort cost to build. Moore said he didn't think it was necessary, and that Hagadone would not have to release any of that information. Hagadone was out of town Wednesday and unavailable for comment.

Jerry Jaeger, president of Hagadone Hospitality, said last week that the \$60 million takes into account a block of property across the street that will be developed and linked to the hotel, three excursion boats and Hagadone Hospitality's property across Lake Coeur d'Alene that is used for entertainment. It also includes the high development and marketing costs the corporation paid before the 18-story hotel opened, as well as its value as an ongoing business, Jaeger said.

Moore denied a contention by Ron Rankin, president of the property owners group, that Hagadone was being treated differently than other property owners. "I have worked with Hagadone on the values of his other properties and I've found him to be a very fair individual and very willing to pay his share of taxes," Moore said.

Accident ends in death

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A Boise woman has died in an Idaho Falls hospital as the result of a traffic accident over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Wanda Fullmer-Hilton, 63, died Sunday at the Parkview facility of the Eastern Idaho Medical Center, a nursing supervisor said. The car Hilton was driving and one driven by Jose Luis Vega Rodriguez, 20, Montevideo, collided

at the intersection of Idaho 33 and Idaho 28 on Nov. 29, according to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

Rodriguez was southbound on Idaho 28 when he turned in front of oncoming traffic, authorities said. Mrs. Hilton's daughter-in-law Anita Hilton, 43, also was injured in the crash, but no information was available on the condition of her or Rodriguez.

Judge to review adult status for teen's trial

FILLMORE, Utah (AP) — A judge has put on hold the case of a 17-year-old Montana youth accused in a gas station robbery and shooting until he can review the constitutionality of the teenager's certification to stand trial as an adult.

Fourth District Judge George Ballif said he had questions about the adult certification of Gerald Bell, of Rosebud, Mont., who is charged with two counts of attempted murder and one count of aggravated robbery.

The charges stem from the shooting of Fillmore gas station attendant Carley Penney, 22, who was found unconscious on the floor Oct. 13 with a bullet wound in her head. Penney, who was pregnant at the time of the incident, underwent 10

hours of surgery after doctors delivered a baby boy by Caesarean section. Both mother and child were released from Utah Valley Regional Medical Center earlier this month.

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Hydro plant builder sued over drownings

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Families of three of the four men drowned in a 1984 accident at a hydroelectric plant near Preston, Idaho, have filed suits against the plant builder.

The suits filed Friday in U.S. District Court here named Ebasco Services of New York, which they said built the Utah Power & Light Co. plant and installed equipment.

Four workers died Dec. 5, 1984, after a 10-foot-wide pipe outside the Onida Hydroelectric Plant burst, sending a wave of water into the plant and sweeping the men into the Bear River.

Killed were Don Phippen, 46, Larry

Rindlsbaker, 47, and Gene Grosbeck, 32, all of Preston, and Kevin Danzer, 32, Salt Lake City.

UP&L said the accident happened when a valve slammed shut in the pipe, causing a pressure buildup that exploded it.

One suit was brought by the families of Rindlsbaker and Phippen and the other by the survivors of Danzer. The suits claim Ebasco negligently installed the plant equipment, failed to provide adequate training and procedures for operating it and failed to warn UP&L of potential hazards.

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Valley happenings

Extension program is today

GOODING — The Gooding County A-1 Extension Club is sponsoring a Christmas program and potluck dinner at Gooding City Hall today beginning at 11 a.m. Roxie Simcoe, who powers consumer education representative, will present a program on Christmas safety, followed by the potluck meal. Rolls and beverages will be furnished by the club. Cleo Simon, Shari Simon and Mercy Terry will teach homemakers how to make Christmas ribbon roses for packages and table decorations. The public is welcome.

Shoshone plans gift carnival

SHOSHONE — Shoshone Senior Citizens Center will hold its "Christmas Carnival of Gifts" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the center on North Rail Street. Handmade quilts, craft items and baked goods will be sold. Lunch will be available. Proceeds will be used for matching funds for the building improvement grant approved this year.

Astronomy classes to begin

JEROME — Magic Valley Astronomers will hold a series of classes for beginners in astronomy. The classes will be held monthly on a Saturday at the Jerome Library at 7 p.m. The first session, Motion of Celestial Bodies and Energy from Space, is Dec. 13. William Mason, who has taught astronomy through the College of Southern Idaho Continuing Education program, will be the instructor. The public is invited, says Dixie Reale, association president.

DAR holds annual silver tea

TWIN FALLS — Daughters of the American Revolution will hold its annual Christmas silver tea at 2 p.m. Saturday at the home of Maureen Williams. Guests are welcome. June Jungstetter, Buhl, will give the program. Ladies of the White House. For more information call 733-9415 or 423-5354.

Boosters schedule chili feed

GOODING — Gooding High School Booster Club

will sponsor a chili feed from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday prior to the basketball game with Jerome at the Gooding High School. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. Tickets are available in advance at Mountain State Savings Bank and Jordan's Studio. They also will be available at the door, but early purchase will be appreciated, says Sandra Birnie of the club.

VFW holds Christmas dinner

TWIN FALLS — Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 2135 and auxiliary, will hold its annual Christmas dinner at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Labor Temple, 140 Second Ave. S. Members are to bring a covered dish, their own table service and canned goods for Christmas baskets.

Society seeks polio survivors

BOISE — The Easter Seal Society of Idaho is compiling names, addresses and phone numbers of individuals who survived polio. They are asked to call toll free 1-800-331-9740, to have their name placed on the registry so information and a medical questionnaire can be sent.

Masons to install new officers

TWIN FALLS — Officers of Kayler Masonic Lodge No. 94 will be installed at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Masonic Temple.

Gullick will lead Buhl Masons

BUHL — Buhl Masonic Lodge No. 53 will hold an open installation service for 150 officers at 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the lodge hall. Stanley Gullick is the new worshipful master. A reception will follow in the social hall. All area Masons and friends are invited.

Mennonite youths plan play

FILER — The Filer Mennonite Youth Department will present "No Room in the Inn Group" at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Filer Mennonite Church, 109 Fifth St., Filer. It is an unconventional Christmas play which explores the true meaning of Christmas, according to a press release. Refreshments will be served.

Weddings

Hall-Reese

TWIN FALLS — Darcy Ann Hall and Travis Budd Reese were united in marriage Aug. 8 at the Lamolite Community Presbyterian Church, Lamolite, Nev.

The Rev. David Camp officiated, with Mrs. Camp as organist. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hall, Twin Falls, and the bridegroom is the son of Gwen Reese, Twin Falls, and Stephen Reese, Grand Island, N.Y. Shelley Miles, North White Plains, New York, was maid of honor and Brad Requa, Twin Falls, served as best man.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kermit McCluskey, grandparents of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. George Casabier, grandparents of the bridegroom. A reception was held at the Holiday Inn Aug. 9. Debbie Hall attended the guest book. Tonya Good, Kristen Fuchs and Tammy Lutz served. Following a trip to Grand Island,



Darcy and Travis Reese

N.Y., and Niagara Falls, the newlyweds reside in Minot, N.D., where he is stationed in the Air Force.

Elcock-Yates

TWIN FALLS — April Yvonne Elcock and Richard Brett Yates exchanged wedding vows Aug. 14 at the LDS Temple in Salt Lake City.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Von Elcock, Twin Falls, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yates, Green River, Wyo.

Following the ceremony a wedding luncheon was held in the Lion House in Salt Lake City. A reception was held at the LDS Chapel on Eastland Drive in Twin Falls. Dawnie Anderson served as matron of honor for her sister, with Geniel and Denise Kemper and Linda

Miller as bridesmaids. Jared Harmon was best man, and Joey and Tim Yates were groomsmen.

Special guests were Larry and Ila Elcock and Muriel Yates. Music was provided at the reception by a string ensemble consisting of Julie Davis, Randy Cox, Tammy Egbert and Whitney Smith. An open house also was given by the bridegroom's parents in Green River Aug. 16 at the LDS Chapel there.

After a trip to California and Nevada the couple resides in Laramie, where both are students at the University of Wyoming. He is pre-med and she is majoring in accounting.

Service news

TWIN FALLS — Army Pvt. Shawn R. Sprenger, son of Cory Sprenger of Twin Falls and Gail Sprenger of Jerome, has arrived for duty with the 330th Ordnance Company, West Germany. He is a heavy-vehicle mechanic.

GLENN'S FERRY — Airman 1st Class Martin L. Webb, son of Robert G. Webb of Glens Ferry and Peggy Briggs of Washington; Airman William J. Rogers, son of Willard Rogers of Glens Ferry and Sharon Vandehy of Oregon; and Jill M. Willis, daughter of George and Avelina Willis of Glens Ferry have all graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

RUPERT — Marine Sgt. Shawn Estes, son of Harold and Virginia Estes of Rupert, has been meritoriously promoted to his present rank while serving with the 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif. His wife, Joy, is the daughter of Willard and Joyce Allen of Burley.

GLENN'S FERRY — Air National Guard Airman Juan F. Luna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roberto Gayton of Glens Ferry, recently graduated from the Air Force electrician course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

GLENN'S FERRY — Senior Airman John Menzlik, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Menzlik of Glens Ferry, has been promoted to Staff Sgt. at Kadema Air Force Base in Okinawa. A 1982 graduate of Glens Ferry High School, his promotion will be effective Jan. 1, 1987.

GOODING — Army Private 1st Class John E. Lorenzo, son of Lula Bell and Domingo Lorenzo of Gooding, has arrived for duty with the 50th Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C. He is a food service specialist.

HAGERMAN — Staff Sgt. James P. Smith, son of Harold and Wilma Smith of Hagerman, recently received the Air Force commendation medal for outstanding duty performance as an electronic warfare team leader while stationed at Mt. Home Air Force Base in Idaho. A

1977 graduate of Hagerman High School, he joined the Air Force in Aug. 1977. His wife Jenny is the daughter of LeRoy and Gloria Jazwick of Hagerman. Smith is currently assigned to RAF Upper Heyford, England.

MALTA — Marine Pfc. Ellen S. Wright, daughter of John and Elmorneight of Malta, has been promoted to her present rank while serving at Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

JEROME — Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Duane L. Bowlin, whose wife, Ellen, is the daughter of Evelyn Lee of Jerome, recently reported for duty aboard the frigate USS Miller, homeported in Newport, R.I.

BURLEY — Marine Lance Cpl. Thomas A. Colazzi, whose wife, Lisa, is the daughter of Ken Renak of Burley, recently reported for duty with 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station New River, Jacksonville, N.C. He joined the Marine Corps in Aug. 1982.

TWIN FALLS — Marine Pvt. Stacy M. Vance, daughter of Ronald and Phyllis Berg of Twin Falls, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

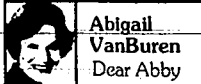
DEAR ABBY: I've read you for years, and I was my first letter to you because I need help.

My brother lived with a girl for three years. She is 25 and he is 35. She's of a different nationality, which is OK, but she is without question the dumbest girl I've ever known. She stares at the floor when she talks, and never completes a sentence. She's almost totally illiterate and does anything my brother wants her to do. She's like his slave.

My brother finally got sick of her and asked her to leave. She refused, so he asked me if I could get this dummy to move out. I was glad to help him, so I just told her that my brother didn't love her, that he just felt sorry for her. Two days later she moved out, but she and I had some very bad words.

Well, a month later, guess what? My brother felt sorry for her and let her move back. Last Sunday he wanted to bring her to my house. I said, "No way," so he hung up on me and now he and I are not speaking. We've always been close, but because of this stupid girl, and my trying to be a big sister and help him out of a spot, I've lost my brother. Please help me.

— HURT IN DENVER
DEAR HURT: You haven't lost him; you will hear from him again when he needs another favor. Your brother is an expert when it comes



Abigail VanBuren Dear Abby

to using women, but bear in mind, no one can be used without his (or her) cooperation.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend who by no means is hurting financially. She spends a fortune on clothes, and nothing is too expensive for her. Now the problem: She is famous for giving "recycled" gifts. I know that one shouldn't look a gift horse in the mouth, but this lady can well afford to buy something new so if the recipient wants to exchange it, she will have that option. (That's what I always do, and it's very much appreciated.)

This woman gives expensive, but obviously showprow, purses, scarves or some costume jewelry — and always gift-wrapped in a box from a store from which it was not purchased.

Abby, how do you feel about recycled gifts?

— HAD A FEW
DEAR HAD: It's the thought that counts. I go along with that old saying about a gift horse.

Brother is not grateful for favor

DEAR ABBY: Do you think it's more difficult to be the oldest child in the family, the youngest, or the middle one?

— IN THE MIDDLE

DEAR IN: I've dealt with this question before. If you ask the oldest, he'll say, "It's hard to be the oldest, because you're expected to set a good example for the younger ones. And if a fight breaks out, I get blamed because I'm the oldest and should know better."

Ask the middle child, and he'll say, "Being the middle child is the hardest because you get none of the advantages of being the youngest or the oldest."

Ask the youngest child, and he'll tell you that being the youngest is the hardest because "your parents try to keep you a 'baby' as long as possible, and all your clothes are 'hand-me-downs.'"

DEAR ABBY: I have a big problem. I love to write letters, but nobody ever writes me back. Why don't people realize that they have to write letters back in order to receive letters (not including bills)? How can I get these people to answer my letters?

— HEIDI IN PAULDING, OHIO
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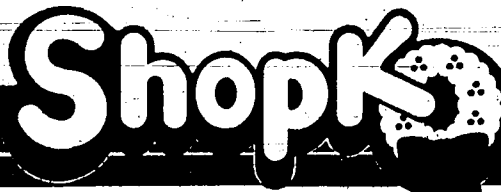
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Gas supplier seeks to reduce industrial rate

By QUANE KENYON
The Associated Press

BOISE — Southern Idaho's largest supplier of natural gas, Intermountain Gas Co., wants to give large industrial users most of the benefits of a series of price decreases caused by a dip in the wholesale cost of gas.

If it continues losing industrial customers to other fuel suppliers, such as oil, company officials say, that will cause an increase in the cost of natural gas to all customers, including residential.

Intermountain went before the Public Utilities Commission here on Wednesday seeking approval of a plan to give the large industrial customers most of the benefits.

Smaller rate decreases are planned for commercial and residential customers.

But in testimony prefilled with the commission, PUC engineer David Schunke said even shifting most of the decreases to industrial customers still would not make natural gas competitive with other fuels such as oil.

The answer might be for Intermountain to discount gas prices to the industrial users at the cost of the gas, he suggested. And that is a cost that company shareholders should bear, Schunke testified.

"The company needs to share in the risk if they intend to remain competitive," he said. "Because of intense competition in this market, the company needs to accept a

potentially lower return in order to remain competitive."

Intermountain serves 23 counties, covering most of the southern half of the state except small, sparsely populated counties such as Lemhi and Camas.

Staff witnesses presented testimony that since 1979, Intermountain has lost about 25 percent of its natural gas sales, mainly to large, industrial users, because the prices of other fuels have dropped sharply.

The company has received two price decreases and one increase from its wholesale supplier, Northwest Pipeline Co., Salt Lake City. Overall, the decreases is 5.9 percent, which would drop operating revenue from \$103.4 million per year to \$97.4

million.

Under the company's proposal, residential customers who use gas for space heating or water heating would pay an average of 3.6 percent more and commercial customers would pay 0.9 percent more.

Large-volume users, companies that use more than 200,000 heating units per year, non interruptible, would get a break of 16.1 percent. Residential customers who use gas for both space heating and water heating would get a cut of 4.9 percent.

The PUC said the average home in southwestern Idaho uses 700 heating units, 80 therms, per year to heat.

In them costs, residential customers using water or space heating with gas would go from 61.75 cents to 63.98 cents. Residential customers with both space and water heating with gas would fall from \$3.82 to \$1.18 cents per therm.

Industrial costs, which are the lowest, would drop from 32.14 cents per therm to 26.97 cents.

Intervenors in the hearing which opened Wednesday include the Idaho Citizens Coalition; Idaho Power Co.; Northwest Industrial Gas Users; Idaho Consumer Affairs, Inc.; FMC Corp.; the J.R. Simplot Co. and Northwest Pipeline Corp.



Cleaning up high

Hanging from the top of the 34-story Westin Arnold, left, and Mark Brnbaker. Even when they work from sunrise until sunset, it takes the two of them six days to clean the 2,318 windows in the building.



American Stores pays dividend

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — American Stores Co. has declared a dividend for the fourth quarter of 21 cents a share on its common stock. The dividend is payable Jan. 5 to shareholders of record Dec. 19.

American Stores' board of directors has paid a dividend of 21 cents a share on its common stock every quarter since the fourth quarter last year. Before that, the dividend was 16 cents a share.

In other action Tuesday, the board declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$1.0375 per share on the company's Series A \$4.375 cumulative convertible preferred stock, and \$1.70 per share on its Series B \$6.80 cumulative exchangeable preferred stock.

Dividends on both preferred stock are payable Feb. 15 to stockholders of record Feb. 2.

As of Nov. 1, American Stores, whose headquarters is in Salt Lake City, operated 1,499 retail drug, food and combination drug and food stores in 40 states.

H-P employees share profits

BOISE (AP) — Hewlett-Packard Co. employees in Boise have received profit-sharing checks totaling more than \$1.87 million, officials of the California-based electronics company said.

Overall, Hewlett-Packard has distributed \$54 million to more than 78,700 eligible employees worldwide this month. Combined with a similar payment last May, Hewlett-Packard workers have received \$105 million from profit sharing in 1986.

"In the last six months, HP realized good performance in a year that hasn't been all that favorable for electronics manufacturers," said John A. Young, president and chief executive officer. "Our employees are responsible for that performance and profit sharing is one way of recognizing their contributions."

Hewlett-Packard workers become eligible for profit sharing after six consecutive months with the company. The checks distributed in December and in late spring represent from two to four weeks of extra pay.

Hanson to fill seat on board

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Ronald S. Hanson, president of Zions First National Bank, has been appointed a director of the Salt Lake City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, officials said.

He replaces Albert C. Gianoli, president and chairman of the First National Bank of Elv, Nev., who is retiring from the seven-member board. The appointment is effective Jan. 1, Federal Reserve spokesman Paul Morley said Monday.

The Federal Reserve also announced that Don M. Wheeler, president of Wheeler Machinery Co., has been redesignated chairman of the Salt Lake Branch and Robert N. Prall, president of Morlan Enterprises of Bountiful, had been reappointed to a second three-year term.

Meyer helps brighten holidays

PORTLAND (AP) — Fred Meyer Inc. will donate more than \$412,000 worth of food, clothing, toys and household items to The Salvation Army in 11 Northwest cities, the retailer announced Monday.

Fred Meyer trucks formed a convoy Tuesday to deliver Portland's share of the goods to The Salvation Army and the city Police Bureau's Sunshine Division.

Donations also will be made in Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, Coos Bay and The Dalles. Elsewhere, donations will be delivered in Seattle, Tacoma and Bellingham, Wash., and in Boise, Idaho.

The annual holiday donation is a tradition begun more than 60 years ago by the company's founder, Fred G. Meyer.

Suit filed over mine in Utah

TOOELE, Utah (AP) — Present and former co-interest holders in Tooele County's Mercur Gold Mine are targets of a 3rd District Court lawsuit filed here by Gold Standard Inc. of Salt Lake City.

The suit, filed Tuesday, seeks to recover all of Gold Standard's 100 percent interest, or, in the alternative, to be awarded nearly \$1 billion in damages, court documents show.

The action claims the defendants compromised Gold Standard's interest and thwarted its opportunity to share in profits of the mine.

The mine, in operation since 1983, employs 185 and produces about 100,000 ounces of gold yearly. Located at the southwestern tip of the Oquirrh Mountains, it is the principal income source of the Toronto-based American Barrick Resources Corp.

Interest owners in American Barrick include the family of Saudi Arabian businessman and arms dealer Adnan Khashoggi.

Gold Standard assembled the original mineral Mercur leases in the early 1970s, and later accorded a 75 percent interest to Getty Oil Co. under which Getty would explore and develop the property.

Afternoon buying ignites stock rally

By CHET CURRIER
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market staged a rally Wednesday with a boost from an afternoon round of buying concentrated in blue-chip issues.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial, which had fallen 13.36 points on Tuesday, rebounded 16.03 to 1,932.93.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange came to 139.67 million shares, up from 128.69 million Tuesday.

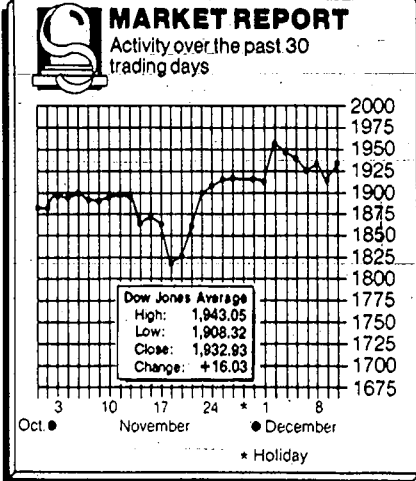
Prices of long-term government bonds rose moderately Wednesday, apparently giving the stock market a lift.

Declining interest rates prompted strength in stock-index futures, which in turn encouraged professionals engaged in computer-program trading to sell the futures and buy stocks that are prominent components of the index.

Analysts noted that the market has been quiet and sluggish for the past week. Since the Dow Jones industrial hit a closing peak of 1,955.57 on Dec. 2, stock prices have pulled back and the pace of trading has slowed.

However, brokers noted that no contagion selling pressure has developed, even with the continuing uncertainties posed by the Reagan administration's troubles over Iranian arms dealings.

United Technologies climbed 1 1/2 to 47 1/2. On Tuesday the company an-



good day, with Amoco up 1 1/4 at 64 1/4; Occidental Petroleum up 1/2 at 27 1/2; Chevron up 1/4 at 46 1/2; Atlantic Richfield up 1/2 at 59 1/2; and Mobil 3/4 higher at 29 1/2.

J.P. Morgan rose 1/2 to 88 1/2. The company declared a 2-for-1 stock split and increased its quarterly dividend.

General Cinema gained 3 to 48 1/2 on word that the company plans to expand its retailing via its controlling interest in a series of specialty stores to be spun off by Carter Hawley Hale Stores.

Most other leading retail issues gave ground as a brokerage firm downgraded its rating of several stocks in the industry. J.C. Penney lost 3/4 to 77 1/2; K mart 1/2 to 47 1/2; and Sears Roebuck 1/4 to 42 1/2.

Advancing issues outnumbered declines by about 9 to 7 in the overall tally on the NYSE, with 882 up, 681 down and 463 unchanged. The exchange's composite index gained .89 to 143.46.

Nationwide turnover in NYSE-listed issues, including trades in those stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 169.06 million shares.

Standard & Poor's Index of 400 industrial rose 2.12 to 279.19, and S&P's 500-stock composite index was up 1.68 at 250.99.

The NASDAQ composite index for the over-the-counter market eked out a .02 gain to 359.05. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index closed at 266.55, up 1.19.

Tax reform taxes endurance of publishers of guides, texts

By MITCHELL LANDSBERG
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — It won't go into effect for another year, but the 1986 Tax Reform Act already is taxing the endurance of book publishers, whose old tax guides and accounting texts are about to become as useless as last year's Form 1040.

Even before President Reagan signed the tax act on Oct. 23, writers, editors and printers were working around the clock to churn out revisions to old books and create new "instant books" explaining the new law clock, seven days a week, the fruit of that is increased demand.

They didn't mind a bit. Tax reform has

been far more of a boon than a bother for the publishers, who are capitalizing on an increased public interest in tax matters to boost their sales of tax-related information.

"Yes, the new tax legislation placed a tremendous burden on all of our companies that put out products and services in the tax area. That's sort of the bad news," said Edward Hutton, president of the Simon & Schuster Professional Information Group.

But the good news, Hutton said, is that "while the burden is tremendous, and people worked in (publishing offices) around the clock, seven days a week, the fruit of that is increased demand."

For Simon & Schuster, which owns the

Prentice-Hall and Pocket book lines, one result has been a best-seller: "J.K. Lasser's What the New Tax Law Means to You," a Pocket book selling for \$3.95.

It has been jockeying for position on the best-seller list with the "Price Waterhouse Guide to the New Tax Law," a Bantam publication selling for the same price.

The Price Waterhouse book has done "incredibly well," said Bantam spokesman Sally Williams, who said the company has printed close to 1 million copies so far.

Bantam's publishing schedule for the book tells a lot about the state of agitation Congress induced in the book publishing market.

Ms. Williams said Price Waterhouse

writers delivered their final manuscript to Bantam on Sept. 23, the day before the Senate gave final congressional approval to the reform bill.

The first edition of the book (finished rolling off the presses slightly more than one week later, on Oct. 6) was on Bantam's bookstore shelves the following Monday.

Just 17 days after the manuscript was turned in and nine days before President Reagan signed the tax bill into law.

Dow Jones-Irwin waited until early November to ship its tax reform book, "The 1986 Tax Reform Act: Making It Work for You," according to the editor-in-chief of the Homewood, Ill., publisher, Dick Staron.

Still, he said, "I-guess you could-say everybody's teeth were chattering a little bit, because... there already was a lot of money invested in the product" by the time the act was approved.

The books by Dow Jones-Irwin, Pocket and Bantam are devoted entirely to the new tax law, but other mass market guides that are not, such as the "H&R Block 1987 Income Tax Guide & Workbook," were also affected by the tax act.

The H&R Block book is primarily devoted to the pre-reform 1986 tax year. But its 1986 Tax Reform Act: Making It Work for You, according to the changes in tax law by including a look

Markets

Mutual funds

Table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund name, share price, and other financial metrics. Includes sub-sections like 'NEW YORK (AP) - The following information...' and 'Funds'.

Iran, Libya want OPEC to cut back production to increase oil prices

GENEVA (AP) - Iran and Libya said Wednesday that OPEC should reduce its production substantially to boost oil prices to \$18 a barrel, although Ecuador maintained that approach was not necessary. Javier Espinosa Teran, Ecuador's oil minister, accused some unidentified cartel members of cheating on existing production quotas, and said members needed the discipline to stick to the quotas rather than cut output. The Ecuadoran official was responding to earlier remarks by Libyan Oil Minister Fawzi Shakhshuki, who said OPEC would not force up prices without agreeing to cut back on supplies. But Shakhshuki acknowledged that it was unclear whether all 13 cartel members would accept lower output levels. The ministers' comments came in encounters with reporters as the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries prepared for Thursday's start of its regular year-end conference. Hossein Kazempour Ardabili, Iranian deputy oil minister, took Libya's side in saying that \$18 was only a "first step" toward pushing prices well above \$20 per 42-gallon barrel next year. OPEC is seeking an agreement on production quotas to replace a two-month-old interim accord that expired Dec. 1. The related goal is to drive oil prices up to at least \$18 a barrel, about \$3-to-\$4 above the current level. The conference marks the OPEC debut of Saudi Arabia's new oil minister, Hisham Nazer. He took over in late October for Ahmed Zaki Yamani, who was fired by King Fahd after 24 years as the cartel's leading figure. Nazer declined to comment to reporters when he arrived in Geneva Tuesday, saying the world would "find out soon" whether the Saudis were prepared to sacrifice oil production as a means of pushing prices up from current levels. But when asked Wednesday if he still was committed to an \$18 price, Nazer said, "Of course." In response to questions, Nazer would not say whether Fahd would consider cutting production, but he gave a nodding confirmation that he had been meeting privately with other OPEC ministers. Many OPEC ministers who in past years spoke openly with reporters about their deliberations have become tight-lipped in recent months. This reflects, in part, the confused state of affairs in OPEC and the sensitivity of oil negotiators in a weak market. The Saudis hold a key to OPEC's efforts to end the world oil slump, because they are by far the cartel's largest producer. Shakhshuki said he would recommend to Thursday's conference that OPEC reduce its production by at least one million barrels a day from current levels of about 17 million barrels daily. He affirmed that Libya supported a Saudi call for an oil price of \$18 a barrel. "If we are to achieve that, it's obvious we have to cut production," Shakhshuki told reporters. Asked what production level he thought was needed, Shakhshuki said, "At least 16 million" barrels a day, the same as cited by Iran's Ardabili. Some economists believe that unless OPEC reaches an agreement to cut production at least \$18 a barrel, prices will not go above \$15 a barrel this winter.

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Closing commodity futures

Table with columns: Month, Commodity, Prev Close, High, Low, Close P.M. Includes items like May live cattle, Dec live hogs, Dec wheat, etc.

Livestock futures

Table with columns: CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, CATTLE, FEEDER CATTLE, etc.

Soviet grain crop up sharply

WASHINGTON (AP) - Soviet grain production has outstripped U.S. expectations, the Agriculture Department acknowledged Wednesday...

Local interest stock quotations

Table with columns: Closing prices from the New York Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ, Albertson, Amer Royalty Tr, etc.

Today's stocks

Table with columns: SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - Selected closing quotations on the Spokane Stock Exchange, Allied, Cathlamet, etc.

Potatoes

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Livestock

JEROME - Producer Livestock Marketing Association in Jerome reports the following prices from the cattle sale...

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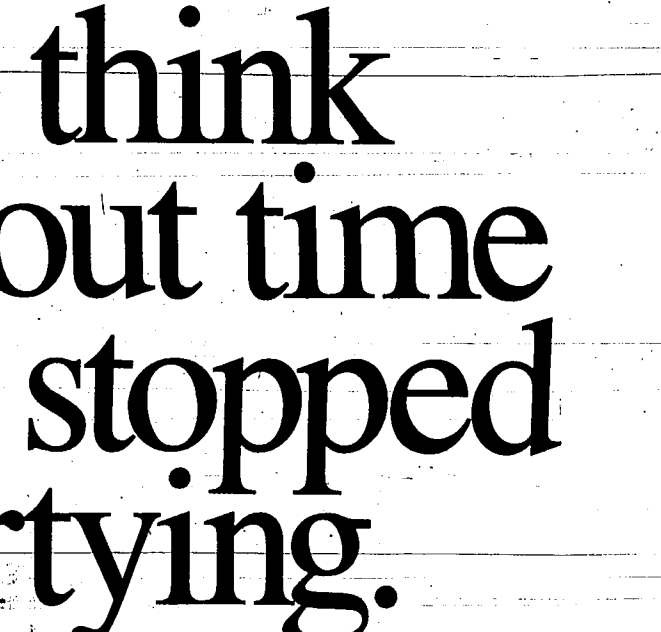
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Grain futures

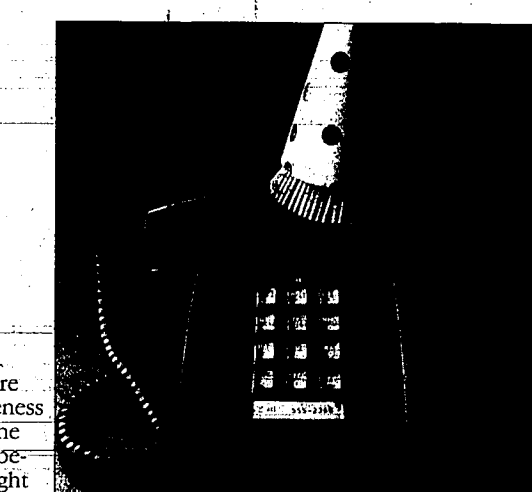
CHICAGO (AP) - Soybean futures prices advanced while the grains were mixed Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade...

CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade

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December, 1986. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO: SECTION 1. That the described real property be and the same is hereby REZONED M-2...

section 1 (uncommon to Sections 4 and 9, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Boise, Idaho, and to UNITED SECURITY COMPANY, as successor...

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, I, ALFRED JESSE HALL, Defendant, Case No. 88-745... THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO YOU, THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT...

as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$30,714.85 plus accrued interest...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On Wednesday, the 11th day of March, 1987 at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. of that day...

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances...

and seal of said District Court this 11th day of November, 1986. Richard A. Pence, Clerk of District Court, Boise, Idaho...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS...

AKA: Location being: 1/4 mile North, 1/4 mile East, and approximately 3/4 mile West from "Blackbear Corner" located on Hwy 30...

SECTION 2. That the Zoning Map for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, be and the same is hereby amended to reflect the rezoning of one lot of real property above described...

SECTION 3. That the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, be and the same is hereby amended to show a residential with professional overlay zoning district for the real properties above described...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, Plaintiff, vs. SUSAN WILMOTH, Defendant...

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate...

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Call 733-0626 to place your classified ad. We're here.

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Ruger 23.06, 3 to 12 World class Iasco scope, 1 box of shells, 1193 Texas Ranger, 22 pistol and holster, \$65. Call 423-8288.
Ruger M77, 30.06 (110, Bushnell 3 x 9 variable scope, 733-2221, 733-2221, 733-2221, Warehouse 202, or 733-5716.
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1987 Kawasaki Inlandor, 440 cc, low miles, been serviced for the year. Call 733-9524.
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2 deluxe like new Johnson snow mobile, 478 & 848 cc. full metal, reverse, electric start, 7/11 2 wheel trailer. All for \$2250-BARGAIN. 733-4402.

125-Travel Trailers
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TRAILMATE 26' goose-neck flatbed implement trailer, 21,000 g.w., 3 axle, tilt bed, sliding axle, exc. cond. \$2,400. Call 432-5470.

THE ACES
BOBBY WOLFF

"To dispose 's soul to action, we must upset its equilibrium."
- Eric Hoffer.

East's action at trick one consisted of strongly encouraging in spades. A reasonable move under some circumstances, it was a silly move in today's layout.

West led his spade king. East playing his 10 to get a continuation. West complied and South ruffed the second round. Two rounds of trumps came next, followed by the club to East's ace. East found the belated heart shift, but to no avail. South won his ace and discarded two hearts from dummy on his high clubs - five diamonds bid and made.

East was daydreaming when he played his 10 of spades. Since the bidding should have warned him that South had a singleton, now was the time for action. East should overtake with his ace at trick one and shift immediately to hearts, the only future for the defense. South finesse to lose to West's king, and the defenders get three tricks instead of two.

When only one defender can gainfully attack in a specific suit, it's imperative that the defender be on his toes.

130-Pick-Up Trucks
1974 Toyota long bed. Phone 734-1271.
1975 Chevy PU, good shape, look a good, \$1700 or best offer. Call 326-9225.
1978 Ford Custom 100 PU, 3 spd, new tires, rims, engine, clutch & starter. Runs exc. super mileage. \$2900. 734-2878 late eve.
1979 Omni, model D-24, 2 dr, hatchback, FWD, low mileage, new tires, good cond., \$1095 or will trade up for small PU w/ or w/o body damage. Call 734-1296.
1979 Toyota PU, AM/FM, AC, 5-sp. new camper shell, mostly road miles, exc. cond. \$2700. 734-3679 after 5.
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130-Pick-Up Trucks
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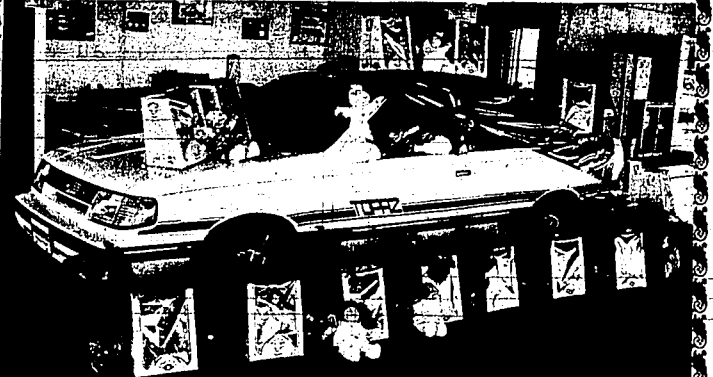
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Jerome's Young takes sixth round of bareback

U-I's Yarber off injured list

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Mickey Young of Jerome won the bareback riding with a score of 76 in the sixth session of the National Finals Rodeo Tuesday night.

Young, who is making his 11th consecutive appearance at the NFR, edged Robin Burwash of Alberta, Canada, who had a 75. Tying for third was Jim Dunn of Alberta and Willy Brady of Henderson, Nev., with scores of 74.



That left Young in sixth place in the overall average in his event with three rounds left.

"Eight-time call roping world champion Roy Cooper captured his event tonight a battle among four cowboys for the call roping."

Cooper, a Durant, Okla., roper, pushed his season earnings to \$69,280 to move into second place in one of the rodeo's most hotly contested battles.

Cooper appeared as though he would grab the season lead, but a second-place showing by Paul Tierney of Rapid City, S.D., put him back in the lead. Tierney, continu-

ing an impressive streak, has won \$20,000 in the first six NFR sessions this week.

Defending world team roping champion Jake Barnes and Clay O'Brien Cooper were for the second night in a row to move back into first place in their event in the rodeo, which completes its 10-session run on Saturday.

Barnes, of Bloomfield, N.M., and Cooper, of Gilbert, Ariz., rode their call in 5.5 seconds to capture \$5,200 apiece.

With the win, Barnes and Cooper moved back into the lead for the team roping world championship.

of the Thomas and Mack Arena on the University of Nevada-Las Vegas campus. The rodeo had been held for 20 years in Oklahoma City.

Bareback Riding
1. Mickey Young, Jerome, 76 points; 2. Robin Burwash, Alberta, 75; 3. Jim Dunn, Rapid City, S.D., 75; 4. Willy Brady, Henderson, Nev., 74; 5. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 74; 6. Paul Hines, Rapid City, S.D., 74.

Team Roping
1. Jake Barnes, Bloomfield, N.M., 5.5 seconds; 2. Roy Cooper, Gilbert, Ariz., 5.5; 3. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 5.5; 4. Clay O'Brien, Cooper, 5.5; 5. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1 seconds; 6. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 6.1; 7. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1; 8. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1.

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1. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 5.5 seconds; 2. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 5.5; 3. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 5.5; 4. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 5.5; 5. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1; 6. Paul Tierney, Rapid City, S.D., 6.1; 7. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1; 8. Roy Cooper, Durant, Okla., 6.1.

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WASHINGTON — Former University of Idaho wide receiver Eric Yarber has been activated by the Washington Redskins of the National Football League.

Yarber, a twelfth-round draft choice of the Redskins earlier this year, has been on the injured reserve list since he strained knee ligaments during pre-season drills. He was activated Wednesday to fill a spot on the Washington roster left when another wide receiver was injured.

Yarber, a first-team All-Big Sky receiver for two years at Idaho, was a second-round draft choice in the Canadian Football League as well, but elected to take his chances with the Redskins.

Video cameras reveal marathon shortcutters

NEW YORK (AP) — The 24 people who are charged with taking shortcuts in last month's New York City marathon probably didn't think about the video cameras recording the race.

They were caught, and officials from the three biggest marathons said Wednesday that cameras and vigilance are increasingly needed to combat the cheaters.

It was the disqualification of John Bell, winner of the Master Division for runners over 40, that led New York race officials to review their videotape from the race and disqualify 23 other runners. Officials estimate that the 45-year-old Bell of Marion, Ind., took a 10-mile shortcut for his time of 2:25:15.

Three of the 24 runners were among the top 100 finishers: Bell was the 68th runner to cross the finish line out of 19,689 people who finished the 26.2-mile race on Nov. 2.

The Master Division winner gets \$3,000 and a trophy. The check was never issued, and marathon officials want the trophy back.

Bell, president of his own company, was not returning calls from reporters, said Bettie Hurt, a secretary at the company.

"It appears that the people who cheat are the masters runners," said Bob Bright, executive director of the America's Marathon-Chicago. "The people over 40 and 50 are very competitive, it's a dog-eat-dog area. You find a lot of these people get into running and it becomes an obsession."

It was Bob Glover, a fitness coach and author of "The Runner's Handbook," who originally raised ques-

tions about Bell's time. He had been giving Bell training advice for seven years, he said.

"I ran into him a couple of days before the race and he said he had just done the Ironman Triathlon and was confident of breaking 2:30 in New York," Glover said. "I said, 'no said way.' He said, 'Oh, yeah.' That definitely registered."

The triathlon includes a 100-mile bike ride, a two-mile swim and a marathon.

When Glover heard Bell won the Master Division, he asked marathon officials to check their videotapes, which were recorded by cameras placed along the route. Bell and the others had not passed some checkpoints, and race director Fred Lebok announced the disqualifications Tuesday.

"Bell probably did pretty much what Rosie Ruiz did," Lettow said. "We don't know — subway or car, or he may have run all the way into Manhattan and cut across 59th street."

Ruiz was the apparent winner of the women's division of the 1980 Boston Marathon but was disqualified for cheating. It was also determined that Ruiz had taken the subway in the 1979 New York City race.

The cameras, which have been used in New York since 1980, "were inspired by Rosie Ruiz," said Lebok.

Chicago has used video cameras to catch cheaters since 1982. The Boston Marathon intends to install them next year. In addition, marathon organizers have developed an intelligence network of known cheaters.

Filer hoopsters to tourney in Oregon

By The Times-News

FILER — Filer High School's boys' basketball team is scheduled to depart for Oregon this morning to take part in the Banks, Ore., Invitational Tournament Friday and Saturday nights.

The Wildcats will compete in the four-team event along with Banks, a school of about 500 students located 20 miles west of Portland, as well as two other comparably sized schools

from the Portland area.

The team will stay with host families while in Banks.

Filer's first tournament game is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. MST on Friday night, while the "Cats" Saturday game will be at either 7:15 p.m. or 9:45 p.m., depending on whether they win or lose the tournament opener. Twin Falls radio station KTFI-AM will broadcast Filer's game both nights.

Hughes

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16 games, then more after that in the playoffs, was exhausting. "I wasn't until after my rookie year that I was able to prepare myself properly."

But once he got it down, Hughes prepared well enough and enjoyed great success for the first three years as a Seahawk but began to notice something going awry in the next two. And it was the one thing Hughes was used to as a football player — the camaraderie of a football team.

"The closeness wasn't there anymore," he said.

And two seasons later, Hughes was cut.

"I could see it coming," he said. "I wasn't given any playing time. I wasn't given a chance to keep my job."

The one who took it, or more appropriately according to Hughes, the player Seattle gave Hughes' job to was Williams, who "was made a starter as early as mini-camp," said Hughes. Now going from cut to starter, Hughes said he's feeling better because of it — despite the injury.

Part of the reason for Hughes' newfound optimism is the prospect of next year, something every team

with a losing record looks forward to after a dismal year, but Hughes said "these guys (the Steelers) have the talent and they have the history to do very well next year." And more importantly, "this organization is more concerned about their players. In Seattle, it was business."

One example of that concern comes every Sunday in the aging body of "The Chief" — as the players affectionately call him — as Steelers owner Art Rooney who comes down to the locker room after every game and encourages the players. "I like that," said Hughes. "It shows a certain class on the part of the guys upstairs."

Hughes, who most frequently encounters linebackers in his job, said he can't single out any who especially impress him.

"There's a truckful of them," he said. "There's new ones every year, and they just keep getting bigger and faster."

But Hughes wasn't so uncertain when it came to his own position. Because without a doubt, Chicago Bears' Walter Payton is the best. "And why is it that most all pro football players have so much respect for the Bears' running back?"

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various division classifications as soon as possible. Sgallo said the NCAA Presidents Commission will meet in San Diego next month.

The resolution calling for a study on drug use in the league cited the

Big Sky's commitment to "equity of competitive opportunity and deterring the use of performance-enhancing drugs including anabolic steroids."

Sgallo said no time limit was set on the study.

Mild weather slows the pace of deprecation archery hunt

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME — Moderate weather conditions and lack of snow have combined to make hunting very slow in Magic Valley's deprecation archery areas.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, said the first week of the season resulted in confirmed harvest of two deer and one elk.

"We found no really heavy pressure but fairly steady pressure during the week," Kvale said of field checks made by conservation officers. "On Saturday, the officers checked out the Clover Creek area and only found a couple of hunters and didn't see any deer — this being in the middle of the day, however. But it was a little different story on King Hill Creek. There were a fair

number of hunters, our officers checked several groups, and they saw about 40 deer."

While there are some exceptions such as King Hill Creek, most of the problems areas remain relatively free of deer.

"We haven't had a complaint call for the past week. It appears the animals are staying up higher than they would with snow on the ground," Kvale said.

He noted hunters are abiding by regulations fairly well in the southern portions of the hunt, but noted there apparently is some confusion among hunters on the north end of unit 45 on what is open.

The law specifies open areas are those within one mile of privately owned land on which cultivated crops have been grown.

Realizing the intent of the hunt makes that easier to understand, Kvale pointed out. The hunts are not

"We're in a lot better shape (than in 1985) simply because we don't have the snow. Last year at this time, we'd been feeding elk for two weeks, deer at Snowville for a little over a week and were only about a week away from starting feeding operations in Jerome County."

— Craig Kvale, F & G Region 4 wildlife manager.

necessarily for harvest of any deer but for pressing of deer off private lands and back onto public wintering areas.

Hunters in the northern part of the unit have found well out in the desert in clearly closed country. Kvale said the private land definition as no application to the law unless crops were cultivated on it

in Jerome County."

He said a few pellets have been taken from troughs in the Snowville area, although the feed was put out simply as an enticement to intercept any southern drifting of deer. No major concentrations have shown up there.

The east end of Jerome County remains relatively deer free and while there are some deer in the area north of Bliss through Glenns Ferry, the numbers are light compared to last year. Still, the department has received from hay-stack complaints from landowners in that range.

Four of the six bait stations designed to hold deer on the Picabo Hills are receiving heavy use now.

"We saw 30 deer just driving into the stations at midday and from the looks of things the four stations are holding a lot of deer. The other two have just had a little us," he said.

No feeding has started on the five permanent sites on the south fork of the Boise River. While there is a little snow there, most of the southern and west-facing slopes remain bare to the nipe to the 9,000 to 10,000-foot level.

The department is prepared for an elk trapping and transplanting project on the east end of Camas Prairie if the animals show up there. So far there are no elk on the east or west feeding sites and the elk appear to be pretty much up in the mountains.

The department has fed on the prairie for the past five years and the current five-year management plan calls for an end to these emergency feedings. The trapping this year will be concentrated by the east end with captured animals transported probably into the middle fork of the Boise River drainage in unit 39.

Outdoors

Determined skiers seek out good snow

By MIKE SULLIVAN
Times-News city editor

SUN VALLEY — Anyone who sees a bright side to storms that dump several feet of snow would have to be considered an optimist; skiers are generally optimistic people for that reason. That optimism's being put to the test this season by recalcitrant weather systems that have left the lower Wood River Valley bereft of snow — but the situation's not as bleak as it seems.

While alpinists have been restricted to the man-made carpet of snow on Mount Baldy's Lower Warm Springs run, resourceful cross-country skiers are enjoying fairly good natural snow conditions in the mountains north of here.

Snow-cover ranges from less than a foot at Prairie Creek to about 2 feet on Galena Summit. It doesn't sound like much, but it's more than adequate for backcountry touring. And, for the fast-track crowd, a 6-kilometer trail has been set at

Alluras Lake in Sawtooth Valley.

"Some of us have been skiing for quite a few weeks," says Bob Rosso, owner of The Elephant's Perch, a Ketchum cross-country ski and outdoors shop. "Conditions up at Alluras Lake are quite good."

The trail there was set by the folks at nearby Busterback Ranch, even though the ski-touring center there has not yet opened for the season, Rosso says. It's accessible by turning off Highway 75 onto Alluras Lake Road. A set of tracks and a skating

lane extends to the Alpine Creek turnoff, Rosso says. Grateful skiers can show their appreciation by dropping some cash into a donation box at the trailhead, he says.

The only other tracks set so far have been on a short loop at Horse Creek, the next drainage above Galena Lodge, by the Sun Valley Nordic Ski Team, Rosso says.

The trail system at Galena Lodge saw some use last weekend and the lodge was open, but no tracks have been set, Rosso says. Beyond that,

some people have been skiing on the road at Prairie Creek and on the Warm Springs Golf Course in Ketchum — but no tracks have been set at either place, Rosso says.

With the busy Christmas holiday period coming up, the limited terrain now available won't be enough, Rosso says, so he and Bill Vanderbilt of Wood River Nordic plan to set more track in the Galena area — unless some substantial snow falls before the middle of next week. In that case, Vanderbilt will be able to

open the cross-country facilities; he operates on the Bigwood and Elkhorn golf courses, Rosso says, and Leaf Odmark could open his center on the Sun Valley Golf Course.

For skiers who don't mind making their own tracks, there are several possibilities in the Galena Summit area. While many exposed slopes above Highway 75 have spruce snowcover, others are up 2 feet of snow, Rosso says he has skied "Humble Pie," on the west side of the pass and found good conditions atop the ridge there.

Intermediate to advanced alpine skiing skills are generally required on the slopes above the pass, but there are fairly gentle glades off the highway suitable for anyone interested in trying to navigate downhill on cross-country skis. Parking is limited to turnouts, however.

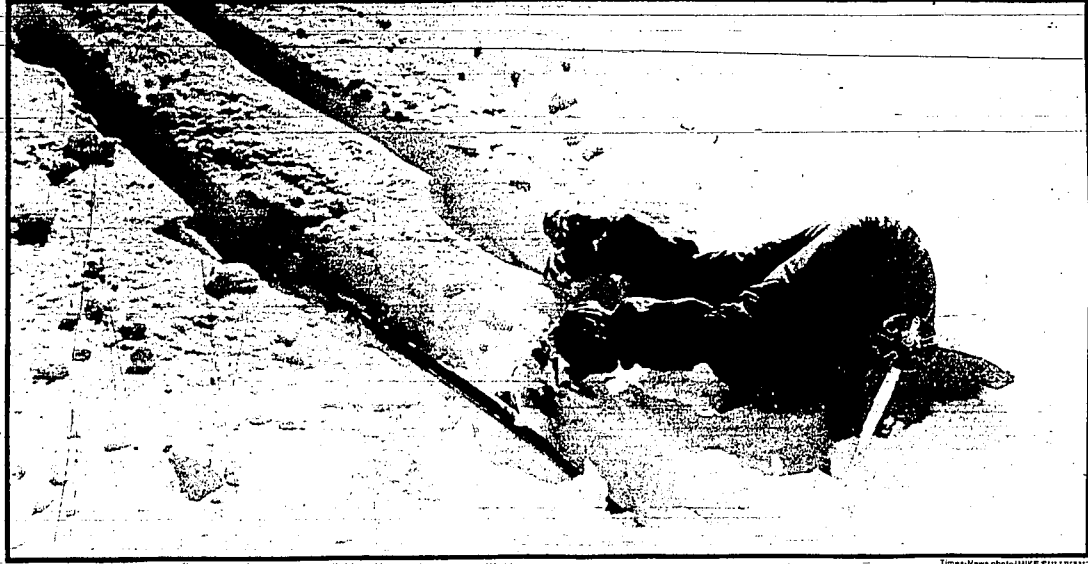
There has been some walling and gnashing of teeth among skiers and merchants in the valley over the shortage of snow this fall, but Rosso says conditions aren't that unusual.

"People are making it sound worse than it really is," Rosso says. "We're not that bad off."

He compares conditions this year to those of the infamous snow drought of 1976 — which he feels was worse. "There's more snow now than there was in '76," he says. "You can ski every day over at Warm Springs."

Heavy early snowfalls the past four years have spoiled local skiers, Rosso says. Current conditions are more typical of mid-December around Sun Valley and, as usual, hard-core skiers can find enough snow to slide on.

Andy Munter, owner of Backwoods Mountain Sports, another Ketchum Nordic skiing and outdoors shop, agrees. "We've been renting skis and sending people up north," Munter says. "They're having a good time when they go out. I think we've gotten spoiled over the past few years. There are so many good touring centers around now that people have been losing their imaginations."



Skating in thick powder on cross-country skis is often harder than it appears, as this young skier discovered recently on Galena Summit.

Game bird farms, like peacemakers, are relics of Idaho's past

Pheasant lovers may as well produce sugar-coated pebbles and pretend they've discovered a cure for cancer as to resurrect the Jerome Game Bird Farm to cure the current shortage of Magic Valley ringnecks.

The game farm is best known as a producer of tame birds so maladroit at survival that the average hunter can kill them easily. But what Idaho needs are wild pheasants that can reproduce naturally, evade predators and hunters and survive to produce offspring the next year.

The pheasant farm concept is as outmoded



Mike Harrop
Outdoors

ringneck habitat.

But sportsmen should remember that the Idaho Department of Fish and Game is dumping it today because that need no longer exists.

Back in the 1920s and 1930s, farmers left a lot of brush and weeds along the fences of what were then relatively small fields. Little gullies were choked with heavy brush and steep hillsides grew native grasses and shrubs.

Most farming was done with horses, although tractors were introduced and had

become universal farming tools soon after the end of World War II.

Those early tractors did little more than replace teams of horses with a machine that didn't cost much to feed, was more comfortable to operate and which didn't draw files.

Many fields remained under 10 acres, and tractors in common use in the 1950's seldom boasted more than 60 horsepower.

Small fields weren't a problem because the average farm was small and farmers had to break up land into still smaller units to allow for crop rotation, which required the

cultivation of several crops.

But in the late 1950s, John Deere introduced a revolutionary new tractor — the 40-100. It had power steering and power brakes. It was more comfortable to drive than the average pickup truck of its day. It boasted 80 or 90 horsepower and could be fitted with a turbocharger to boost its power up to 100 horses.

Unlike older tractors, it wasn't a slow lumbering machine. It had eight forward gears and it would take an implement twice.

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Pheasant scarcity draws comments of citizens

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

BOISE — Predators, habitat and increased revenues for enhancement were tied up as the necessary ingredients of returning Idaho's pheasant population to its recent levels.

At a public hearing conducted by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, the gradual disappearance of birds in south-central and eastern Idaho drew some concerned comments from various individuals.

"It tied in with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's current re-establishing its pheasant-management views to accommodate the possible retention and leasing of the Jerome Game Bird Farm."

Russ Hughes of Nampa told the commissioners he was "tired of 11-hour efforts. We need postseason meetings across the state to generate plans and support" for population and habitat enhancement.

"Formerly, you (the commission) asked sportsmen organizations and hunters for their input. Do like the

"We have tried for quite a while to get an upland bird stamp fee through the Legislature, but so far we haven't been able to convince them. I hope before I leave the commission we can get something through to help the pheasants. Winter cover right now is primary, with nesting habitat secondary."

— Keith Stonebraker, F & G Commissioner in lawiston

forest service," Hughes urged. "Circulate a proposal first, let the public study it so we don't have to make an

instant decision on our feet at a public hearing like this."

Bill Webb of Nampa said he felt a lot of the trouble could be laid at the doorstep of predators.

Webb, who did most of his hunting until the last 12 years in the Buhl and Castleford areas, said he went back to his old haunts this fall for the first time in a long while only to find "they haven't any birds left down there."

Webb said 1983 was a good spring for hatching with good carryover of birds in the Nampa-Kuna area. "And there were good numbers until the last six weeks before the season. Then those numbers turned around," he said. "I feel the population was down 50 to 75 percent and the whole reason, I think, is simply because we are getting more and more sightings of fox."

"We have a fox problem and we are having trouble conveying that to the Fish and Game Department," he continued. "I know trappers have picked up 15 fox between Nampa and Boise and that's supposedly our major population center. I understand

they are increasing in the Magic Valley area, too."

Webb said he couldn't agree with the department that suitable habitat would provide birds over and above predator requirements because of what he sees in the Grand View area.

"That is excellent habitat and there are no birds there because of magpies," he said. He noted egg-robbing magpies used to be controlled by offering bounty — 2 cents from hawks and 1 cent for eggs — in the mid-1930s. "If we had strict predator control in the Grand View area, in three years we'd have to pay farmers for what the pheasants were eating there would be so many of them."

Commissioner Keith Stonebraker of Lewiston said his major thrust in pheasant management would be establishment of a South Dakota-type habitat improvement project. This would be based on a \$5 pheasant stamp with all revenues dedicated to habitat improvement.

Stonebraker said South Dakota • See PHEASANTS on Page D6

Steelhead runs promise excellent spring harvests

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

BOISE — A record upstream run of more than 120,000 steelhead over Lower Granite Dam has resulted in an excellent fall fishing season and should provide a great spring harvest.

Steve Huffaker, anadromous fishery coordinator for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, noted the fall season ends Dec. 31 and the spring season begins the next day.

An unusually large thermal block held the fish in the lower Columbia River later than normal but when water temperatures finally improved, run records were set almost daily at Lower Granite.

"The total run is the largest at Lower Granite since it came on line in 1975," Huffaker said.

It is the last dam steelhead must pass over in their return to Idaho waters.

Hatchery fish were well distributed throughout the Salmon, Snake and Clearwater river systems by early November and catch rates became more consistent, ranging from 10 to 20 hounds per fish on the Washington state line to the Lemhi River.

"Data for the last half of November have not been analyzed," he said, noting reports of fishing still continuing as far upstream as Challis have been received.

Huffaker predicted returns from plantings of hatchery steelhead on the Little Salmon River and Panther Creek would show up in good numbers this winter and next spring.

The stocking strategy • See STEELHEAD on Page D6

'Boom docking' a unique way of camping

"Boom docking" is a term the RV trailers use. It means you are camping without the facilities that improved campgrounds provide.

In the two weeks I have been exploring the Lake Mead National Recreational Area that begins in the north at Overton, Nev., and ends at Davis dam at the southern most part of Nevada, I have given this "boom docking" one hell of a try.

Let me give it to you straight... there is nothing like a nice warm shower or a clean restroom that improved campgrounds can provide.

Back when my mother read a passage out of the Bible each evening after supper, I always recalled somewhere in Matthew, there was the passage about going to a desert place to rest.

From the looks of this area in the winter, the retired and sun-seekers have taken Matthew's words for it. There are thousands who leave their spacious comfortable homes with all the comforts to back into a 12-foot wide space and hook up to water and electric current and have their place in the desert. Then sit looking out the window hoping the new neighbor will like to talk and visit.

You don't need to... sit and bask all day. The frau and I have walked the beaches, we have sought out fishermen, taken boat rides seeing all types of fish and hiked the mountains and valleys that we have information about.

I want you to understand that the fishing is terrible if you put it in Idaho standards. Many a boat comes in after trolling all day to report...



Swen

"We may have had a strike, or we could have snagged."

The bank fishermen have much the same story.

"We made a mistake," Paul Taylor, the scribe of Laughlin, Nev., tells me. "The planting of the stripper provided a fishing boon for a few years, but now we understand what is happening. The stripper has eaten everything in the lake and is now on the decline. They will become stunted, but will always be a threat to the trout, bass and crappie fishing."

Ger Lobel, outdoor writer from Bullhead, Ariz., tells me the same sad story of fishing all along the Lake Mead National Recreational Area. "The era of the stripper is ending, the only thing we can do is provide better feed for the stripper, we cannot plant other game fish, they will just provide feed for the stripper."

It sounds like the same story we hear about the walleye and Salmon Falls Reservoir. We fooled with Mother Nature and now we are going to pay a price.

One example of just how bad it is was the "bass derby" that was held on Lake Mead the last week of November. \$50,000 in prizes. The

winner in the two-day event caught four fish, second prize was for two fish. The local chambers are up-tight about the situation.

While boom docking near Echo Bay, we were troubled with gnats and fly files that came through our screens. Another boonie noticed the frass frantic swarming and came over with a suggestion. She even did the job for us. She coated a piece of felt with castor oil and coated the screens. "The gnats won't come near them" she assured us. It worked like a charm. She came running over the next morning to tell us that to get the castor oil off our screens we will have to clean them in turpentine.

Have often asked "why can you find a spring on the top of a mountain?"

The frau and I have looked into two places in this desert country that has springs on the top of mountains. I will tell you of one. Just 20 miles from one of the hottest areas in the U.S., Bullhead City, Ariz., is a canyon called Grapevine Canyon. We were told of the canyon by the previously mentioned Paul Taylor.

The entrance to this special place starts where a desert wash leaves a narrow canyon. The walk into the canyon is fairly moderate with a few obstacles that will have to be contended with.

Not far up the canyon you come across something you just can't

believe. You look at it closer. It has broad leaves and woody vines. Could these be wild grapes? You decide they are grapes, but a mystery remains. Where did they come from?

A little further along you come to a small waterfall. You ask yourself, "Am I in the desert?!" The ponds of water in this canyon provide a home for frogs and loads and a new batch of tadpoles are on their way to becoming adults.

The walls of the canyon are filled with the Indian billboards telling others of the presence of water. Never have I seen so many petroglyphs. The water from the spring enters the wash and soaks into the dry sand giving no evidence of the spring high on the mountain top and the beautiful canyon.

Swen is an avid Twin Falls fisherman who writes a weekly column for The Times-News.

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Road supporters issue land threat

ST. ANTHONY (AP) — The controversy over eastern Idaho's Egin-Hamer trail has spawned a threat from area ranchers that they will pull 35,000 acres of land out of a cooperative program for big game range management if a permit for the farm-to-market road is not granted.

Terron sheep rancher Jeff Sldoway said the ranchers will make good on the threat if the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes or any environmental group files suit to block the transformation of the 8.8-mile dirt track into a road.

"If they're going to threaten a lawsuit they're going to lose everything," said Sldoway, whose sheep company controls 20,000 acres within the Sands Management Area that provides winter range for 2,000 elk. At one point in the on-going feud over the road, that blocks the elk could upset elk wintering habits, Sldoway threatened to build a fence across his land to keep the elk herd from reaching the critical wintering area.

"I want these people to understand that we can either possibly lose 6,000 acres along the corridor where the road would run, Sldoway said, "or we can darn sure lose 35,000 acres in that area."

The debate over the road, which has escalated into almost a national cause for both sides, is now in the hands of state Bureau of Land Management officials, who are expected to decide whether to approve construction of the road sometime in January.

"If we do withdraw from the agreement, we will ask Fish and Game to gather up their animals," Sldoway said. "If they don't do it, we'll be forced to do it ourselves."

Sldoway's latest threat comes as the BLM has begun strict enforcement of a winter closure on the entire area, which prohibits motorized vehicles on the road on anywhere else. Local officials said it was the

first time in a decade the BLM has actively enforced the traditional closure. Several people have already been cited for violations.

But officials contended the road closure was particularly important this year because ranchers are trying to study the elk herd without the effects of the road so they can compare that to the herd's behavior if the road is approved to determine if future winter closures would be necessary.

Shoshone-Bannock tribal spokesmen had no immediate comment on the threat to the range management program, reiterating their claims in the area on the basis of long-standing treaty hunting rights.

But environmental group spokesman said the threat would not deter their efforts to block what they believe is a serious environmental mistake.

"I think it's unfortunate the landowners are resorting to this kind of rhetoric and coercion," said National Wildlife Federation attorney Tom France.

Herb Pollard, the state Fish and Game Department district director said the Fremont and Jefferson County officials brought the prospect of legal action on themselves by pressing for the Egin-Hamer road when they could just as easily used the County Line Road to the south. Pollard said that route would have only been less than a mile longer than the Egin-Hamer route.

"They ranchers and their county officials," Pollard said, "chose to make a national issue out of building or not building the road and took the decision-making process away from local BLM and Fish and Game people."

"If the people choose to sue, they have good cause because it has become bigger than the Fremont County elk herd," he said. "A lot of people see that this sets national policy, and it will have to be tested in the courts."

Three Bingham elk poachers fined \$6,000; 2 get jail terms

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Three Bingham County residents were fined a total of \$6,000 by a magistrate here after they were charged with illegally poaching seven elk.

Two men involved were ordered to serve jail terms, perform community service and they will not be able to hunt or fish for three years.

Steven D. Pugmire, 39, Blackfoot; John A. Pugmire, 41; and Theda

Duchscher, 44, both of Moreland, pleaded guilty in 7th District Magistrate Court, and were sentenced Friday by Judge Charles Ross.

Steven Pugmire was fined \$1,000, had his fishing and hunting privileges suspended for three years and was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with 26 suspended, and placed on probation for one year.

Two fish groups give F & G donations

BOISE — Two groups of warm-water species fishermen increased the coffers of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game with donations during the group's meeting in Boise last week.

Ben Freeland, U.S. Bass tournament chairman for five competitions in southern Idaho and eastern Oregon, presented a check for \$632, which he said, augmented by federal matching funds, would be quadrupled.

Dennis French, Idaho chapter of the U.S. Bass Federation, noted his group had won the national conservation award from B.A.S.S. and this \$1,470 was donated to the state.

Both stipulated the funds be used for enhancement of warm water fishing and habitat.

French also presented commissions with bumper stickers that read: "Acid rain burns my bass."

Seeds

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An additional problem is caused by the concentration of animals on this key area during a severe winter. The heavy grazing on these newly seeded plants could reduce the success of the plantings. This was one of the reasons the Fish and Game Commis-

sion set a liberal deer season, including an ether-sex hunt, to help maintain this herd at levels consistent with range rehabilitation needs.

Stu Murrell is Region 4 conservation educator for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

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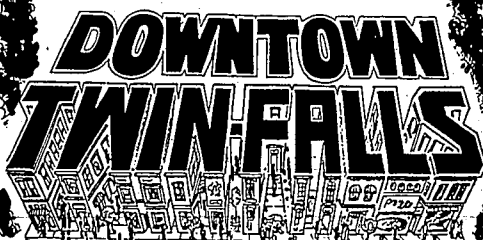
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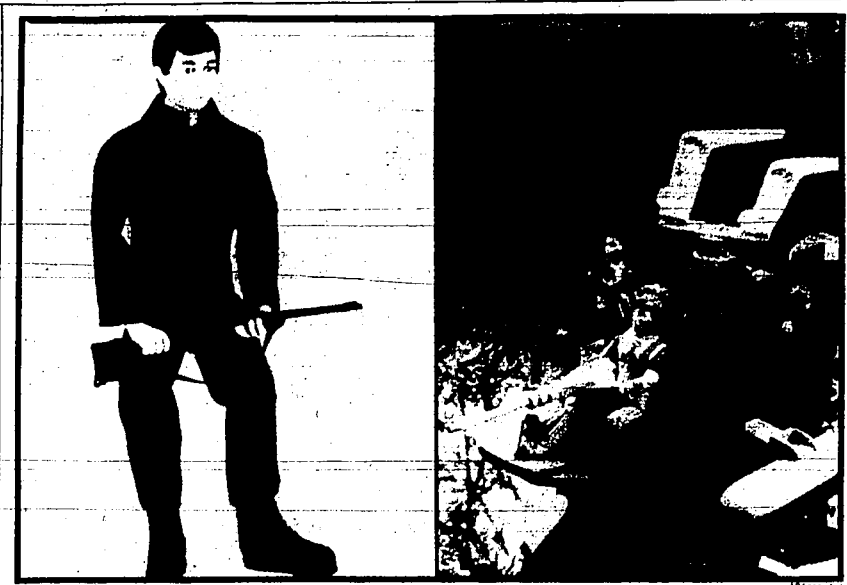
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A.G.I. Joedoll, left, and a Dreadlock Swampfire are two popular war toys this season

Battle rages over sale of war toys

NEW YORK (AP) — Many of the nation's editorial cartoonists are using their newspaper and magazine spoils between now and Christmas to protest the sale of war toys, again raising questions about whether such items are healthy.

But while the debate rages, sales of war toys continue to soar.

G.I. Joe, with his \$130 aircraft carrier and other accoutrements, is the nation's biggest selling toy, and Rambo, Ninja Warrior and other war toys are especially popular during this holiday gift-giving season.

"I get 100 calls a day for Lazer-Tag," said Sharon Cully, a buyer for the Pennywhistle toy stores in New York City, referring to the futuristic gunplay toy. "All this Rambo—it's crazy. It's guns, guns, guns."

A growing number of stores like Pennywhistle ignore war toys and concentrate on educational toys and cuddly animals. The Enchanted Village chain, for example, grew from five stores last year to 15 scattered across the nation today.

But most stores report they do a booming business in such heliose-sounding toys as Thundercat, Transformers and Blasterhawk. "They see it on TV, they hear about it. It's life," said Donna Apostol of St. Johns, Mich., who was shopping recently in the toy gun aisle at Toys "R" Us in Lansing. "If you're going to let them watch it on TV, you have to let them play with it."

Some find that disturbing. Between Dec. 10 and Dec. 24, more than 40 editorial cartoonists, including nine Pulitzer Prize winners, will use their cartoons to urge parents to avoid toys with violent themes.

"At a time when we are supposed to be celebrating peace, it seems insane to turn war

into a Christmas present," said Bob Staaek, a St. Louis free-lance cartoonist who organized the effort.

Toy companies bristle at the term, "war toys."

"It is a name we don't recognize," said Douglas Thomson, president of the Toy Manufacturers of America. The industry group prefers the terms guns and action figures.

G.I. Joe, Lazer Tag, Transformers and M.A.S.K. action figures are among the top toys in terms of dollar volume, based on a survey of 3,900 retailers by Toy and Hobby World magazine. Sales of action figures grew from \$22 million in 1984 to \$840 million in 1985 and Thomson said they make up about 10 percent of toy sales.

The manufacturers say their toys do not cause aggression, glorify war or hurt children in any way. Besides, they say, it is natural for little boys to play war, and these are the toys that people want.

"The public is going to buy what they like and they're going to discard what they don't like, and nothing works faster in this country than consumer taste," Thomson said at a symposium on war toys last week.

Some psychologists also say that war toys are not harmful.

"Kids can differentiate between violence that is funny and violence that is sickening," said Brian Sulton-Smith, a professor of education and folklore at the University of Pennsylvania. "They can clearly tell the difference between Road Runner and the evening news, violence that hurts and violence that doesn't hurt."

"Culture is full of murder, Shakespeare is full of murder," he said. "Do you want to get rid of that?"

But others don't buy it.

"I think they're adult nightmares and I don't think they belong on children's TV and they don't belong in the toy boxes," said Elin McCoy, a children's book author and journalist.

The toys often involve detailed scenarios where there are no gradations of good and evil, where redemption is impossible, and where conflict is inevitable, said Ms. McCoy, who has studied the scripts that accompany such toys.

The toys also provide detailed information about warfare and weapons, she said, far more than what children of the past needed to play war.

"I find it disturbing when my son, who is 7, can recite to me exactly what the MAC-2 is. ..."

"I think these are very powerful and not very nice images. I think my son has enough imagination to think of things to do to play war that would not involve throwing people into spiked pills."

Others agree. At the Jordan Marsh department store in Boston, shopper Margaret Silva motioned toward the array of monstrous, muscular hero toys and said, "To be honest, I'm glad I don't have a boy to shop for."

At Toys 'R Us in Dallas, there was an array of G.I. Joes, but no Rambos. Manager Tanya Adelstein said a seminar for toy buyers made her decide not to stock that figure.

"The presentation in New York was frightening," she said. "The message was kill, kill, kill."

But Thomson of the Toy Manufacturers Association said the furor is overblown.

"When you get to the question of what toys to get, then I think you're getting down pretty low in priority ...," he said. "We draw lines on much more serious things day in and day out in bringing up children."

Fossil fish raise dispute in Wyoming

KEMMERER, Wyo. (AP) — The rock panels containing fossilized fish purchase of a \$33,000 fossil collection and a palm frond.

But late last month, the commission has become a bone of contention among county commissioners. Supporters of the exhibit say it which had already been delivered to would enhance the courthouse by the courthouse.

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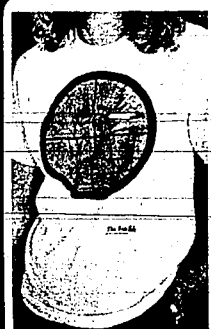
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Homosexuals allowed to kiss on prison visits

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Homosexual couples may kiss, embrace and hold hands during visits inside Oregon prisons, the Oregon Corrections Division has decided.

Richard Peterson, superintendent of the Oregon State Correctional Institution, said the division issued a clarification of its rules concerning physical contact permitted during visits to the prisons.

The decision came in response to a complaint filed by the American Civil Liberties Union on behalf of an Oregon State Correctional Institution inmate, Wesley M. Johnson.

Johnson, 23, who is serving a 10-year sentence for sodomy, had been disciplined for disobeying a guard's order and kissing the hand of a man who visited him Nov. 20.

Johnson's lawyer, Ed Reeves, said the prisoner had complained after he was punished for the incident by being required for 15 days to meet with any visitors in a room equipped with a transparent plastic divider.

Peterson said the rule clarification would permit holding of hands, kissing and embracing by inmates and visitors of any sex in the future in all state prisons.

State prison rules permit one kiss and hug when visitors arrive and leave, and permit handholding.

Assistant Attorney General Scott McAllister, who is the division's legal adviser, said prison officials would continue to encourage homosexuals not to kiss, embrace or hold hands during visits, but no longer would issue orders or punish for such behavior.

McAllister and Reeves said that Johnson and his visitor, William Stone, had a homosexual relationship. McAllister said he and the division

had considered several options, including a ban on physical contact during visits, but elected instead to issue a simple clarification of rules.

Peterson said other inmates objected to the visiting room incident and that there was a possibility of fights related to homosexuality.

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Marcoses enjoy exile in luxury Hawaii home

HONOLULU (AP) — Imelda Marcos says she tends orchids and cooks, while her husband, deposed Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos, says he enjoys moments of nostalgia in a shaded gazebo overlooking the sea. Their neighbors say they keep up an active social life.

Nine months into exile, the former first couple of the Philippines has moved to a secluded hillside home overlooking Honolulu, after spending several months at a rented beachfront home along a busy highway and one month under heavy guard at Hickam Air Force Base.

Marcos says the move was recommended by doctors, who felt the cooler air and quiet atmosphere of the hillside home was needed as the 69-year-old ex-leader recovers from cataract surgery.

A large stone wall along the property's edge and a corrugated metal gate across the

driveway preclude any clear roadside view of the white, two-story, Spanish-style home.

The house, decorated with Asian and Oriental art and many plants, has a swimming pool with a large yard shaded by banyan trees.

A well-decorated Christmas tree has been set up in one room, and small statuettes of the Virgin Mary, Joseph, Jesus and the three kings complete a small Nativity scene in one area of the yard.

One recent morning, Mrs. Marcos, 57, busied herself clipping some of the dozens of potted orchids set on shelves. She said the plants were a gift.

"At least I am growing things that are beautiful," she told a visitor, as aides helped rake leaves around the shelves of plants.

"Reggars can't be choosers."

Mrs. Marcos then pointed out her shoes to the visitor, stating that they were a \$7

plastic model. Later, she was asked her feelings regarding widespread reports of her extravagant tastes and extensive shoe collection.

"Please have mercy, we have been so maligned," she said. "You are human, you are sensitive. So you stay home and try to grow something beautiful."

"I look up and I see a rainbow, and that is what life is about; to make a rainbow," she said.

"I have been crucified for my reach for beauty, people feel beauty is frivolity," she said. "Beauty is art. I am being crucified for being a lover of what is beautiful."

"I don't think there is a human citizen that has been so deprived, of liberty, of movement."

"If you have a little money, you are (judged) corrupt," she continued. "It is not what people say about you, history will judge

you."

Mrs. Marcos says that in addition to gardening, she cooks for the couple's numerous aides, guests and gatherings.

Asked whether she liked the new house better than the old beachfront home, the first lady expressed resignation.

"We live wherever we are thrown," she said.

For Marcos, a favorite place is a shaded gazebo at one end of the property.

"I go down to that gazebo," he said. "It overlooks the sea and it reminds me of my home, in the north." Marcos was raised in the province of Ilocos Norte, in the northern Philippines.

Their Honolulu neighbors report the Marcoses live like others in the neighborhood, where most homes are secluded.

woman living next door who spoke on condition she not be identified. "I do see some dark limousines going up and down, but I don't go out and look."

Another next-door neighbor said, "They are big on singing, music, general party noise that no one minds, although they do seem to have the courtesy to stop the noise by midnight."

The neighbor, who also asked his name not be used, said, "It seems like every two or three days, there is some kind of affair over there."

The man said he received a telephone call late one night from someone he believed to be from the Marcoses' home, with singing in the background. The caller asked if he could identify the music or the singer.

"I said, 'Isn't that the radio?' And the man said, 'No, that's the voice of a lifetime, that is Imelda singing,'" the neighbor said.

Study questions ozone layer damage

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Researchers say measurements of Earth's ozone layer may be distorted by sulfuric acid and water spewed by volcanoes, making the destruction of the protective gas shield seem worse than it is.

Other scientists attending this week's fall meeting of the American Geophysical Union insisted that the ozone layer is getting thinner globally, and that researchers corrected their measurements adequately for volcanic emissions.

But University of Colorado atmospheric physicists "think at least part of the decrease in global ozone that has been indicated by satellite and ground measurements is not real," said David W. Rusch, a member of the team that conducted the research with funding from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Rusch said he doesn't know the extent to which volcanic aerosol vapors result in exaggerated estimates of the breakdown of Earth's ozone shield, but will study that question with funding from the Chemical Manufacturers' Association, which is interested in non-chemical explanations of the ozone problem.

While ozone in low-level smog is a harmful pollutant, the ozone layer high in the stratosphere protects Earth from dangerous solar rays. A draft report by the Environmental Protection Agency last month

predicted the thinning of the layer could double skin cancer cases and deaths during the next 88 years.

Scientists fear severe ozone loss also could change Earth's climate and reduce crop yields.

Rusch and other scientists agree that a huge hole in the ozone shield develops over the South Pole every spring, which in Antarctica starts in October. They disagree on whether the hole is caused by annual wind pattern changes, as Rusch believes; by 11-year solar activity cycles; or by ozone-gobbling chlorofluorocarbon gases used in refrigerants, foams and, outside the United States, in spray-can propellants.

They also debate whether the ozone layer is thinning elsewhere in the atmosphere.

Instruments aboard satellites and on the ground estimate ozone concentrations indirectly by measuring the radiance or brightness of sunlight in the atmosphere, Rusch said. Many researchers have said increased radiance since the 1970s means the ozone layer is thinning globally, allowing more sunlight to penetrate.

But since it was launched in 1981, NASA's Solar Mesosphere Explorer satellite found the atmosphere also seemed more radiant when sunlight reflected off tiny, volcanic aerosol droplets of sulfuric acid and water, said studies by Rusch and researcher J. Todd Clancy and Bruce Jakosky.

The aerosol vapors slowly rise, air current eddies into the upper atmosphere after they are first skyward by volcanic eruptions, Rusch said.

Sherwood Rowland, a University of California-Irvine chemist who raised some of the first warnings linking chlorofluorocarbons to ozone loss, said scientists measuring the ozone depletion adequately considered how volcanic emissions affect their measurements.

Rowland and UC-Irvine scientist Neil Harris presented a study Monday showing the ozone layer above Arosa, Switzerland, decreased by percent to 5 percent between 1970 and 1986.

"The effect of volcanic aerosols on those measurements is very minor," Rowland said.

Brian Toon, a researcher for NASA, said it is debatable whether the ozone layer really is thinning in locations other than Antarctica because the global ozone losses cited by Rowland and others are relatively small.

Toon said it is possible that volcanic aerosols make the loss of ozone seem worse than it really is, noting that aerosol emitted by Mexico's El Chichon volcano "corresponded with some of the strongest apparent depletion of ozone in the Antarctic."

On the other hand, he said, depletion of Antarctic ozone also was measured directly by instruments

aboard scientific balloons lofted into the atmosphere. These measurements agree with satellite measurements of ozone loss, he added.

Jakosky said roughly a dozen volcanic eruptions around the world since 1970, including El Chichon and Mount St. Helens, threw aerosol droplets into the upper atmosphere, where they lasted for years, far longer than thought.

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Women postponing marriage longer than past generations

WASHINGTON (AP) — American women are postponing marriage longer than ever before, tying the knot later than even their grandmothers of the 1950s, the Census Bureau reported Tuesday.

The typical first-time bride is 23.3 years old when she goes to the altar, the highest median age for women to marry since the government started keeping that statistic in 1890.

And the median age of 25.5 for their bridegrooms hasn't been topped since 1990, according to the bureau's study, "Marital Status and Living Arrangements: March 1985."

Addressing a wide variety of topics the study also reported that: The number of unmarried couples living together has leveled off at about 1.9 million after skyrocketing in recent years, confirming a preliminary finding issued a year ago. New figures, due out later this month, are expected to show a small increase for 1986.

Nearly one-fourth of children under age 18 live with only one parent. The 23 percent of children in

such families is up from only 9 percent in 1960 and 12 percent in 1970. —More than one American adult in 10 lives alone, triple the number since 1960, although the rate of increase slowed in recent years as tighter economic conditions discouraged young people from setting up their own households.

Indeed, among people aged 18 to 24, 60 percent of men and 48 percent of women still lived either at home with their parents or in college dormitories. That is up from 52 percent of men and 35 percent of women in 1960.

Postponement of marriage by young people has been widely noted by social scientists in recent years, as children of the post-World War II Baby Boom generation opted to concentrate on their educations and careers.

The result has been a steady rise in the median age of marriage from the record lows of 20.1 for women and 22.5 for men posted in 1956. The median age means that half marry younger than that age and half older.

When the 1986 figures are published in a week or so, the median age for women at marriage is expected to remain steady, while that of men is likely to increase slightly, Census Bureau officials said.

As the age at first marriage in-

creases, so does the percentage of people who have never been married. For men aged 20 to 24, some 18.6 percent were single, the largest share for that age since 1900, when it was 77.9 percent. For women aged 20 to 24 58.5 percent were single, the most ever in records dating back to 1890.

Judging by the ratio of single men to single women, marriage prospects would appear to be better for younger women and older men.

The study found that between ages 15 and 24 there were 112 single men for each 100 single women; between 25 and 34, there were 119 single men per 100 single women.

After that age, single women outnumbered single men. At ages 35 to 44 it was 84 men per 100 women; from 45 to 64 the ratio was 54 men per 100 women, and after age 65 there were only 26 single men per 100 women.

Here is a rundown if the median age at first marriage for men and women since 1890:

Year	Men	Women
1985	25.5	23.3
1984	25.4	23.0
1983	25.4	22.9
1982	25.2	22.5
1981	24.8	22.3
1980	24.7	22.0
1979	23.2	20.8
1978	22.8	20.3
1977	22.8	20.3
1976	22.8	20.3
1975	22.8	20.3
1974	21.7	19.1
1973	21.3	18.7
1972	21.3	18.7
1971	21.1	18.6
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1956	20.1	22.5

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The deal is good through Dec. 31, 1987, but reservations must be made by Jan. 1.

So far, the only taker is a retired corporate executive from Los Angeles, whom Alley declined to identify and who bought a \$20,000 night for his wife and 18 friends on Jan. 14.

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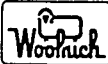
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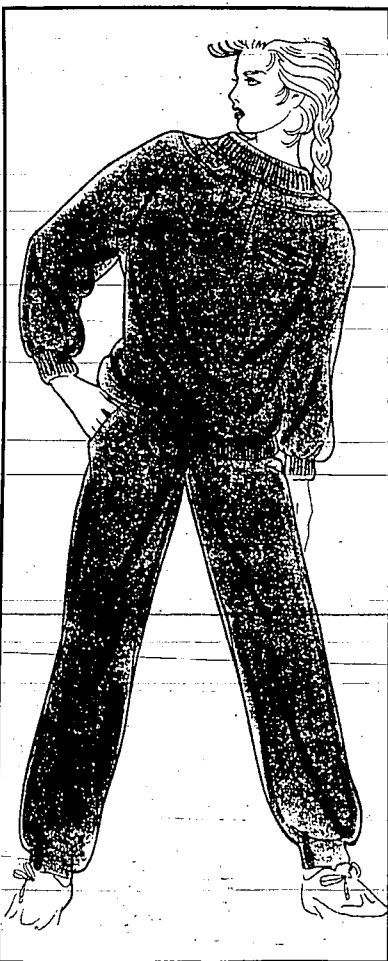
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Maps reveal features of earth's core

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Crude maps of the depths of the Earth show its molten-metal core is not a smooth sphere, but instead is roughened by mountains taller than Everest and valleys six times deeper than the Grand Canyon, researchers said Tuesday.

Friction from the sloshing of the liquid across these features may explain why the planet rotates with a slight jerkiness that makes a day five-thousandths of a second longer or shorter than 24 hours every decade, said the scientists from NASA, the California Institute of Technology and a British laboratory.

"There has been no previous evidence for bumps on the core," said Caltech geophysicist Robert Clayton. "They were only speculated. This is direct evidence that they exist."

A Caltech research team's report on the topography of the boundary between Earth's molten nickel-iron core and the surrounding mantle will be presented Wednesday during the American Geophysical Union's fall meeting.

The maps of the core-mantle boundary were made by Clayton, Caltech geophysics graduate student Olafur Gudmundsson and professor Don L. Anderson, who used worldwide records of thousands of earthquakes that occurred between 1971 and 1980 and measured more than 4.5 on the Richter scale.

The maps provide poor resolution, or detail, and failed to map the core-mantle boundary in some places, especially the Southern Hemisphere.

But far beneath the Philippine Sea, the core shows a "low" or valley at least 6 miles deep, more than six times the depth of the Grand Canyon. Beneath the Gulf of Alaska, there is a 6-mile-high mountain on the core — taller than Mount Everest.

Other underground mountains were found under eastern Australia, the central North Atlantic, the northeastern Pacific, Central America and south-central Asia. Valleys exist in the core beneath the southwestern Pacific, the East Indies, Europe and Mexico.

Friction between the Earth's surface features and wind in the atmosphere alters Earth's rotation so that a day really varies in length by one-thousandth of a second over the course of a year.

But until now, scientists haven't been able to explain another "jerkiness" in Earth's rotation, that also makes a day's length vary by one five-thousandths of a second each decade, Clayton said.

The sloshing effect of the molten

core across valleys and mountains at the core-mantle boundary nicely explains that variation, said the NASA-Caltech study presented by Caltech's Brad Hager.

Clayton attributed the core's bumpiness to the tendency of heated materials to rise. Where the core is thicker, the overlying mantle flows upward under great heat and pressure, helping propel huge plates of Earth's crust over the mantle in the process known as continental drift or plate tectonics.

He said the crust is roughly 20 miles thick, the mantle is about 2,000 miles thick and the core is 2,000 miles deep from its surface to its center.

Co-authors of the study were Clayton; Mary Ann Spieth, of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena; R. Hide of the Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Lab in Berkshire, England; and C.V. Velos of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

Escalators provide access to five levels of galleries constructed on each side of the nave, which is more than 100 feet high and decorated with 940 beige plaster of Paris posies.

"We heard so much about it that we wanted to be the first to buy tickets," said Sylvie Cou-Van, who came from Lille in northern France especially for the opening.

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Sonnevilles said he was amazed to find others already in line. "Fortunately there's still a chance to buy the first tickets, because none were sold today," he said.

Visitors gasp at new, grand art museum

PARIS (AP) — Many first-day visitors to France's grand new museum of 19th century art gasped as they streamed under the giant vaulted ceiling of the renovated Orsay train station, which opened to the public on Tuesday.

Some visitors were so eager to see the museum that they began standing in line before 5 a.m. Opening-day admission was free.

One young couple wanted to re-enact on the grounds an outdoor picnic scene depicted in one of the museum's most famous Impressionist paintings.

The museum, which overlooks the Seine River in central Paris, was inaugurated by French President Francois Mitterrand last week.

Visitors pined in awe as they proceeded down the central staircase leading to the ground floor — a wide sloping corridor constructed over the platforms where suburban commuters once ran to catch trains.

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Collector enshrines Prohibition era

CHICAGO (AP) — "Wanted: Al Capone" is the message on Michael Yore Graham's T-shirt. But he'll settle for the infamous gangster's fedora, belt buckle or socks in his search to enshrine Chicago's wicked past.

For three years, Graham has combed flea markets, antique stores and rummage sales, buying up relics from the Prohibition era.

"I'm into debt up to my ears. I've spent every penny I've ever owned," says Graham, 24. He's working as a parks maintenance supervisor while he tries to realize his dream: a museum that would showcase his collection and bring back the flavor of prohibition.

He gave up pursuit of a master's degree in political science to begin his collection, which is stored in

crates while he seeks backers and a site for the museum he hopes to open next summer.

"We want to be able to let the people step back in time 60 years, to feel, touch, smell and hear what it was like then," he said.

"I really think I've saved a good chapter in Chicago's — and to a lesser degree, the nation's — history."

So far, Graham said, he has gathered about 2,000 items, ranging from the doors to Capone's Lexington Hotel suite to bootleg stills, from newspaper clippings to pinball machines.

The collection has been valued at more than \$100,000, he said.

Graham is still seeking what he considers the ultimate prize:

Capone's fedora, owned by an unidentified collector who doesn't want to give it up.

"Eventually I'll get it. It's just a matter of persistence," he said in a recent telephone interview from his home in suburban Libertyville.

Graham does have "a blackjack that I bought from an old madam in Fox Lake," who said it belonged to Capone.

"She said he would grip this blackjack in his hand while she was giving him a massage," he said.

Graham's quest began when he was traveling in the Far East, he said.

"I told a small Malaysian boy I was from Chicago and he responded with a machine gun," he recalled.

"Chicago — if you were to mention the city in Europe or anywhere else

in the world, nine times out of 10, they'd say, 'Al Capone.' There isn't a city in the world that's associated with one name like Chicago."

Born decades after Capone and other gangsters made their reputations with bootleg liquor and machine guns, he talks as though he knew them all.

"I've been called a gangsterologist, a gangster buff, but I served as a consultant for the television special on the opening of an empty cement 'vault' at the Lexington linked to Capone, and for a recent movie on the era."

One of his favorite finds is an article by Texas Guinan, a flamboyant flapper and speakeasy operator, titled, "How to keep your husband away from my joint."

"She was the epitome of the wide-open flapper girl," Graham said fondly. "She was outgoing... her name was 'The Flapper'... she was the people who walked into her place."

Cop gets probation for killing terrier

VENTURA, Calif. (AP) — A policeman convicted of unlawfully killing a dog was sentenced to two years probation and ordered to spend 60 hours teaching children the proper care of animals.

Donald Methle of Oxnard also must pay \$300 restitution to the owners of the terrier he shot.

Municipal Court Judge Edwin M. Osborne ruled Monday.

Methle also will be disciplined by the Oxnard Police Department, although Public Safety Director Robert Owens on Tuesday refused to disclose that punishment.

Methle was walking his cocker spaniel, Boomer, in Ventura on Aug.

4 when a terrier owned by Nancy DeCandia rushed out. Methle testified he thought it was a pit bull because of the way it went for his dog's throat.

Methle said he kicked at the terrier and missed, then pulled out his gun and fired twice when the attack continued.

High-tech fails, hands fill up paper

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — The daily newspaper De Morgen surprised its readers Wednesday by issuing an entirely hand-written paper.

The reason: the tabloid's computer failed Tuesday, and the staff was unable to fill the 32 pages with neatly printed text.

De Morgen, which struggles with serious financial problems and is looking for fresh capital, wrote on the front page:

"If a potential new owner had

checked out the paper yesterday, he/she would have seen high technology at its very best. Early in the morning the central computer conked out."

The machine could not be revived. That did not faze editors at the Dutch-language paper, which has a knack for funny headlines and cartoons.

"You know us," De Morgen told its readers, tongue firmly in cheek. "For you we go through fire and

concrete walls. The pencils were quickly handed out, the fingers and scissors were sharpened."

"If Only Gutenberg Could See This," lamented the headline, written with a thick felt pen, above an article referring to Johann Gutenberg, reputedly the first European to print with movable type.

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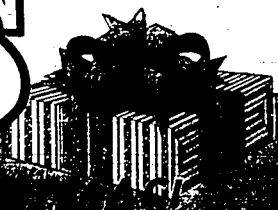
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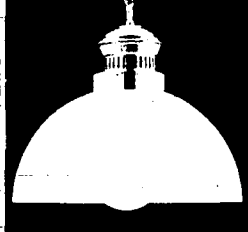
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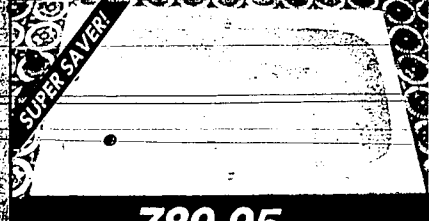
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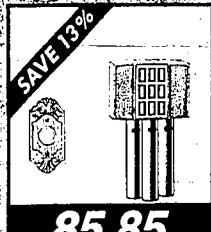
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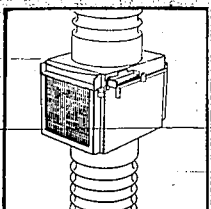


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He hopes to sell the chopsticks in the Far East, where the demand is greatest, and thus deal a counter-punch in the U.S. trade war.

"We're finally shipping something back," Karppinen said.

The plant, which opened in August, can do in a day what competitors do in a week, Karppinen said.

"It's the only factory like it," said Ole Koester, a design engineer for Stormax International, the company from Copenhagen, Denmark, that created the machines. "At peak production, we'll be making 1.6 billion a year. I don't know of any other factory making that amount of chopsticks."

"Even when the plant is at maximum production with 7 million pairs a day, Lakewood won't have to look anywhere but the Far East to sell them."

"They go through 80 million a day over there," Karppinen said.

"That's a big, big market. They want a five-year supply."

The disposable chopsticks are designed for restaurant use. They come in one-piece units that are flat and easy to break apart.

But shipping to the Orient won't begin until the plant can consistently manufacture a top-grade product, Karppinen said. His latest estimate is for shipping to get under way in January.

Karppinen said there is probably only one other chopsticks maker in the United States—and one—in Canada, and both use the traditional Japanese method, Karppinen said.

His new equipment was plagued by

failures in the first two months of operation, putting the company behind schedule. Among other things, the chopsticks have had an unacceptable fuzzy veneer and unequal leg sizes.

"We've had all kinds of problems," Karppinen said. "It all looked good on paper, but then we got into production and things changed."

The chopsticks are made from aspen trees cut in northeastern Minnesota. At full production, the plant will process about 60 to 85 cords of the wood a day. The logs are cut into short sections and scraped of their bark, then sheared into ribbons, which are fed into machines that punch out the chopsticks.

Karppinen said workers have found that it helps to soak the ribbons in water before punching.

"Fiber optics are used to inspect the sticks immediately before they are packaged. Rejects are kicked off the production line."

From Hibbing, the packages will be shipped by rail to Seattle. From there they will be carried by ocean freighters.

Karppinen said the company was flooded with more than 3,000 applicants during the hiring of the first 32-member crew.

Unemployment in the region has been measured at more than 20 percent in some counties. He said the

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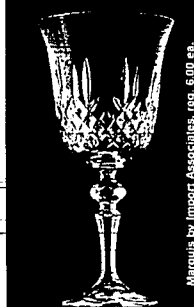
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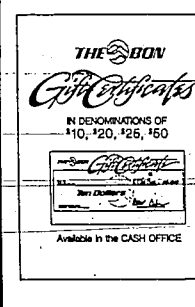
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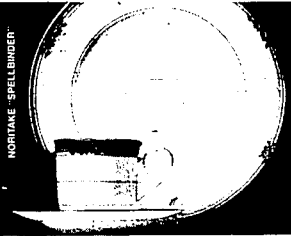
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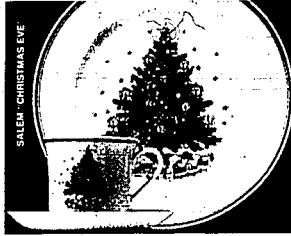
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Silicon Valley quake unlikely

Study of 1906 disaster suggests scientists overstated risks

By LEB SIEGEL
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A study of ground slippage during San Francisco's catastrophic 1906 earthquake suggests scientists overstated the risk that a devastating temblor could rock the high-technology Silicon Valley anytime soon.

The analysis indicates only a 6 percent chance in the next 20 years that the San Andreas Fault will cause a major quake measuring 7 on the Richter scale near San Jose, Santa Clara and Palo Alto, the Geological Survey geophysicist Wayne Thatcher said Monday.

Some studies have suggested such a quake was 20 percent to 50 percent likely within 20 years on that 55-mile stretch of the fault, Thatcher said at the American Geophysical Union's fall meeting.

The stretch of the San Andreas Fault that passes through Silicon Valley, a major center of computer and high-tech industries, "isn't likely to produce a magnitude 7 (quake) in the lifetime," Thatcher said. "Of course that's the reason for complacency because there are plenty of

other faults in the San Francisco Bay area that have a much higher risk."

USGS seismologist Al Lindh said he agreed the fault probably won't snap anytime soon near Silicon Valley.

But he cautioned: "This is California. That is the San Andreas Fault. And while we don't think a 7 (magnitude quake) is imminent, that doesn't mean a 7 can't happen."

Huge plates of the Earth's crust move past each other along the San Andreas Fault, sliding smoothly in some places but sticking in others until enough pressure accumulates to snap in an earthquake.

In the past few years, scientists from Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory in Palisades, N.Y., studied how far pieces of ground slipped past others during the 8.3 magnitude quake that ravaged San Francisco and killed perhaps 2,000 people in 1906.

They found that opposite sides of the fault slipped eight to 13 feet past each other near San Francisco. But to the southeast, near what is now

Silicon Valley, the slippage measured only three to 4½ feet. That implied less time was needed to build enough stress to trigger a major quake in the area.

But Thatcher and USGS geophysicist Michael Lisowski re-analyzed old records of changes in distances between widely separated hill tops after the quake. They concluded larger blocks of ground really slid 8½ feet past each other in the Silicon Valley area.

Because it took more stress than thought to snap the Silicon Valley segment of the fault in 1906, it probably will be late the next century before enough strain accumulates there to cause a magnitude-7 quake, Thatcher said.

The discrepancy between large-scale and local slippage measurements occurs because the San Andreas Fault isn't a single, distinct fault line, but a zone perhaps hundreds of yards wide, containing several parallel fault lines, Thatcher said. During a quake, ground movement along each line is less than the total slippage between both sides of the entire fault zone.

Scientists believe a repeat of the 1906 quake is unlikely during the next century because much more stress first must accumulate on the fault north of San Francisco, Lindh and Thatcher said.

While a major quake is unlikely on the stretch of the San Andreas from Palo Alto through Silicon Valley to San Juan Bautista, Lindh has said the southernmost 30 miles of that segment is a likely site for a moderate, magnitude-6 temblor. Thatcher said his study suggests the quake would be milder and rupture a shorter length of the fault.

Drills begin 16,000-foot hole to study San Andreas Fault

DEVORE, Calif. (AP) — Drilling began Monday on the deepest research hole ever attempted in the continental United States, a 16,000-foot borehole more than halfway into the Earth's crust to study the San Andreas Fault.

"The knowledge we get on how this fault works will be fundamental in developing earthquake prevention strategy. This model should be the basis of any rational earthquake prediction strategy," said the project chief scientist, Mark Zoback of Stanford University.

"This is going to test the magnitude of the stresses dividing the fault," Zoback said. "We're also trying to measure the amount of heat generated by the fault and ultimately determine exactly how the fault works."

Scientists from seven universities will place instruments inside the 17½-inch diameter hole that they hope will allow them to resolve discrepancies among differing theories of earthquake causes, which Zoback said are based on different types of data.

"Lab measurements of (San Andreas) faultial sample have shown stresses to be quite high," he said. "But temperature measurements have shown stresses to be quite low."

The San Andreas Fault, which crosses Interstate 15 about two miles south of the drilling site, forms the boundary between the Pacific and North American continental plates, which move along each other at a rate of several inches annually. Sections of the fault which stick must eventually break, producing the shock-felt-at-the-surface-as-an-earthquake.

"At 16,000 feet, the hole will be more than halfway through the Earth's crust, the planet's outermost layer," he said. That makes it the deepest scientific research hole in the United States, although at least one producing gas well in southwestern Wyoming was drilled to 16,780 feet. A scientific test well in northern Russia was drilled to

more than 30,000 feet.

The drilling site is on federal land in the upper reaches of the Cajon Pass, 55 miles northeast of Los Angeles.

The project is being conducted by a non-profit corporation formed by a consortium of about 30 universities, called Deep Observation and Sampling of the Earth's Continental Crust.

The \$7 million, two-year project is being funded mainly by the National Science Foundation, consortium spokeswoman Ruth Barritt said.

The 20-story drilling rig will be stopped for about a day when it

reaches 825 feet so engineers can install a protective casing, but then drilling will continue practically non-stop for about three months, Zoback said.

Drilling then will be halted again for tests until October, when drilling will resume for five or six more months, he said.

"We'll stop for testing periodically, but it's basically going to be a 24-hour operation," Zoback said. "We get opportunities like this very rarely, so we're trying to maximize the scientific return."



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Ground 'slip' seen as sign of big quake

Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — Scientists have found evidence that parts of the southern San Andreas Fault "slipped" several days after a moderate quake struck north of Palm Springs, Calif., in July — a possible sign that the 5.6 temblor may be a precursor of a large earthquake on the long-dormant portion of the fault.

No one is sure just what the unusual slippage means, scientists attending the annual meeting of the American Geophysical Union here said Tuesday. But they said that the slippage was unique in that it appeared to have been triggered by other quakes some distance from the area.

"Something is happening here that isn't happening elsewhere," said California Institute of Technology geologist Kerry Sieh, one of the foremost experts on the San Andreas Fault, which runs from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean north of San Francisco.

"We have every reason to believe it's accumulating strain," Sieh said of San Francisco's slippage. Sieh described the southern leg as "long dormant yet an active structure," and he said the fact that no major quake has struck that segment for at least 130 years "gives us concern."

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Front-runners look shaky in early visits to Iowa precincts

By PAUL TAYLOR
The Washington Post

DES MOINES, Iowa — This is a tale of two presidential front-runners.

The Democrat, Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado, passed through here the other day, behaving as if he were anything but. He skipped the familiar redoubts of a candidate in his position — statehouse, union hall party headquarters — places where he has few supporters and fewer 10Us. He busied himself instead trying to recruit this year's Iowa crop of eager, young congressional district organizers.

The Republican, George Bush, wasn't in the state last week, but his durable campaign-in-waiting, the Iowa Bush Brigade, feted itself at its seventh annual dinner.

One of the vice president's sons, Job, brought greetings, and a Santa Claus-like visit was through a roster of 50 leaders of the state's moderate GOP establishment. But the levity seemed forced this particular evening — a casualty of the administration's secret arms-dealing scandal. When one speaker took a stab at an Oliver North joke, the other was nervous giggling.

Fourteen months before Iowa's famous first-in-the-nation caucuses, these two snapshots capture the essential early characteristic of the 1988 presidential field: It's led by shaky front-runners.

Iowa is where Bush and Hart catapulted into contention in their first-presidential-races — by running the sort of door-to-door, hand-to-mouth, come-from-nowhere campaigns that Iowans expect and reward. In 1980, Bush upset Ronald Reagan and led a field of seven GOP candidates with 21 percent of the vote. In 1984, Hart "won" by beating all the other Democratic challengers, although he finished a distant second, with 16.9 percent, to Walter F. Mondale.

This time around, Bush and Hart return as prey, not hunter. Both were leading for their respective nominations in Iowa polls taken earlier this year, and in national polls as well. But they have vulnerabilities that are mirror images.

Hart has chosen not to fortify himself with the usual trappings of the candidate who leads the field. "We're going to campaign as the dark horse all over again," vowed political aide William Shore. Bush has the all trappings, but it's not clear if they will strengthen him, or siltate him.

"I don't see how all this can help



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Bush, Gov. Terry E. Branstad, R, said in an interview, referring to the month-old scandal over the secret Iran arms deal and diversion of funds to aid the Nicaraguan contra rebels. Branstad plans to stay neutral in the GOP presidential

campaign. At their dinner Friday night, Bush loyalists viewed a videotape of the vice president's speech last week on the scandal. They gave it hearty applause, but some said they didn't think one speech, however adroit, would undo his potential political

damage. "His fortunes are inextricably tied to the president's," said George Wittgraf, a lawyer who headed Bush's efforts here in 1980 and has kept the organization alive — with newsletters, dinners, even trips to Washington. "Whatever happens to George as a result of this is going to depend on how it's handled by the administration as a whole."

The Iran-contra situation aside, there are other perils for an administration candidate in a state where farm and has lost 50 percent of its value since the start of the Reagan era, where neither Branstad nor Sen. Charles E. Grassley, R, had the character in for their re-election campaigns this year.

"George just has got a lot of baggage in this state," said state Senator Minorly Leader Cal Hultman, R, a salaried consultant to the political action committee of outgoing Senate Majority Leader Robert J. Dole, R-Kan.

Dole has been a frequent visitor to Iowa in the past few months, and many political leaders here say he best positioned to mount a challenge

to Bush. "When it comes to farm issues, he can talk circles around this field," said Tom Hanson, a Hart supporter.

Former Delaware governor Pierre S. du Pont IV, R, has been in Iowa 15 days this fall, pitching a proposal to get the government out of the price-support business. Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., is touting the support of Ray Hagle, who chaired Reagan's campaigns here in 1976 and 1980, but Kemp's advisers acknowledge that his hopes for an early breakthrough in 1988 are pinned more to New Hampshire. Marion G. (Pat) Robertson has a paid staffer in the state, and religious fundamentalists associated with his political movement have made inroads into the GOP organization in the Des Moines area.

If the early action has been heavy on the Republican side, it's been feverish on the Democratic side — with the exception of one candidate: Hart. Before last week's two-day visit, he'd been in the state only three times since the 1984 campaign.

What Hart "conspicuously ab-

sented," in the words of Iowa's Democratic gubernatorial candidate this year, Lowell Junkins, others in the likely Democratic field have been busy making friends. Rep. Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri has been in the state 18 times since the 1984 election, and lent staffers to congressional candidates this fall. Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt made a weeklong bike ride across the state, testified before a state panel examining "ground-water" contamination, and lent one of his campaign staffers to the state Democratic Party for five months. Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr. of Delaware collected good notices for his speeches and 10Us for his political action committee's \$30,807 contribution to Junkins' campaign. (Gephardt and Babbitt made contributions to Iowa candidates as well. Hart didn't.)

Hart still has a \$2 million debt from 1984; plenty of his creditors are leaguing. His opponents have already begun using the lingering debt as the Hart "character issue" of 1988. "Iowans admire people who pay their bills," said Barry Platt, a

former state party staffer now working for Gephardt.

Then there's organized labor, a strong force in Iowa's caucuses, which hasn't forgotten Hart's attacks on their endorsement of Mondale in 1984. "I thought he was a real jerk at the (1984) convention, because he didn't say anything conciliatory," said Ken Tilp, president of the Iowa State Education Association. "I made up my mind to work against him next time." If Tilp has his way, though, his 30,000-member ISEA won't endorse anyone; he says he's tired of the internal bloodletting these caucus endorsements trigger.

Hart's Iowa supporters say they're untroubled by all this. The decision to go light on Iowa in 1988 seems deliberate; they say it was a year to build a national base. Hart plans to spend 30 to 60 days in this state between now and the caucuses — driving the same back roads in

the same van he used in 1984.

George Appleby, a key Hart supporter here, says the value of endorsements from state legislators is "overrated." And Kevin Sweeney, Hart's press secretary, says that having a fresh generation of "passionately committed 23-year-old organizers" — the kind Hart was recruiting here last week — is the way to win the Iowa caucuses. "A lot of the longtime activists are burned out," Sweeney said.

But most of all, Hart's supporters here say they think they have a more polished candidate this time around. "Gary was 200 percent better as a candidate at the end of 1984 than he was at the beginning, and he seems 200 percent better now than he was at the end of 1984," said Tom Hanson, one of Hart's early supporters here. "He seems more relaxed, much better able to project himself."

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Soviets uncorking liquor taps again

The Washington Post

MOSCOW — Stringent measures to cut down consumption of alcohol, the first major initiative of Communist Party chief Mikhail Gorbachev when he came to power last year, have been loosened here following complaints from consumers.

Shops that sell wine, beer and cognac now open for nine hours daily on weekends instead of six, according to city officials and a report in *Moskovskaya Pravda*, a local news paper.

Food stores that removed liquor from their shelves when the anti-alcohol laws were passed in June 1985 are now restocking it, Nikolay Tchernykh, an official at the Soviet Society for the Protection of Sobriety said in an interview.

Some restaurants that had gone dry after the laws were introduced are now offering wine, beer and even vodka with meals.

After a sharp initial drop, consumption of cognac and some other alcoholic beverages is now registering a slight rise across the Russian Republic, according to Tchernykh.

While the restriction of liquor has drawn criticism, letters decrying the sins of drink and calling for prohibition also have appeared in the state-controlled press, indicating that the issue remains divisive among the leadership.

The new city-wide measures were introduced by Moscow's Executive Committee to relieve long lines that form regularly for alcoholic beverages, *Moskovskaya Pravda* said Thursday.

The lines form daily outside of liquor stores across the country an hour or more before the 2 p.m. opening and remain until the 8 p.m. closing, the paper said.

Now stores sell wine, beer and light alcoholic beverages from 11 a.m. on weekends. Calling the move "an experiment," *Moskovskaya Pravda* said, "It will lead to reductions in a number of lines."

At the same time, hours were decreased for buying vodka, the stronger and favored Russian drink. Formerly available from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., it now goes on sale at 4 p.m.

The increased availability of lighter drinks may be designed in part to help Moscow recoup on the revenue it has lost in 19 months since the anti-alcohol laws were introduced.

The Foreign Ministry's restaurant for Soviet and foreign journalists is again offering wine and vodka at lunchtime, a change that reportedly was ordered by Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

When Shevardnadze found empty tables during a lunchtime visit to the eatery in the press center last

month, aides told him one reason was that alcohol was sold only in the evenings. He then said it should be offered with lunch, according to ministry sources.

Expanded hours and added supplies viewed here as relief for the light drinker. It is widely contended here that cutbacks in store hours, sharp increases in vodka prices and decreased production — aimed at heavy drinkers — penalized the common citizen who might want to celebrate a birthday or holiday with a bottle of champagne or vodka.

Widespread public discontent simmered from the time the laws were introduced and spilled over in the summer, when a citizen in Vladivostok griped publicly to Gorbachev, who had stopped to chat.

Tchernykh, a non-drinker, said of the anti-alcohol laws: "Everyone is for them, but it turns out everyone is against them, too. No one wanted to give up the idea that a birthday or a wedding or holiday should be conducted without some drinking."

Yet officials cited by *Moskovskaya Pravda* said the new changes do not constitute a retreat from the campaign against alcoholism, a major social initiative under Gorbachev. "The new timetable does not contradict the essence of the government's decisions," it said.

Soviet society member Yegor Ligachev praised the anti-alcohol measures in a speech last July, saying that it had already brought a 30 percent decrease in drinking across the country.

The average Soviet citizen is drinking the equivalent of 2½ liters of hard liquor a year less than before the campaign started, Tchernykh said. While the per-capita consumption of hard liquor was not given, U.S. studies have put the Soviet figure as high as 14.8 liters, compared to 5.8 in the United States.

Much of the decrease here is due to sharp cuts in production, according to Western analysts. The sharpest drops in consumption have been in the Caucasus and central Asia, Tchernykh said, adding that Moscow's consumption had not really fallen at all, according to official statistics.

Tchernykh, a senior official at the society charged with encouraging abstinence, called the new measures a "mistake." "Lines are lines," he said. "You just have to get used to them."

The official magazine *Nash Sovremennik* published several readers' letters last month demanding prohibition. They complained of hangings, accidents, premature deaths and murders that resulted from drunkenness.

Penn State fraternities to ban alcohol at rush parties

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Fraternities at Pennsylvania State University will ban alcohol from rush functions and ask that guests at parties where drinks are served show identification, a spokesman said Tuesday.

Sixteen of the school's 52 fraternities were charged a week ago with serving alcohol to minors during a two-month undercover investigation, but the changes had been in discussion for several months.

Rush is the fraternities' system of holding gatherings and parties to attract and screen new members.

The new rules for rush activities place "a lot more emphasis on recruiting of members and good members and a lot less emphasis on alcohol," said Bob Butler, Interfraternity Council membership chairman.

"Now, it's more of a responsible approach." Each of the school's 52 fraternities must en-

sure that those served alcohol were of legal drinking age, 21 or over, Butler said.

The students, who had been in touch with police on the changes in the drinking rules, accused police of underhanded tactics after the charges were announced.

"You have to give the system time to change," Eric Graves, IFC community relations chairman, told a meeting of the State College Borough Council Monday night.

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