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Reagan reborn
The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan's...
He was understood to be seeking U.S. support for new overtures to Managua.

U.S. tries diplomatic route

By BARRY SCHWEID
The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration, weighing a fresh diplomatic approach to the war in Nicaragua, sent its two top Latin American specialists to Miami on Wednesday for secret talks of a new peace initiative backed by Costa Rica and Guatemala.
But a U.S. official, who confirmed the mission undertaken by Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams and Philip Habib, the president's special envoy, was skeptical that the leftist Sandinista government in Managua was prepared to accept any formula designed to promote democracy in Nicaragua.
The Sandinistas have been resistant to democracy, the official said. The Sandinistas will have to be pressured if there is to be a solution.
Abrams and Habib talked with Rodrigo Madrigal Nieto, the Costa Rican foreign minister, who flew to Miami on Wednesday morning.

Missing funds
probe findings
to prosecutor

Decision may come today
on possible filing of charge

By BONNIE BAIRD JONES
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — An investigation into missing funds from the county's prisoner work-release program was referred to Twin Falls County Prosecutor K. Ellen Baxter Wednesday morning, according to a public defender by a Sheriff's Department employee.
Baxter said Wednesday afternoon that she received full reports from the Sheriff's Department, but she wanted to review more of the documentation officers made in preparing the report. She will probably decide today if a charge is to be filed and what it will be. Then, Baxter said, she will be in a position to make additional information available to the public.
The investigation involves Charlene Hine, 42, who has worked in the Sheriff's Department as records clerk for more than 8 years. Sheriff James Munn said she resigned her job about a week ago.
Hine was also employed in the County Prosecutor's Office, under several prior prosecutors, before she joined the sheriff's staff in 1978.
Hine could not be reached for comment Wednesday.
Munn said his department began an investigation on Dec. 20 and it was completed and findings presented to the prosecutor Wednesday.
It will be up to the prosecutor from this point on, Munn said. "We have completed our investigation and that's as far as we go. I am certainly not trying to hide anything."
Baxter said she would not release the amount of money involved until she has checked further figures and receipts.
Baxter and Munn said the money has been disappearing over a period of more than a year. Baxter said the money was from the work-release fund, in which county prisoners granted release from jail in order to continue working pay a regular fee to the county. Most report for their jobs during work hours and serve their sentences on non-working hours. Each pays a fee for daily board and room and to cover the bookkeeping involved.
Baxter said she was unable to say why the situation could go undetected for so long a time.
"But then, I am not the auditor or recorder, and it is not up to me to determine that factor," she said.
County Clerk, Auditor and Recorder Richard Pence told The Times-News that this office has no way to determine if all of the money is being turned in from other officers.
"They (the Sheriff's Department staff) take care of it down there. We just get the money and the name of the person who paid it, and we issue an auditor's certificate for it," he said. "I guess if someone wants to take money, there is always a way to do it."
Pence said he knew nothing of the investigation until he was informed about it Wednesday. Officers had come to his office to check the auditor certificates from the Sheriff's Department some time ago, but he was not told what they were looking for.
Neither he nor Pence are auditing the revenue would have any reason to question the amounts, unless there.
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Sure shot
Taking careful aim, Hank Hiedeman, at the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center practices his game of snooker Tuesday on Eastland Drive in Twin Falls.

House starts
its own probe

The Associated Press
Money manager — A6

WASHINGTON — The House voted 416-2 Wednesday to investigate the Iran-Contra connection with Democrats pledging a swift and fair proceeding and some Republicans warning that rampant partisanship could lead to "political cannibalism."
Even as the House was following the Senate's lead in chartering a select panel to delve into all aspects of the arms and money affair, several sources said that Lt. Col. Oliver L. North, from his National Security Council office, had managed to flash and other funds to pay for the expenses of Nicaraguan rebels.
On Wednesday, the Justice Department ordered an FBI in-Nir, an anti-terrorism adviser to investigate into a break-in at the Reagan administration's Central America policy.
In releasing a department letter revealing the FBI probe, Rep. Don Edwards, D-Calif., voiced hope that the bureau also would investigate burglaries of similar organizations opposed to the same policy of supporting the rebels in their battle against Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista government.
This revelation came as Lawrence E. Walsh, the independent counsel who is now getting organized for a wide-ranging investigation of the Iran-Contra episode, announced he was opening a satellite office in New York City. Walsh announced the hiring of 11 associate counsels, including Guy M. Struve, who will be in charge of the New York office.
The chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, David Boren, D-Okla., said that at least four additional officials were allowed to review and suggest changes in the panel's final report on the affair. Deleted from the committee report was a five-page description of a July 1985 meeting between Vice President George Bush and Amiram Filwiler, a Bush spokesman.
North arranged the Jerusalem meeting, which took place during the vice president's trip to the Middle East, but there was "no discussion on diversion of funds for the Contras," said Filwiler.
Meanwhile, CBS News reported that another deletion included a letter Peres sent to President Reagan during a period when he was discouraged with the arms shipment. The letter urged Reagan "not to give up and to be patient that the policy would bear fruit."
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Budget director balks
at tax surcharge idea

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — President Reagan's budget director poured cold water Wednesday on a proposed temporary tax surcharge, saying the White House would not participate in any deficit-reduction meeting unless tax increases were ruled out beforehand.
"It's very clear that if you put taxes on the table (for discussion), then there will not be a summit," James C. Miller III, director of the Office of Management and Budget, told reporters after outlining Reagan's proposed 1988 spending plan to the Senate Budget Committee.
Chiles and other top members of Congress have called on Reagan to convene a high-level White House summit for a suggestion by Chairman Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., for some kind of temporary tax increase that would die as soon as the deficit were wiped out.
"I think it would be wholly inappropriate for us to open up the tax code (to changes) so soon after tax reform," Miller said. "You would have very substantial problems in terms of aggregate economic activity. It would be a big mistake."
"Even if you terminated the revenue increase, or the surcharge, in 1992, you would have given up the opportunity to have more-effective government during this time... And you would have a larger government," he added.
Congress has called on Reagan to convene a high-level White House summit for a suggestion by Chairman

Antibody level key to AIDS risks

The Associated Press
BOSTON — Measuring levels of AIDS antibodies and four other factors can help doctors predict which people infected with the AIDS-virus face a high risk of coming down with the disease within a few months, a study shows.
The research shows that those with low levels of antibodies to the virus in their blood are five times as likely as those with high levels to get the disease within 15 months. This suggests, though it doesn't prove, that AIDS antibodies may shield people from the disease.
I suspect that the antibody response early in the course of infection probably is protective," said the study's director, Dr. B. Frank Polk of Johns Hopkins.
If so, this may help explain one of the central mysteries of the AIDS epidemic — why some infected people fall ill while others remain healthy for many years.
More than 25,000 Americans have gotten AIDS, but experts believe that several times that number are infected with the AIDS virus and do not know their ultimate fate.
The new research will run for at least eight years. The information may someday provide clues to stopping whatever triggers an AIDS infection to become AIDS disease.
The study, reported in today's New England Journal of Medicine, began with 1,835 homosexual men who were infected with the AIDS virus but did not have AIDS. After 15 months of follow-up, 52 of them had gotten the disease. The researchers looked to see how those who fell ill and those who stayed healthy had differed at the study's outset.
Besides low AIDS antibody levels, people were significantly more likely to get AIDS if they had low levels of white blood cells called T helper cells, high levels of another variety
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Vast glowing arcs located

The Associated Press
PASADENA, Calif. — Astronomers said Wednesday they have discovered the largest structures ever seen in the universe: mysterious glowing arcs that may be bands of new stars arching through distant clusters of galaxies.
"The best guess is they are (curving lines of) stars formed by a new mechanism which we don't understand yet," said V. Balaraman, astronomy program chairman at Stanford University.
Petrosian and Boyd Lynds, of Arizona's Kitt Peak National Observatory, announced their discovery of the three galaxies' arcs last year during the American Astronomical Society's annual meeting. Lynds said the arcs are about 1.9 million trillion miles long. That's more than three times the diameter of the Milky Way galaxy.
The National Optical Astronomy Observatories, which operates Kitt Peak, said the arcs are "the largest optically visible structures yet observed in the universe."
The arcs are 15 billion trillion miles from Earth, curving through galaxy clusters named Abell 870, Abell 2218 and 2244-02.
The National Optical Astronomy Observatories last year announced the discovery of a hamburger-shaped object in our own galaxy. It was nicknamed "Gomez's Big Mac" after its Chilean discoverer, Arturo Gomez. The arcs are a "hamburger" shape, but they are much larger, Lynds said. "Nobody has mentioned the golden arches," Petrosian said.

Analysts see few gains in Gem tax receipts

BOISE (AP) — Hoping the flagging Idaho economy can just hold its own in the next 18 months, analysts told a special legislative committee on Wednesday that it can expect little if any growth in tax receipts during 1987 and into 1988.

About the best they could offer the joint House-Senate Revenue Projection Committee at its opening-day session was a forecast that sees economic deterioration in Idaho just about at an end.

"Basically, the bleeding has stopped," economist Kelly Matthews of First Security Bank said. "Of course, holding your own to day isn't quite a feast."

But state Employment Department analyst Jim Day, predicting a continued loss of jobs in the coming year, said simply, "1987 looks pretty much like more of 1986."

"Therefore, little improvement can be expected in the generation of revenues unless changes are made in the tax code," added Dale Blickenstaff of Idaho First National

Bank. He said there was little chance for improvement in the state's critical resource sectors.

The forecasts, underscored by Retailers Association Director Tim Brennan's projection that tax receipts will only show a fractional gain at best from the austere estimate for the current year, set a pessimistic tone for the committee's deliberations.

The panel will use the information gathered this week along with the forecast by the new administration of Gov. Cecil Andrus, to be presented next week in recommending to the full Legislature the amount of money it believes the state's basic tax system will generate for the year that begins July 1.

Among the Legislature's major decisions this winter will be a decision on adopting federal tax law changes which could yield over \$21 million in new state income tax revenue.

At the same time, the state Tax Commission released its collection figures for sales and income tax receipts. In addition, the commission reported a \$1.9 million recovery of corporate taxes from an audit.

The December receipts showed income tax withholding running ahead a year earlier for only the second time in the current budget year. Revenues from tax filings were also well ahead of December 1986, as they close the growing gap between actual collections and estimates.

Sales taxes, expected to grow on a nationally this year, were running about even with 1985 receipts with December collections about \$250,000 ahead of a year ago.

"Everybody realizes we have a tough year ahead of us in 1987," Blickenstaff said, although he believes people are not as pessimistic about the future today as they were six months ago.

Still, the Employment Department said

the contraction of the state's workforce will continue through the next year. Another revenue gain will be lost, he said, and a small gain in agricultural employment will still leave the total state labor force 3,100 jobs smaller than the past year, matching the drop recorded during the past year. The unemployment rate should hold steady at 6.5 percent.

Total nonfarm wages will keep creeping upward, Day said, but only marginally as the structural shift in employment continues from higher-paying manufacturing to lower-paying service sector jobs. In the past 15 years, service sector employment has increased from 15 percent to 23 percent of the nonfarm labor force while manufacturing and resource jobs have fallen from nearly 33 percent to 28 percent.

Brennan said retailers across the state expect their sales to remain unchanged from the past two years, and because of that, he said sales tax receipts, which

will underwrite a third of the state's general revenue budget, will hold steady at just over \$300 million.

Blickenstaff said commercial loan activity across all sectors of the economy will remain sluggish as farmers continue to struggle and the general economic activity remains depressed. Farm income and bank earnings should improve marginally, he said, but they will remain below the levels of just a few years ago.

But, possibly more importantly, Blickenstaff said, "It is not likely we will be able to rely on our natural resource industries of timber, mining and agriculture as engines of growth in the future."

"For the longer term, growth in Idaho is dependent upon actions taken at the state and local level to improve the environment for expansion of existing business and the location of new businesses in the state," he added, citing the need for an improved educational system.

Environmental group supports position

Tribes maintain objections to road

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and an environmental group say they will not drop objections to construction of a farm-to-market road through rural Jefferson and Fremont counties, despite a proposed four-month winter closure.

The tribes and the Idaho Natural Resources Legal Foundation said Tuesday they would sue the Bureau of Land Management if it approved a right-of-way for the proposed 8.8-mile Eglin-Hamer road.

"When federal land managers violate legal planning requirements in order to adopt irresponsible management policies, the tribes have virtually no alternative but to fight," Arnold Appenay, Shoshone-Bannock tribal business chairman, said in a prepared statement.

Idaho BLM Director Delmar Vail on Monday announced preliminary approval of the road with a closure from Dec. 1 to March 31 each year to protect the 2,000-head Sand Creek elk herd that winters in the area.

The BLM will issue its final environmental

impact statement on the road in February. The public then will have 30 days to comment on the decision before it becomes final.

Representatives of the two counties and the Idaho Fish and Game Department supported the proposal, which was described as a compromise.

But if the BLM approves construction of the road under any circumstances, including the federal tax alternative that was among four listed in an environmental impact statement, Indian leaders said they would go to court to delay or stop the project.

"The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes do not view the road-and-close alternative as a compromise," Appenay said.

The tribes said the BLM failed to consider the impact of the road on their treaty hunting rights. Environmental groups, including the Idaho Natural Resources Legal Foundation, said legal procedures had not been followed in the environmental impact statement and that building the road would violate regulations aimed at protecting the Nine Mile Knoll Area

of Critical Environmental Concern.

"We think it's a move that will do nothing but damage the elk herd, their habitat and hunting," said Ed Stockly, attorney for the foundation. "We're going to protest it."

The tribes and environmentalists especially object to the BLM's plan to have the two counties enforce the road closure. They point to several violations of the current closure on the trail that now runs the route of the proposed road.

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Defense of lottery given to law firm

BOISE (AP) — Attorney General — including Gov. Cecil Andrus and Jim Jones has hired the Boise law firm as yet unnamed members of a lot-firm Hawley, Troxell, Ennis and Terry commission established by the Hawley to defend Idaho's lottery initiative — to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest.

The attorney general said he also past week.

The firm has agreed to donate all legal services above \$7,500 in the effort to uphold the legality of the initiative — passed overwhelmingly by question as to whether the initiative can be used to enact legislation to represent the state's interests, except where it is absolutely necessary, and I even have a stronger policy against large outlays for outside-attorney's-fee," Jones to the court," he said.

Jones also noted that a certificate of review prepared by his office for the initiative — last summer — warned that backers "should be prepared to face legal challenges which may not and the anti-lottery groups help be decided in their favor."

Idaho Thrive and Idaho Allied Christian Forces Inc. have filed several suits in 4th District Court challenging the initiative. They contend it is premature to decide the issue while the voters still can defeat it.

Jones said he decided to obtain legal counsel to defend challenged again, the initiative like state officials named in the lawsuits by would be found unconstitutional.

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Caldwell appointment dispute simmers down

CALDWELL (AP) — Mayor Pete Cowles ordered appointed employees to work under three council members backed down from an earlier decision to delay their appointments, a move the mayor described as a fight for control in running the city.

Council members unanimously confirmed the reappointments of department heads at a special meeting called Wednesday that drew a standing-room-only crowd of about 200. On Monday, the council voted 3-2 to table Cowles' motion for the reappointments after Councilwoman Durand Marcus called for a review of the job descriptions for

appointed employees.

Cowles said he ordered department heads to remain at home until the issue was resolved. Following the special meeting, Cowles said he would devote time at a future council meeting to review the job classifications.

Ms. Marcus, who has been a council member since January 1984, said Wednesday she felt the council should review the descriptions before Idaho-Employee-Council begins a \$12,000 study of the city's job classifications.

"I would like to have the city council have some knowledge when

they appoint them what they're appointing them to do," she said.

But Cowles, who launched a nine-councilman campaign to oust incumbent Al McCluskey in November 1985, said he had expected the reappointments to be routine and attributed the situation to a power struggle.

He said it was a question of "who in fact is the boss" and that he was in charge of the City of Caldwell.

After the reappointments were confirmed Wednesday, Cowles ordered department heads back to work and said he would call a meeting to review the job descriptions.

Councilmember Kent Marmion, who changed his vote Wednesday to reappointing the employees, earlier accused Cowles, 27, of having a temper tantrum over the Monday decision.

Marmion said he seconded Ms. Marcus' motion to table the reappointments to avoid conflict. "The conflict I was trying to avoid happened," he said.

Ms. Marcus said several of the appointed employees in the town of just less than 18,000 serve dual roles and have additional duties that could be interpreted as being non-management.

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Officials await word

LAPWAI (AP) — Nez Perce tribal officials are waiting to hear whether the federal government will pay for environmental monitoring and other programs related to the possibility that the Hanford nuclear reservation will be picked to store the nation's highly radioactive wastes.

The tribe's Nuclear Waste Program is a program on the remainder of \$200,000 given to the tribe by the Department of Energy for 1986's final fiscal quarter.

Ronald Halfmoon, manager of the tribe's waste program, said the program will have funds until the end of January. Halfmoon said tribal officials hope DOE decides by that time whether to provide the tribe's \$1.2 million request.

Halfmoon said tribal officials hope monitoring and social and economic studies will indicate how a nuclear repository at Hanford would affect the Nez Perce reservation, located in central Idaho.

Judge refuses to set lawyers' fees

BOISE (AP) — A federal judge here has refused to award nearly \$100,000 in attorney fees in a long-running legal battle over planned construction of a logging road in a roadless area.

U.S. District Judge Marlon Callister issued an order Wednesday, although he granted \$2,015 in costs.

In 1982, Harold Thomas, doing business as Allison Ranch and Cook Ranch, filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Forest Service to stop plans to allow a logging road through a central Idaho roadless area.

The lawsuit alleged that the Forest Service did not prepare a

thorough environmental impact analysis before granting permission for the road.

In 1984, Callister ruled against the claim, but it was appealed to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The appeals court partially reversed Callister, ordering him to consider whether a complete "biological evaluation" was necessary.

Before that was done, the Forest Service dropped plans to build the road.

The plaintiffs asked for \$65,307 in attorney fees, and another \$19,683 for Oregon attorneys helping in the case and \$12,475 for Idaho attorneys. The plaintiffs contended they even-

ually won their case and were entitled to attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act and the Endangered Species Act.

Callister also rejected claims for attorney fees under the Endangered Species Act. "The court cannot find that the goals of the Endangered Species Act were substantially furthered by this litigation," he ruled.

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Schou choice for aging slot

POCATELLO (AP) — A 48-year-old Pocatello teacher is the new director of the Office on Aging.

Gov. Cecil Andrus Wednesday announced the appointment of Charlene Schou, a teacher in the College of Business at Idaho State University.

Andrus also appointed the final top-level official in the Department of Administration, selecting Connie Ryals, 34, Engle, as administrator of the Division of Internal Operations. Ms. Ryals has held a number of accounting positions with the Boise-based Albertson's, Inc. chain. Most recently she has been manager of the sales audit department.

Ms. Schou is a native of Roberts. She has a degree from University of Idaho and a masters degree from Idaho State University.



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Miller's net won't keep dragon away

WASHINGTON — An avuncular guy with a charming southern gift for phrase, who happens to be budget director of the United States, has been calling an ever-mutating mythical beast a menacing dragon to explain what's happening in Washington these days.

For James C. Miller III, the metaphorical dragon answers the question of how America sank into its present budget deficit mess — and also how it will escape.

Last year's Reagan administration budget didn't slay the deficit dragon, Miller says, but it "quenched the fire-breathing part." This year's trillion-dollar budget, formally submitted by President Reagan to Congress, will "put a net over the dragon and finally bring it under control."



Haynes Johnson

What wonderful news, and what a happy ending to the distress caused the country by the dragon assault.

Miller's dragon metaphor works splendidly for the administration in many ways, but is especially brilliant in that it holds someone responsible for the historically high and still rising mountain of national debt accumulated in the Reagan years.

What about the disastrous policies that produced those deficits? Surely someone is responsible. Wrong, and simple: The dragon did it. And never mind the deficit dragon's appetite, it's really not a bad sort but actually more a rambunctious, lovable and magical kind of monster like "Puff" of musical fame. The deficit dragon didn't mean any harm. Now, according to the president's theory forecast, all quackery can, and will, be put right on the deficit front.

President Reagan comes the net, and gives a quick dragon. Continue, Americans, to luxuriate in the golden glow of Reagan-produced prosperity. No pain, no problems, and just watch that deficit disappear. As the president puts it: "This budget shows that eliminating the deficit over time is possible without raising taxes, without sacrificing our defense preparedness."

Alas, none of this fairy tale is true, and everyone in Washington knows it. The latest Reagan budget, his seventh, stands as a monument to what likely will be the lasting legacy of his presidency: fat man management of the nation's economy stemming from so-called "supply-side" theorists' false promises and delusions. Instead of the miracles they forecast upon enactment of their program — surging national savings rates, soaring productivity, a budget surplus after just four short years — the opposite has occurred.

There's no need to recount that sorry record now, but members of the 100th Congress that convened Tuesday can profit by studying a devastating new assessment of how and why those budget-deficit disasters occurred. It comes from one of the original architects and most passionate true believers of Reaganomics (remember that?) former Reagan budget director David A. Stockman.

In a new epilogue to the recently published paperback edition of his memoir about the Reagan years, "The Triumph of Politics," Stockman describes how the American economy has been held hostage to a "reckless, unstable fiscal policy based on the politics of high spending and the doctrine of low taxes."

Looking to the end of Reagan's presidency, Stockman foresees "a virtual guarantee" that Reagan's two remaining budgets, including the one just sent to Congress, will increase the budget deficit by \$50 billion. "Thus," he writes, "in eight years of direction by the most conservative administration in modern times, the federal government's spending will have exceeded its income by the staggering sum of \$1.5 trillion (his italics). The next president will inherit a publicly held federal debt nearly triple that accumulated by all of Ronald Reagan's 49 predecessors."

Stockman then notes:

"Historians will undoubtedly find these elephantine figures baffling. With the benefit of hindsight, they will know the immense damage to the nation's balance sheet and living standard that resulted from those eight years of fiscal profligacy. By then, the secret of the Reagan era's fabulous free lunch will be beyond dispute.

"The records will show that within the span of a few short years the United States flung itself into massive hog with the rest of the world. And it occurred so swiftly that it was hardly even debated or remarked upon until it was too late."

So, fellow citizens, if a shadow appears over the land, don't mistake it for a dragon. It's just a familiar man-made budget deficit finally coming home to roost.

Haynes Johnson writes for The Washington Post.

Report from Senate far from final word

The Senate Intelligence Committee's much-rewritten report on its Iran arms-contra financing investigation necessarily falls well short of being the last or even the next-to-last word on the subject.

At best, lacking the testimony of key National Security Council participants in the affair, the report can do little more than place on the table a number of pieces of a complex puzzle before leaning toward some interim and inevitably disputable conclusions about what they all might mean. Chief among those conclusions, in the estimate of the Republican staff members who produced the report, is that President Reagan was unaware that money from Iranian arms sales was being diverted to Nicaraguan contras.

The White House, no doubt eager to see this tentative assessment fixed in the public mind as final and conclusive, has demanded that the committee report be released. In the somewhat curious White House view, the president's supposed ignorance about what his subordinates were up to translates as a political plus, leaving him blameless for the resulting mess.

Senate Democrats, with some help from Republicans on the Intelligence Committee, have in effect said no to that and refused to allow release of the report, contending that it is too incomplete and inaccurate to be of much value. This, too, we find somewhat curious, for after three weeks of secret sessions during which 36 witnesses were heard a lot of information worth the public's attention surely had to have been produced. Why couldn't the committee have released the substance of that information, without trying to draw conclusions from it, instead of suppressing the whole of its report because of a political argument over what inferences should be made?

The flap over the report in any event will likely be short-lived. The committee investigation ought to be seen as necessarily having been in the nature of a preliminary reconnaissance, limited by the time left available to the expiring 99th Congress and by the degree of cooperation it was able to get from the people it questioned. Far more important will be the work done by the select committees chosen by the House and Senate and the independent investigation that will be conducted by a special counsel. As these efforts develop, the public will have ample opportunity to learn more about the scandal and to reach its own conclusions.

—Los Angeles Times

Letter

Bible an aid to individuals

I'm a farmer and believe in God. I'm sure one thing that supports my strong belief in God is my seasonal involvement with creation.

I'm also a profound disbeliever of organized religions. In my opinion they have terrible track records in regard to helping humans deal with reality and spiritual growth.

From the pope down to our locals, this push for peace is a joke. The human population has put this planet in a death spiral. Religions don't seem to think their dogmas are part of the problem. They just keep adding old solutions in the face of new problems. I'm sorry God's ongoing creation is to dynamic for them to grasp. They just continue to tighten their grip instead of reaching out for a new handle.

This planet will support only so much life force. If we have more humans we have less of something else. It goes the way with a whale, a wolf, a buffalo, a monkey or an iguana. What is

the U.S. going to be like when its population is a billion?

To the right-to-lifers, I say I prefer quality to quantity. The last thing this world needs is another pregnant teen-ager with another unwanted child.

To the creationists, I say religion is often the promoter of ignorance and more often than not, religion thrives on ignorance. You can tell I'm a little tired of Bible-bullies. I do believe in the Bible as a viable source of aid to the human spiritual endeavor, but strictly on an individual basis.

In a mature Democratic society our morals are legislated by elected officials, thank God.

— God is the total creator. God was creating long before we came along and will be creating for a long time to come. This process we perceive as evolution. It is the basic changes the universe goes through under the influence of God's laws. Even religions evolve. You can't stop it. It's hard apparently to even keep up.

The future is our choice. The Middle East and Africa will mature out of the tribal system. Latin America will get out from under the Spanish aristocracy. Most will pass through a socialist phase and then on to a democratically controlled socialism, like we have. Russia after the fall of the dynasties are passing through this phase now.

There will be some peace just in the fact that the U.S. will by then have balanced its standard of living out with the rest of the world. Most of the strife in the world is caused by the international competition for resources. One of those resources are the masses of humanity that provide cheap labor and cannon fodder.

A high percentage of people will be involved in agriculture. A lot of our society will be hand-to-mouth. It is not my preference, but I don't see the political or religious leadership taking us any where else.

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Pay-as-you-earn after college appears to be good concept


WASHINGTON — Forgive me a brief autobiographical note, because all ties in with a proposal that goes to Congress this week.

The topic: Paying for one's college education.

I had barely gotten started at the University of Missouri when my father's business failed. My mother and father subsequently were divorced, and suddenly my comfortable middle-class world fell apart.

I moved from a fraternity house to a boarding house, learned to survive on a meal and a half a day, and began working my way through college. In the fall I raked leaves; in the spring I cut grass. I got on the list of extra walkers at the Tiger Hotel. Mostly I tutored American history for flunking football players. They borrowed money to buy a Speed Graphic camera, learned how to use that beloved old box, and won a job (what a job!) as staff photographer at Stephens College.

I went to classes in the morning and worked afternoons and weekends, and finished in


James Kilpatrick

March, 1941, with enough savings to buy a new suit and a railway ticket to Richmond, Va. End of story.

I recall the experience in order to say that my experience was in no way unique. In the 1930s hundreds of thousands of college students did exactly the same thing. There weren't any guaranteed federal loans; there weren't any federal grants. If your parents couldn't foot the bill, you worked your way through. You paid your own way.

Now comes a proposal from Education Secretary William J. Bennett that would revive some of the old spirit of self-reliance. He wants greatly to expand the present experimental program of income-contingent loans, known as ICLs, in a way that makes

great good sense.

This is how it would work: Congress would create a loan fund of \$600 million in the 1988 fiscal year. This would be allocated to perhaps 1,500 participating colleges and universities on an equal basis — nine federal dollars for one college dollar. Needy students would apply for loans from this fund. The fund would lend up to \$4,000 for each of a student's first two years, \$5,000 for each additional year, and up to \$10,000 a year for graduate students.

Six months after leaving school, a borrower would begin repayment to the school.

The proposed schedule would require payment of \$30 per month per \$10,000 of debt, but defaults could be granted in hardship cases. Repayment would be limited to not more than 15 percent of the borrower's adjusted income. Interest would accrue at the 91-day Treasury bill rate plus 3 percent. The repayment period could extend to 30 years, or until the amount borrowed was repaid in full.

For the time being, Bennett is seeking no

change in the existing programs of guaranteed student loans. These programs would continue. But the problem with GSLS is that repayment schedules are the same for everyone; there is no flexibility in them.

Bennett believes that the ICLs, by contrast, would have much appeal: Repayment schedules would be geared to income.

In recent years student borrowers have defaulted in an appalling number and in appalling amounts. Thanks in part to Bennett's no-nonsense leadership, the government last year collected about \$200 million from the deadbeats.

In fairness to the deadbeats, it has to be said that many graduates wound up in teaching, social work or journalism — careers that pay pitifully little to beginners. These graduates are the same who meet rigid repayment schedules and simultaneously keep a roof over their heads and food on the table. The easier terms of an ICL, Bennett believes, will significantly reduce the rate of default.

Complaint is heard that the budding

lawyer, doctor, engineer or architect could go into the workaday world carrying a burden of up to \$50,000 in debt. But over his or her lifetime, the average college graduate will earn an estimated \$240,000 more than the average high school graduate. The burden would not be intolerable — certainly no more intolerable than payments on a loan to buy a car.

A suggestion has been made that repayments on an ICL be deducted from paycheck just as the withholding tax is deducted. The deducted amounts then would be returned to the college to replenish the revolving fund. Another suggestion is that repayments include a fee to cover life insurance in the face amount of the loan.

Other refinements may be considered. The concept is sound. In my generation, students went by the rule of pay-as-you-go. There's nothing wrong, and a great deal is right, in pay-as-you-earn.

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

'Les Miserables' turning the nation's capital upside down


WASHINGTON — The red flag of revolution flies defiantly atop a barricade that bristles with revolutionaries' muskets, not far from the White House.

The masses have risen against Reaganomics?

Reaganites and others are cheering the red flag and shedding scalding tears when the flag flails to the forces of law and order.

The world is turned upside down. "Les Miserables" has come to town. This stunning 3-hour, 20-minute production, distilled from a 1,200-page novel, is bound for Broadway and beyond.

At age 21, Victor Hugo called for a new sort of fiction, on an epic scale to encompass the moral and social tumults of the 19th century, an era of urbanization, industrialization and revolution. He produced such fiction in "Les Miserables" and now, 125 years after its publication, the novel has nurtured a new sort of theater. "Les Miz" is not a mere "musical." All dialogue is sung, although scenes are carefully choreographed, there are none of the usual sort of musical "dance numbers." It represents a genre between


George Will

theater and opera.

It is the story of Jean Valjean. Compared to his experiences, those of Job were a picnic at the beach. Having served 19 years at hard labor for stealing a loaf of bread to feed a starving child, Valjean is released into a world of travail. He is pursued through the decades, and through stagecraft as ingenious as that of "Cats," by police inspector Javert, the representative of the regime's oppression that produces Les Miserables.

The computerized sets and lights make the stage become a living canvas, now by Hogarth, next by Goya. The production has all the elements of melodrama — a fallen woman whose winsome daughter becomes an exploited orphan, an adorable revolutionary boy who is shot at the barricades. No heart

string goes untinged.

The production is a political Rorschach test, and only the stoutest conservatives are any reason for sympathizing with Javert, a defender of order and poverty and hence of trickle-down to the impatient ingrates at the barricades.

One-half of your brain — the sober, practical, conservative half — says of the production, "This is mawkish, sub-Dickensian sentimentalism and a waste of money and talent, and we are being shamelessly manipulated." The squishy liberal side of your brain says: Yes, and isn't it fun!

The music is almost maddeningly hummable, and was warned: As was the case with the main theme from "Jesus Christ Superstar," themes from "Les Miz" will be brayed by marching bands in the purgatory of pageantry known as football halftime shows.

Still, there is useful symbolism in popular culture. In 1937 the eight-hour production of "Nicholas Nickleby" (directed by one of the co-directors of "Les Miserables") created readers for one of Dickens' less-known novels. The movie "Out of Africa" brought

back into popularity writings of Isak Dinesen (Karen Blixen). Today, Washington bookstores are doing a brisk business with "Les Miserables."

When the first volume was published, Hugo sent his publisher the tersest of telegrams: "It's sold."

The reply was: "214 hours."

The novel is proportional to its themes, which no stage version could cope with as well as print can. The themes include the transforming power of revolutions, the tension between the individual and society, the injustice of the criminal justice system of punishments, the regeneration of persons debased by circumstances, the nobility of suffering, the impact of sainthood. It is good reading for a city of government.

Dostoevsky considered "Les Miserables" superior to "Crime and Punishment."

Soldiers in the American Civil War carried copies of it; some Confederates called themselves "Les Miserables." In the 19th century, when electricity knew its place (lightning, the telegraph, a bit of lightning), there was, mercifully, no broadcasting.

Books were popular entertainment, in part because the masses were learning to read, a dangerous development that fostered the spread of journalism and other problems.

But best of all, the novel is so good that some novels were considered gigantic public acts. When the revolutionary Paris commune was declared in 1871, a lot of anti-revolutionary Belgians besieged Hugo in Brussels shouting "Down with Victor Hugo! Down with Jean Valjean!"

As an intellectual in politics, Hugo exemplified the modern ideal of "engagement," and the unity of theory and practice. In 1885, his coffin lay under the Arc de Triomphe, which was draped in black crepe. Two million Parisians turned out for the movement of the coffin to the Pantheon. Never before or since has a nation given to a person of literature such honors normally accorded only to political or military leaders.

It was a fitting tribute to a man who proved that the pen, as much as the sword, can be an instrument of epic action.

George Will writes for Newsweek.

Democrats vote Aspin out of post

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats voted narrowly Wednesday to oust Rep. Les Aspin as chairman of the Armed Services Committee, a defeat caused by Aspin's support of the Reagan administration on the MX nuclear missile and aid to the Nicaraguan Contras.

However, no successor to Aspin was elected, meaning he could rally and win back the chairmanship when the issue is finally decided in the caucus.

Wisconsin Democrat was voted out, 130-124, by a secret ballot only two years after he won the powerful post by engineering the ouster of the long-time chairman of the panel.

Aspin was the only chairman voted out as the Democrats, who hold a majority of 258 seats in the 435-member House, approved all the other chairmen of the House standing committees for new two-year terms.

The vote by the caucus now sends the issue back to the Democrats' House Policy and Steering Committee, which will propose one or more candidates for the chairmanship when the caucus meets again Jan. 22.

Several Democrats on Armed Services Committee are likely to be contenders for the spot. They include Reps. Marvin Leath of Texas, Charles Bennett of Florida, Patricia Schroeder of Colorado, and Nicholas Mavroules of Massachusetts.

"The message here was 'Don't mess with the liberals,'" said Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., one of the liberals who stuck with Aspin.

Democratic liberals in the House were angered over the past two years when Aspin backed President Reagan's plan to build the 10-wathead MX missile and provide military aid to the anti-Nicaraguan rebels.

Rep. Robert Mrazek, D-N.Y., said, "It's a confidence-no confidence vote in Les Aspin and the margin here has clearly been a lot of disgruntled liberals. A lot of the liberals felt he told them one thing on the MX and the Contras and then voted the other way."

Aspin, 48, was first elected to Congress in 1970 after spending two years in the Army and serving for a time at the Pentagon as the one of the civilian "whiz kids" brought to the Defense Department in the early 1960s by former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara.

Two years ago Aspin won the chairmanship by ousting the frail and aging Rep. Melvin Price of Illinois. Price was first voted out as chairman by a 121-116 margin and Aspin was then elected by beating Bennett, 125-109.

Shuttle pilot's family free to sue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The family of Challenger shuttle pilot Michael J. Smith, unwilling to accept a reported settlement of at least \$1 million reached by the government with each of four other astronaut families, is now free to file suit in federal court.

A six-month period for the government to act on the Smith family's \$15.1 million negligence claim expires Thursday and a space agency lawyer, Edward

Frankle, said "we haven't reached agreement."

The Smith claim was the only one filed by the families of the seven astronauts who died in the explosion of the space shuttle on Jan. 28, 1986.

But in late December, the families of school teacher Christa McAuliffe and three other astronauts accepted financial settlements of "all potential claims."

Iran holds 2nd U.S. citizen

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department disclosed Wednesday that a second American citizen is in prison in Iran, but it refused to provide details of the case.

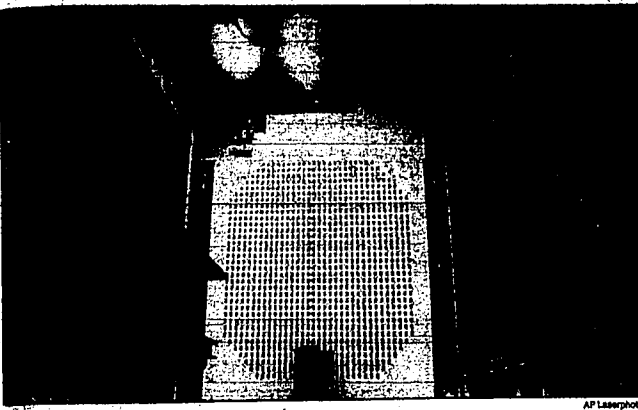
Phyllis Oakley, deputy spokeswoman, said the prisoner and his family had requested that his identity and the circumstances of his arrest not be publicized.

She said the American was jailed in October, 1984. Other sources said he was a businessman.

The United States has no diplomatic relations with Iran. The Swiss embassy, acting for the U.S. government, requested permission for a Swiss diplomat to meet with the prisoner but was turned down, Mrs. Oakley said.

The Swiss have made several attempts and will continue in the effort, she said.

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The N Reactor at Hanford, similar to Chernobyl, will undergo \$50 million in improvements

Hanford reactor shuts down for 6-month safety overhaul

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — The Hanford nuclear reservation's aging N Reactor, the only one in the United States similar in design to Chernobyl, was shut down Wednesday for six months while it undergoes \$50 million in safety improvements.

Technicians inserted neutron-absorbing control rods into the N Reactor's core to stop the nuclear chain reaction and allow the boiling water to cool down.

The 1,530 employees of UNC Nuclear Industries who operate the reactor for the U.S. Department of Energy will begin routine maintenance and repairs while waiting for the agency to draw up a schedule for the safety modifications, said UNC spokesman Steve Irish.

The Energy Department won't

have a plan of proposed safety modifications until the end of January, after meetings with senior UNC officials, Irish said. The reactor, the only U.S. reactor similar to the Soviet Chernobyl plant that was rocked by an explosion and fire in April, will be shut down for at least six months so that safety improvements can be made.

The shutdown means every major plutonium-producing facility on the 570-square-mile reservation is closed for safety reasons. Two plants that extract and process plutonium from the N Reactor's irradiated fuel rods were ordered to close in October.

The Energy Department should begin looking for a replacement to the unique graphite-moderated, water-cooled N Reactor, which pro-

duces plutonium for nuclear weapons and steam to generate electricity, said Louis H. Roddis Jr., a consulting engineer and former president of Consolidated Edison of New York who helped design the Nautilus, the nation's first atomic-powered submarine.

Roddis, who was hired by the Energy Department to conduct an independent safety analysis of the N Reactor after the Chernobyl disaster in the Soviet Union, recommended replacing the reactor with a more modern facility.

Roddis concluded that swelling of the reactor's graphite shielding will render it inoperative sometime in the early 1990s. Safety modifications are being made to keep the reactor running until then.

Taped whistle investigated

CHASE, Md. (AP) — Federal investigators said Wednesday that they wanted to know why tape was placed over a warning whistle in the cab of a Conrail locomotive that otherwise might have helped prevent a fatal crash with an Amtrak train.

Representatives of the National Transportation Safety Board were expected to question Conrail engineer R.L. Gates and another surviving crew member in Baltimore about Sunday's crash, which killed 15 people and injured more than 170.

Gates' attorney, Stephen Tully, said that the Conrail engineer was questioned under oath for more than two hours, answering questions about the warning whistle and whether advance signal lights told him to slow down.

An NTSB committee said the warning whistle in the lead Conrail engine cab was taped, but Gates denied that the whistle was taped over, Tully said.

Train crew members sometime silence or muffle the whistle, which essentially duplicates the function of cab signal lights, to avoid the annoyance, according to some

engineers. According to Tully, Gates also testified that the first overhead signal about two miles from the crash site told him to proceed at normal speed and it was not until he reached the second signal about 500 feet from the accident site that he was told to stop.

"He knew something was inconsistent between the two lights and he put the brakes on and was in the process of stopping completely when he was hit," Tully said.

Gates estimated the train was going about 4 to 5 mph when the crash occurred, according to Tully. Federal investigators say the train would appear to have been traveling at about 30 mph when the brakes were applied. The Amtrak train was going about 100 mph en route from Washington to Boston and Springfield, Mass.

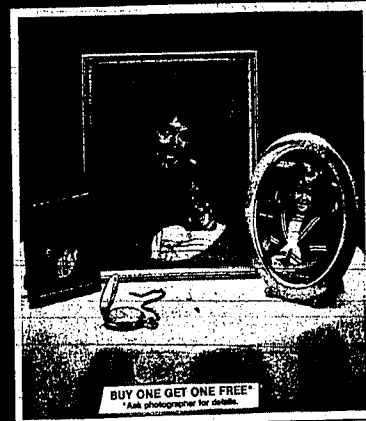
Amtrak spokesman Clifford Black said all trains between Washington and New York were operating as of Wednesday morning but were still being held to 30 mph through the crash area at a switching point

where four tracks converge into two for the bridge over the Gunpowder River.

The Federal Railroad Administration said Wednesday that it would seek maximum civil penalties against Amtrak because the railroad failed to test surviving crew members for drugs and alcohol after the crash, as required under a regulation that went into effect about a year ago. The maximum penalty is \$2,500 per violation for each of the crew members not tested.

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North allegedly managed Contra funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lt. Col. Oliver L. North, while overseeing a network to assist Nicaraguan rebels the past two years, managed cash and other funds out of his National Security Council office to pay for Contra expenses, according to sources in the administration and the aid network.

One well-placed administration official said that North had begun "Christmas time 1984," North even used his office safe to store cash which North said was "for the Contras."

The official, who insisted on anonymity, said North had begun collecting money from private donors for the Contras in October and November 1984 and put "the money in his office, in his safe drawer." The official said he believed North used his safe "before he could set up bank accounts" for the funds.

The official said "money was passing through." North's office to pay for Contra expenses, but did not know how much or precisely what it was spent on.

Other sources, interviewed by the Associated Press, claimed to have been told by principals in the Contra support network that they were receiving cash from the NSC during 1985 when North was the NSC official in charge of contact with the Contras.

Last year, the AP reported that North used intermediaries to manage an aid network which provided the Contras with money, advice and weapons.

At the time, Congress had barred the Reagan administration from "directly or indirectly" assisting the Contras militarily. The White House has denied violating that ban.

A White House official, stressing that he had no knowledge of North's storing cash in his NSC safe, did say, speaking "hypothetically," that it would not necessarily be improper



LT. COL. OLIVER NORTH
Sources claim NSC used

for a White House office to be used to manage or disburse money, so long as the reason for the disbursement was legal.

The official was speaking for the administration, but asked that his name not be used.

North was fired Nov. 25 for his role last year in diverting profits from secret Iranian arms sales to the Contras, although congressional investigators say they still don't know how much money from Swiss bank accounts controlled by North actually went to aid the rebels.

One administration official said North's safe used to store the Contra money in 1984 coincidentally was the same one where \$1,000 in cash was put after it was given to Reagan's first national security adviser, Richard V. Allen, by two Japanese journalists in January 1981.

Although North's use of Allen's safe to store Contra funds could not be independently confirmed, North was one of three military officers

detailed to the NSC who discovered the Allen money on Sept. 15, 1981, according to two White House sources. Allen was cleared of any wrongdoing, although the controversy contributed to his resignation early in 1982.

One American involved in the Contra aid network, Jack Terrell, said Wednesday that he was told by Robert W. Owen in January 1985 that Owen carried \$10,000 a month in cash from the NSC to John Hull, an American farmer living in northern Costa Rica, who assisted the Nicaraguan rebels.

Owen has since been identified by administration and Contra sources as a key intermediary between North and the rebels. Hull has been described by Terrell and others as a liaison to the CIA.

Terrell, then field commander of the paramilitary group, Civilian Military Assistance, said Owen and Hull proposed sending a team of private American military trainers to work with rebels trying to organize a "southern front" in Costa Rica.

Terrell said he asked Owen about money and "Owen stated that he drew \$10,000 a month and carried it to John Hull in Costa Rica and that money was no object. We could get more if we need it."

"I asked, 'Where did the money come from?' He stated, 'from the NSC.' I said, 'What is that?' He said, 'You don't know Ollie?' I said, 'Ollie who?' He said 'Ollie North at the National Security Council,' and I said, 'No.'"

North and Owen have invoked their Fifth Amendment protection against self-incrimination when called to testify before Congress. Repeated attempts to contact the two were unsuccessful. Hull has denied receiving money from the NSC and said he gave the Contras "strictly humanitarian" assistance. But others involved in the rebel

movement also cited actual or probable payments from the NSC. Peter Gilberry and Steven Carr, according to two White House sources, were cleared of any wrongdoing, although the controversy contributed to his resignation early in 1982.

A Nicaraguan rebel source, who asked not to be identified, said that in July 1985, North promised Adolfo "Popo" Chamorro, then second-in-command to Edes Pastora in the Costa Rican-based rebel group ARDE, \$50,000 in cash if he broke with the mercurial Pastora and took command of Pastora's troops.

The rebel source said Chamorro accepted North's offer, but the agreement later collapsed and no money was actually paid.

Another Nicaraguan involved in rebel political activities said conservative fund-raiser, Carl "Spitz" Channell, who worked with North developing political and financial support for the rebels, obtained cash from North's office about a year ago for a Contra fund-raising activity.

In an interview last month, Channell denied receiving any Iranian money and minimized his relationship with North. But he has refused to answer reporters' telephone calls since then.

A private American who worked with North on Contra activities in early 1985 said North maintained a list of about 50 wealthy Reagan backers who donated to the rebel cause. The source, speaking anonymously, said North personally solicited the money.

Report reviewed

WASHINGTON (AP) — At least four Reagan administration officials were allowed to review and change by the administration of suggest changes in the Senate Intelligence Committee's final draft report on the Iran-Contra arms deals that could damage the panel said Wednesday.

"It was inappropriate that committee will review the report, there were White House people possibly re-draft it, and make it present at the final editing session some time next week. But one of this document" late last Boren said the document will week, said Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., adding that he had deleted from the committee directed aides to compare early report with a five-page description of the report with the final version of a July 1985 meeting version to determine what had been deleted. Bush and Amiram Nir.

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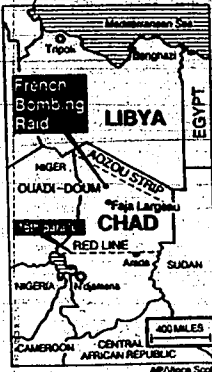
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France attacks Libyan bases in Chad



PARIS (AP) — French warplanes attacked Libyan air defense and radar installations in northern Chad on Wednesday.

Soviet-made MIG fighter-bombers of Col. Moammar Gadhafi's air force struck back hours later with a raid on Chadian government forces.

The French Defense Ministry said the French raid was an retaliation for a weekend Libyan air attack on the government-held southern half of the divided African nation, a former French colony.

A ministry statement gave no details of the midday French raid on the "important desert" base at Ouadi-Douma, saying only that it had "neutralized" the Libyan radar installations.

Chad's ambassador in Paris, Ahmed Allam-Mi, said Libyan MIGs attacked a government post in southern Chad hours after the French operation. He provided no information on damage to the post.

Allam-Mi criticized the French

raid as "too timid" and asserted that the Libyans could replace the destroyed radar equipment "within a few hours."

French Defense Minister Andre Giraud said in a television interview that the Libyans struck the Chad government post four hours after the French raid, but he said the Libyan strike "was probably prepared prior to the French attack."

Allam-Mi confirmed the Libyan attack on the government outpost at Kouba Oulanga, 40 miles south of a line held by French forces.

Giraud said the French attack was designed to show Libya the "accuracy and effectiveness" of the French-supplied Jaguar fighter-bombers without escalating the conflict into an all-out war between France and Libya.

There have been suggestions in the French press that Libya's weekend raid on southern Chad was meant to test France's willingness to directly

engage its forces in the fighting between forces loyal to the Chadian government — of President Hissene Habre on one side and Libyan troops and their Chadian rebel allies on the other.

Chad borders Libya, and Libya claims a sector of northern Chad.

The French news agency, Agence France Presse, quoting what it called reliable sources, said about 10 Jaguars based in N'Djamena and Bangui, Central African Republic, carried out Wednesday's attack, firing Martel anti-radar missiles at their targets.

The French Defense Ministry did not say what kind of firepower was used.

In Washington, the White House expressed support for the French strike.

"We have expressed general support for the French role in Chad and we continue to do so in this case," spokesman Larry Speakes said.

Quake rocks northwestern China

PEKING (AP) — A strong earthquake shook the northwest Xinjiang region near the Soviet border, causing some injuries and destroying houses near the epicenter, the official Xinhua News Agency reported Wednesday.

The earthquake measured 5.3 on the Richter scale and was centered

near Balchong county, about 950 miles from the frontier, the report said. It occurred at just before 7 a.m. Tuesday.

"Few people have been reported injured," Xinhua said. It gave no details and did not say how many houses were destroyed.

Chinese claim Vietnamese troops 'wiped out'

PEKING (AP) — Chinese frontier guards drove back several Vietnamese attacks across the border, destroying a company of Vietnamese soldiers Wednesday and "wiping out" another 200 enemy troops, the Chinese news agency reported.

The official Vietnam News Agency report, monitored in Bangkok, reported that 500 attacking Chinese troops were killed or wounded early Monday in fighting along the rugged border. It claimed Wednesday that Peking was making "intensive preparations" for new invasions.

Neither Communist country mentioned casualties to its own forces, and the conflicting claims could not be independently verified. The two sides rarely allow foreign journalists to visit their 800-mile border, scene of several reported skirmishes since Chinese troops briefly invaded Vietnam in 1979.

China's official Xinhua News Agency, quoting unidentified military sources, said Chinese frontier guards in Yunnan had repulsed repeated Vietnamese attacks since Vietnam's news agency had claimed that an artillery-backed Chinese army division tried to seize four hillsides in Vietnam's northern highlands of Vi Xuyen district in Ha

Tuyen province. Two Chinese regiments were "decimated" in the fighting early Monday, it said.

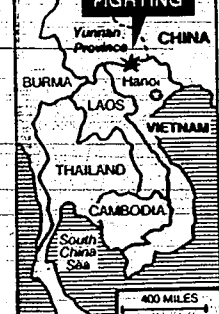
The Vietnam news agency Wednesday vowed that Hanoi was determined to defend "every inch of the sacred territory of the motherland." It claimed China was reorganizing and modernizing its forces "while making painstaking preparations" for new invasions.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Ma Yuzhen, in his country's first confirmation of the fighting, said Wednesday, "Over the past few days, the provocations against China made by the Vietnamese troops have met with forceful countermeasures" from the Chinese frontier guards.

As of 7 a.m. Monday, Chinese frontier guards had "wiped out" 200 Vietnamese troops, the news agency said. The report, the first in the Chinese press about the latest border fighting, did not say what it meant by "wiped out."

"This morning, a Vietnamese company was annihilated," Xinhua said, without providing a number of casualties. "The fighting was still going on when this story was filed," it said.

Vietnam's news agency had claimed 500 Chinese casualties were inflicted when an artillery-backed Chinese army division tried to seize four hillsides in Vietnam's northern highlands of Vi Xuyen district in Ha



State papers say protests harm China

PEKING (AP) — The official media pressed its attack on pro-democracy demonstrations Wednesday, saying students who participated in recent marches were challenging Communist Party leadership.

Sources reported that Peking University students Tuesday burned copies of the People's Daily, the official voice of the Communist Party, in front of the school's philosophy department, the second such act of defiance against the state-run press.

Monday, about 500 cheering students at the university burned copies of the Peking Daily, a city government publication they said had been least accurate in reporting recent unrest.

Protest marches last Thursday and Friday in Peking were staged in defiance of a city regulation banning demonstrations that did not have prior police approval.

Asked why the government did not severely punish students who marched in Tiananmen Square, Foreign Ministry spokesman Ma Yuzhen said at a news briefing, "We have taken the approach of education with regard to the small number of students taking part in the demonstration."

He did not elaborate.

State-run newspapers ran front-page reports Wednesday quoting prominent legal officials and experts as saying the protests have harmed China and that "bourgeois liberalization" should be opposed.

O'Connor meets pope

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Cardinal John O'Connor, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of New York, met Wednesday with Pope John Paul II two days after arriving from a Middle East tour.

No details of the 90-minute luncheon meeting were released in keeping with Vatican policy on private audiences. The cardinal's secretary, Monsignor John McCarthy, said there would be no comment.

O'Connor told reporters Tuesday that he would brief the pope on his trip to Israel and Jordan.

The cardinal became the center of controversy last week when he agreed to meet Israeli leaders in their Jerusalem offices. The Vatican called him to cancel the meetings because the Holy See does not recognize the city as Israel's capital.

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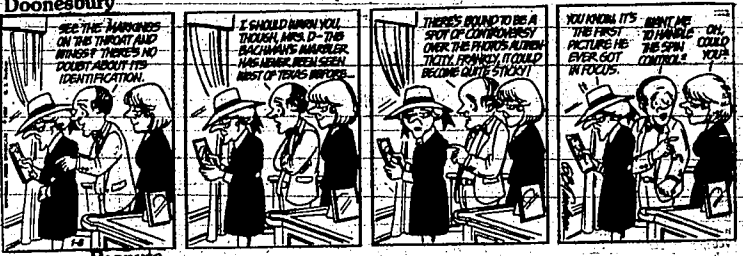
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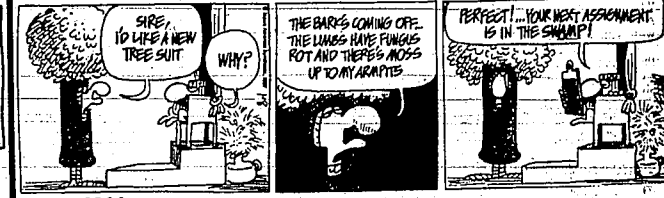
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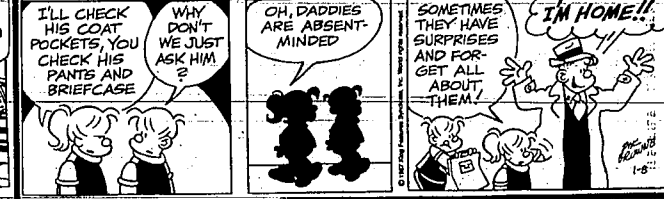
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L.M. Boyd
What's what

The dogs in Idaho

Writes a Boise client: "You say dogs were first domesticated in Idaho. Undoubtedly. Almost every dog in the state has its own gunracked pickup truck with a driver in a Coor's Beer cap."

Did I say Ransom Eli Olds was the only man who had two cars named after him? What a honor! Count 'em: Henry J. Kaiser — the Henry J and the Kaiser. Robert Craig Hupp — the Hupmobile, RCH and Hupp-Yeats. Harry C. Stutz — the Stutz

and HCS. Albert A. Pope — the Pope Hartford, Pope Toledo, Pope Wabash, Pope Tribune and Pope Robinson, all distinctly separate cars. Walter Flanders — Flanders Six, Flanders Electric, Flanders two, again distinctly separate cars. May I stop now?

CHINESE CHARACTER

Q. Best known Chinese character in America was really a Swede. Name him.

A. You mean the actor Warner Oland? When he wasn't playing Earl Digger's Charlie Chan, he was

playing Sax Rohmer's Dr. Fu-Manchu.

"To remove a wart, apply to it twice daily for 10 days the white sap of milkweed. Wart gone. No scar." A client insists it works. Let me know if he's right.

Popularity of mixed drinks differs from city to city. The Margarita is big in Dallas, gin and tonic the same in Baltimore, scotch and soda likewise in Chicago.

SMALL PRINT

Carl Albert, that legislator of renown, said: "Education is what you get from reading the small print. Experience is what you get from not reading it."

On March 22, 1955, the police in

Long Beach, Calif., arrested two men: Henry Ford, for driving without a license, and I.W. Harper, for drunkenness.

Wars, too, bring out new words. Take "World War I. It introduced "barrage," "camouflage," "convoy," "sabotage," "tank," "no man's land," "digging in" and "civvy."

If you're under age 30, please take note of what's going to happen to your nose. Medicine say it will grow half an inch longer by the time you're 75.

High heels are going out, I'm told. Fewer than half as many women wear them now as wore them five years ago.

Hong Kong has 28 McDonalds.

Daily Horoscope

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Implement those new ideas that you have been considering by putting them into detailed and practical execution. Financial plans get successful after 20 days.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): A fine day to get all of your affairs better organized. Proceed without fear and be safe.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): Make sure to get your health and appearance improved so that you can make your activities more successful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Get in touch with successful advisors and gain the knowledge you need to prosper at a personal level.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): You can get good suggestions from your friends today. Utilize them wisely for fine results.

LEO (July 22 to August 21): A good day to be more active in business. Go to an influential person for a favor and get it easily.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 23): You can make sales or purchases with or from those in the same line of work as you. Be happy today.

SCORPIO (October 24 to November 21): Know what it is that your associates desire and assist them in their needs. You will get reciprocal support.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21): If you persevere in your endeavors, you can make this a profitable and satisfying Thursday.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 20): The amusements you

desire should be practical. Be sure to do something thoughtful for your mate.

AQUARIUS (January 21 to February 19): Study your abode and see how you can make it more attractive. Invite guests in tonight.

PISCES (February 20 to March 20): Be sure to reply to important letters. Be clever in making-out statements. Precision is the key today.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will always look on the practical side of any situation. Your child will want to get all the facts before taking on any project. Teach this one to study the motives of others before joining with them. There is musical talent here that will need nurturing.

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

RAIDERS AT THE SHED
READ CAROL TAMO
ARTS TWOBASE HIT
TOST DOWN STEALS
EVERY STOP
SERIES SPINSTER
ERIE LACE REO
ROB TYWIN BIRL
USO AHERA ADLE
METICIOUS SMILES
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People

Outgoing Nebraska governor hopes for humility

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Gov. Bob Kerrey, who enjoyed high popularity ratings throughout his four-year term, said Wednesday he hopes to become "a bit more humble" after he leaves office and plans to become a partner in a New Jersey-based investment banking company.

Kerrey, a Democrat whose term ends Thursday, said he also will re-establish his business ventures, including a restaurant chain, that were placed in trust several years ago. In addition, he said, he will teach classes at Omaha Central High School and at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

At a news conference, Kerrey said he felt gratitude for the opportunity to serve as governor. "I am more in love with the people of Nebraska than I was when I started," he said.

Kerrey said he'll join the investment banking firm of Princeton, Kane in Short Hills, N.J. The company, which wants to expand in the West, already has opened an office in Lincoln.

Earlier Wednesday, Kerrey said on NBC's "Today" show he was leaving office because he "had to try to find some way to serve in a way that enabled me to be a bit more humble." "And it's not an easy thing to do when you're a politician."

W magazine says Nixon 'in,' Cajun food's 'out'

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Cosby may be television's top dad. But, according to W magazine, Cosby is one of 1987's "outs."

But he's in good company. Also on the "out" list are actors Harrison Ford, Rob Lowe and Sam Shepard. Atop the "in" list are Richard Nixon, Paul Hogan and Elizabeth Taylor.

Forget eating Cajun food in 1987, the magazine says in its 15th annual "What's In, What's Out" list.

What's in this year is plain old American food like roast chicken, waffles and corn on the cob.

Thinking of going to Paris even in the springtime? It's very out, they say. Go for Hot Springs, Ark., instead.

W magazine is the consumer edition of Women's Wear Daily, a trade newspaper for the fashion and clothing industries.

Peace writers, artists honor Nobel recipient

NEW YORK (AP) — Several hun-

California man says honesty put him in jail

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — A California man who voluntarily made a special trip here to take care of a 6-year-old traffic ticket, spent 2 1/2 hours behind bars and was released only when he put up \$50 bail.

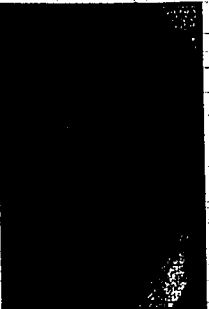
"What reward does an honest person have?" asked Douglas Quirnbach, 38, of Van Nuys.

"Another victim of the bureaucracy" was the way Police Chief Ron Cochran summed up the situation, when he heard about the case.

When Quirnbach walked into the police station Tuesday to settle the old ticket for not carrying a driver's license, he was arrested on an outstanding warrant for not appearing in court to answer the charge.

Without knowing all the facts, Cochran said it sounded as though the officers did everything properly and according to regulations.

"We've got to figure out a better way to deal with these bench warrants," he said. "There are probably millions of people in the world with



BILL COSBY
Joins Lowe on W's 'out' list

dred artists, writers and statesmen gathered to honor Elie Wiesel, the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize-winning writer, teacher, and human rights advocate.

Wiesel, presented Tuesday evening with a "Distinguished Achievement Award" by Writers and Artists for Peace in the Middle East, said of the honor, "It's very gratifying because it comes from my peers, from other artists."

"But the main thing is that we are trying to put our art in the service of peace, that is our unifying factor," he said.

Leonard Bernstein presented the achievement award to Wiesel.

More than 200 people were entertained with songs sung by Roberta Peters and James McCracken. Concert pianist Misha Dichter performed, and actor Jason Robards read from the introduction of one of Wiesel's books, "Night."

The 58-year-old American peace laureate was born in Romania and survived the Nazi death camps. He's the author of some 20 novels and books of essays, many on the Holocaust.

Wayne Newton signs with Las Vegas Hilton

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Entertainer Wayne Newton, who won a \$12-million libel judgment against NBC three weeks ago, has signed a long-term contract with the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel.

Newton, who has recently been



MAYOR ED KOCH
2nd visa try successful

performing at Billy's Grand Hotel, will begin his first engagement at the Hilton Jan. 20, the hotel announced Tuesday.

Newton, a native of Roanoke, Va.,

grew up in Phoenix and began entertaining in Las Vegas as a teen-ager.

He filed suit against NBC in 1981 after a series of telecasts linking him to organized crime figures. A federal court jury awarded him \$10.2 million following an eight-week trial that ended in mid-December.

NBC officials have said they will appeal the verdict.

Koch gets OK to visit birth place of parents

NEW YORK (AP) — Mayor Edward I. Koch has received permission to visit Poland, the birthplace of his parents, later this month, a spokesman for the mayor said.

Koch received permission Tuesday from the Polish leader, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, according to the mayor's press secretary, George Artz.

He said the mayor and a party of about 10 people would leave for Hungary and Poland on Jan. 22 for a 10-day visit.

Koch's first visa application was denied. However, he appealed to Jaruzelski and was successful.

Disc fragments removed from Paula Hawkins' back

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Former U.S. Sen. Paula Hawkins of Florida was recovering Wednesday from an operation on her lower back in which doctors removed fragments of a disc that were causing her pain, her husband said.

"She's doing pretty well . . ." Gene Hawkins said after his wife underwent four hours of surgery Tuesday at Duke University Medical Center.

Doctors also took bones from her hip and fused two sets of vertebrae in her back, Hawkins said.

Mrs. Hawkins, 59, has complained of chronic back pain since a television backdrop fell on her at an Orlando, Fla., station in 1982. She spent 32 days at the medical center last spring.

Mrs. Hawkins will probably remain hospitalized for eight to 12 days before returning to her Winter Park, Fla., home, her husband said.

Mrs. Hawkins, a former Republican senator, lost the U.S. Senate race to Democratic Gov. Bob Graham in the Nov. 4 election.

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DAILY AT 9:00 P.M.

JEROME CINEMA
4TH BIG WEEK
PAUL HOGAN IS
Cradle DUNDEE
DAILY: 7:00-9:20
SAT: SUN: 1:00-3:20
8:20-10:20

HELD OVER!
HEARTBREAK RIDGE
CLINT EASTWOOD
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SOMEWHERE ON EARTH...
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THE VOYAGE HOME
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America's Biggest Item in
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Lady and the TRAMP
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Schraft resigns from hospital district board

By TERRELL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

Lack of liability insurance a factor

GOODING — Elmer Schraft, the man who has headed the various boards in charge of the new Gooding County Hospital Taxing District, has declined to serve on the latest reorganization of the board, citing time constraints and a lack of liability coverage for board members.

"With my work load, I don't feel I have the time," Schraft said Tuesday after his resignation was announced at the district board meeting.

"As an accountant approaching his busy season, he must spend more time with his clients and will not be able to devote enough time to the hospital district board," he said.

"Also, he said, the board will be making a lot of decisions real fast and there is no errors-and-omissions insurance for the board members. Schraft said he was "not too pleased" with this liability exposure.

especially with the need to move ahead quickly with hospital business.

Insurance that covered the former Gooding County Hospital Board does not cover the new board.

Schraft was first appointed to the seven-person district board when it was named in July and served as its chairman. In a legal and organizational maneuver, that board resigned and the County Commissioners renamed members to the Interim Hospital Board of Directors. Again Schraft was chairman.

That board was dissolved by the commissioners last week and Schraft was reappointed to the hospital district board, but was not present when commissioners swore in board members last week.

At the district board meeting Tuesday, the remaining members decided not to elect

board officers until Schraft's vacant seat is filled.

County Commissioner Bob Thackeray said he and other commissioners hope to appoint another Wendell area resident to the board by Monday.

However, members did begin to tackle other pressing business related to the new hospital district.

The district board talked about preparation of a lease of the hospital and Walker ACT Center from the county. The lease would give control of the hospital to the district board.

Fred Decker, an attorney for the county, advised that, since the hospital taxing district is still experimental, the commissioners should not sell or give the hospital to the district. A lease agreement would be best, he said. Then if the district venture

fails, the property would still belong to the county.

The board agreed to request management proposals for the hospital.

Gale Aker, manager of the Walker Center and St. Benedict's in Jerome will not make a joint-management offer as anticipated.

Thackeray said Holy Cross Hospital of Salt Lake City and Holy Corp. of America, which already manages Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, are two companies willing to make management proposals right away.

If one of these two offers is not accepted by the board, the Hospital Corp. of America Psychiatric Co., based in Nashville, Tenn., will make a management proposal.

The latter company plans to buy and manage the Walker Center, but is not particularly anxious to manage the adjoining hospital, Aker said.

Thackeray predicted a management company for the hospital will be selected within the next two weeks. A special meeting of the taxing district board may be held to make the selection as soon as possible, he said.

The hospital is temporarily being managed by the commissioners, since the hospital board of directors resigned.

Gary Phelps of First Security Bank of Gooding, said the hospital notes of \$150,000 do and needs to be renewed. Interest on the note but nothing has been paid on the principle, Phelps said. The renewal agreement should arrange payment of the principle in full within a year, he said.

Decker said the bank should wait until the district board receives the lease and control of the hospital.

The taxing district, approved by voters last May, is allowed to collect up to \$150,000 per year.

Representatives of two separate committees will meet Tuesday.

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Tort reform may not lower insurance rates, says McClure

By PAT MARCANTONIO
Times-News writer



Ken McClure, liability reform proponent, said it may take years to see the effects of proposed tort reform legislation.

TWIN FALLS — The rising cost of liability insurance is a symptom of a tort system in need of reform, Idaho Liability Reform Coalition coordinator Ken McClure told members of the Twin Falls Rotary Club on Wednesday.

But, following the meeting, McClure told The Times-News he couldn't predict whether liability insurance rates would decrease if the coalition's tort reform bill was adopted by the state Legislature.

He didn't mean to imply in his speech that the proposed bill would result in decreased rates, he said. Such a "dangling carrot" would create expectation.

"It may take years before the effects of such tort reform legislation is known," McClure said.

The insurance industry is cyclic, he said. Last year businesses and others couldn't obtain any quotes for liability insurance coverage. Now the market has loosened up.

"Discussion of liability insurance was a big part of McClure's speech, in which he sought support for the coalition's proposal for reforming the tort system, in which people seek reimbursement for a wrong or injury.

The coalition was started last summer by "purchasers of insurance" who encountered large increases in premiums. Among the 85 members in the coalition are the Amalgamated Sugar Co., Idaho Hospital Association, Idaho Food, the city of Raier, the Sun Valley Co. and the Idaho Risk and Insurance Management Society.

Premiums were only the symptoms of "abuses" in the tort system, said McClure, a Boise attorney and the son of U.S. Sen. James McClure, R-Idaho.

Blame for the high rates experienced by everyone has been laid by some groups solely at the feet of the insurance industry — which, they claim, is out to "line their pockets."

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Idaho Liability Reform Coalition coordinator

said McClure, the coalition's lobbyist, coordinator and "strategist."

The large premiums were due, in part, to a rebound from "cut-throat" competition among the companies years ago, when the rate on investments was high, he said. In addition, companies "miscalculated" losses associated with providing liability coverage.

Tort reform will provide a "handle" on predicting risks, he said.

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The coalition's bill would eliminate joint-and-several liability, in which a defendant in a multi-defendant case could be liable for the entire amount of damages if negligence is found.

If a person is found 50-percent negligent, he or she may end up paying 100 percent, McClure said.

Under the law, a defendant may seek reimbursement from the other defendants.

The coalition is also seeking a cap on non-economic damages, such as pain and suffering and loss of companionship, through a formula involving age and income.

Non-economic damages are not "measurable by dollars," and contain the potential for "windfalls," McClure said. But he noted that large damages in that area are infrequent in Idaho.

"The coalition bill would also require a court order to allow plaintiffs to seek punitive damages — meant to punish or deter — for outrageous behavior. Plaintiffs would have to provide convincing evidence of such punitive damage claim."

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Ketchum hikes ambulance fees

By RUSSELL WHITING
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Ketchum City Council members voted Monday to hike ambulance service rates for northern Blaine County in a move to cut down on subsidy payments and bring prices in line with rates elsewhere in Southern Idaho.

The council voted unanimously to raise the basic rate for ambulance transport from \$90 per trip to \$125 after members were presented with a survey of ambulance rates from other cities in Southern Idaho.

"We are just bringing our rates in

to the ballpark with other cities who are really much higher," said City Administrator Jim Jaquet. "We just think there should be one rate for the whole county."

The survey showed that ambulance transport costs in other cities range from \$150 in Ada County to \$375 for a non-resident in Pocatello.

Currently the city operates the ambulance service with a subsidy budget of \$174,000. In the past year the service operated with approximately a \$100,000 deficit.

Jaquet said the new fee schedule will ease the burden placed on the

cities of Ketchum and Sun Valley, which share the expense of the service.

"I don't know of any city that operates an ambulance service where government does not have to subsidize the service somehow," Jaquet said.

Other fees in the new schedule include: a \$30 standby fee; a \$2 per mile, mileage adjustment; \$5 for a disposable blanket and \$10 for each bandage.

The cities currently operate two ambulances with an average response time of five minutes.

Jerome eyes Sunday liquor sales

By TERESA Z. TAYLOR
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The Jerome City Council is considering alcoholic beverages legislation allowing the sale of liquor by the drink on Sunday.

A public hearing has been set for the Feb. 3 council meeting to give city residents the chance to voice their opinions on the matter. The hearing is scheduled for 6 p.m. at City Hall.

"Selling liquor by the drink on Sunday is a sales deal only," said city officials. "The proposed ordinance that would allow Sunday liquor sales will not be affected by the decision."

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day within the county limits, said Mayor Ralph Peters at a Tuesday night council meeting.

The city of Jerome, "the Sunday sale of alcoholic beverages," the Sunday sale of liquor by the drink on Sunday.

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Burley defends utility policy to customer

By RONDA TAYLOR
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — The Burley City Council defended its utility policy at its Monday night meeting.

A residential utility customer demanded that the Burley City Council refund his year-old utility deposit, despite the fact that he had received four delinquent notices throughout that time.

"I don't have a question, I just want my deposit back," John Ellis, a mallman, told the council. However, councilmen upheld their utility deposit policy, although they agreed to meet with Ellis later and reach an agreement as to when his deposit would be returned.

Ellis insisted that he had always paid his city utility bills on time before moving one year

ago from the Goosecreek Apartments to his current address at 1616 Albin Ave.

He said that when his wife paid the required deposit she was told by a city employee that the money would be refunded after a year's time period. Both he and his wife were unaware until they did not receive a refunded deposit that city policy is to credit the deposit back to accounts which have been paid without delinquency for 12 months, he said.

Ellis said that prior to a change in city utility policy he had always made early payments to receive a 10 percent discount previously awarded for early payments. He told the council he discontinued paying city utility bills early once the discount was abolished.

A utility policy adopted in April 1985 eliminated the 10 percent

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CD buying, selling a matter of terms

Diana Hooley
Country neighbors

It was a dark room walled with silver knobs, buttons, and tabs and lit by metallic track lights. I felt like I had just entered the 21st century.

"Now, um, I'd like to know a little bit more about these compact disc players," I told the salesman.

"You can't beat the sound, it's as pure as..."

"Heaven?"

"Yeah. Yeah. That's right, ma'am." He gave a polite chuckle.

"What I mean to say is that the sound is as clear as..."

"A bell?"

"Well yes, that too, but what I'm trying to say is the sound is as good as..."

"Gold?"

"No ma'am, your speakers. The sound is as good as your speakers are."

"uh... Was this salesman getting frustrated with me already? It

usually took longer than this.

"But how does it work?" I asked, pointing to the mysterious black box called a compact disc player. "Give me one in there?" I have a healthy curiosity and an even healthier suspicious nature.

"Well, it's pretty complicated."

The old put-off line. Well, I wasn't going to let this salesman get away with that. I wasn't about to buy something I knew nothing about. I'm not a crazed consumer whose only reason for living is to spend, spend, spend! Especially after Christmas, my husband would kill me. I just needed some basic information about this machine, so I could be justified in my purchase. Besides, music is important. At the time, those sounded like good enough

reasons to harass the salesman.

"Let me see... how can I explain to you how a compact disc player works?" My salesman looked thoughtful.

"...do you know much about electronics?"

"I know how to plug in a lamp."

"...uh... hm... I can see we'll have to try another approach. Standing there with his head in his hands I thought he looked just like that statue called 'The Thinker' except he had all his clothes on."

"You see miss, what happens is... The salesman turned his hands up and wiggled his fingers like he was scratching the air."

"...there's this deal in there that shoots out these beams of light."

"Like sunbeams." I added, trying to be helpful.

"Yeah. Right. Sunbeams. And they sort of read, no, um... feel, or sense..."

"Me again, trying to be helpful. My salesman was starting to sweat."

"No, let's just say read, they read the music imprinted on the disc. The important thing for you to know is that you can scratch the disc, (his

voice rose now as he gave the pitch and I could tell he was back on familiar ground) put fingerprints on it, rub it."

"What about bubble gum?"

"...uh... I think it's enough."

"Will it play through bubble gum? I've got kids."

"I was a little ashamed of myself for putting this salesman through his paces, but thought he'd feel some vindication once he realized he'd scolded the kid."

"Good, good." He was relieved and happy as he pulled out his receipt book and starting writing. "That'll be... what's wrong?"

"You'll never believe this, but I'm out of cash!" I said. I had already searched through my purse for cash, a credit card, anything. When I looked up I saw that my salesman had taken me at my word. He didn't believe me. At least he looked like he didn't believe me — you know, sort of that blank look like he had a rough day or something."

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

Issue of man's affair is growing too big to ignore anymore

DEAR ABBY: Twelve years ago, when our two children were small, my husband had an affair with "Maggie," a girl who hung around his place of employment.

Maggie knew Denny was married, but she didn't care. When I found out about it, I confronted Denny and he broke it off. Soon after that, Maggie told Denny she was pregnant with his child. About a year later, we heard she had a son and got married, and that was the last we heard of her — until four years ago when she called our house and told me that her 6-year-old son, wanted to meet his "real" father.

Denny wasn't home, so she left her phone number. When Denny got off meeting Buddy until he's 18, and home, I told him about it, but he didn't seem too interested in meeting the boy, so we just forgot about it.

Now, four years later, Maggie's

Abigail VanBuren
Dear Abby

husband called and repeated the request: "Buddy wants to meet his real father." Denny still isn't interested. I have forgiven Denny for this and that we are happier now than we have ever been. Our children are called our house and told me that Buddy, her 6-year-old son, wanted to meet his "real" father. I urge you to face whatever responsibilities you have now. Postponing it will not make them disappear.

DEAR DILEMMA: Your apparent lack of interest in Buddy is obvious, but I advise you to consult a lawyer to discuss your legal obligation to the boy.

You've already made it clear to all concerned that you want no "involvement" with Buddy, who surely must feel the pain of your rejection. I urge you to face whatever responsibilities you have now. Postponing it will not make them disappear.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend is the greatest person I've ever laid my eyes on. Whenever we are invited to a function, he eats like there's no tomorrow. I hate to go to any kind of buffet with him. He piles up his plate with so much food, some of it falls on the floor. My friends don't like to have him over for this reason, and I hate to invite him to my house for dinner.

He feels no shame when others laugh at him for being such a pig. It's really nauseating to watch him stuff his face. He eats as though he hadn't eaten for a week. I am not exaggerating.

He is not overweight, and he's a very attractive and loving person — when he's not eating. Is there some way I can get him to eat like a normal person?

I have told him over and over again how embarrassed I am to eat with him, but it hasn't done any good.

GOBBLER'S GIRL: Your friend's problem (and it is a problem) is not just

a matter of greed. He's compulsive about eating; witness his uncontrollable pig-gishness once he gets going. You can't help him. He needs professional help, but first he must accept the fact that he has a problem — then do whatever is necessary to overcome it. Behavior modification therapy is indicated here.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old girl with a terrible problem: my nose. It has a bump on it, and it's way too wide. Everyone says I'd be really pretty if I didn't have this awful nose.

I've talked to my mom about it and she says I'll have to wait until I

stop growing. Abby, I'm only 15. I can't go on being miserable until I'm an adult. I want to have a happy teenage life. Isn't there any way a 15-year-old girl can get her nose fixed while she's young enough to enjoy it?

It's really terrible to have your friends call you "Honker." I've been able to laugh, but I'm falling apart inside. Please help me. I can't wait any longer.

HONKER IN TEXAS: Your mother is right. No surgeon will "fix" your nose until you have reached your full growth. Please be patient, pretty girl, and in about four years you'll win by a nose.

Valley happenings

Davis to talk about hospital

HAGERMAN — The Rev. Jim Davis, a board member of the Gooding Memorial Hospital, will speak on the future of the hospital when the Hagerman Valley Chamber of Commerce meets this noon at the Frog's Lily Pad restaurant in Hagerman. Jim Gentile, chamber president, also will discuss future activities of the chamber.

Y accepts winter registration

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley YFCA is registering people for the winter six-week program session. Classes, which begin Monday, include low-impact aerobics, bodyworks, sports conditioning, aquatic exercise, adult and youth swim lessons, kokondo, jukido and swim team.

Scott will discuss anniversary

TWIN FALLS — Donna Scott, Twin Falls, will speak on the bicentennial anniversary of the U.S. Constitution at the Twin Falls DAR luncheon meeting at 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information call 733-9419 or 423-5345.

Xi Chapter will meet Saturday

TWIN FALLS — Xi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma, will hold a luncheon meeting at 1 p.m. Saturday

at the College of Southern Idaho cafeteria in the administration building.

University Women plan lunch

TWIN FALLS — American Association of University Women will hold a 1 p.m. luncheon at Addison West Restaurant Saturday. Members will relate their New Year's resolutions.

Program seeks tax volunteers

TWIN FALLS — Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, a program sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service, needs volunteers from the community to help prepare income tax returns for senior citizens and low-income families throughout the Magic Valley. Free training and support is provided by the IRS through VITA. Classes for the volunteers begin on Jan. 13. To volunteer, contact Diane Perkins or Ron Luke at 734-3005 for more information.

Commuter bus makes rounds

TWIN FALLS — Idaho State University commuter buses will begin operating between Twin Falls and the Pocatello campus Monday, with stops at Burley and Declo. The vehicles will stop at K-Mart in Twin Falls, Oasis Truck Stop on Interstate 84 Exit 183, Greenwood Exit 194, the Burley mall and KOA campground in Declo. For more information call the ISU commuter bus office, 236-2956.

Engagements



Terry Howe and Shawna Smith

Smith-Howe
TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith, Twin Falls, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shawna, to Terry Howe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terril Howe, Burley. Shawna, a 1986 graduate of Twin Falls High School, attends College of Southern Idaho majoring in business education. She works part-time at Gem Electric Supply. Howe, who graduated from Jerome High School in 1984, also is a student at CSI and works at Sears in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for March 14.

Hurst-Jones

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. James M. Riordon announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Hope, to Tony Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Jones, all Twin Falls. Hurst, a 1980 graduate of Twin Falls High School, is employed by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and Sears in Twin Falls. Jones, who graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1979, is a student at College of Southern Idaho. The wedding is planned for Jan. 30.

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Aides say Babbitt plans bid for Demo presidential slot

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt became the first official contender for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination on Wednesday, as aides said he is going to announce he is going to run for president. He is going to announce he is going to run for president. He is going to announce he is going to run for president.

Garrett said Babbitt hopes to raise \$2.5 million to carry his campaign in 1988 through the Iowa caucus on Feb. 15 and New Hampshire primary on Feb. 23. He expressed high hopes for Babbitt's chances in primaries concentrated in Southern states on March 8, 1988, saying, "Babbitt as a Sun Belt candidate will have a lot of appeal there."

Government seeks suit dismissal

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A federal judge has been asked by Justice Department attorneys to dismiss a lawsuit filed on behalf of a man who claims he has been denied an opportunity to bid for government contracts because he is a woman contractor.

violates the Fifth and 14th Amendment rights of Stephen Ellis, a Provo specialty landscape contractor and foundation member. The suit also contends the program violates Ellis' civil rights under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Since the Surface Transportation Act was passed, Ellis has been denied the opportunity to "bid freely" for highway projects involving federal money, said Diane L. Vaksdal, staff attorney for the foundation.

Frances Schreuder shuns TV miniseries; son calls it 'accurate'

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Frances Schreuder did not watch a television movie on the murder of her millionaire father, but her son, Marc, who gunned down his grandfather in 1978, found the miniseries "accurate."

Prison. The murder and separate trials of Schreuder and his mother were dramatized Sunday and Tuesday evenings in the CBS miniseries "A Mother's Regret," based on the book of the same name by Jonathan Coleman. Schreuder did not watch any of the two-part miniseries in which she was portrayed by actress Stephanie Powers. Steve Leatham, shift leader at the women's facility, declined to comment Tuesday night on whether Mrs. Schreuder watched the movie. Mrs. Schreuder said he holds his mother responsible for his actions, which continue to haunt his thoughts. "I have a lot of feelings relating to mom and the whole incident," he said.

Brief requests TV act review

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court should review Utah's controversial cable television deaccession act not only to determine its validity, but to resolve the questions of other states considering similar legislation, the Utah Attorney General's Office says. In a brief filed in Washington on Tuesday and released Wednesday, the state argues that its appeal of two lower courts' decisions to strike down the law "gives the court the opportunity to clarify the extent to which such regulation is permissible."

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Stock market rally resumes

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market kept its early-1987 rally running Wednesday with a broad advance that fell just short of the 2,000 level in the Dow Jones Industrial average.

The day's gains enabled some broader measures of market trends to join the Dow at record highs.

Dow Jones' average of 50 blue-chip stocks edged up to 1,996.34 after pulling back to close at 1,983.95, up 19.13 on Tuesday.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange came to 190.87 million shares, against 189.30 million the day before.

Since the start of the new year, the market has been bouncing back with a vengeance from tax-motivated selling in the latter stages of 1986. From last Friday through Tuesday's close, the Dow Jones Industrial average jumped 78.69 points.

There has been much speculation on Wall Street that the advance might have "trouble" carrying past the 2,000 level in the Dow without encountering significant resistance.

From the viewpoint of most fundamental and technical analysts, there is nothing special about any particular round number in a market average.

Nevertheless, they say, such a figure can stir up traders' emotions. "Psychologically it means a lot," said William LeFevre at Advest Inc.

Market-watchers recall that Dow 1,000 represented a stumbling block for the market for the late 1960s through the early 1980s, when it was a flat-declivity clearing.

While the Dow Jones Industrial average has been making most of the headlines since New Year's, Wall Streeters generally have been impressed by the strength shown by smaller, secondary stocks.

But so far in the new year, indexes of the American Stock Exchange and the over-the-counter market have been rising more rapidly than the big-name stocks traded on the Big Board.

Among Wednesday's individual standouts, Diamond Shamrock rose 1 1/4 to 14 1/2 in active trading. A group led by financier T. Boone Pickens offered to buy as many as 20 million Diamond Shamrock shares for \$15 apiece.

Securities-industry issues were the Congressional Black Caucus were the hosts at a meeting between legislators and organized union officials.

At a meeting he said was to begin to "establish a legislative and political strategy to deal with joblessness, plant closings and general deindustrialization."

broadly higher, benefitting from the signs of new life in the bull market.

Morgan Stanley gained 2 to 70 1/4; First Boston 1 to 47; E.F. Hutton Group 2 1/4 to 43 1/4; Salomon Inc. 3/4 to 42 1/4; and Merrill Lynch 3/4 to 40 1/4.

Forest-products stocks also were strong, with Weyerhaeuser up 1 1/4 to 40 1/4; International Paper up 2 1/4 to 41, and Louisiana-Pacific up at 34 1/4.

Advancing issues outnumbered declines by nearly 3 to 1 on the Big Board, with 1,212 up, 442 down and 366 unchanged.

The exchange's composite index ended up 1.62 to a new high of 146.43.

Nationwide turnover in NYSE-listed issues, including trades in those stocks on regional exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 222.56 million shares.

Standard & Poor's index of 400 industrial stocks rose 3.05 to 284.74, and S&P's 500-stock composite index was up 2.55 to 255.33.

The NASDAQ composite index jumped 6.42 to 372.49. At the American Stock Exchange, the market value index closed at 278.56, up 5.33.

1986 and 25 in 1985. There were 397 selling days in all of 1986 and 1985.

The showroom onslaught spurred by the approach of 1987 began in mid-December, when the Big Three sold 197,112 domestic cars, and accelerated in late December, when they sold 246,683 more.

The Big Three finished had domestic car sales of \$25,645 for in December, compared with \$30,051 in December 1985.

In 1986, GM sold 4,532,798 domestic-made cars, compared with 4,607,435 in 1985; Ford sold 2,066,507, compared with 2,070,392 in 1985; and Chrysler sold 1,173,463, compared with 1,139,938 in 1985.

Despite the drop in yearly Big Three car sales, industry-wide domestic and import sales were higher in 1986 than in 1985.

With all importer sales reported except Nissan, imports were up 20.7 percent for 1986 over 1985 and accounted for 27.4 percent of the U.S. car market.

Import makers' sales in 1986, compared with 2,081,029 in 1985 including Nissan.

Total domestic and import car sales excluding Nissan finished up 5.8 percent for 1986, rising to 10,673,638 from 10,125,570 in 1985.

Plant closing slowdown laws sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Union officials met with House members Wednesday seeking legislation to slow down industrial plant closings which have thrown thousands of workers out of work.

Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., and

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) (USDA) — Central U.S. feedgrain prices edged up Wednesday.

Basic feed grain, corn and demand were up, but soybean and wheat prices were lower in a seasonal pattern. Feed grain prices were up, but soybean and wheat prices were lower.

Big 3 say car sales up in December, off in '86

DETROIT (AP) — Domestic car sales by the U.S. Big Three jumped 13.5 percent in December over the same month in 1985 as buyers rushed to take advantage of sales tax deductions for the last time.

But the Big Three finished 1986 with sales 0.6 percent lower than 1985. General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. together sold 7,772,783 domestic-made cars in 1986, compared with 7,817,785 in 1985.

Industry-leader GM reported a 4.4 percent improvement in sales for Dec. 21-31 over the year-to-date period and a 0.3 percent increase for the month compared with December 1985, but finished the year down 1.8 percent from 1985.

Ford's sales jumped 26.1 percent in late December over the previous year and 37.5 percent for the month over December 1985, but finished down 0.2 percent for the year from 1985.

Chrysler's sales improved 14.5 percent in late December, 19.3 percent for the month and 2.9 percent for the year over the year-to-date periods.

There were eight selling days in 1986 and 25 in 1985. There were 397 selling days in all of 1986 and 1985.

Closing commodity futures

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

Local interest stock quotations

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price, Change. Includes companies like Albertain, Sara Lee, Community Psych, etc.

Valley grains

Soft white wheat 2.10, barley 2.75, mixed grain 3.75 and oats 4.00, and corn 3.25. (White prices are green dated by Ringler's.)

Valley beans

Great northern \$2.00 - \$2.01, Red lentils \$2.10 - \$2.11, Small red lentils \$2.10 - \$2.11.

Western grain

POCATTELLO (AP) — Idaho farm bureau officials report Wednesday that barley prices were 14 percent higher than last year.

Gold futures

Gold 376.25, silver 5.52. Includes prices for 100-ounce gold bars and silver contracts.

Livestock

JEROME — Producer's Livestock Marketing Association in Jerome reports the following prices:

Choice steer 1.00-1.01, Heavy steer 90-95, Light steer 85-90, etc. Includes various types of cattle and sheep prices.

D-J averages

NEW YORK (AP) — Final Dow Jones averages for Wednesday, Jan. 7:

Table with columns: Index Name, Value. Includes Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500, etc.

Metal prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Spot nonferrous metal prices Wednesday:

Table with columns: Metal Name, Price. Includes Aluminum, Copper, Lead, Zinc, etc.

Livestock futures

CHICAGO (AP) — Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Wednesday:

Table with columns: Contract Name, Price, Change. Includes Soybean, Corn, Wheat, etc.

Today's stocks

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price, Change. Includes various regional and national stocks.

Chicago grain

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Truck and rail bids for nearby Chicago wheat, corn and soybeans:

Table with columns: Commodity, Price, Change. Includes Wheat, Corn, Soybeans.

Most active

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price, Change. Lists the most actively traded stocks.

Closing prices

Large table containing closing prices for various stocks, including Amex stocks and other regional listings.

Listings lost

An interruption in wire service transmissions resulted in loss of part of Wednesday's New York Stock Exchange listings.

Table with columns: Symbol, Name, Price, Change. Lists lost transactions.

Amex stocks

Table with columns: Stock Name, Price, Change. Lists stocks traded on the American Stock Exchange.

Markets

Commodities

Commodity	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
CASH POTATOES					
65,000 lbs., dollars per 50 lbs.					
May	5.45	5.49	5.46	5.41	-0.02
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
Jan					
Tue.'s sales 55,000					
Tue.'s open int 1,482, up 23					
CRUDE OIL					
1,000 bbl., dollars per bbl.					
Feb	18.25	18.25	18.10	18.25	+0.03
Mar	18.15	18.25	18.07	18.24	+0.08
Apr	18.50	18.75	18.51	18.57	+0.07
May	17.83	17.90	17.75	17.88	+0.05
Jun	17.62	17.50	17.35	17.52	-0.03
Jul	17.52	17.50	17.45	17.53	-0.01
Aug	17.60	17.50	17.35	17.38	-0.02
Sep	17.35	17.45	17.35	17.23	-0.02
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					
Jan					
Tue.'s sales 54,035					
Tue.'s open int 1,500					
HEATING OIL					
42,000 gal., cents per gal.					
Feb	51.00	51.25	50.45	51.21	+0.25
Mar	50.35	50.95	49.55	50.86	+0.28
Apr	50.10	50.95	49.55	50.86	+0.28
May					
Jun					
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Nov					
Dec					
Jan					
Tue.'s sales 5,820					
Tue.'s open int 24,968, up 318					

Potatoes

CHICAGO (AP) — USDA — Major potato markets FOB shipping points US 1A, Tuesday in 100 lb sacks, Colorado round reds \$40-42; Minnesota North Dakota round reds \$38-40; Colorado 100 lb sacks non-alea A Wisconsin \$20-22; Colorado 100-200 Idaho \$20-22; Oregon \$20-22.

Idaho: 100 lb sacks, 100 count: Wisconsin 100-200 Idaho \$20-22; Oregon \$20-22; Washington 100-200 Idaho \$20-22; Wisconsin 100-200 Idaho \$20-22; Colorado 100-200 Idaho \$20-22; Oregon 100-200 Idaho \$20-22.

Sugar futures

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Coffee, Sugar and Cocoa Exchange Wednesday:

Contract	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
SUGAR-WORLD 11					
112,000 lbs., cents per lb.					
Mar	5.91	5.77	4.90	5.06	-0.07
Jul	6.24	6.18	6.01	6.18	-0.03
Nov	6.22	6.21	6.14	6.23	-0.03
Mar	6.42	6.35	6.41	6.54	+0.03
Jul					
Nov					
Jan					
May					
Tue.'s sales 20,254					
Tue.'s open int 96,530, up 1,877					

UI Group sells plant

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Lamb-Weston Co. of Portland has acquired the Gourmet-Brands Inc. potato processing plant in Boardman, near Pendleton. The company also has a pastry and pizza manufacturing plant in Boardman. The plant is owned by the Mormon Church.

Lowman said any workers losing their jobs at Boardman would be offered a chance to work at the other plant. The plant is owned by the Mormon Church.

The 13-year-old Gourmet Brands employs about 7,100 workers and is the largest tenant on the Port of Morrow's Columbia River Industrial reservation.

The change in ownership was expected to have little impact on employment at the plant, according to Lamb-Weston's vice president of manufacturing, Sam Lowman.

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Grain futures

CHICAGO (AP) — Most grain and soybean futures prices advanced Wednesday with wheat gaining as much as 8 cents a bushel on the Chicago Board of Trade.

At the close, wheat was 2 1/2 cents to 6 1/2 cents higher with the contract for delivery in March at \$2.70 1/2 a bushel; corn was 1/4 cent to 2 1/2 cents higher with March at \$1.51 1/2 a bushel; soybeans were 1/2 cent lower to 1 cent higher with March at \$1.84 1/2 a bushel; and soybeans were 3 cents lower to 4 1/2 cents higher with January at \$4.90 1/2 a bushel.

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Contract	Open	High	Low	Settle	Chg.
SUGAR 14					
112,000 lbs., cents per lb.					
Mar	21.31	21.35	21.30	21.33	-0.01
Jul	21.54	21.59	21.50	21.52	-0.02
Nov	21.44	21.49	21.44	21.49	+0.02
Mar					
Jul					
Nov					
Jan					
May					
Tue.'s sales 177					
Tue.'s open int 8,914, up 72					

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NCAA presidents: Convention will whittle collegiate sports

By The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — The powerful Presidents Commission announced as expected Wednesday that the NCAA will have a special convention in June to vote on far-reaching and possibly bitterly contested measures to reduce major-college sports.

"I find it incomprehensible that we would have in place a structure that lets a freshman football player play two games before he ever attends a class," Maryland Chancellor John Slaughter, the commission chairman, said at a news conference. Specific proposals will not be written until April. The special convention will be June 29-30 in Dallas and will address five broad areas: recruiting, coaches' compensation, playing and practice seasons, size of coaching staffs and financial aid to athletes.

Several items on the agenda for the regular NCAA convention this week in San Diego, address those topics. But Slaughter said the commission had asked the sponsors to withdraw the proposals. The announcement by Slaughter and another commission member, Cal-Berkeley President Michael Heyman, produced no surprises. The presidents have been rumored for months to be talking about such controversial moves as limiting coaching staffs, abolishing spring football, slashing playing seasons and setting strict limits on the time that students can devote to sports.

A reduction of scholarships in football and basketball have also been mentioned. Heyman acknowledged many schools will worry about diluting the quality of play. "My guess is we can spend considerably less money and not reduce quality, not in a way that any of us who watches sports would discern," said Heyman, who chairs a commission subcommittee that will draw up specific legislation for the June meeting.

On Wednesday, as delegates to the regular convention got down to work, a post-season committee announced it will study the possibility for a major-college football championship playoff. But Heyman agreed that such a move runs contrary to the mood of the commission and said a playoff would be "a very bad idea."

"There isn't any question on this commission that we have to be in charge of balancing the academic mission of the institution with athletics. There is some question about where that balance ought to be," Heyman said.

"But there is a kind of unanimity to seriously de-emphasize big-time college sports could cause a split in the NCAA itself. I think that's always a worry," Heyman said.

Martin Massengale, Nebraska president and one of the 44 members of the Presidents Commission, has addressed that possibility in meetings, Heyman said.

Earlier Wednesday at a meeting of the College Football Association, which Massengale serves as president, he promised to urge the Presidents Commission to listen to stiffer penalty structures. But many coaches and athletic directors at the convention delegates feel an effort for setting the June agenda.

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A detailed preview of weekend events

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Editor's Note: This is the last in a seven-part series on Idahoans in the NFL.

By MICHAEL VANAUDELN Times-News writer

For a while it seemed that Eric Yarber would not become an active member of the 1986 Washington Redskins.

This ballclub is now only a game away from the Super Bowl and Yarber plans to be a primary factor in the Redskins' confrontation with their AFC East nemesis, the New York Giants, next Sunday afternoon. In the two previous encounters with New York this season, Washington lost both games. Revenge is definitely a factor, but not necessarily for

A knee injury kept ex-Vandal wide receiver Eric Yarber off the field for the NFL's Redskins for much of the '86 season, but as the 'Skins prepare to battle the Giants for the NFC crown, he's ready to keep on ...



BEATING THE ODDS

A preseason knee injury forced the former University of Idaho star to the sidelines. And, being a 5-foot, 8-inch, 156-pound wide receiver picked in the 12th round in the 1986 NFL draft on a team that features two of the best wideouts in pro football, Art Monk and Gary Clark, Yarber's chances of ever wearing a Redskin uniform seemed to be paper-thin.

The odds were against me, I know," said Yarber. "The injury didn't help but I felt that if I worked hard, I could end up on the team."

He did. On the final game of the regular season — versus the Philadelphia Eagles — Yarber trotted on the playing field at Veterans Stadium for his NFL debut as the Redskins' punt returner. He knew he wouldn't be catching many of quarterback Jay Schroeder's passes this season (in fact, in one regular season game — and was a punt receiver) but it (returning punts) is a tremendous way to contribute to this ballclub.

Yarber. Having been out for both of those games, he didn't suffer the disappointment of losing twice to such an important rival as the Giants.

"Nooshless, my visitor to the Redskin lockerroom can feel the determination and anger that has grown from the two losses.

"The whole team is mentally prepared," Yarber said. "After we beat Chicago, we wanted the Giants to beat San Francisco."

The Redskins made it to the NFC championship game by winning their wild-card playoff game against the Los Angeles Rams 19-7, then knock-

ing off the defending champion Bears 27-13 last Saturday.

As the Redskins' determination grows, so does Yarber's. There is only so much a punt returner can do for his team, but he's not the best at the Washington punt returner. Yarber, along with quarterback Scott Linehan, made up one of the most dangerous passing games that Idaho, a school that always seems to have a strong, passing attack, has ever had.

In Yarber's senior year, the Vandals won the Big Sky Conference in championship and the Idaho wide receiver attracted notice for his

play. But, it would seem, not facing the kamikaze behemoths of the NFL's special teams with only a 5-8, 156-pound frame for protection.

Yarber, though, is thankful he is where he is. After all, being the punt returner for a team that's 60 minutes from the Super Bowl is not actually a bad job. And being a backup wide receiver to Monk and Clark does have its advantages. The two Pro Bowl receivers are "great teachers," said Yarber. "Watching them play, I know I still have a long way to go before I become the kind of quality receiver that they both are."

While Yarber got plenty of work as a receiver at Idaho, he never once returned a punt. And becoming one in the NFL isn't so easy, especially

ISU out to avenge 'stick-up' at hands of BSU

By STEVE CRUMP Times-News sports editor

The last time Boise State and Idaho State met at the Boise State University Pavilion, it wasn't a meeting at all. It was a stick-up.

"That first game is not a bearing on the strength of the two teams," BSU coach Bobby Dye said of his team's 70-45 victory over ISU in November's Real Deal Classic. "We'll have our hands totally full."

Tonight's 7:30 p.m. rematch between the surprising 10-2 Broncos and 7-6 Bengals tips off the first week of Big Sky Conference competition, a weekend that will culminate with another intrastate matchup between the Bengals and

victory against 10 defeats, dropping Southern Colorado 72-61. But Nevada-Reno fell to 6-7 with a 92-7 loss to defending national champion Louisville, and Idaho lost a 66-64 overtime rematch to Washington State, dropping to 9-4 on the season.

Tonight's opening of Big Sky play includes Weber State at Idaho, Nevada-Reno at 10-4 Montana and Northern Arizona at 8-4 Montana State.

On Saturday, Weber will go south to Boise State, Idaho State will be at Idaho, Northern Arizona at Montana and Nevada-Reno at Montana State.

By any standard, Boise State is the surprise team of the league. The Broncos' 10-2 record is the best start

since BSU became a four-year school in 1983.

"We've been pretty solid," said Dye, whose ballclub ranks first in the Big Sky in scoring defense, third in rebounding and fourth in scoring offense. "We still have times when we have breakdowns in concentration and we still have our low periods, but we're a better offensive team, a better defensive team and a better rebounding team than we were when the season started."

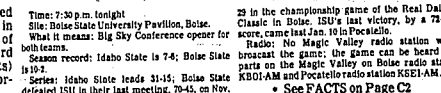
The Broncos, who have played eight of their 12 games this season in the Pavilion, have gotten a lot of mileage from sophomore off-guard Chris Childs (15.5 points, 3.3 assists) and a pair of newcomers: junior forward

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Quick facts

Time: 7:30 p.m. tonight
Site: Boise State University Pavilion, Boise.
What it means: Big Sky Conference opener for both teams.
Record: Idaho State 7-6; Boise State 10-2.
Series: Idaho State leads 31-15; Boise State defeated ISU in their last meeting, 70-45, on Nov.

23 in the championship game of the Real Deal Classic in Boise, ISU's last victory, by a 72-49 score, came last Jan. 10 in Pocatello.
Radio: No Magic Valley radio station will broadcast the game; the game can be heard in parts on the Magic Valley on Boise radio station KBOI-AM and Pocatello radio station KSEI-AM.
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Erickson expects wins for WSU

By BERNIE WILSON The Associated Press

PULLMAN, Wash. — Dennis Erickson was formally introduced as Washington State's new head coach today and promises exciting passing game that he used to turn Idaho and Wyoming into winning programs.

Erickson, 39, moved to Wyoming from Idaho just a year ago and said it was in some ways difficult to move to the job Jim Walden left last month for Iowa State.

Erickson has a five-year contract with WSU, a Pacific-10 Conference team.

Erickson, 39, is an Everett native whose father, Pinky Erickson, was an assistant coach at WSU from 1968 to 1973 under former Coach Jim Swamy.

Dennis Erickson was a star quarterback at Montana State and was a graduate assistant

under Sweeney in the spring of 1970.

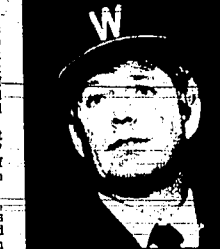
Erickson, who was considered last fall for the head coaching job at Wisconsin, said his contract will be similar to the one that said Walden a base salary of \$75,000 plus an undisclosed amount for radio, television and public appearances.

Young said the new contract has a "Warren Powers clause" that calls for a settlement if Erickson leaves before a certain time period.

Powers coached WSU in 1977, then took the Missouri job. WSU's administration, however, forced him to pay \$55,000 to release him from the final two years of his unfulfilled contract.

Erickson said he had an escape clause in his four-year pact with Wyoming.

At Wyoming, Erickson had a base salary of \$60,000 plus another \$20,000 from radio and television spots and free use of a house. He



DENNIS ERICKSON Promises serial attack
went to Wyoming in December 1985 after four successful seasons at Idaho.
His salary, just eight miles from the Pullman WSU campus, was \$46,000.

Bruins seeking first two Gem wins against Idaho Falls and Madison

By The Times-News

TWIN FALLS.— The Twin Falls Bruins will be looking for their first Gem State Conference victory when they travel to Idaho Falls tonight and the second when they host the Madison Bobcats Saturday.

Coach Jim Astorquia and his Bruins currently are 0-3 in the league and 2-4 overall entering the toss up weekend. They are the kind of games the Bruins must win to get close to the 500 mark.

Idaho Falls is 9-4 while Madison holds that surprise decision over Minico to stand 1-1 and 1-1 in the league.

"Judging from the records, these could be close games and we have to win the close ones," Astorquia said, who watched his team fall to Highland and Minico late-game rallies.

"Idaho Falls is a multiple defense with some man, zones, full respectable height with quicker jumpers court and half court traps," he said.

"Madison played largely zone against Minico. If anything hurt us against Minico it was the zone. We seemed to be doing the right things but simply weren't finishing anything off. I think this weekend will be a good test to see where we are against the zone."

Idaho Falls is described as "a young team with just one experienced player back from last year. They started very well but beat two times out. It appears a junior and a transfer sophomore are coming along very well for them but other than that, we don't know a lot about Idaho Falls," Astorquia said.

"I know they will try to run if we let them and they play a lot of five and four-man passing game offense so they are pretty much a perimeter team," he headed.

Astorquia said Madison "has really good athletes" who augment re-start against Burley with nine points and nine rebounds in the first eight minutes.

"We scouted them against Minico and it appeared Jason Rydvalch (6-1 guard) is their best producer. He was very aggressive and I think he got every loose ball. Their inside rebounders (6-3 Dan Smith and 6-3 Derek Anderson) have good mobility and get off their feet quickly. I saw Anderson in some summer camps last year and he can shoot. We must be concerned with his shooting," the coach continued.

Madison likes to get the ball up court "quickly offensively" and "will shoot in transition without hesitation."

From his team's standpoint, Astorquia said he was pleased with a relief and on-court savvy sophomore guard Swede Trenkle provided in the last outing. He also noted that Ken Fuchs gave the Bruins an excellent start against Burley with nine points and nine rebounds in the first eight minutes.

Outdoors

Backcountry skiers: Learn the risks of Avalanche!



Attention paid to subtle signals can save lives

By MIKE SULLIVAN
Times-News city editor

SUN VALLEY—The signs were disquieting: Quarter-inch-wide fracture lines wove long, serpentine patterns through the surface of the snow; our forward progress was accompanied by the periodic "whump" of subsurface collapses; clouds of snow fell from nearby spruce limbs. Classic avalanche conditions. The danger had been evident from the highway. Some slopes above Highway 75 on Galena Pass were stripped nearly to the ground by recent avalanches. Over a foot of snow had fallen in the past couple of days and it hadn't banded to the old, compacted snow already there.

There were two choices last Sunday: ski somewhere else, or find a safe place on the summit to enjoy the new snow. We chose the latter and had cause to regret it.

No Jim and I weren't crazy enough to take any chances with avalanches. We cautiously stayed to the ridge tops and trees as we slogged through the deep, new snow, but the going was tough. During the previous weekend, this trek had made for a memorable downhill trip into the Wood River headwaters drainage. This weekend it resembled

Napoleon's winter retreat from Moscow.

Avoiding slopes I'd played on a week earlier, because of the fracture lines near their tops, dreams of free-falling through feathery powder disappeared as we pushed our skis through unyielding, mashed potatoes.

The first little drop showed us that anything less than an extreme slope would probably not be skiable. We pointed our skis straight downhill—and could barely move. But I was committed to showing Jim the long slope I'd discovered earlier and we pushed on.

We were exhausted by the time we got there. The slope, however, picked up our spirits; it looked fine—windows of finely sculpted snow fell away into a distant meadow, there was no sign of last week's tracks.

But the rupture of the steep quickly turned into disappointment. It wasn't steep enough. We gave it up, sat down next to a spruce about 50 feet downhill and had lunch. There was no point in trying anything else around Galena Summit that day. Anything steep enough to ski was probably likely to slide. We decided to drive back down the pass to Galena Lodge, where the snow didn't seem as deep, and try the little

hillsides there.

We slipped climbing skins onto our tracks back to the highway.

Interest is growing in backcountry skiing for a variety of reasons—not the least of which is the absence of rules. Speed cops now patrol the slopes of Bald Mountain and signs warn skiers to slow down, keep their tips up, prepare to unload—stop, look and listen. Unfortunately, it's all necessary for safety reasons. Ski area operators are trying to reduce the number of lawsuits filed against them by an increasingly litigious public.

You're on your own in the backcountry, and anyone who can't accept that shouldn't be there. There's no one to sue. The only rules are those of good judgment.

It could be argued that we showed bad judgment by risking a ride in a slide. But, in fact, we didn't. My 10 hours of avalanche training were put into practice and we had a safe trip. The skiing may have been lousy, but the scenery was nice and we enjoyed a brief escape from civilization. There was no danger, because we avoided it. And that's the first rule of avalanche safety.

It may be wise, but it certainly



Jim McPherson (top) of Ketchum sticks to the ridgetops, returning from a foray into the Wood River headwaters drainage below Galena Summit, while Ted Mabbat (above) of Sun Valley cuts up the new snow on a snowboard near the summit

Since Nate Wyeth faced the Blackfeet, hunters have fought landowners

Captain Nathaniel Wyeth was bummed out.

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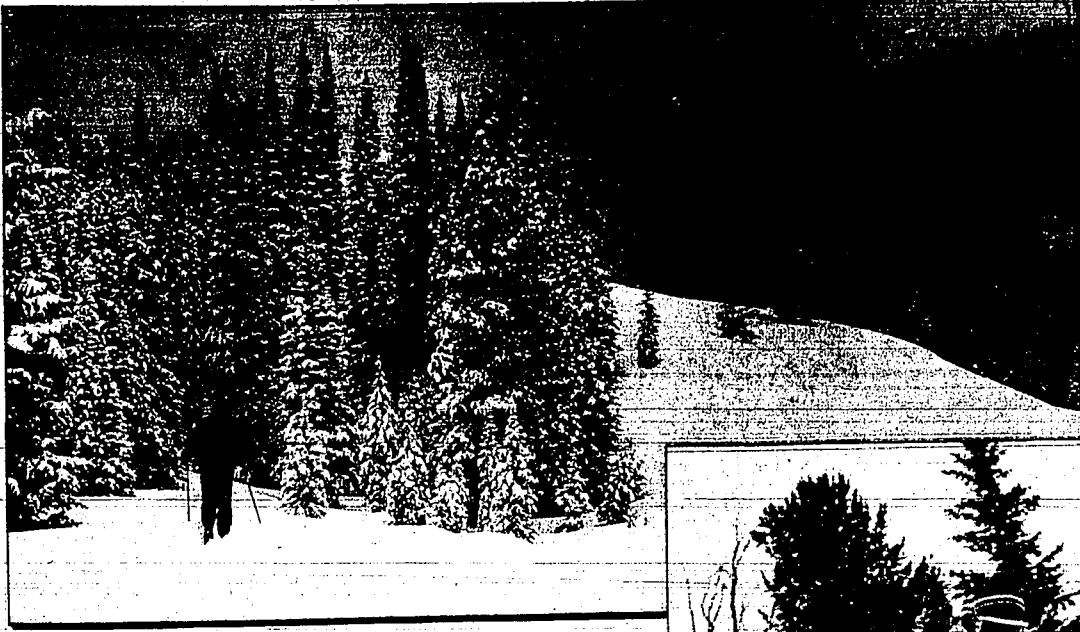
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SUN VALLEY — The signs were disquieting: Quarter-inch-wide fracture lines were long, serpentine patterns through the surface of the snow; our forward progress was accompanied by the periodic "whump" of subsurface collapses; clouds of snow fell from nearby spruce limbs. Classic avalanche conditions.

The danger had been evident from the highway. Some slopes above Highway 75 on Galena Pass were stripped nearly to the ground by recent avalanches. Over a foot of snow had fallen in the past couple of days and it hadn't bonded to the old, compacted snow already there.

There were two choices. Last Sunday, ski somewhere else, or find a safe place on the summit to enjoy the new snow. We chose the latter and had cause to regret it.

No, Jim and I weren't crazy enough to take any chances with avalanches. We cautiously stayed to the ridge-tops and trees as we slogged through the deep, new snow, but the going was tough. During the previous weekend, this trek had made for a memorable downhill trip into the Wood River headwaters drainage. This weekend it resembled

Napoleon's winter retreat from Moscow.

Avoiding slopes I'd played on a week earlier, because of the fracture lines near their tops, dreams of free-falling through feathery powder disappeared as we pushed our skis through unyielding, mashed potatoes.

The first little drop showed us that anything less than an extreme slope would probably not be skiable. We pointed our skis straight downhill and could barely move. But I was committed to showing Jim the long slope I'd discovered earlier and we pushed on.

We were exhausted by the time we got there. This slope, however, picked up our spirits; it looked fine — windrows of finely-sculpted snow fell away into a distant meadow; there was no sign of last week's tracks.

But the rapture of the deep quickly turned into disappointment. It wasn't steep enough. We gave it up, sat down next to a spruce about 50 feet downhill and had lunch. There was no point in trying anything else around Galena Summit that day.

Anything steep enough to ski was probably likely to ski was too steep to drive back down the pass to Galena Lodge, where the snow didn't seem as deep, and try the little

hillsides there.

We slipped climbing skins onto our telemarking skis and followed our tracks back to the highway.

Interest is growing in backcountry skiing for a variety of reasons — not the least of which is the absence of rules: Speed cops now patrol the slopes of Bald Mountain and signs warn skiers to slow down, keep their tips up, prepare to unload — stop, look and listen. Unfortunately, it's all necessary for safety reasons. Ski area operators are trying to reduce the number of lawsuits filed against them by an increasingly litigious public.

You're on your own in the backcountry, and anyone who can't accept that shouldn't be there. There's no one to sue. The only rules are those of good judgment.

It could be argued that we showed bad judgment by risking a ride in a slice. But in fact, we didn't. My 10 hours of avalanche training were put into practice and we had a safe trip. The skiing may have been lousy, but the scenery was nice and we enjoyed a brief escape from civilization.

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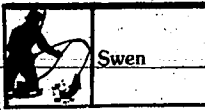
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Under the commission's recommendations, the fund created by the oil and gas receipts would have to be used for conservation. Chairman of the commission, outgoing Gov. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, gave this pitch for presidential approval: "These recommendations are the kind of report that a western president who enjoys wood chopping and riding horses and admires Teddy Roosevelt would want to accept, adopt and support." A Reagan administration spokesman indicated "the report is not in keeping with the kinds of things the administration would basically like it to say." The commission urges the chief use of the funds to create a connect-

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Letters

Fish and Game lauded for its pheasant efforts

available in a booklet by February. Support the Jerome Game Farm. NICK ROKICH Burley

The people of the State of Idaho and the Fish and Game Commission are to be congratulated for the start of a new pheasant population. The people who attend the hearing know that the Fish and Game Commission listens. Now is the time for action with the legislature, landowners and people knowledgeable about pheasants. Don't put away your voice when you put away your shotgun. We have public lands, private lands and the water and resources to rebuild the pheasant population in Southern Idaho. There is no cut and dried answer to the problem, but the problem can and will be overcome with cooperation from all segments of our population. Many new innovations are available to us. No one thought years ago they would raise laying hens in cages. The same is true with pheasants. They can be raised — and they can survive in Idaho on their own, but we have to change our method of feeding, breeding and rearing. National research in pheasants is surely lacking in innovation and nutrition. Costs can be greatly reduced with a little nutritional knowledge. I am not an expert on pheasants, but I don't know what an expert is, so I have an advantage. I intend to raise several thousand pheasants this year in a pilot program in conjunction with several landowners. I believe Southern Idaho can be the pheasant capital of the United States. Some seminars will be conducted around the state to educate or inform the public as to what we are up against. First of all, we are not going to blame anyone or anything. We want to look at the facts and try to imagine all the people who are interested in pheasants. Just the facts — we need problem solvers. If you have any ideas, any plans, any way you want to get involved, let's hear from you. All correspondence will be answered. Good people make big problems seem small. I will soon have available all the literature and research possible.

Call to end of attack on sportsmen is issued

Mike Harrop's article on Christmas Day: "An unethical hunt in which no responsible sportsman or landowner would participate in if he knew the facts." "Yet the hunt has drawn dozens of low-quality bow hunters who knowingly trespass on private property and hunt in the low light hours of late evening when recovery of a wounded animal is impossible." Built Good shoot, Mike! Anti-hunters love this type of article. You'll surely get another "award" from some anti-hunter group for this beauty. "Your poison pen has attacked your neighbors who allow people to hunt on their property, bow hunters in general, and all sportsmen who participate in Department of Fish and Game special hunts. You mentioned the word "facts" and didn't bother to give any. You've got a trespassing problem, but the care of that yourself and leave me out of it — I'm a bow hunter and sportsman. A few bad apples and you throw out the entire barrel. You've lumped me together with the "bad apples" and I resent it. I don't put you in the group that uses restroom walls as a toilet." Property owners who allow hunting, bow hunters and rifle hunters who participate in special hunts, Department of Fish and Game and any sportsmen please contact The Times-News and voice your opinion on Mr. Harrop's opinions and personal problems. "You gave the deer "human" qualities and called it a "combat zone." At least the deer know who their enemy is, and now we do — Mike Harrop. Unite and stop this attack on hunters and sportsmen by Mr. Harrop. BRIAN JONES and BILL JONES Twin Falls

Avalanche

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Announcements 002-Lost & Found 001-Florists 002-Lost & Found CHECK DAILY FOR CURRENT HOUND POUND NEWS BUY A WEARABLE LIFETIME LICENSE

003-Announcements I, Keillo M. Carmichael, will be responsible for any debts incurred by Ronald E. Carmichael as of 01-06-87.

005-Memorial Notices The family of James Lulow wish to thank all the friends & relatives for the cards & flowers, love, prayers and memorial contributions.

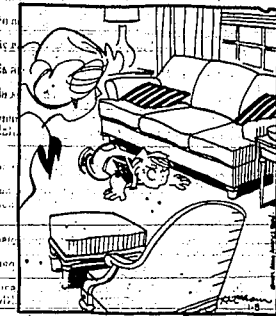
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Call 733-3300 Have you used your FREE Magic Wine phone book 600-9777-724-637?

006-Selected offers 1. Female spayed Poodle X, white & black, 4 years, 2. Male, Labrador, gold, 1 year.

GOVERNMENT JOBS. Call 733-3300. 324-8336. 324-3113. If no answer, 324-3113.

Selected offers-Rentals 007-054

I have got a line for you New, low per line rate. Commercial or private party. 7 days, only \$375 per line. Call now 733-0626 The Times-News



Sell it! Buy it! A Times-News Classified Ad Will fill every need 733-0626

007-Jobs of Interest

Buhl School Dist No. 412 is seeking a teacher for driver education... 007-Jobs of Interest

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Commercial lines processor wanted... 007-Jobs of Interest

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Need a babysitter? Need a babysitter? Need a babysitter?

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008-Sales People

Sell the all-new American film society membership... 008-Sales People

009-Professional Services

Need Your Chimney Cleaned? Need Your Chimney Cleaned?

011-Day Care Services

By-owners: Birch home in Woodridge... 011-Day Care Services

012-Homes For Sale

By-owners: Birch home in Woodridge... 012-Homes For Sale

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MOTOR ROUTE AVAILABLE The Times-News is in need of a Motor Route Carrier for the Rupert area...

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NEEDS LAND OR A BUILDING IN JEROME, IDAHO

PREFERRED AREA: North - 2nd Avenue East - South - Avenue F West - Buchanan Street East - Alder Street

051-Unim. Houses: EASY LIVING 3 bdrms, 2 bath, with kitchen appliances...

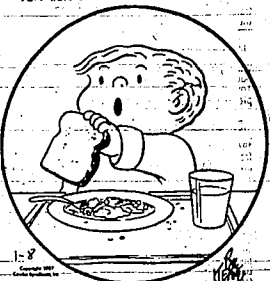
052-Fun. Apt. & Dup.: Nice basement apt. near 651, \$150 + deposit...

Rentals-Automotive

Have we got a line for you

New, low per line rate. Commercial or private party. 7 days, only \$3.75 per line. Call now 733-0626

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04-Utensils & Appliances
Weslake Court. Available now, 1 bdrm apt. for quality...

060-Warehouses/Storage/Rentals
Over 11,000 sq ft of superior warehouse space...

Merchandise

067-Miscellaneous
Airline tickets. Boise to London Jan 13, \$100. Call 733-9202.

071-Radio, TV & Stereo
CLEARANCE PRICES on quantum 50" VCR. Also, microscopes, VCR's...

082-Building Materials
RED CEDAR, fencing, post-and-rail, interior wall covering...

087-Hay, Grain & Feed
Clean 3rd crop Oregon grain, 3rd cut alfalfa...

112-Grains
All gauge tubing in stock, 10% off, month of January...

114-Farm Implements
WANTED: Good used feed-mixer wagon...

1-bedroom, refrigerator, stove & all utilities furnished...

2 bdrm, 2 bdrm, appliances, water heater, carpet, etc.

2 bdrm, apples, carpet, water & sani., good loc.

2 bdrm in TF. Bath & y. patio. Carport, storage, etc.

2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport, stove, refrigerator, etc.

2 bdrm apt. carpet & drapes, stove & ref. water & sani.

105-Roommates Wanted
Non-smoker. \$140 a mo. water, oven & utilities...

Double mobile home, home, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport...

057-Mobile Home
2 bdrm mobile home, home, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 carport...

058-Office and Business Rental
Downtown, 750-2400 sq. ft. simple parking...

070-Wanted To Buy
Wholesale scrap gold jewelry, diamonds, sterling...

072-Antiques
Baldwin Fun Machine, like new, \$400. Call 733-5869.

073-Sewing & Crafts
For sale Juki Sgrt, almost new, \$375. Call 734-7728.

074-Musical Instruments
Baldwin Fun Machine, like new, \$400. Call 733-5869.

075-Farmers market
Kilobritch horse & stock trailers. Come in and view...

092-Auctions
Approximately 75 tons, all 3 crops. Small lots welcome.

097-Hay, Grain & Feed
Approximately 75 tons, all 3 crops. Small lots welcome.

078-Office Equipment
Phone system, 123 key, auto answer, very good.

079-Furniture
Bandsaw blades broken? We will rework your broken blades...

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096-Farms For Rent
320 acres with small dairy barn, 18' good building...

097-Pastures For Rent
Armour Buysing Station. Buy 5 acres for \$24,660...

102-Cattle
Clostridium. Fed dry cow, 100 lbs, \$34,340...

098-Variety Foods
Russell Potatoes. #1's & #2's. 100 lbs for \$24,574...

099-Pets & Supplies
AKC Chihuahua male, \$250; Greyhound puppy, \$100...

100-Appliances
Wanted: Kenmore dryer, white. Call 733-9202.

098-Computers
Complete computer with 614" disk drive & full range...

099-Camera Equip.
Hasselblad 500 CM, 900mm, Nikon w/finder & data...

100-Heating and Air Conditioning
Free-standing fireplace with screen. \$100. Call 734-0932.

101-Horases
AQA mare, shown English and Western, used in MT...

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Protein pigs for sale. Ready to go. \$24,324/733.

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124-Snow Vehicles
6KH-600. \$200. John at 734-8807 after 6:30 p.m. 734-6241.

125-Motor Homes
2017 Kawasaki 400's. One 800, one 1100. New history...

126-Campers & Shells
3' overtop camper, queen size bed, new history on breakfast seat...

127-Utility Trailers
5 ton, 3000, 3245-3789.

128-Auto, Parts & Accessories
Chevy Saginaw 4-cyl. Miter basket, V-Date wheelbarrow...

129-Sporting Goods
Deluxe golf bag, pull-cart, with bag, used 3 times...

130-Guns & Rifles
Call Pynchon 357 Magnum, 8" barrel, Magsa Porter...

131-Campers & Shells
2017 Toyota 2 1/2' steps & 1987 Toyota 2 1/2' steps & 1987 Toyota 2 1/2' steps...

132-Snow Vehicles
Large selection of used snow mobiles, Kawasaki, Arctic Cat...

133-Carpentry
ATTN: Rental manager & complete interior & exterior work...

134-Landscaping
DICK'S PAINTING. 30 years exp. Residential & commercial...

135-Remodeling
Remodeling, repair & painting. Free estimates. 733-0626.

136-Auto Service
Reliable Auto Repair. 727 2nd Ave. Twin Falls, ID 83403.

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141-Boats & Access.
Always better buy! Magic Velvety Marina. 3 1/2 mi. W. of hoodison...

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Automotive

- 103-Auto Parts & Accessories**
 - Two 105cc traction tires in good condition with rims. Call 733-2525
 - V-8 Vega bellhousing, \$33. Call 422-4241 after 5pm.
 - 1977-Scoutback 4 x 4, 4 door, 1000 miles. Call 734-2053 or 734-7190. Appliance Center.
 - 73 Chevrolet, engine only, \$200. Call 734-2053 or 734-7190.
 - 77 Ford 1/2 or 3/4 ton transfer case, \$250; auto trans, \$300. 734-5734 even.
- 133-Auto Wanted**
 - Will pay high price for high end used cars. No junk. No dealers. Call 324-1552 or 324-2774.
- 135-Cycles & Supplies**
 - 1974 Suzuki GT155, twin cyl, 1700 cc. Call 324-3224.
 - 1975 Honda CB 750, with fairing, runs good. \$400 firm. Phone 734-2400 evenings.
 - 1975 500 Yamaha, runs good, \$400. Call 324-3224.
 - 1982 Silverwing-Honda, maroon with fairing, tank & back, very low mileage. 1978 GL1000 Goldwing, custom paint job with fairing & back, large bag & lots of chrome extras. Both reduced. Call 324-3224.
 - 1983 Yamaha 1000 Verpoo, dual carburetor, condition show quality. Start drive. V-8, 1600 miles. Low down, take over pm's. 734-1821 after 5pm.
 - 1983 Yamaha YZ20. Like brand new. \$450. Phone 324-7311.
- 136-Heavy Equipment**
 - 1986 Ford V-8, low miles, C-8, stereo, run, exc. good condition. Call 734-5040.
 - 1988 Chevy 1/2 ton, with shell, runs good, new tires, \$500 or best offer. 324-5889.
 - 1972 TOYOTA PU good bet. running cond. 4 door, 1000 miles. Call 734-3451 even, or 735-5684 ext 2148 days, UFF.
 - 1980 Toyota pickup, 3 spd, long bed, \$250 or best offer. Phone 734-7203.
 - 1981 Ford F100, step-side, red & white, \$2000. Call 733-2118 or 733-7202.
 - 1981 VW diesel pickup, camper shell, bumper rack, AM/FM cassette, great mileage. \$1750. Call 734-5737.
 - 1982 Dodge Rampage sport truck, body by Winston, \$14,800 original miles. AC, AM/FM, custom shell. Like new condition. \$450. 734-6304 after 8pm.
- 137-Auto Dealers**

- 138-Pick-Up Trucks**
 - 1983 Chevrolet 1/2 ton, Scottsdale, automatic, 75,000, installed topower, \$5300. Call 733-8022.
 - 1983 510 Chevy pickup. See at 138-Import Sports Cars.
 - 70 Camaro. Exc. 42,500 actual miles, \$4250. 734-6559. Must see to appreciate.
 - See classified-a business and service directory for the help you need to get your home shinearea.
- 140-Heavy Trucks/Trailers**
 - Self-loading log truck & trailer. Cummins 180, 17,000 lb cap. (ribult) loader. All in exc. cond. All or parts. Call 422-6888.
 - Stock rack for Williamson or Knaphide, 20 foot bed. Call 855-4223.
 - 1983 Cummins truck, 3500 Gals. tank, self-loading, 4 door. Call 422-6888.
 - 1989 GMC, 2 ton, 5 x 2 V-8, 36,000 mi. w/wo 1700 gal fuel tank, pump & motor. After 8 pm 734-8458.
 - 1973 C-30 Chevrolet, 318 Hendrickson suspension, twin screw. Phone 438-6717.
 - 1979 Ford F350, 6 1/2' custom steel flatbed. New radiators, loaded. After 5pm 324-2093.
 - 33 Cummins, good condition, working - everyday, \$4000. Phone 734-5737.
 - 323 Cummins-Engines free crank. Exc. Cond. \$1200. Hendrickson Suspension 4-11 Rims w/tires & wheels. \$900. 13 speed trans. Recent rebuild. 1400. 422-6888.
- 142-Import Sports Cars**
 - A car for a lady. 1978 260Z, 5 spd, clean, sharp, good looks. \$4350. 870-8100.
 - Datsun 280 ZX, 27,000 miles, 1982, leather interior, turbo, loaded. After 5pm 324-2093.
 - Front Wheel Drive 1975 Fiat 4-dr, radiats, runs real good, \$650. Call 734-9131.
 - 1986 Ford V-8, low miles, C-8, stereo, run, exc. good condition. Call 734-5040.
 - MUST SELL! 1971 Super Beetle. VW, RW, anding, AM/FM, radial tires, maps, sun roof. \$1200. 438-5871.
 - MUST SELL! 1979 Maxima RX7, excellent condition, AM/FM case, \$4200 or best offer. Phone 422-5022.
 - SHARP 1982 Subaru, 4 x 4 wagon, automatic, cruise control, AM/FM cassette, electric windows, spare wheels, luggage rack. Phone 734-3110.
 - 1988 Mustang, good condition, \$1200. 1977 Honda Accord LX, \$950. 734-5871.
 - 1979 VW Jetta, good condition, \$1250. Call evenings 543-5287.
 - 1974 Fiat X19, good condition, 3700 or best offer, call 324-3007.
- 143-Import Sports Cars**
 - 1978 Honda SW good condition. \$700. Call 734-5200.
 - 1979 Honda Accord, 4 door, good condition, \$2400 or best offer. Call 422-7145.
 - 1979-81 -Mitsubishi- under 40,000 miles. \$78,3000 even.
 - 1981 Subaru FWD, 734-8430 or 735-7054. Car has been at 933 Washington St.
 - 1983 Honda Prelude, \$6500. Call 324-2536.
 - 1986 low mil Toyota Camry, asking \$3000 less current model. Call Tom 734-3451 or 735-5684 ext 149, UFF.
- 144-Wheel Drives**
 - 1986 1 ton crew cab, 4 wheel drive, Chevrolet, dually demo, 17,000 miles, will finance, 324-7292.
 - 300 hp 327 Jeep, 1958, 100 chrome rims, large tires, roll cage, \$2000. Would accept bids up to 1/4 in trade. Phone 837-4402.
 - 300 hp 327 Jeep, 1958, lift wheel, chrome rims, large tires, roll cage, \$2000. Would accept bids up to 1/4 in trade. Phone 837-4402.
 - '65 Blazer, \$11,000. 734-8180.
- 145-Antique Autos**
 - Antique & classic auto restorations. Quality work at reasonable prices. Call Dennis at 423-4541.
 - 1933 Dodge Brougham sedan, good restored original car, maroon and black, twin side mounts. 537-8002.
 - 1949 Chevy Fleetline Fastback, very restorable. 1966 Pontiac Catalina convertible, very clean. \$3000. Call 326-5288.
 - 1955 Thunderbird, black, excellent restored car, both tops, access, wire wheel covers. 537-8002.
- 152-Autos-Buick**
 - 1973 Buick Skylark, 3200. Phone 324-1140 evenings.
 - 1977 Riviera, loaded, everything works, 8 pass, 1000 miles, nearly new all season tires. 543-5546.
- 150-Autos-Chrysler**
 - 1977 Cordoba, 2nd owner, 56,000 actual miles, AC, tilt, P Seat, PW, beautiful condition. Call 734-7021.
 - 1984 Chrysler New Yorker, beautiful car, assume payments. 1982 Kit companion level trailer, 1/2 in, \$1500. Call 734-5242.
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NORTH-1-4-4
♦ K 6
♥ A K 6 5 4
♦ ♦ ♦
♣ K 6 3

WEST
♦ J 9 8 3
♥ 10 9 8 7
♦ Q
♣ 10 4 2

EAST
♦ Q 10
♥ Q 2
♦ K 10 9 6 5 3
♣ J 9 7

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North
The bidding:
North East South West
1♦ Pass 2♦ Pass
2♥ Pass 3NT Pass
3NT Pass Pass Pass
Opening lead: Club deuce

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North holds: 1-4-8
♦ Q 10
♥ Q 2
♦ K 10 9 6 5 3
♣ J 9 7

North South
1♦ 1♦
2NT ?
ANSWER: Three no-trump. No second choice. Slam should be beyond reach and the nine-trick game should be an easy one.

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